

sign do you do, that we may see, and believe you? What work do you perform? Our fathers ate the manna in the wilderness; as it is written, 'He gave them bread from heaven to eat.'

Jesus then said to them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, it was not Moses who gave you the bread from heaven; my Father gives you the true bread from heaven. For the bread of God is that which comes down from heaven, and gives life to the world."

They said to him, "Lord, give us this bread always."

Jesus said to them, "I am the bread of life; he who comes to me shall not hunger, and he who believes in me shall never thirst."

This is the Gospel of the Lord.



The 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time B

THE FIRST READING

1 Kings 19:4-8

A reading from the first Book of Kings.

In those days: Elijah himself went a day's journey into the wilderness, and came and sat down under a broom tree; and he asked that he might die, saying, "It is enough; now, O Lord, take away my life; for I am no better than my fathers."

And he lay down and slept under a broom tree; and behold, an angel touched him, and said to him, "Arise and eat." And he looked, and behold, there was at his head a cake baked on hot stones, and a jar of water. And he

ate and drank, and lay down again.

And the angel of the Lord came again a second time, and touched him, and said, "Arise and eat, else the journey will be too great for you."

And he arose, and ate and drank, and went in the strength of that food forty days and forty nights to Horeb the mount of God.

This is the Word of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

34

R. O taste and see
how gracious the Lord is.

I will bless the Lord at all times,
his praise shall ever be in my mouth.
My soul shall make her boast in the Lord,
the humble shall hear thereof
and be glad. R.

O praise the Lord with me,
and let us magnify his Name together.
I sought the Lord, and he heard me:
yea, he delivered me out of all my fear. R.

The angel of the Lord is encamped
round about them that fear him,
and delivereth them.

O taste, and see,
how gracious the Lord is;
blessed is the man
that trusteth in him. R.

THE SECOND READING

Ephesians 4:30-5:2

A reading from the Letter of St Paul to the Ephesians.

Brethren: Do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, in whom you were sealed for the day of redemption.

Let all bitterness, and wrath, and anger, and clamour, and slander, be put away from you, with all malice, and

day.

No one sews a piece of unshrunk cloth on an old garment; if he does, the patch tears away from it, the new from the old, and a worse tear is made.

And no one puts new wine into old wineskins; if he does, the wine will burst the skins, and the wine is lost, and so are the skins; but new wine is for fresh skins."

This is the Gospel of the Lord.



The Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time B

THE FIRST READING

Deuteronomy 5:12-15

A reading from the Book of Deuteronomy.

Thus says the Lord: "Observe the sabbath day, to keep it holy, as the Lord your God commanded you. Six days you shall labour, and do all your work; but the seventh day is a sabbath to the Lord your God; in it you shall not do any work, you, or your son, or your daughter, or your manservant, or your maidservant, or your ox, or your donkey, or any of your cattle, or the sojourner who is within your gates, that your manservant and your maidservant may rest as well as you.

"You shall remember that you were a servant in the land of Egypt, and the Lord your God brought you out thence with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm; therefore the Lord your God commanded you to keep the sabbath day."

This is the Word of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

81

R. Sing with joy to God our help.

Take the psalm, bring hither the tabret,
the merry harp with the lute.
Blow up the trumpet in the new-moon:
even in the time appointed,
and upon our solemn feast-day. R.

A voice I knew not said to me:

"I eased thy shoulder from the burden,
and thy hands were delivered
from making the pots.
Thou calledst upon me in troubles,
and I delivered thee." R.

"There shall no strange god be in thee;
neither shalt thou worship
any other god.

I am the Lord thy God,
who brought thee out
of the land of Egypt." R.

THE SECOND READING

2 Corinthians 4:6-11

A reading from the second Letter of St Paul to the Corinthians.

Brethren: It is the God who said, "Let light shine out of darkness," who has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Christ.

But we have this treasure in earthen vessels, to show that the transcendent power belongs to God and not to us.

We are afflicted in every way, but not crushed; perplexed, but not driven to despair; persecuted, but not forsaken; struck down, but not destroyed; always carrying in the body the death of Jesus, so that the life of Jesus may also be manifested in our bodies.

For while we live we are always being given up to death for Jesus' sake,

so that the life of Jesus may be manifested in our mortal flesh.

This is the Word of the Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Psalm 55:23, 17a,18a,19a; Psalm 7:12

O cast thy burden upon the Lord: and he shall nourish thee. When I cried unto the Lord, he heard my voice: from the battle that was against me. Alleluia. Alleluia. God is a righteous judge, strong and patient: and God is provoked every day. Alleluia.

