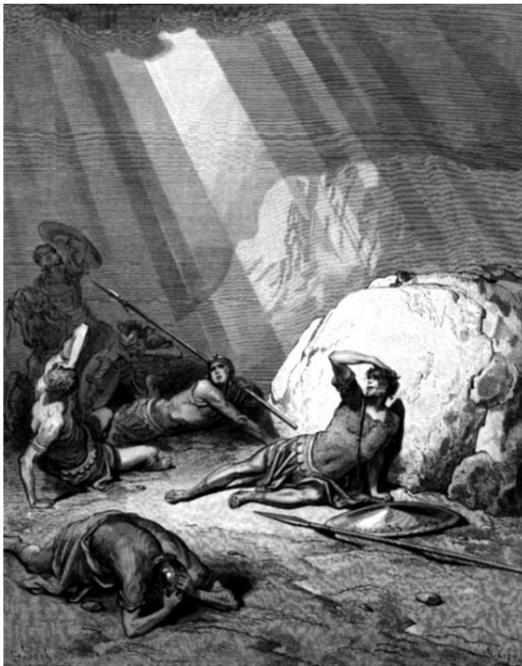


**APPENDIX:
SOME OTHER MASSES
OFTEN OBSERVED AS SOLEMNITIES
IN THE ANGLICAN TRADITION**

**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

a light to the nations, that my salvation may reach to the end of the earth."

This is the Word of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

139

R. I will give thanks unto thee,
for I am fearfully
and wonderfully made.

O Lord, thou hast searched me out
and known me;
thou knowest my down-sitting
and mine up-rising,
thou understandest my thoughts
long before. **R.**

Thou hast knit me together
in my mother's womb.
I will give thanks unto thee,
for I am fearfully
and wonderfully made;
marvellous are thy works,
and that my soul knoweth right well. **R.**

My substance was not hid from thee
when I was made in secret,
and fashioned in the lowest parts
of the earth.
Thine eyes did see my substance,
yet being unperfect;
and in thy book
were all my members written
when as yet there was none of them. **R.**

THE SECOND READING

Acts 13:22-26

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

In those days Paul said: "God raised up David to be their king; of whom he testified and said, 'I have found in David the son of Jesse a man after my heart, who will do all my will.' Of this man's posterity God has brought to Is-

rael a Savior, Jesus, as he promised. Before his coming John had preached a baptism of repentance to all the people of Israel. And as John was finishing his course, he said, 'What do you suppose that I am? I am not he. No, but after me one is coming, the sandals of whose feet I am not worthy to untie.'

"Brethren, sons of the family of Abraham, and those among you that fear God, to us has been sent the message of this salvation."

This is the Word of the Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Jeremiah 1:5,9; Luke 1:76

Before I formed thee in the belly I knew thee: and before thou camest forth out of the womb I sanctified thee. The Lord put forth his hand, and touched my mouth, and said unto me. Alleluia, alleluia. Thou, child, shalt be called the Prophet of the Highest: thou shalt go before the face of the Lord, to prepare his ways. Alleluia.

THE GOSPEL READING

Luke 1:57-66, 80

The Continuation of the Holy Gospel according to Luke.

R. Glory be to thee, O Lord.

The time came for Elizabeth to be delivered, and she gave birth to a son.

And her neighbors and kinsfolk heard that the Lord had shown great mercy to her, and they rejoiced with her.

And on the eighth day they came to circumcise the child; and they would have named him Zechariah after his father, but his mother said, "Not so; he shall be called John." And they said to her, "None of your kindred is called by

this name.”

And they made signs to his father, inquiring what he would have him called. And he asked for a writing tablet, and wrote, “His name is John.” And they all marveled.

And immediately his mouth was opened and his tongue loosed, and he spoke, blessing God. And fear came on all their neighbors. And all these things were talked about through all the hill country of Judea; and all who heard them laid them up in their hearts, saying, “What then will this child be?” For the hand of the Lord was with him.

And the child grew and became strong in spirit, and he was in the wilderness till the day of his manifestation to Israel.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.



