

THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Year A

ENTRANCE HYMN

*Sing a new song unto the Lord,
let your song be sung from mountains high.
Sing a new song unto the Lord,
singing alleluia.*

1. God's people dance for joy,
oh come before the Lord
and play for him on glad tambourines,
and let your trumpet sound.
2. Rise, O children, from your sleep,
your Saviour now has come,
and he has turned your sorrow to joy,
and filled your soul with song.



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 prophet Isaiah 8:23 - 9:3
In Galilee of the nations the people has seen a great light.

In days past the Lord humbled the land of Zebulun and
the land of Naphtali, but in days to come he will confer
glory on the Way of the Sea on the far side of Jordan,
province of the nations.

The people that walked in darkness
had seen a great light;
on those who live in a land of deep shadow
a light has shone.
You have made their gladness greater,
you have made their joy increase;
they rejoice in your presence
as men rejoice at harvest time,
as men are happy when they are dividing the spoils.

For the yoke that was weighing on him,
the bar across his shoulders,
the rod of his oppressor,
these you break as on the day of Midian.

The word of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM Ps 26:1.4.13-14. R) v.1

R. The Lord is my light and my help.

1. The Lord is my light and my help;
whom shall I fear?
The Lord is the stronghold of my life;
before whom shall I shrink? (R.)
2. There is one thing I ask of the Lord,
for this I long,
to live in the house of the Lord,
all the days of my life,
to savor the sweetness of the Lord,
to behold his temple. (R.)
3. I am sure I shall see the Lord's goodness
in the land of the living.
Hope in him, hold firm and take heart.
Hope in the Lord! (R.)

SECOND READING

A reading from the first letter of St. Paul to the
Corinthians 1:10-13, 17
*Make up the differences between you instead of
disagreeing among yourselves.*

I appeal to you, brothers, for the sake of our Lord Jesus
Christ, to make up the differences between you, and
instead of disagreeing among yourselves, to be united
again in your belief and practice. From what Chloe's
people have been telling me, my dear brothers, it is clear
that there are serious differences among you. What I
mean are all these slogans that you have, like: 'I am for
Paul,' 'I am for Apollos,' 'I am for Cephas,' 'I am for
Christ.' Has Christ been parcelled out? Was it Paul that
was crucified for you? Were you baptised in the name of
Paul?

For Christ did not send me to baptise, but to preach
the Good News, and not to preach that in the terms of
philosophy in which the crucifixion of Christ cannot be
expressed.

The word of the Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Mt 4:23

Alleluia, alleluia!

GOSPEL

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew
4:12-23
*He went and settled in Capernaum: in this way the
prophecy of Isaiah was to be fulfilled.*

* Hearing that John had been arrested Jesus went back
to Galilee, and leaving Nazareth he went and settled in
Capernaum, a lakeside town on the borders of Zebulun
and Naphtali. In this way the prophecy of Isaiah was to
be fulfilled:

Land of Zebulun! Land of Naphtali!
Way of the sea on the far side of Jordan,
Galilee of the nations!
The people that lived in darkness
has seen a great light;
on those who dwell in the land and shadow of death
a light has dawned.

From that moment Jesus began his preaching with the
message, 'Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is close at
hand.' *

