

the new has come.
This is the Word of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 62: 2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9

R. My soul is thirsting for thee,
O Lord my God.

O God, thou art my God : early will I seek thee.
My soul thirsteth for thee,
my flesh also longeth after thee
in a barren and dry land where no water is. R.

Thus have I looked for thee in holiness,
that I might behold thy power and glory.
For thy loving-kindness
is better than the life itself :
my lips shall praise thee. R.

As long as I live
will I magnify thee on this manner
and lift up my hands in thy Name.
My soul shall be satisfied,
even as it were with marrow and fatness :
when my mouth praiseth thee with joyful lips. R.

Because thou hast been my helper,
therefore under the shadow of thy wings
will I rejoice.

My soul hangeth upon thee;
thy right hand hath upholden me. R.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Psalm 45:11

Hearken, O daughter, and consider; incline
thine ear; so shall the King have pleasure in
thy beauty. Alleluia, alleluia. Speak, Mary,
declaring what thou sawest wayfaring. The
tomb of Christ, who is living; the glory of
Jesus' resurrection Alleluia.

GOSPEL READING

John 20:11-18

The Continuation of the Holy Gospel accord-
ing to John.

R. Glory be to thee, O Lord.

Mary stood weeping outside the tomb, and as
she wept she stooped to look into the tomb;
and she saw two angels in white, sitting
where the body of Jesus had lain, one at the
head and one at the feet. They said to her,
"Woman, why are you weeping?" She said

to them, "Because they have taken away my
Lord, and I do not know where they have laid
him." Saying this, she turned round and saw
Jesus standing, but she did not know that it
was Jesus. Jesus said to her, "Woman, why
are you weeping? Whom do you seek?"
Supposing him to be the gardener, she said
to him, "Sir, if you have carried him away,
tell me where you have laid him, and I will
take him away." Jesus said to her, "Mary."
She turned and said to him in Hebrew, "Rab-
boni!" (which means Teacher). Jesus said
to her, "Do not hold me, for I have not yet
ascended to the Father; but go to my breth-
ren and say to them, I am ascending to my
Father and your Father, to my God and your
God." Mary Magdalene went and said to the
disciples, "I have seen the Lord"; and she
told them that he had said these things to her.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

Psalm 63:1,4

O God, thou art my God, early will I seek thee,
and lift up my hands in thy Name.

PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

May our offerings, we pray, O Lord, be made
acceptable in thy sight by the intercession of
blessed Mary Magdalene, whose service and
homage thine only begotten Son was graciously
pleased to accept; through the same Jesus Christ
our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee in
the unity of the same Holy Spirit, one God,
world without end. Amen.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

2 Corinthians 5:14,15

The love of Christ constraineth us, that we
should not henceforth live unto ourselves, but
unto him which died for us and rose again.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Having received the precious Body and Blood
of thy Son, the only saving remedy for our
souls, we beseech thee, O Lord, that by the
intercession of blessed Mary Magdalene, we
may be delivered from all evils; through the
same Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and
reigneth with thee in the unity of the Holy
Ghost, one God, world without end. Amen.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.
All: Praise to thee, O Christ.

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

John 11:25

I am the resurrection and the life, saith
the Lord: he that believeth in me, though
he were dead, yet shall he live: and
whosoever liveth and believeth in me
shall never die.

[or

O Lord Jesus Christ, King of glory, deliver
the souls of all the faithful departed from
the pains of hell and from the depths of
the pit: deliver them from the lion's mouth
that hell devour them not, that they fall not
into darkness: but let the standard-bearer,
Saint Michael, bring them into the holy
light: which of old thou didst promise
unto Abraham and his seed. We offer
unto thee, O Lord, sacrifices of prayer
and praise: do thou receive them for the
souls of those whose memory we this day
recall: make them, O Lord, to pass from
death unto life. Which of old thou didst
promise unto Abraham and his seed.]

OFFERTORY HYMN

Christ enthroned in highest heaven,
Hear us, crying from the deep
For the faithful ones departed,
For the souls of all that sleep;
As thy kneeling Church entreateth,
Hearken, Shepherd of the sheep.