THE GOSPEL READING

Mark 2:23-28

The Continuation of the Holy Gospel according to Mark.

R. Glory be to thee, O Lord.

One sabbath the Lord was going through the grainfields; and as they made their way his disciples began to pluck heads of grain. And the Pharisees said to him, "Look, why are they doing what is not lawful on the sabbath?"

And he said to them, "Have you never read what David did, when he was in need and was hungry, he and those who were with him: how he entered the house of God, when Abiathar was high priest, and ate the showbread, which it is not lawful for any but the priests to eat, and also gave it to those who were with him?" And he said to them, "The sabbath was made for man, not man for the sabbath; so the Son of man is lord even of the sabbath."

This is the Gospel of the Lord.



The Tenth Sunday in Ordinary Time B

THE FIRST READING

Genesis 3:9-15

A reading from the Book of Genesis.

After Adam had eaten of the tree, the Lord God called to him, and said to him, "Where are you?"

And he said, "I heard the sound of you in the garden, and I was afraid, because I was naked; and I hid myself."

He said, "Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten of the tree of which I commanded you not to eat?"

The man said, "The woman whom you gave to be with me, she gave me fruit of the tree, and I ate."

Then the Lord God said to the woman, "What is this that you have done?"

The woman said, "The serpent beguiled me, and I ate."

The Lord God said to the serpent, "Because you have done this, cursed are you above all cattle, and above all wild animals; upon your belly you shall go, and dust you shall eat all the days of your life. I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your seed and her seed; he shall bruise your head, and you shall bruise his heel."

This is the Word of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

130

R. With the Lord there is mercy;
and with him is plenteous redemption

Out of the deep

have I called unto thee, O Lord:

Lord, hear my voice.

O let thine ears consider well

the voice of my complaint. R.

For they did not know what it was.

And Moses said to them, "It is the bread which the Lord has given you to eat."

This is the Word of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

78

R. The Lord gave them
bread from heaven.

The things we have heard and known, such as our fathers have told us, we should not hide from the children of the generations to come, but shew the honour of the Lord, his mighty and wonderful works that he hath done. R.

He commanded the clouds above and opened the doors of heaven. He rained down manna also upon them for to eat, and gave them food from heaven. R.

So man did eat angels' food: and he brought them within the borders of his sanctuary, even to his mountain which he purchased with his right hand. R.

THE SECOND READING

Ephesians 4:17, 20-24

A reading from the Letter of St Paul to the Ephesians.

Brethren: This I affirm and testify in the Lord, that you must no longer live as the Gentiles do, in the futility of their minds; You did not so learn Christ! - assuming that you have heard about him and were taught in him, as the truth is in Jesus.

Put off the old man that belongs to your former manner of life and is cor-

rupt through deceitful lusts, and be renewed in the spirit of your minds, and put on the new man, created after the likeness of God in true righteousness and holiness.

This is the Word of the Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Psalm 145:15-16, Psalm 88:1

I will always give thanks unto the Lord: his praise shall ever be in my mouth. My soul shall make her boast in the Lord: The humble shall hear thereof and be glad. Alleluia, alleluia! O Lord God of my salvation: I have cried day and night before thee. Alleluia.

THE GOSPEL READING

John 6:24-35

The Continuation of the Holy Gospel according to John.

R. Glory be to thee, O Lord.

At that time: When the people saw that Jesus was not there, nor his disciples, they themselves got into the boats and went to Capernaum, seeking Jesus.

When they found him on the other side of the sea, they said to him, "Rabbi, when did you come here?"

Jesus answered them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, you seek me, not because you saw signs, but because you ate your fill of the loaves.

Do not labour for the food which perishes, but for the food which endures to eternal life, which the Son of man will give to you; for on him has God the Father set his seal."

Then they said to him, "What must we do, to be doing the works of God?"

Jesus answered them, "This is the work of God, that you believe in him whom he has sent."

So they said to him, "Then what

Sea of Tiberias. And a multitude followed him, because they saw the signs which he did on those who were diseased.

Jesus went up into the hills, and there sat down with his disciples.

Now the Passover, the feast of the Jews, was at hand.

Lifting up his eyes, then, and seeing that a multitude was coming to him, Jesus said to Philip, "How are we to buy bread, so that these people may eat?" This he said to test him, for he himself knew what he would do.

