

FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Year B

ENTRANCE HYMN

1. Come, praise the Lord, the almighty,
the King of all nations!
Tell forth his fame, O ye peoples,
with loud acclamations!
His love is sure;
faithful his word shall endure,
steadfast through all generations!
2. Come praise the Lord, and now offer
your gifts at his altar;
let not your sins and transgressions
now cause you to falter.
Christ, the High Priest,
bids all to join in his feast;
victims with him on the altar.
3. Praise to the Father most gracious,
the Lord of creation!
Praise to his Son, the Redeemer
who wrought our salvation!
O heav'nly Dove,
Praise to thee, fruit of their Love.
Giver of all consolation!

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 Deuteronomy 18:15-20
I will raise up a prophet and I will put my words into his mouth.

Moses said to the people: 'Your God will raise up for you a prophet like myself, from among yourselves, from your own brothers; to him you must listen. This is what you yourselves asked of the Lord your God at Horeb on the day of the Assembly. "Do not let me hear again" you said "the voice of the Lord my God, nor look any longer on this great fire, or I shall die"; and the Lord said to me, "All they have spoken is well said. I will raise up a prophet like yourself for them from their own brothers; I will put my words into his mouth and he shall tell them all I command him. The man who does not listen to my words that he speaks in my name, shall be held answerable to me for it. But the prophet who presumes to say in my name a thing I have not commanded him to say, or who speaks in the name of other gods, that prophet shall die." ' The word of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 94:1-2.6-9 R) v.9

**R. O that today you would listen to his voice!
Harden not your hearts.**

1. Come, ring out our joy to the Lord;
hail the rock who saves us.
Let us come before him, giving thanks,
with songs let us hail the Lord. (R.)
2. Come in; let us kneel and bend low;
let us kneel before the God who made us
for he is our God and we
the people who belong to his pasture,
the flock that is led by his hand. (R.)
3. O that today you would listen to his voice!
'Harden not your hearts as at Meribah,
as on that day at Massah in the desert
when your fathers put me to the test;
when they tried me, though they saw my work.' (R.)

SECOND READING

A reading from the first letter of St. Paul
to the Corinthians

7:32-35

An unmarried woman can devote herself to the Lord's affairs, all she need worry about is being holy.

I would like to see you free from all worry. An unmarried man can devote himself to the Lord's affairs, all he need worry about is pleasing the Lord; but a married man has to bother about the world's affairs and devote himself to pleasing his wife: he is torn two ways. In the same way an unmarried woman, like a young girl, can devote herself to the Lord's affairs; all she need worry about is being holy in body and spirit. The married woman, on the other hand, has to worry about the world's affairs and devote herself to pleasing her husband. I say this only to help you, not to put a halter round your necks, but simply to make sure that everything is as it should be, and that you give your undivided attention to the Lord. The word of the Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Mt 4:16

Alleluia, alleluia! 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. *Alleluia.*

GOSPEL

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark 1:21-28
He taught them with authority.

Jesus and his followers went as far as Capernaum, and as soon as the sabbath came Jesus went to the synagogue and began to teach. And his teaching made a deep impression on them because, unlike the scribes, he taught them with authority. In their synagogue just then there was a man possessed by an unclean spirit, and it shouted, 'What do you want with us, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us? I know who you are: the Holy One of God.' But Jesus said sharply, 'Be quiet! Come out of him!' And the unclean spirit threw the man into convulsions and with a loud cry went out of him. The people were so astonished that they started asking each other what it all meant. 'Here is a teaching that is new' they said 'and with authority behind it: he gives orders even to unclean spirits and they obey him.' And his reputation rapidly spread everywhere, through all the surrounding Galilean countryside. The Gospel of the Lord.

NICENE CREED

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible. I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven; (*All bow*) and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

OFFERTORY HYMN

1. See us, Lord, about your altar,
Tho' so many we are one;
Many souls by love united
In the heart of Christ, your Son.
2. Hear our prayers, O loving Father,
Hear in them your Son, our Lord;
Hear him speak our love and worship
As we sing with one accord.
3. Once were seen the blood and water:
Now is seen but bread and wine;
Once in human form he suffered,
Now his form is but a sign.
4. Hear us yet: so much is needful
In our frail, disordered life;
Stay with us and tend our weakness
Till that day of no more strife.
5. Members of his Mystic Body,
Now we know our prayer is heard,
Heard by you because your children
Have received th'eternal Word.

COMMUNION HYMNS

1. Be still for the presence of the Lord | The Holy One is here | Come bow before him now | In reverence and fear | In Him no sin is found | We stand on Holy ground | Be still for the presence of the Lord | The Holy One is here.
2. Be still for the glory of the Lord | Is shining all around | He burns with Holy fire | With splendor He is crowned | How awesome is the sight | Our radiant King of light | Be still for the glory of the Lord | Is shining all around.
3. Be still for the power of the Lord | Is moving in this place | He comes to cleanse and heal | To minister His grace | No work too hard for Him | In faith receive from Him | Be still for the power of the Lord | Is moving in this place.

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1. God has spoken by his prophets,  
spoken his unchanging Word;  
each from age to age proclaiming  
God the one, the righteous Lord!  
In the world's despair and turmoil  
one firm anchor still holds fast,  
God is on his throne eternal,  
he alone the first and last.
2. God has spoken by Christ Jesus,  
Christ the everlasting Son,  
brightness of the Father's glory,  
with the Father, ever one:  
spoken by the Word incarnate,  
God, before all time began,  
light of light, to Earth descending,  
Man, revealing God to man.
3. God is speaking by his Spirit  
speaking to the hearts of men;  
in the age-long Word declaring  
God's own message, now as then.  
Through the rise and fall of nations  
one sure faith is standing fast:  
God abides, his Word unchanging,  
God the first and God the last.

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1. Word of God, renew your people,
make us now your living sign.
Recreate us for your purpose
in this place and in this time.
2. Word of hope and word of healing, make us ...
3. Word of peace and word of justice, make us ...
4. Word of truth and word of wisdom, make us ...
5. Word of grace and word of power, make us
6. Word of love and word of comfort, make us ...
7. Risen Saviour, with us always, make us ...
8. Holy Spirit, raise your people, make us

RECESSIONAL (tune: Hail th'Arabian saints)

1. Let us marvel at the story
Of the martyrs, sacrificed,
As like Arethas, we glory
In the cross of Jesus Christ.
2. Young and old, with faith unyielding,
Victors over fire and sword,
Banners flying, courage wielding,
Ran to grasp their high reward.
3. May the church, destroyed by burning,
Killing all who stood inside,
Rise anew, a vine returning,
Pruned and fed and sanctified.
4. On their shining witness founded,
In the strength of martyrs' blood,
Let the faith which then abounded
Fill us like a mighty flood.
5. May th'Arabian martyrs praying,
Be a wall to save this land.
As they spent their lives obeying
Let us follow Your command.