King of glory, hear our voices,
Grant the faithful rest, we pray;
We have sinned and may not bide it,
If thou mark our steps astray,
Yet we plead that saving Victim,
Which for them we bring today.

That which thou thyself hast offered
To thy Father, offer we:
By thy sacrifice, O Jesu,
From sin's burden set them free;
Hear us, loving friend of sinners,
Merciful and gracious be.

They are thine, O take them to thee;
Thou their hope, O raise them high;
In thy mercy ever trusting,
Confident we make our cry
That the souls which thou hast purchased
May unto thy heart be nigh.

Let thy plenteous loving-kindness
On them evermore be poured;
Let them through thy boundless mercy
Be to boundless life restored,
And within thy Father's mansions
Give to each a place, O Lord.

Where the saints, thy throne surrounding,
Join in the angelic song,
Where thy Mother, raised in glory,
Leads the great redeemed throng,
Grant that we, with souls departed,
May through grace at length belong.

PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

We beseech thee, O Lord, favourably
to assist our prayers for the souls of thy
servants and handmaids for whom we
offer unto thee this sacrifice of praise;
that it may be profitable for their heal-
ing in eternity. Through Jesus Christ our
Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee
in the unity of the Holy Ghost, one God,
world without end. Amen.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

2 Esdras 2:35

May everlasting light shine upon them,
O Lord with thy saints for evermore, for
thou art gracious. Rest eternal grant unto
them, O Lord, and let light perpetual
shine upon them with thy saints for
evermore, for thou art gracious.

KONTAKION OF THE DEPARTED

If there is a choir, the Russian Kon-
takion of the Departed may be sung
as the people begin to receive Holy
Communion.

Give rest, O Christ, to thy servants with thy saints: Where sorrow and pain are no more, neither sighing, but life everlasting.

Thou only art immortal, the creator and maker of mankind; and we are mortal, formed of the earth, and unto earth shall we return. For so thou didst ordain when thou createdst me, saying, Dust thou art, and unto dust shalt thou return. All we go down to the dust; yet even at the grave we make our song: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Give rest, O Christ, to thy servants with thy saints: Where sorrow and pain are no more, neither sighing, but life everlasting.

COMMUNION HYMN

Jesu, Son of Mary,
Fount of life alone,
Here we hail thee present
On thine Altar-throne.
Humbly we adore thee,
Lord of endless might,
In the mystic symbols
Veiled from earthly sight.

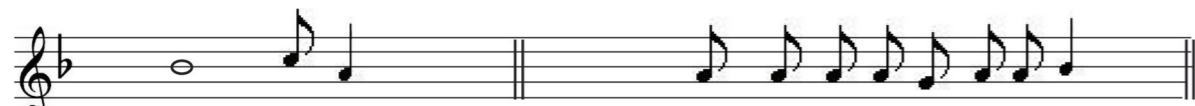
Think, O Lord, in mercy
On the souls of those
Who, in faith gone from us,
Now in death repose.
Here 'mid stress and conflict
Toils can never cease;

LITANY OF THE DEPARTED

This litany is sung in procession around the church, the people kneeling.



v. Lord, have mercy.	R. Lord, have mercy.
v. Christ, have mercy.	R. Christ, have mercy.
v. Lord, have mercy.	R. Lord, have mercy.



v. God the Father,	R. Have mercy on the departed.
v. God the Son,	
v. God the Holy Spirit,	
v. Holy Trinity, one God,	

There, the warfare ended,
Bid them rest in peace.

Often they were wounded
In the deadly strife,
Heal them, good Physician,
With the balm of life.
Every taint of evil,
Frailty and decay,
Good and gracious Saviour,
Cleanse and purge away.

Rest eternal grant them,
After weary fight:
Shed on them the radiance
Of thy heavenly light.
Lead them onward, upward,
To the holy place,
Where thy Saints made perfect
Gaze upon thy face.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Grant, we beseech thee, almighty and merciful God: that this sacrifice may bring peace and forgiveness to our brothers and sisters departed this life. Through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee in the unity of the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end. Amen.

GOSPEL

Matthew 10:26-32

The Continuation of the Holy Gospel according to Matthew.