St Peter & St Paul, Apostles

29th June

THE FIRST READING

Acts 12:1-11

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

In those days: Herod the king laid violent hands upon some who belonged to the Church. He killed James the brother of John with the sword; and when he saw that it pleased the Jews, he proceeded to arrest Peter also. This was during the days of Unleavened Bread.

And when he had seized him, he put him in prison, and delivered him to four squads of soldiers to guard him, intending after the Passover to bring

him out to the people.

So Peter was kept in prison; but earnest prayer for him was made to God by the church.

The very night when Herod was about to bring him out, Peter was sleeping between two soldiers, bound with two chains, and sentries before the door were guarding the prison; and behold, an angel of the Lord appeared, and a light shone in the cell; and he struck Peter on the side and woke him, saying, “Get up quickly.” And the chains fell off his hands. And the angel said to him, “Dress yourself and put on your sandals.” And he did so. And he said to him, “Wrap your cloak around you and follow me.”

And he went out and followed him; he did not know that what was done by the angel was real, but thought he was seeing a vision. When they had passed the first and the second guard, they came to the iron gate leading into the city. It opened to them of its own accord, and they went out and passed on through one street; and immediately the angel left him.

And Peter came to himself, and said, “Now I am sure that the Lord has sent his angel and rescued me from the hand of Herod and from all that the Jewish people were expecting.”

This is the Word of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

34

R. The Lord delivered me
out of all my fear.

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.

And the angel said to her, “Do not be afraid, Mary, for you have found favour with God. And behold, you will conceive in your womb and bear a son, and you shall call his name Jesus. He will be great, and will be called the Son of the Most High; and the Lord God will give to him the throne of his father David, and he will reign over the house of Jacob for ever; and of his kingdom there will be no end.”

And Mary said to the angel, “How will this be, since I have no husband?”

And the angel said to her, “The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the

power of the Most High will overshadow you; therefore the child to be born will be called holy, the Son of God.

“And behold, your kinswoman Elizabeth in her old age has also conceived a son; and this is the sixth month with her who was called barren. For with God nothing will be impossible.”

And Mary said, “Behold, I am the handmaid of the Lord; let it be to me according to your word.”

And the angel departed from her.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.



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

98

R. O sing unto the Lord a new song,
for he hath done marvellous things.

O sing unto the Lord a new song,
for he hath done marvellous things.
With his own right hand,
and with his holy arm
hath he gotten himself the victory. **R.**

The Lord declared his salvation.
His righteousness hath he openly shewed
in the sight of the heathen.
He hath remembered his mercy and truth
toward the house of Israel. **R.**

All the ends of the world have seen
the salvation of our God.
Shew yourselves joyful unto the Lord,
all ye lands:
sing, rejoice, and give thanks. **R.**

THE SECOND READING

Ephesians 1:3-6, 11-12

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 bless-

ing 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, according to the purpose of him who accomplishes all things according to the counsel of his will, we who first hoped in Christ have been destined and appointed to live for the praise of his glory.

This is the Word of the Lord.

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.

THE GOSPEL READING

Luke 1:26-38

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Luke.

R. Glory be to thee, O Lord.

The angel Gabriel was sent from God to a city of Galilee named Nazareth, to a virgin betrothed to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David; and the virgin's name was Mary.

And he came to her and said, "Hail, full of grace, the Lord is with you!"

But she was greatly troubled at the saying, and considered in her mind what sort of greeting this might be.

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.**

They looked unto him,
and were lightened;
and their faces were not ashamed.
This poor man cried,
and the Lord heard him,
and saved him out of all his troubles. **R.**

The angel of the Lord encampeth
round about them that fear him,
and delivereth them.
O taste, and see that the Lord is good;
blessed is the man
that trusteth in him. **R.**

THE SECOND READING

2 Timothy 4:6-8, 17-18

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

Beloved: I am already on the point of being sacrificed; the time of my departure has come. I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. From now on there is laid up for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will award to me on that Day, and not only to me but also to all who have loved his appearing.

But the Lord stood by me and gave me strength to proclaim the message fully, that all the Gentiles might hear it. So I was rescued from the lion's mouth. The Lord will rescue me from every evil and save me for his heavenly kingdom. To him be the glory for ever and ever. Amen.

