

# TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Year B

## ENTRANCE HYMN

*All the earth proclaim the Lord,  
sing your praise to God.*

1. Serve you the Lord, heart filled with gladness.  
Come into his presence, singing for joy.
2. Know that the Lord is our creator.  
Yes, he is our Father, we are his sons.
3. We are the sheep of his green pasture,  
for we are his people; he is our God.



## GLORIA

Glory to God in the highest,  
and on earth peace to people of good will.

We praise you, we bless you,  
we adore you, we glorify you,  
we give you thanks for your great glory,  
Lord God, heavenly King,  
O God, almighty Father.

Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,  
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,  
you take away the sins of the world:  
have mercy on us;  
you take away the sins of the world,  
receive our prayer;  
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:  
have mercy on us.

For you alone are the Holy One,  
You alone are the Lord,  
You alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,  
with the Holy Spirit,  
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

## FIRST READING

A reading from the book of Wisdom 2:12. 17-20  
*Let us condemn him to a shameful death.*

The godless say to themselves,

‘Let us lie in wait for the virtuous man, since he  
annoys us  
and opposes our way of life,  
reproaches us for our breaches of the law  
and accuses us of playing false to our upbringing.  
Let us see if what he says is true,  
let us observe what kind of end he himself will have.  
If the virtuous man is God’s son, God will take his  
part  
and rescue him from the clutches of his enemies.  
Let us test him with cruelty and with torture,  
and thus explore this gentleness of his  
and put his endurance to the proof.  
Let us condemn him to a shameful death  
since he will be looked after - we have his word for  
it.’

The word of the Lord.

## RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 53:3-6. 8. R] v. 6

### R. The Lord upholds my life.

1. O God, save me by your name;  
by your power, uphold my cause.  
God, hear my prayer;  
listen to the words of my mouth. (R.)
2. For proud men have risen against me,  
ruthless men seek my life.  
They have no regard for God. (R.)
3. But I have God for my help.  
The Lord upholds my life.  
I will sacrifice to you with willing heart  
and praise your name for it is good. (R.)

## SECOND READING

A reading from the letter of St. James 3:16 - 4:3  
*Peacemakers, when they work for peace, sow the seeds which  
will bear fruit in holiness.*

Wherever you find jealousy and ambition, you find  
disharmony, and wicked things of every kind being done;  
whereas the wisdom that comes down from above is  
essentially something pure; it also makes for peace, and  
is kindly and considerate; it is full of compassion and  
shows itself by doing good; nor is there any trace of  
partiality or hypocrisy in it. Peacemakers, when they  
work for peace, sow the seeds which will bear fruit in  
holiness.

Where do these wars and battles between  
yourselves first start? Isn't it precisely in the desires  
fighting inside your own selves? You want something  
and you haven't got it; so you are prepared to kill. You  
have an ambition that you cannot satisfy; so you fight to  
get your way by force. Why you don't have what you  
want is because you don't pray for it; when you do pray  
and don't get it, it is because you have not prayed  
properly, you have prayed for something to indulge your  
own desires.

The word of the Lord.

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia! Jn 8:12  
I am the light of the world, says the Lord,  
anyone who follows me  
will have the light of life.  
Alleluia!

Or

Alleluia, alleluia! Cf. 2Thess 2:14  
Through the Good News God called us  
to share the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ.  
Alleluia!