At that time: Jesus said to his disciples: nothing is covered that will not be revealed, or hidden that will not be known. What I tell you in the dark, utter in the light; and what you hear whispered, proclaim upon the housetops. And do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul; rather fear him who can destroy both soul and body in hell. Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? And not one of them will fall to the ground without your Father's will. But even the hairs of your head are all numbered. Fear not, therefore; you are of more value than many sparrows. So every one who acknowledges me before men, I also will acknowledge before my Father who is in heaven.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

Wisdom of Solomon 3:2

In the sight of the unwise he seemed to die and his departure was taken for misery; but he is in peace.

PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

Mercifully regard, we beseech thee, Almighty God, this our atoning sacrifice, and give ear to the prayer of the blessed King Charles thy Martyr; graciously receive it in propitiation for the sins of this thine household. Through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee in the unity of the same Holy Spirit, one God, world without end. Amen.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Psalm 2:2

The people stood up, and the rulers took counsel together: against the Lord, and against his Anointed.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

May the Bread of heaven imbue us, O Lord, with the spirit of fortitude; for this was the Bread which gave blessed King Charles thy Martyr strength to fight victoriously for thy Church. Through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee in the unity of the same Holy Spirit, one God, world without end. Amen.



St Mary Magdalene

22nd July

INTROIT

John 20:17, Psalm 27:1

The Lord saith to Mary Magdalene: Go to my brethren, and say unto them, I ascend unto my Father and your Father, and to my God and your God. Ps. The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom then shall I fear? Glory be.

COLLECT

O Almighty God, whose blessed Son did call and sanctify Mary Magdalene to be a witness to his resurrection: Mercifully grant that by thy grace we may be healed of all our infirmities, and always serve thee in the power of his endless life, who with thee and the Holy Ghost liveth and reigneth one God, world without end. Amen.

FIRST READING

2 Corinthians 5:14-17

A reading from the second letter of Paul to the Corinthians.

The love of Christ controls us, because we are convinced that one has died for all; therefore all have died. And he died for all, that those who live might live no longer for themselves but for him who for their sake died and was raised.

From now on, therefore, we regard no one from a human point of view; even though we once regarded Christ from a human point of view, we regard him thus no longer. Therefore, if any one is in Christ, he is a new creation; the old has passed away, behold,

COLLECT

O God, who by the victory of martyrdom didst exalt thy Servant Charles from his earthly principality to thy kingdom in heaven; grant that we may always enjoy the effectual defence of his prayers, and live in thy peace all the days of our life; Through the same Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end. Amen.

FIRST READING

Hebrews 11:32 - 12:2

Areading from the Letter to the Hebrews. What more shall I say? For time would fail me to tell of Gideon, Barak, Samson, Jephthah, of David and Samuel and the prophets, who through faith conquered kingdoms, enforced justice, received promises, stopped the mouths of lions, quenched raging fire, escaped the edge of the sword, won strength out of weakness, became mighty in war, put foreign armies to flight. Women received their dead by resurrection.

Some were tortured, refusing to accept release, that they might rise again to a better life. Others suffered mocking and scourging, and even chains and imprisonment. They were stoned, they were sawn in two, they were killed with the sword; they went about in skins of sheep and goats, destitute, afflicted, ill-treated - of whom the world was not worthy - wandering over deserts and mountains, and in dens and caves of the earth. And all these, though well attested by their faith, did not receive what was promised, since God had foreseen something better for us, that apart from us they should not be made perfect.

Therefore, since we are surrounded

by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight, and sin which clings so closely, and let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus the pioneer and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is seated at the right hand of the throne of God.

This is the word of the Lord.

THE RESPONSORIAL PSALM

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R: Our soul is escaped even as a bird, out of the snare of the fowler.