This is the Word of the Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Psalms 107:20-21; 149:2

Thou shalt make them princes over all the earth: they shall have thy Name in remembrance, O Lord. Alleluia, Alleluia, Thou art Peter, and upon this rock I will build my Church. Alleluia.

THE GOSPEL READING

Matthew 16:13-19

The Continuation of the Holy Gospel according to Matthew.

R. Glory be to thee, O Lord.

At that time: When Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, "Who do men say that the Son of man is?"

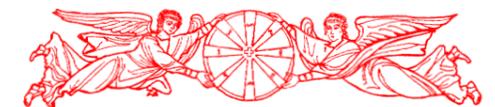
And they said, "Some say John the Baptist, others say Elijah, and others Jeremiah or one of the prophets."

He said to them, "But who do you say that I am?"

Simon Peter replied, "You are the Christ, the Son of the living God."

And Jesus answered him, "Blessed are you, Simon Bar-Jona! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my Father who is in heaven. And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my Church, and the gates of Hades shall not prevail against it. I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven."

This is the Gospel of the Lord.



The Transfiguration of the Lord

6th August

THE FIRST READING

Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14

A reading from the Book of the Prophet Daniel.

As I looked, thrones were placed and one that was ancient of days took his seat; his raiment was white as snow, and the hair of his head like pure wool; his throne was fiery flames, its wheels were burning fire.

A stream of fire issued and came forth from before him; a thousand thousands served him, and ten thousand times ten thousand stood before him; the court sat in judgment, and the books were opened. I saw in the night visions, and behold, with the clouds of heaven there came one like a son of man, and he came to the Ancient of Days and was presented before him.

And to him was given dominion and glory and kingdom, that all peoples, nations, and languages should serve him; his dominion is an everlasting dominion, which shall not pass away, and his kingdom one that shall not be destroyed.

This is the Word of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

97

R. The Lord is exalted on high.

The Lord is King,

the earth may be glad thereof;
yea, the multitude of the isles
may be glad thereof.

Righteousness and judgement
are the habitation of his seat. R.

The heavens have declared
his righteousness,
and all the people have seen his glory.
worship him, all ye spirits. R.

For thou, Lord, art higher
than all that are in the earth :
thou art exalted far above all spirits. R.

THE SECOND READING

2 Peter 1:16-19

A reading from the second Letter of St Peter.

Beloved: We did not follow cleverly devised myths when we made known to you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but we were eyewitnesses of his majesty.

For when he received honor and glory from God the Father and the voice was borne to him by the Majestic Glory, "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased," we heard this voice borne from heaven, for we were with him on the holy mountain. And we have the prophetic word made more sure.

You will do well to pay attention to this as to a lamp shining in a dark place, until the day dawns and the morning star rises in your hearts.

This is the Word of the Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Psalm 45:3,2; Wisdom 7:26

Thou art fairer than the children of men: full of grace are thy lips. My heart is inditing of a good matter : I speak of the things which I have made unto the king: my tongue is the pen of a ready writer. Alleluia, alleluia. He is the brightness of the everlasting light, the unspotted mirror of the power of God, and the image of his goodness. Alleluia.

know that when he appears we shall be like him, for we shall see him as he is. And every one who thus hopes in him purifies himself as he is pure.

This is the Word of the Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Psalm 34:10-11; Matthew 11:28

O fear the Lord, all ye saints of his : for they that fear him lack nothing. But they that seek the Lord : shall want no manner of thing that is good. Alleluia, alleluia. Come unto me, all ye that labour and are heavy-laden: and I will give you rest. Alleluia.

THE GOSPEL READING

Matthew 5:1-12

The Continuation of the Holy Gospel according to Matthew.

R. Glory be to thee, O Lord.

At that time: 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 sons 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."

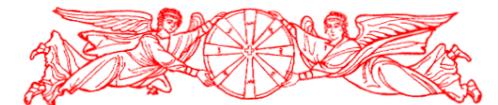
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All Souls' Day

2nd November

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Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary

8th December

THE FIRST READING

Genesis 3:9-15, 20

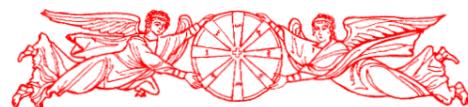
A reading from the book of Genesis.