Philip answered him, "Two hundred denarii would not buy enough bread for each of them to get a little."

One of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, said to him, "There is a lad here who has five barley loaves and two fish; but what are they among so many?"

Jesus said, "Make the people sit down."

Now there was much grass in the place; so the men sat down, in number about five thousand. Jesus then took the loaves, and when he had given thanks, he distributed them to those who were seated; so also the fish, as much as they wanted.

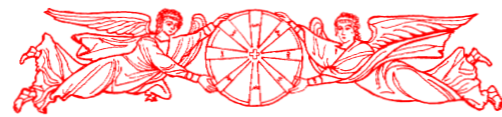
And when they had eaten their fill, he told his disciples, "Gather up the fragments left over, that nothing may be lost."

So they gathered them up and filled twelve baskets with fragments from the five barley loaves, left by those who had eaten.

When the people saw the sign which he had done, they said, "This is indeed the prophet who is to come into the world!" Perceiving then that they were about to come and take him by force to make him king, Jesus withdrew again

to the hills by himself.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.



The 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time **B**

THE FIRST READING

Exodus 16:2 -4, 12-15

A reading from the Book of Exodus.
At that time:

The whole congregation of the sons of Israel murmured against Moses and Aaron in the wilderness, and said to them, "Would that we had died by the hand of the Lord in the land of Egypt, when we sat by the fleshpots and ate bread to the full; for you have brought us out into this wilderness to kill this whole assembly with hunger."

Then the Lord said to Moses, "Behold, I will rain bread from heaven for you; and the people shall go out and gather a day's portion every day, that I may test them, whether they will walk in my law or not."

"I have heard the murmurings of the sons of Israel; say to them, 'At twilight you shall eat flesh, and in the morning you shall be filled with bread; then you shall know that I am the Lord your God.'"

In the evening quails came up and covered the camp; and in the morning dew lay round about the camp. And when the dew had gone up, there was on the face of the wilderness a fine, flake-like thing, fine as hoarfrost on the ground. When the sons of Israel saw it, they said to one another, "What is it?"

If thou, Lord, wilt be extreme
to mark what is done amiss,
O Lord, who may abide it?
For there is mercy with thee;
therefore shalt thou be feared. **R.**

I look for the Lord;
my soul doth wait for him;
in his word is my trust.
My soul fleeth unto the Lord;
before the morning watch, I say,
before the morning watch. **R.**

For with the Lord there is mercy
and with him
is plenteous redemption.
And he shall redeem Israel
from all his sins. **R.**

THE SECOND READING

2 Corinthians 4:13-5:1

A reading from the second Letter of St Paul to the Corinthians.

Brethren: Since we have the same spirit of faith as he had who wrote, "I believed, and so I spoke," we too believe, and so we speak, knowing that he who raised the Lord Jesus will raise us also with Jesus and bring us with you into his presence. For it is all for your sake, so that as grace extends to more and more people it may increase thanksgiving, to the glory of God.

So we do not lose heart. Though our outer man is wasting away, our inner man is being renewed every day. For this slight momentary affliction is preparing for us an eternal weight of glory beyond all comparison, because we look not to the things that are seen but to the things that are unseen; for the things that are seen are transient, but the things that are unseen are eternal.

For we know that if the earthly tent we live in is destroyed, we have a

building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens.

This is the Word of the Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Psalm 79:9-10, Psalm 9:4,9

Be merciful, O Lord, unto our sins: wherefore do the heathen say, Where is now their God? Help us, O God of our salvation: and for the honour of thy Name, deliver us, O Lord. Alleluia. Alleluia. Thou, O God, art set in the throne that judgest right: be thou the refuge of the oppressed in due time of trouble. Alleluia.

THE GOSPEL READING

Mark 3:20-35

The Continuation of the Holy Gospel according to Mark.

R. Glory be to thee, O Lord.

At that time: Jesus went home with his disciples and the crowd came together again, so that they could not even eat.

And when his friends heard it, they went out to seize him, for people were saying, "He is beside himself."

And the scribes who came down from Jerusalem said, "He is possessed by Beelzebul, and by the prince of demons he casts out the demons."

And he called them to him, and said to them in parables, "How can Satan cast out Satan? If a kingdom is divided against itself, that kingdom cannot stand. And if a house is divided against itself, that house will not be able to stand. And if Satan has risen up against himself and is divided, he cannot stand, but is coming to an end.

