A reading from the Book of the Prophet Jeremiah

The word of the Lord came to me thus:

Before I formed you in the womb I knew you,
before you were born I dedicated you,
a prophet to the nations I appointed you.

"Ah, Lord God!" I said, "I know not how to speak;
I am too young."

But the Lord answered me, Say not, "I am too young."

To whomever I send you, you shall go,
whatever I command you, you shall speak.

Have no fear before them, because I am with you to deliver you,
says the Lord.

Then the Lord extended his hand and touched my mouth, saying, See, I place my words in your mouth!

This day I set you over nations and over kingdoms,

To root up and to tear down,

to destroy and to demolish, to build and to plant.

The Word of the Lord

Responsorial Psalm 128

Respond: Blessed are those who fear the Lord

Blessed are all who fear the Lord,
And walk in his ways!
By the labor of your hands you shall eat.
You will be blessed and prosper.

R: Blessed are those who fear the Lord

Your wife like a fruitful vine
In the heart of your house;
Your children like shoots of the olive
Around your table.

R: Blessed are those who fear the Lord

Indeed thus shall be blessed
The man who fears the Lord.
May the Lord bless you from Zion:
All the days of your life!
May you see your children's children.

R: Blessed are those who fear the Lord

Consecration Prayer

Heavenly Father,

I thank you for the gift of life

For creating me in your image and likeness

And for calling me to be your daughter through baptism.

Thank you for sending your Son Jesus to save me
And your Holy Spirit to sanctify me.
To that which in your goodness and love
you will for me, I say "yes,"
with your grace I commit myself
to serve my brothers and sisters all my life.

Mary, Mother of Jesus and our Mother,
I dedicate myself to you.
Since you are my model of faith,
Help me to continue learning from you what I need
To be a Christian woman.

Help me to hear the Word of God as you did, Holding it in my heart and loving others, So that, as I walk with Jesus in this life, I may worship Him with you in all eternity.