At that time: The Lord God called to the man, and said to him, "Where are you?"

And he said, "I heard the sound of thee 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 thou gavest to be with me, she gave me fruit of the tree, and I ate."



All Saints' Day

1st November

THE FIRST READING

Revelation 7:2-4,9-12

A reading from the book of Revelation.

I, John, saw another angel ascend from the rising of the sun, with the seal of the living God, and he called with a loud voice to the four angels who had been given power to harm earth and sea, saying, "Do not harm the earth or the sea or the trees, till we have sealed the servants of our God upon their foreheads." And I heard the number of the sealed, a hundred and forty-four thousand sealed, out of every tribe of the sons of Israel.

After this I looked, and behold, a great multitude which no man could number, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and tongues, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, clothed in white robes, with palm branches in their hands, and crying out with a loud voice, "Salvation belongs to our God who sits upon the throne, and to the Lamb!"

And all the angels stood round the throne and round the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshipped God, saying, "Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honour and power and might be to our God for ever and ever! Amen."

Then one of the elders addressed me saying, "Who are these, clothed in white robes, and from where have they come?"

I said to him, "Sir, you know."

And he said to me, "These are they

who have come out of the great tribulation; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb."

This is the Word of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

24

R. This is the generation
of them that seek the Lord.

The earth is the Lord's,
and all that therein is:
the compass of the world,
and they that dwell therein.
For he hath founded it upon the seas:
and prepared it upon the floods. R.

Who shall ascend into the hill
of the Lord:
or who shall rise up in his holy place?
Even he that hath clean hands,
and a pure heart:
and that hath not lifted up his mind
unto vanity,
nor sworn to deceive his neighbour. R.

He shall receive the blessing
from the Lord
and righteousness
from the God of his salvation.

This is the generation
of them that seek him:
even of them that seek thy face,
O Jacob. R.

THE SECOND READING

I John 3:1-3

A reading from the first letter of St John.

Beloved: See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and so we are. The reason why the world does not know us is that it did not know him. Beloved, we are God's children now; it does not yet appear what we shall be, but we

THE GOSPEL READING - YEAR

A

Matthew 17:1-9

The Continuation of the Holy Gospel according to Matthew.

R. Glory be to thee, O Lord.

At that time: Jesus took with him Peter and James and John his brother, and led them up a high mountain apart. And he was transfigured before them, and his face shone like the sun, and his garments became white as light. And behold, there appeared to them Moses and Elijah, talking with him.

And Peter said to Jesus, "Lord, it is well that we are here; if you wish, I will make three booths here, one for you and one for Moses and one for Elijah."

He was still speaking, when lo, a bright cloud overshadowed them, and a voice from the cloud said, "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him."

When the disciples heard this, they fell on their faces, and were filled with awe. But Jesus came and touched them, saying, "Rise, and have no fear." And when they lifted up their eyes, they saw no one but Jesus only.

And as they were coming down the mountain, Jesus commanded them, "Tell no one the vision, until the Son of man is raised from the dead."

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

THE GOSPEL READING - YEAR

B Mark 9:2-10

The Continuation of the Holy Gospel according to Mark.

R. Glory be to thee, O Lord.

At that time: Jesus took with him Peter and James and John, and led them up a high mountain apart by

themselves; and he was transfigured before them, and his garments became glistening, intensely white, as no fuller on earth could bleach them. And there appeared to them Elijah with Moses; and they were talking to Jesus.

And Peter said to Jesus, "Master, it is well that we are here; let us make three booths, one for you and one for Moses and one for Elijah."

For he did not know what to say, for they were exceedingly afraid.

And a cloud overshadowed them, and a voice came out of the cloud, "This is my beloved Son; * listen to him."

And suddenly looking around they no longer saw any one with them but Jesus only.

And as they were coming down the mountain, he charged them to tell no one what they had seen, until the Son of man should have risen from the dead. 10 So they kept the matter to themselves, questioning what the rising from the dead meant.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

THE GOSPEL READING - YEAR

C Luke 9:28-36

The Continuation of the Holy Gospel according to Luke.