But no one can enter a strong man's house and plunder his goods, unless he

first binds the strong man; then indeed he may plunder his house.

Truly, I say to you, all sins will be forgiven the sons of men, and whatever blasphemies they utter; but whoever blasphemes against the Holy Spirit never has forgiveness, but is guilty of an eternal sin" - for they had said, "He has an unclean spirit."

And his mother and his brethren came; and standing outside they sent to him and called him. And a crowd was sitting about him; and they said to him, "Your mother and your brethren are outside, asking for you."

And he replied, "Who are my mother and my brethren?" And looking around on those who sat about him, he said, "Here are my mother and my brethren! Whoever does the will of God is my brother, and sister, and mother."

This is the Gospel of the Lord.



The Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time B

THE FIRST READING

Ezekiel 17:22-24

A reading from the Book of the Prophet Ezekiel.

Thus says the Lord God: "I myself will take a sprig from the lofty top of the cedar, and will set it out; I will break off from the topmost of its young twigs a tender one, and I myself will plant it upon a high and lofty mountain; on the mountain height of Israel will I plant it, that it may bring forth boughs and bear fruit, and become a noble cedar; and under it will dwell all kinds of beasts;

in the shade of its branches birds of every sort will nest.

"And all the trees of the field shall know that I the Lord bring low the high tree, and make high the low tree, dry up the green tree, and make the dry tree flourish. I the Lord have spoken, and I will do it."

This is the Word of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

92

R. It is a good thing
to give thanks unto the Lord.

It is a good thing
to give thanks unto the Lord,
and to sing praises unto thy Name,
O most Highest;
To tell of thy loving-kindness
early in the morning,
and of thy truth in the night-season. **R.**

The righteous shall flourish
like a palm-tree
and shall spread abroad
like a cedar in Libanus. **R.**

Such as are planted
in the house of the Lord
shall flourish in the courts
of the house of our God.
They also shall bring forth
more fruit in their age;
That they may shew how true
the Lord my strength is;
and that there is no unrighteousness
in him. **R.**

THE SECOND READING

2 Corinthians 5:6-10

A reading from the second Letter of St. Paul to the Corinthians.

Brethren: We are always of good courage; we know that while we are at home in the body we are away from

The 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time B

THE FIRST READING

2 Kings 4:42-44

A reading from the second Book of Kings.

In those days A man came from Baal-shalishah, bringing the man of God bread of the first fruits, twenty loaves of barley, and fresh ears of grain in his sack.

And Elisha said, "Give to the men, that they may eat."

But his servant said, "How am I to set this before a hundred men?"

So he repeated, "Give them to the men, that they may eat, for thus says the Lord, 'They shall eat and have some left.'"

So he set it before them. And they ate, and had some left, according to the word of the Lord.

This is the Word of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

145

R. The Lord is gracious and merciful,
long-suffering and of great goodness

All thy works praise thee, O Lord,
and thy saints give thanks unto thee.
They shew the glory of thy kingdom
and talk of thy power. **R.**

The eyes of all wait upon thee, O Lord,
and thou givest them their meat
in due season.

Thou openest thine hand
and fillest all things living
with plenteousness. **R.**

The Lord is righteous in all his ways
and holy in all his works.

The Lord is nigh unto all them
that call upon him
yea, all such as call upon him
faithfully. **R.**

THE SECOND READING

Ephesians 4:1-6

A reading from the Letter of St Paul to the Ephesians.

Brethren: I, a prisoner for the Lord, beg you to walk in a manner worthy of the calling to which you have been called, with all lowliness and meekness, with patience, forbearing one another in love, eager to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace.

There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to the one hope that belongs to your call, one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of us all, who is above all and through all and in all.

This is the Word of the Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Psalm 55:22, 18; 18:1-2

My heart hath trusted in God, and I am helped: therefore my heart danceth for joy, and in my song will I praise him. Unto thee will I cry O Lord: be not silent, O God, nor depart from me. Alleluia, alleluia. Sing we merrily unto God our strength; make a joyful noise unto the God of Jacob. Take the psalm, bring hither the tabret. Alleluia.

THE GOSPEL READING

John 6:1-15

The Continuation of the Holy Gospel according to John.

R. Glory be to thee, O Lord.

At that time: Jesus went to the other side of the Sea of Galilee, which is the

The Lord is my shepherd,
therefore can I lack nothing.
He shall feed me in a green pasture
and lead me forth

beside the waters of comfort. **R.**

He shall convert my soul,
and bring me forth

in the paths of righteousness,
for his Name's sake.

