

# FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Year C

## 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 Acts of the Apostles 14:21-27  
*They gave an account to the church of all that God had done with them.*

Paul and Barnabas went back through Lystra and Iconium to Antioch. They put fresh heart into the disciples, encouraging them to persevere in the faith. 'We all have to experience many hardships' they said 'before we enter the kingdom of God.' In each of these churches they appointed elders, and with prayer and fasting they commended them to the Lord in whom they had come to believe.

They passed through Pisidia and reached Pamphylia. Then after proclaiming the word at Perga they went down to Attalia and from there sailed for Antioch, where they had originally been commended to the grace of God for the work they had now completed.



On their arrival they assembled the church and gave an account of all that God had done with them, and how he had opened the door of faith to the pagans.

The word of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM Ps 144 : 8-13. R) cf. v.1

R. **I will bless your name for ever, O God my King.**

1. The Lord is kind and full of compassion,  
slow to anger, abounding in love.  
How good is the Lord to all,  
compassionate to all his creatures. (R.)
2. All your creatures shall thank you, O Lord,  
and your friends shall repeat their blessing.  
They shall speak of the glory of your reign  
and declare your might, O God,  
to make known to men your mighty deeds  
and the glorious splendour of your reign. (R.)
3. Yours is an everlasting kingdom;  
your rule lasts from age to age. (R.)

## SECOND READING

A reading from the book of the Apocalypse 21:1-5  
*God will wipe away all tears from their eyes.*

I, John, saw a new heaven and a new earth; the first heaven and the first earth had disappeared now, and there was no longer any sea. I saw the holy city, and the new Jerusalem, coming down from God out of heaven, as beautiful as a bride all dressed for her husband. Then I heard a loud voice call from the throne, 'You see this city? Here God lives among men. He will make his home among them; they shall be his people, and he will be their God; his name is God-with-them. He will wipe away all tears from their eyes; there will be no more death, and no more mourning or sadness. The world of the past has gone.'

Then the One sitting on the throne spoke: 'Now I am making the whole of creation new'.

The word of the Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Jn 13:34

Alleluia, alleluia!

## GOSPEL

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John 13:31-35

*I give you a new commandment: love one another.*

When Judas had gone Jesus said:

'Now has the Son of Man been glorified,  
and in him God has been glorified.  
If God has been glorified in him,  
God will in turn glorify him in himself,  
and will glorify him very soon.  
My little children,