If the Lord himself had not been on our side,
when men rose up against us;
They had swallowed us up quick :
when they were so wrathfully displeased at us. **R.**

Yea, the waters had drowned us :
and the stream had gone over our soul.
The deep waters of the proud :
had gone even over our soul. **R.**

Our soul is escaped even as a bird out of the snare of the fowler :
the snare is broken,
and we are delivered .
Our help standeth in the Name of the Lord:
who hath made heaven and earth. **R.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Psalm 89:20-22; James 1:12

I have found David my servant : with my holy oil have I anointed him. My hand shall hold him fast; and mine arm shall strengthen him. The enemy shall not be able to do him violence : the son of wickedness shall not hurt him. Alleluia, alleluia. Blessed is the man that endureth temptation : for when he is tried, he shall receive a crown of life. Alleluia.



- v. Holy Mary, Mother of *God*
- v. Holy Angels of *God*,
- v. Holy Patriarchs and *Prophets*,
- v. Holy Apostles and *Evangelists*,
- v. Holy *Martyrs*,
- v. Holy Bishops and *Confessors*,
- v. Holy *Doctors*,
- v. Holy *Virgins*,
- v. All holy Saints of *God*,

R. Pray for the departed.



- v. O Lord, remember not the sins of thy servants departed this life; spare them O Lord; spare thy people whom thou hast redeemed with thy precious *blood*,



- v. From all *evil*,
- v. From the valley of the shadow of *death*,
- v. By thy holy *birth*,
- v. By the life thou hast lived among us,
- v. By thy fasting and *temptation*,
- v. By thy suffering and *death*,
- v. By thy glorious resurrection and *ascension*,
- v. By the coming of the Holy *Spirit*,

R. Save them, O Lord.



- v. We pray for our departed parents, loved ones and *friends*,
- v. We pray for those departed who are forgotten on *earth*,
- v. We pray that all who rest in Christ may have refreshment, light and *peace*,
- v. Through the prayers of thy Church and the offering of the Holy Sacrifice may they come to everlasting *joy*,

R. Hear us, O Lord.



- v. May every tear be wiped away
from their *eyes*,
- v. May the vision of Jesus strengthen them,
and the glorious light of his cross
shine *upon* them,
- v. May thy holy angels bring them safely
to heaven, and the glorious Queen of
Saints present them before thy *throne*,

Priest: Let us pray. O God, whose mercies cannot be numbered: Accept our prayers for our brothers and sisters departed this life and grant them light, joy and peace in the fellowship of blessed Mary and all thy saints; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee in the unity of the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end. Amen.

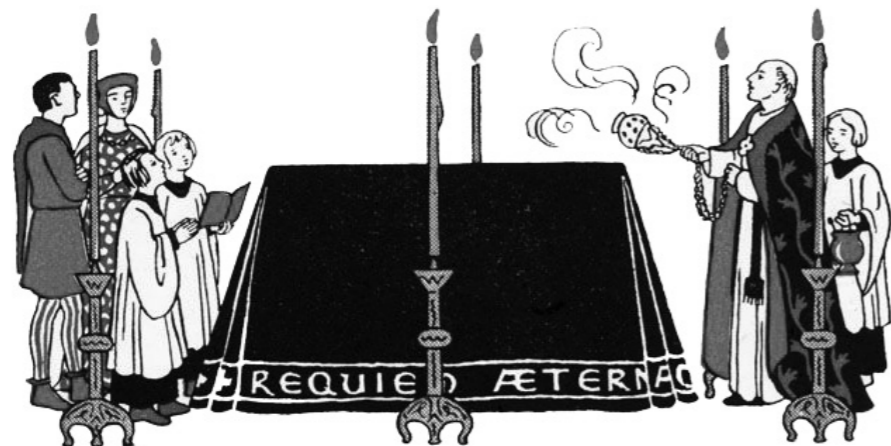
(Said:)

- v. Rest eternal grant unto them, O Lord.
R. And let light perpetual shine upon them.

The people **STAND**

All sing:

May flights of angels lead you on your way
To paradise and heaven's eternal day;
May martyrs greet you after death's dark night,
And bid you enter into Sion's light;
May choirs of angels sing you to your rest
With once poor Laz'rus, now for ever blest!



GOSPEL READING

Mark 16:15-18

The Continuation of the Holy Gospel according to Mark.

R. Glory be to thee, O Lord.

At that time: Appearing to the Eleven, Jesus said to them, "Go into all the world and preach the gospel to the whole creation. He who believes and is baptized will be saved; but he who does not believe will be condemned.