Yea, though I walk through the valley
of the shadow of death,
I will fear no evil; for thou art with me;
thy rod and thy staff comfort me. **R.**

Thou shalt prepare a table before me
against them that trouble me:
thou hast anointed my head with oil,
and my cup shall be full. **R.**

But thy loving-kindness and mercy
shall follow me
all the days of my life :
and I will dwell
in the house of the Lord for ever. **R.**

THE SECOND READING

Ephesians 2:13-18

A reading from the Letter of St Paul to
the Ephesians.

Brethren: Now in Christ Jesus
you who once were far off have been
brought near in the blood of Christ.

For he is our peace, who has made
us both one, and has broken down the
dividing wall of hostility, by abolish-
ing in his flesh the law of command-
ments and ordinances, that he might
create in himself one new man in place
of the two, so making peace, and might
reconcile us both to God in one body
through the cross, thereby bringing the
hostility to an end.

And he came and preached peace
to you who were far off and peace to

those who were near; for through him
we both have access in one Spirit to
the Father.

This is the Word of the Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Psalm 8:1-2; Psalm 59:1

O Lord, our Governor : how excellent
is thy Name in all the world. Thou hast
set thy glory : above the heavens. Al-
leluia. Alleluia. Deliver me from mine
enemies, O God : defend me from them
that rise up against me. Alleluia.

THE GOSPEL READING

Mark 6:30-34

The Continuation of the Holy Gospel
according to Mark.

R. Glory be to thee, O Lord.

At that time: The apostles returned
to Jesus, and told him all that they had
done and taught. And he said to them,
“Come away by yourselves to a lonely
place, and rest a while.”

For many were coming and going,
and they had no leisure even to eat.
And they went away in the boat to a
lonely place by themselves.

Now many saw them going, and
knew them, and they ran there on foot
from all the towns, and got there ahead
of them.

As he went ashore he saw a great
throng, and he had compassion on
them, because they were like sheep
without a shepherd; and he began to
teach them many things.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.



the Lord, for we walk by faith, not by
sight. We are of good courage, and we
would rather be away from the body
and at home with the Lord.

So whether we are at home or away,
we make it our aim to please him. For
we must all appear before the judg-
ment seat of Christ, so that each one
may receive good or evil, according to
what he has done in the body

This is the Word of the Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Psalm 84:10,9, Psalm 21:1

Behold, O God, our defender : and
look upon thy servants. O Lord God of
hosts: hear the prayers of thy servants.
Alleluia. Alleluia. The King shall re-
joice in thy strength, O Lord : exceed-
ing glad shall he be of thy salvation.
Alleluia.

THE GOSPEL READING

Mark 4:26-34

The Continuation of the Holy Gospel
according to Mark.

R. Glory be to thee, O Lord.

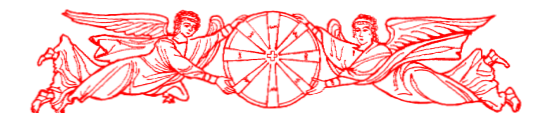
At that time: Jesus said to the
crowds, “The kingdom of God is as
if a man should scatter seed upon the
ground, and should sleep and rise night
and day, and the seed should sprout and
grow, he knows not how. The earth
produces of itself, first the blade, then
the ear, then the full grain in the ear.
But when the grain is ripe, at once he
puts in the sickle, because the harvest
has come.”

And he said, “With what can we
compare the kingdom of God, or what
parable shall we use for it? It is like
a grain of mustard seed, which, when
sown upon the ground, is the smallest
of all the seeds on earth; yet when it

is sown it grows up and becomes the
greatest of all shrubs, and puts forth
large branches, so that the birds of the
air can make nests in its shade.”

With many such parables he spoke
the word to them, as they were able to
hear it; he did not speak to them with-
out a parable, but privately to his own
disciples he explained everything.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.



The Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time B

THE FIRST READING

Job 3:1, 8-11

A reading from the Book of Job.

The Lord answered Job out of the
whirlwind:

“Who shut in the sea with doors,
when it burst forth from the womb;
when I made clouds its garment, and
thick darkness its swaddling band, and
prescribed bounds for it, and set bars
and doors, and said, ‘Thus far shall you
come, and no farther, and here shall
your proud waves be stayed’?”