R. Glory be to thee, O Lord.

At that time: Jesus took with him Peter and John and James, and went up on the mountain to pray. And as he was praying, the appearance of his countenance was altered, and his raiment became dazzling white. And behold, two men talked with him, Moses and Elijah, who appeared in glory and spoke of his departure, which he was to accomplish at Jerusalem.

Now Peter and those who were with

him were heavy with sleep, and when they wakened they saw his glory and the two men who stood with him.

And as the men were parting from him, Peter said to Jesus, "Master, it is well that we are here; let us make three booths, one for you and one for Moses and one for Elijah"- not knowing what he said.

As he said this, a cloud came and overshadowed them; and they were afraid as they entered the cloud. And a voice came out of the cloud, saying, "This is my Son, my Chosen; * listen to him!" And when the voice had spoken, Jesus was found alone. And they kept silence and told no one in those days anything of what they had seen.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.



Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

15th August

THE FIRST READING

Revelation 11:19, & 12:1-6, 10

A reading from the Book Revelation.

God's temple in heaven was opened. And a great sign appeared in heaven, a woman clothed with the sun, with the moon under her feet, and on her head a crown of twelve stars; she was with child and she cried out in her pangs of birth, in anguish for delivery.

And another sign appeared in heaven; behold, a great red dragon, with seven heads and ten horns, and seven diadems upon his heads. His tail swept down a third of the stars of heaven, and

cast them to the earth.

And the dragon stood before the woman who was about to bear a child, that he might devour her child when she brought it forth; she brought forth a male child, one who is to rule all the nations with a rod of iron, but her child was caught up to God and to his throne, and the woman fled into the wilderness, where she has a place prepared by God.

And I heard a loud voice in heaven, saying, "Now the salvation and the power and the kingdom of our God and the authority of his Christ have come."

This is the Word of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

45

R. Upon thy right hand
did stand the queen
in a vesture of gold.

Kings' daughters were among
thy honourable women;
upon thy right hand did stand the queen
in a vesture of gold,
wrought about with divers colours.
Hearken, O daughter,
and consider, incline thine ear;
forget also thine own people,
and thy father's house. R.

So shall the King have pleasure
in thy beauty;
for he is thy Lord God,
and worship thou him.
With joy and gladness
shall they be brought;
and shall enter into the King's palace. R.

THE SECOND READING

1 Corinthians 15:20-26

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

R. Before the angels
will I sing praise unto thee, O Lord.
I will give thanks unto thee, O Lord,
with my whole heart;
even before the angels
will I sing praise unto thee.
I will worship toward thy holy temple. R

I praise thy Name,
because of thy loving-kindness
and truth
for thou hast magnified thy Name
and thy word
above all things.
When I called upon thee,
thou didst hear me
and didst give strength unto my soul. R.
All the kings of the earth
shall praise thee, O Lord,
for they have heard
the words of thy mouth.
Yea, they shall sing
in the ways of the Lord
that great is the glory of the Lord. R.

THE SECOND READING

Revelation 12:7-12

A reading from the book of Revelation.

War arose in heaven, Michael and his Angels fighting against the dragon; and the dragon and his Angels fought, but they were defeated and there was no longer any place for them in heaven.

And the great dragon was thrown down, that ancient serpent, who is called the Devil and Satan, the deceiver of the whole world - he was thrown down to the earth, and his Angels were thrown down with him.

And I heard a loud voice in heaven, saying, "Now the salvation and the power and the kingdom of our God and the authority of his Christ have come, for the accuser of our brethren has been thrown down, who accuses

them day and night before our God. And they have conquered him by the blood of the Lamb and by the word of their testimony, for they loved not their lives even unto death. Rejoice then, O heaven and you that dwell therein!"

This is the Word of the Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Psalm 103:20,1; 148:2

O praise the Lord, all ye his Angels: ye mighty in power, that execute his commandment, and hearken unto the voice of his words. Praise the Lord, O my soul: and all that is within me, praise his holy name. Alleluia, alleluia. Praise God, all ye Angels of his; praise him, all his host. Alleluia.