And these signs will accompany those who believe: in my name they will cast out demons; they will speak in new tongues; they will pick up serpents, and if they drink any deadly thing, it will not hurt them; they will lay their hands on the sick, and they will recover."

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

Psalm 19:4

Their sound has gone out into all lands,
and their words into the ends of the world.

PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

Sanctify, O Lord, by the prayers of thine Apostle Paul, the gifts of thy people : and that the favour which thou shewest upon them that observe the institution of thine ordinance, may be increased by the effectual help of his advocacy. Through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee in the unity of the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end. Amen.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Galatians 2:20

I live by the faith of the Son of God,
who loved me, and gave himself for me.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

O Lord, who hast sanctified us with this

saving mystery : grant, we beseech thee; that he whom thou hast given to guide us by his patronage, may ever intercede for us. Through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee in the unity of the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. Amen.



Charles Stuart, King & Martyr

30th January



INTROIT

Psalm 33:1

Let us rejoice in the Lord, celebrating a festival day in honour of blessed Charles the Martyr : at whose passion the Angels rejoice and praise the Son of God. **Ps.** Rejoice in the Lord, O ye righteous : for it becometh well the just to be thankful. Glory be.

see nothing; so they led him by the hand and brought him into Damascus. And for three days he was without sight, and neither ate nor drank.

Now there was a disciple at Damascus named Ananias. The Lord said to him in a vision, "Ananias." And he said, "Here I am, Lord."

And the Lord said to him, "Rise and go to the street called Straight, and inquire in the house of Judas for a man of Tarsus named Saul; for behold, he is praying, and he has seen a man named Ananias come in and lay his hands on him so that he might regain his sight."

But Ananias answered, "Lord, I have heard from many about this man, how much evil he has done to thy saints at Jerusalem; and here he has authority from the chief priests to bind all who call upon thy name."

But the Lord said to him, "Go, for he is a chosen instrument of mine to carry my name before the Gentiles and kings and the sons of Israel; for I will show him how much he must suffer for the sake of my name."

So Ananias departed and entered the house. And laying his hands on him he said, "Brother Saul, the Lord Jesus who appeared to you on the road by which you came, has sent me that you may regain your sight and be filled with the Holy Spirit." And immediately something like scales fell from his eyes and he regained his sight. Then he rose and was baptized, and took food and was strengthened.

For several days he was with the disciples at Damascus. And in the synagogues immediately he proclaimed Jesus, saying, "He is the Son of God." And all who heard him were amazed, and said, "Is not this the man who made havoc in Jerusalem of those who called on this name? And he has come here for

this purpose, to bring them bound before the chief priests." But Saul increased all the more in strength, and confounded the Jews who lived in Damascus by proving that Jesus was the Christ.

This is the Word of the Lord.

THE RESPONSORIAL PSALM

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R: Go into all the world
and preach the Gospel.

O praise the Lord, all ye people :
praise him all ye nations. **R.**

For his merciful kindness is ever more
and more towards us :
and the truth of the Lord
endureth for ever.
Praise the Lord. **R.**

SECOND READING

1 Cor 7:29-31

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

Brethren: The appointed time has grown very short; from now on, let those who have wives live as though they had none, and those who mourn as though they were not mourning, and those who rejoice as though they were not rejoicing, and those who buy as though they had no goods, and those who deal with the world as though they had no dealings with it. For the form of this world is passing away.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

1 Corinthians 15:10; John 15:16

The grace of God which was bestowed upon me was not in vain : but his grace ever abideth in me. Alleluia, alleluia. I chose you from the world that you should go and bear fruit : and that your fruit should abide, saith the Lord. Alleluia.

Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary

8th December



INTROIT

Isaiah 61:10; Psalm 30:1

I will greatly rejoice in the Lord; my soul shall be joyful in my God: for he hath clothed me with the garments of salvation: he hath covered me with the robe of justice, as a bride adorneth herself with her jewels. **Ps.** I will magnify thee, O Lord, for thou hast set me up: and not made my foes to triumph over me. Glory be.