This is the Word of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Grail 107

R. O give thanks unto the Lord,
for he is gracious,
and his mercy endureth for ever.

They that go down to the sea in ships
and occupy their business
in great waters;
These men see the works of the Lord,
and his wonders in the deep. **R.**

For at his word the stormy wind ariseth which lifteth up the waves thereof. They are carried up to the heaven, and down again to the deep; their soul melteth away because of the trouble. **R.**

So when they cry unto the Lord in their trouble he delivereth them out of their distress. For he maketh the storm to cease so that the waves thereof are still. **R.**

THE SECOND READING
2 Corinthians 5:14-17

A reading from the second Letter of St. Paul to the Corinthians.

Brethren: The love of Christ urges us on, 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 according to the flesh; even though we once regarded Christ according to the flesh, we regard him thus no longer.

Therefore, if any one is in Christ, he is a new creation; the old has passed away, behold, the new has come

This is the Word of the Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION
Psalm 90:13,1; Psalm 31:2,3

Turn thee again, O Lord, at the last : and be gracious unto thy servants. Lord, thou hast been our refuge : from one generation to another. Alleluia. Alleluia. In thee, O Lord, have I put my trust, let me never be put to confusion : deliver me in thy righteousness; bow down thine ear to me, make haste to

deliver me. Alleluia.

THE GOSPEL READING
Mark 4:35-41

The Continuation of the Holy Gospel according to Mark.

R. Glory be to thee, O Lord.

On that day, when evening had come, Jesus said to his disciples, "Let us go across to the other side."

And leaving the crowd, they took him with them, just as he was, in the boat. And other boats were with him.

And a great storm of wind arose, and the waves beat into the boat, so that the boat was already filling.

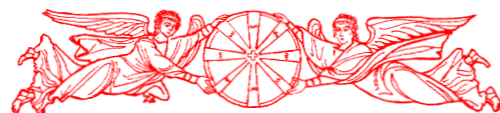
But he was in the stern, asleep on the cushion; and they woke him and said to him, "Teacher, do you not care if we perish?"

And he awoke and rebuked the wind, and said to the sea, "Peace! Be still!" And the wind ceased, and there was a great calm.

He said to them, "Why are you afraid? Have you no faith?"

And they were filled with awe, and said to one another, "Who then is this, that even wind and sea obey him?"

This is the Gospel of the Lord.



The 13th Sunday
in Ordinary Time B

THE FIRST READING
Wisdom 1:13-15, 2: 23-24

A reading from the Book of Wisdom.
God did not make death, and he does

The 16th Sunday
in Ordinary Time B

THE FIRST READING
Jeremiah 23:1-6

A reading from the Book of Jeremiah.

"Woe to the shepherds who destroy and scatter the sheep of my pasture!" says the Lord.

Therefore thus says the Lord, the God of Israel, concerning the shepherds who care for my people: "You have scattered my flock, and have driven them away, and you have not attended to them. Behold, I will attend to you for your evil doings," says the Lord.

"Then I will gather the remnant of my flock out of all the countries where I have driven them, and I will bring them back to their fold, and they shall be fruitful and multiply. I will set shepherds over them who will care for them, and they shall fear no more, nor be dismayed, neither shall any be missing," says the Lord.

"Behold, the days are coming, says the Lord, when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch, and he shall reign as king and deal wisely, and shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. In his days Judah will be saved, and Israel will dwell securely. And this is the name by which he will be called: 'The Lord is our righteousness.'"

This is the Word of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM
23

R. The Lord is my shepherd;
therefore can I lack nothing.

ness of time, to unite all things in him, things in heaven and things on earth.

This is the Word of the Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION
Psalm 17:8,1; Psalm 65:1

Keep me, O Lord, as the apple of thine eye; hide me under the shadow of thy wings. Let my sentence come forth from thy presence: and let thine eyes look upon the thing that is equal. Alleluia, alleluia. Thou, O God, art praised in Zion: and unto the shall the vow be performed in Jerusalem. Alleluia.

THE GOSPEL READING
Mark 6:7-13

The Continuation of the Holy Gospel according to Mark.

R. Glory be to thee, O Lord.

Jesus called to him the Twelve, and began to send them out two by two, and gave them authority over the unclean spirits.

He charged them to take nothing for their journey except a staff; no bread, no bag, no money in their belts; but to wear sandals and not put on two tunics. And he said to them, "Where you enter a house, stay there until you leave the place.

And if any place will not receive you and they refuse to hear you, when you leave, shake off the dust that is on your feet for a testimony against them."