COLLECT

O God, who through the immaculate Conception of the Virgin didst prepare an habitation meet for thy Son: we beseech thee; that as thou, foreseeing the death of the same thy Son, didst preserve her from all stain, so by her intercession thou wouldest suffer us also to attain in purity to thee. Through the same Jesus Christ thy Son, who liveth and reigneth with thee in the unity of the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end. Amen.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Judith 13:18; 15:9; Song of Sol 4:7

Blessed art thou, O Virgin Mary, of the Most High God, above all women upon the earth. Thou art the exaltation of Jerusalem, thou art the great glory of Israel, thou art the great rejoicing of our nation. Alleluia, alleluia. Thou art all fair, O Mary; there is no spot of sin in thee. Alleluia.

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

Cf. Luke 1:28,42

Hail, Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with

thee; blessed art thou among women, alleluia.

PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

Receive, O Lord, this saving victim which we offer unto thee on the solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary; and grant that as we confess her through thy preventing grace to be free from all stain; so by her intercession we may be delivered from all our sins; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee in the unity of the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end. Amen.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Cf. Luke 1:48,49

Glorious things are spoken of thee, O Mary, for he that is mighty hath magnified thee.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

May this Sacrament which we have received, O Lord our God, heal us from the wounds of our sins by the intercession of the Blessed Virgin Mary; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end. Amen.

Votive Requiem Mass

INTROIT

Psalm 65

Rest eternal grant unto them, O Lord: and let light perpetual shine upon them. **Ps.** Thou, O God, art praised in Sion, and unto thee shall the vow be performed in Jerusalem: thou that hearest the prayer, unto thee shall all flesh come. Rest eternal grant unto them, O Lord: and let light perpetual shine upon them.

COLLECT

Almighty God, who dost govern all things in heaven and on earth: according to the favour which thou bearest unto thy people, grant that our *brother/ sister N.*, a sheep of thine own fold, a lamb of thine own flock, a sinner of thine own redeeming, may be blessed with everlasting light and peace, and come into the glorious fellowship of the saints in light : Through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee in the unity of the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. Amen.

FIRST READING

One of the following:

1

Wisdom 3:1-6, 9

A reading from the book of Wisdom.

The souls of the righteous are in the hand of God, and no torment will ever touch them. In the eyes of the foolish they seemed to have died, and their departure was thought to be an affliction, and their going from us to be their destruction; but they are at peace.

For though in the sight of men they were punished, their hope is full of im-

mortality. Having been disciplined a little, they will receive great good, because God tested them and found them worthy of himself; like gold in the furnace he tried them, and like a sacrificial burnt offering he accepted them. Those who trust in him will understand truth, and the faithful will abide with him in love, because grace and mercy are upon his elect.

This is the Word of the Lord.

2

Isaiah 25:6a,7-9

A reading from the book of the prophet Isaiah.

On this mountain the Lord of hosts will make for all peoples a feast of fat things, a feast of wine on the lees, of fat things full of marrow, of wine on the lees well refined. And he will destroy on this mountain the covering that is cast over all peoples, the veil that is spread over all nations. He will swallow up death for ever, and the Lord God will wipe away tears from all faces, and the reproach of his people he will take away from all the earth; for the Lord has spoken.

It will be said on that day, "Lo, this is our God; we have waited for him, that he might save us. This is the Lord; we have waited for him; let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation."

This is the Word of the Lord.

3

Lamentations 3:17-26

A reading from the book of Lamentations.

My soul is bereft of peace, I have forgotten what happiness is; so I say, "Gone is my glory, and my expectation from the Lord." Remember my affliction

APPENDIX: SOME OTHER MASSES OFTEN OBSERVED AS SOLEMNITIES IN THE ANGLICAN TRADITION

The Conversion of St Paul the Apostle

25th January



INTROIT

2 Timothy 1:12; Psalm 139:1-2

I know whom I have believed, and am persuaded that he is able to keep that which I have committed unto him against that day, a just Judge. **Ps.** O Lord, thou hast searched me out, and known me : thou knowest my down-sitting and mine uprising. Glory be.

COLLECT

O God, who, through the preaching of the blessed Apostle Saint Paul, hast caused the light of the Gospel to shine

throughout the world : grant, we beseech thee, that we, having his wonderful conversion in remembrance, may shew forth our thankfulness unto thee for the same, by following the holy doctrine which he taught. Through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee in the unity of the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. Amen.

FIRST READING

Acts 9:1-22

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

In those days: Saul, still breathing threats and murder against the disciples of the Lord, went to the high priest and asked him for letters to the synagogues at Damascus, so that if he found any belonging to the Way, men or women, he might bring them bound to Jerusalem.

Now as he journeyed he approached Damascus, and suddenly a light from heaven flashed about him. And he fell to the ground and heard a voice saying to him, "Saul, Saul, why do you persecute me?"

And he said, "Who are you, Lord?"

And he said, "I am Jesus, whom you are persecuting; but rise and enter the city, and you will be told what you are to do."

The men who were travelling with him stood speechless, hearing the voice but seeing no one.

Saul arose from the ground; and when his eyes were opened, he could

The Jews then disputed among themselves, saying, "How can this man give us his flesh to eat?"

So Jesus said to them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of man and drink his blood, you have no life in you; he who eats my flesh and drinks my blood has eternal life, and I will raise him up at the last day. For my flesh is food indeed, and my blood is drink indeed. He who eats my flesh and drinks my blood abides in me, and I in him. As the living Father sent me, and I live because of the Father, so he who eats me will live because of me. This is the bread which came down from heaven, not such as the fathers ate and died; he who eats this bread will live for ever."

This is the gospel of the Lord.

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

John 11:25

I am the resurrection and the life, saith the Lord: he that believeth in me, though he were dead, yet shall he live: and whosoever liveth and believeth in me shall never die.

PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

We beseech thee, O Lord, to have mercy on the soul of thy servant N. for whom we offer unto thee this sacrifice of our

redemption. Through Jesus Christ Our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end. Amen.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

The Russian Kontakion
of the Departed

Give rest, O Christ, to thy servants with thy saints: Where sorrow and pain are no more; neither sighing but life everlasting. Thou only art immortal, the creator and maker of man: And we are mortal formed from the dust of earth, And unto earth shall we return: for so thou didst ordain, When thou created me saying: "Dust thou art and unto dust shalt thou return." All we go down to the dust; And weeping o'er the grave we make our song: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. Give rest, O Christ, to thy servants with thy saints: Where sorrow and pain are no more; neither sighing but life everlasting.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Remember thy servant(s), O Lord, according to the favour which thou bearest unto thy people; and grant that, increasing in knowledge and love of thee, *he/she/they* may go from strength to strength in thy heavenly kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.



bitterness, the wormwood and the gall! My soul continually thinks of it and is bowed down within me. But this I call to mind, and therefore I have hope: The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases, his mercies never come to an end; they are new every morning; great is thy faithfulness. "The Lord is my portion," says my soul, "therefore I will hope in him." The Lord is good to those who wait for him, to the soul that seeks him. It is good that one should wait quietly for the salvation of the Lord.

This is the Word of the Lord.

4

Romans 8:14-23

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Romans.

All who are led by the Spirit of God are sons of God. For you did not receive the spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received the spirit of sonship. When we cry, "Abba! Father!" it is the Spirit himself bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and fellow heirs with Christ, provided we suffer with him in order that we may also be glorified with him.

I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory that is to be revealed to us. For the creation waits with eager longing for the revealing of the sons of God; for the creation was subjected to futility, not of its own will but by the will of him who subjected it in hope; because the creation itself will be set free from its bondage to decay and obtain the glorious liberty of the children of God. We know that the whole creation has been groaning in travail together until now; and not only the creation, but we

ourselves, who have the first fruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly as we wait for adoption as sons, the redemption of our bodies.

This is the Word of the Lord.

5

Romans 8:31b-35,37-39

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Romans.

If God is for us, who is against us? He who did not spare his own Son but gave him up for us all, will he not also give us all things with him? Who shall bring any charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies; who is to condemn? Is it Christ Jesus, who died, yes, who was raised from the dead, who is at the right hand of God, who indeed intercedes for us? Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword?