So they went out and preached that men should repent. And they cast out many demons, and anointed with oil many that were sick and healed them.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.



And he could do no mighty work there, except that he laid his hands upon a few sick people and healed them. And he marvelled because of their unbelief. And he went about among the villages teaching.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.



The 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time B

THE FIRST READING

Amos 7:12-15

A reading from the Book of the Prophet Amos.

In those days: Amaziah, the priest of Bethel, said to Amos, "O seer, go, flee away to the land of Judah, and eat bread there, and prophesy there; but never again prophesy at Bethel, for it is the king's sanctuary, and it is a temple of the kingdom."

Then Amos answered Amaziah, "I am no prophet, nor a prophet's son; but I am a herdsman, and a dresser of sycamore trees, and the Lord took me from following the flock, and the Lord said to me, 'Go, prophesy to my people Israel.'"

This is the Word of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

85

R. O Lord, shew thy mercy upon us,
and grant us thy salvation.

I will hearken
what the Lord God will say
concerning me;

for he shall speak peace unto his people,
and to his saints,
that they turn not again.
For his salvation is nigh them
that fear him,
that glory may dwell in our land. R.

Mercy and truth are met together :
righteousness and peace
have kissed each other.
Truth shall flourish out of the earth
and righteousness hath looked down
from heaven. R.

Yea, the Lord shall shew
loving-kindness;
and our land shall give her increase.
Righteousness shall go before him
and he shall direct his going
in the way. R.

THE SECOND READING

Ephesians 1:3-10

A reading from the Letter of St Paul to the Ephesians.

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, even as he chose us in him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and blameless before him.

He destined us in love to be his sons through Jesus Christ, according to the purpose of his will, to the praise of his glorious grace which he freely bestowed on us in the Beloved.

In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace which he lavished upon us.

For he has made known to us in all wisdom and insight the mystery of his will, according to his purpose which he set forth in Christ as a plan for the full

not delight in the death of the living. For he created all things that they might exist, and the creatures of the world are wholesome, and there is no destructive poison in them; and the dominion of Hades is not on earth. For righteousness is immortal.

God created man for incorruption, and made him in the image of his own eternity, but through the devil's envy death entered the world, and those who belong to his party experience it.

This is the Word of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

30

R. O my God,
I will give thanks unto thee for ever.

O Lord my God, I cried unto thee,
and thou hast healed me,
Thou, Lord, hast brought my soul
out of hell;
thou hast kept my life from them
that go down to the pit. R.

Sing praises unto the Lord,
O ye saints of his;
and give thanks unto him
for a remembrance of his holiness.
For his wrath endureth
but the twinkling of an eye,
and in his pleasure is life:
heaviness may endure for a night,
but joy cometh in the morning. R.

Hear, O Lord, and have mercy upon me.
Lord, be thou my helper.
Thou hast turned my heaviness into joy,
O my God, I will give thanks unto thee
for ever. R.

THE SECOND READING

2 Corinthians 8:7, 9, 13-15

A reading from the second Letter of St Paul to the Corinthians.

Brethren: As you excel in everything - in faith, in utterance, in knowledge, in all earnestness, and in your love for us - see that you excel in this gracious work also.

For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sake he became poor, so that by his poverty you might become rich.

I do not mean that others should be eased and you burdened, but that as a matter of equality your abundance at the present time should supply their want, so that their abundance may supply your want, that there may be equality.

As it is written, "He who gathered much had nothing over, and he who gathered little had no lack."

This is the Word of the Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Psalm 90:13,1; Psalm 47:1

Come, ye children, and hearken to me: I will teach you the fear of the Lord. They had an eye unto him, and were enlightened: and their faces were not ashamed. Alleluia. Alleluia. O clap your hands together, all ye people: O sing unto God with the voice of melody. Alleluia.

THE GOSPEL READING

Mark 5:21-43

The Continuation of the Holy Gospel according to Mark.

R. Glory be to thee, O Lord.

At that time: When Jesus had crossed in the boat to the other side of the Sea of Galilee, a great crowd gathered about him; and he was beside the sea. Then came one of the rulers of the synagogue, Jairus by name; and see

ing him, he fell at his feet, and begged him, saying, "My little daughter is at the point of death. Come and lay your hands on her, so that she may be made well, and live." And he went with him. And a great crowd followed him and thronged about him.