No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. For I am sure that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

This is the Word of the Lord.

6

1 Corinthians 15:51-57

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

Lo! I tell you a mystery. We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed, in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet. For the trumpet

will sound, and the dead will be raised imperishable, and we shall be changed. For this perishable nature must put on the imperishable, and this mortal nature must put on immortality. When the perishable puts on the imperishable, and the mortal puts on immortality, then shall come to pass the saying that is written: "Death is swallowed up in victory." "O death, where is thy victory? O death, where is thy sting?"

The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law. But thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

This is the Word of the Lord.

7

1 Thessalonians 4:13-18

A reading from the first letter of Paul to the Thessalonians.

We would not have you ignorant, brethren, concerning those who are asleep, that you may not grieve as others do who have no hope. For since we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so, through Jesus, God will bring with him those who have fallen asleep.

For this we declare to you by the word of the Lord, that we who are alive, who are left until the coming of the Lord, shall not precede those who have fallen asleep. For the Lord himself will descend from heaven with a cry of command, with the archangel's call, and with the sound of the trumpet of God. And the dead in Christ will rise first; then we who are alive, who are left, shall be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air; and so we shall always be with the Lord.

Therefore comfort one another with these words.

This is the Word of the Lord.

8

Revelation 21:1-5a, 6b-7

A reading from the book of Revelation.

I, John, saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. And I saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband; and I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, "Behold, the dwelling of God is with men. He will dwell with them, and they shall be his people, and God himself will be with them; he will wipe away every tear from their eyes, and death shall be no more, neither shall there be mourning nor crying nor pain any more, for the former things have passed away."

And he who sat upon the throne said, "Behold, I make all things new." "I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end. To the thirsty I will give from the fountain of the water of life without payment."

This is the Word of the Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

A: Job 19:25-27

Alleluia, alleluia. I know that my redeemer liveth, and that he shall stand at the latter day upon the earth: And though after my skin worms destroy this body, yet in my flesh shall I see God: Whom I shall see for myself, and mine eyes shall behold, and not another. Alleluia

or B: 2 Esdr. 2. & Ps. 112

Rest eternal grant unto them, O Lord: and let light perpetual shine upon them. The righteous shall be had in everlasting remembrance: he will not be afraid of

any evil tidings. Absolve, O Lord, the souls of all the faithful departed from every bond of sin. And by the help of thy grace may they be worthy to escape the avenging judgment. And enjoy the bliss of everlasting light.

GOSPEL READING

One of the following:

1

Matthew 5:1-12

A reading from the holy gospel according to Matthew.

Seeing the crowds, Jesus went up on the mountain, and when he sat down his disciples came to him. And he opened his mouth and taught them, saying:

"Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted. Blessed are the meek, for they shall inherit the earth. Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they shall be satisfied. Blessed are the merciful, for they shall obtain mercy. Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God. Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called children of God. Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are you when men revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven."

This is the gospel of the Lord.

2

Luke 24:13-16,28-35

A reading from the holy gospel according to Luke.

That very day [the first day of the

week] two of the disciples were going to a village named Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem, and talking with each other about all these things that had happened. While they were talking and discussing together, Jesus himself drew near and went with them. But their eyes were kept from recognising him.

So they drew near to the village to which they were going. He appeared to be going further, but they constrained him, saying, "Stay with us, for it is toward evening and the day is now far spent." So he went in to stay with them.

When he was at table with them, he took the bread and blessed, and broke it, and gave it to them. And their eyes were opened and they recognized him; and he vanished out of their sight. They said to each other, "Did not our hearts burn within us while he talked to us on the road, while he opened to us the scriptures?"

And they rose that same hour and returned to Jerusalem; and they found the eleven gathered together and those who were with them, who said, "The Lord has risen indeed, and has appeared to Simon!"

Then they told what had happened on the road, and how he was known to them in the breaking of the bread.

This is the gospel of the Lord.

3

John 6:51-58

A reading from the holy gospel according to John.

Jesus said to the crowds: "I am the living bread which came down from heaven; if any one eats of this bread, he will live for ever; and the bread which I shall give for the life of the world is my flesh."