And there was a woman who had had a flow of blood for twelve years, and who had suffered much under many physicians, and had spent all that she had, and was no better, but rather grew worse. She had heard reports about Jesus, and came up behind him in the crowd and touched his garment. For she said, "If I touch even his garments, I shall be made well."

And immediately the haemorrhage ceased; and she felt in her body that she was healed of her disease.

And Jesus, perceiving in himself that power had gone forth from him, immediately turned about in the crowd, and said, "Who touched my garments?"

And his disciples said to him, "You see the crowd pressing around you, and yet you say, 'Who touched me?'"

And he looked around to see who had done it.

But the woman, knowing what had been done to her, came in fear and trembling and fell down before him, and told him the whole truth.

And he said to her, "Daughter, your faith has made you well; go in peace, and be healed of your disease."

While he was still speaking, there came from the ruler's house some who said, "Your daughter is dead. Why trouble the Teacher any further?"

But ignoring what they said, Jesus said to the ruler of the synagogue, "Do not fear, only believe."

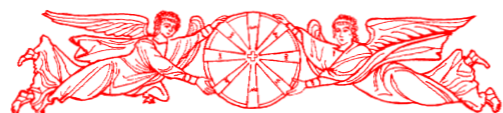
And he allowed no one to follow him except Peter and James and John the

brother of James. When they came to the house of the ruler of the synagogue, he saw a tumult, and people weeping and wailing loudly. And when he had entered, he said to them, "Why do you make a tumult and weep? The child is not dead, but sleeping." And they laughed at him.

But he put them all outside, and took the child's father and mother and those who were with him, and went in where the child was. Taking her by the hand he said to her, "Talitha cumi"; which means, "Little girl, I say to you, arise."

And immediately the girl got up and walked; for she was twelve years old. And immediately they were overcome with amazement. And he strictly charged them that no one should know this, and told them to give her something to eat.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.



The 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time B

THE FIRST READING

Ezekiel 2:2-5

A reading from the Book of the Prophet Ezekiel.

In those days:

The Spirit entered into me and set me upon my feet; and I heard him speaking to me.

And he said to me, "Son of man, I send you to the sons of Israel, to a nation of rebels, who have rebelled against me; they and their fathers have transgressed against me to this very

day. The people also are impudent and stubborn: I send you to them; and you shall say to them, 'Thus says the Lord God.'

And whether they hear or refuse to hear (for they are a rebellious house) they will know that there has been a prophet among them."

This is the Word of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

123

R. Our eyes are fixed on the Lord,
pleading for his mercy.

Unto thee lift I up mine eyes,

O thou that dwellest in the heavens.
Behold, even as the eyes of servants
look unto the hand of their masters. **R.**

As the eyes of a maiden

unto the hand of her mistress :
even so our eyes wait
upon the Lord our God,
until he have mercy upon us. **R.**

Have mercy upon us, O Lord,
have mercy upon us,
for we are utterly despised.

Our soul is filled
with the scornful reproof of the wealthy;
and with the despitiveness
of the proud. **R.**

THE SECOND READING

Ephesians 1:3-10

A reading from the second Letter of St. Paul to the Corinthians.

Brethren: To keep me from being too elated by the abundance of revelations, a thorn was given me in the flesh, a messenger of Satan, to harass me, to keep me from being too elated.

Three times I begged the Lord about this, that it should leave; but he said

to me, "My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness." I will all the more gladly boast of my weaknesses, that the power of Christ may rest upon me.

For the sake of Christ, then, I am content with weaknesses, insults, hardships, persecutions, and calamities; for when I am weak, then I am strong

This is the Word of the Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Psalm 71:2,1; Psalm 48:1

Be thou my strong rock, and house of defence: that thou mayest save me. In thee, O Lord, have I put my trust: let me never be put to confusion. Alleluia, alleluia. Great is the Lord, and highly to be praised: in the city of our God, even upon his holy hill. Alleluia.

THE GOSPEL READING

Mark 6:1-6

The Continuation of the Holy Gospel according to Mark.

R. Glory be to thee, O Lord.

Jesus came to his own country; and his disciples followed him.

And on the sabbath he began to teach in the synagogue; and many who heard him were astonished, saying, "Where did this man get all this? What is the wisdom given to him? What mighty works are wrought by his hands! Is not this the carpenter, the son of Mary and brother of James and Joses and Judas and Simon, and are not his sisters here with us?"

And they took offence at him.

And Jesus said to them, "A prophet is not without honour, except in his own country, and among his own kin, and in his own house."