THE GOSPEL READING

John 1:47-51

The Continuation of the Holy Gospel according to John.

R. Glory be to thee, O Lord.

At that time: Jesus saw Nathanael coming to him, and said of him, "Behold, an Israelite indeed, in whom is no guile!"

Nathanael said to him, "How do you know me?"

Jesus answered him, "Before Philip called you, when you were under the fig tree, I saw you."

Nathanael answered him, "Rabbi, you are the Son of God! You are the King of Israel!"

Jesus answered him, "Because I said to you, I saw you under the fig tree, do you believe? You shall see greater things than these." And he said to him, "Truly, truly, I say to you, you will see heaven opened, and the Angels of God ascending and descending upon the Son of Man."

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

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And being found in human form he humbled himself and became obedient unto death, even death on a Cross.

Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name which is above every name, that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

This is the Word of the Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Philippians 2:8-9

Christ became obedient for our sakes unto death, even the death of the Cross. Wherefore God also hath highly exalted him: and given him the Name which is above every name. Alleluia, alleluia! Sweetest wood and sweetest iron: sweetest weight is hung on thee. Thou alone wast worthy: to bear the King of heaven and its Lord. Alleluia.

THE GOSPEL READING

John 3:13-17

The Continuation of the Holy Gospel according to John.

R. Glory be to thee, O Lord.

At that time: Jesus said to Nicodemus: "No one has ascended into heaven but he who descended from heaven, the Son of man. And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of man be lifted up, that whoever believes in him may have eternal life.

"For God so loved the world that he gave his only-begotten Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life.

"For God sent the Son into the world, not to condemn the world, but that the world might be saved through him."

This is the Gospel of the Lord.



St. Michael & All Angels

29th September

THE FIRST READING

Daniel 7:1-10, 13-14

A reading from the Prophet Daniel.

As I looked, thrones were placed and one that was ancient of days took his seat; his raiment was white as snow, and the hair of his head like pure wool; his throne was fiery flames, its wheels were burning fire. A stream of fire issued and came forth from before him; a thousand thousands served him, and ten thousand times ten thousands stood before him; the court sat in judgment, and the books were opened.

I saw in the night visions, and behold, with the clouds of heaven there came one like a son of man, and he came to the Ancient of Days and was presented before him. And to him was given dominion and glory and kingdom, that all people, nations, and languages should serve him; his dominion is an everlasting dominion, which shall not pass away, and his kingdom one that shall not be destroyed.

This is the Word of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

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Brethren: Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have fallen asleep. For as by a man came death, by a man has come also the resurrection of the dead.

For as in Adam all die, so also in Christ shall all be made alive. But each in his own order: Christ the first fruits, then at his coming those who belong to Christ.

Then comes the end, when he delivers the kingdom to God the Father, after destroying every rule and every authority and power. For he must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet. The last enemy to be destroyed is death. "For God has put all things in subjection under his feet."

This is the Word of the Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Psalm 45:12-13

Hearken, O daughter and consider, incline thine ear: so shall the king have pleasure in thy beauty. In thy comeliness and in thy beauty go forth, ride prosperously and reign. Alleluia, alleluia! Mary is taken up into heaven: the company of angels is joyful. Alleluia.

THE GOSPEL READING

Luke 1:39-56

The Continuation of the Holy Gospel according to Luke.

R. Glory be to thee, O Lord.

In those days: Mary arose and went with haste into the hill country, to a city of Judah, and she entered the house of Zechariah and greeted Elizabeth.

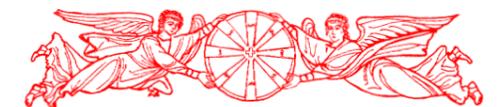
And when Elizabeth heard the greeting of Mary, the babe leaped in her womb; and Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit and she exclaimed with a loud cry, "Blessed are you among

women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb! And why is this granted me, that the mother of my Lord should come to me? For behold, when the voice of your greeting came to my ears, the babe in my womb leaped for joy. And blessed is she who believed that there would be a fulfilment of what was spoken to her from the Lord."

And Mary said, "My soul magnifies the Lord, and my spirit rejoices in God my Saviour, for he has regarded the low estate of his handmaiden. For behold, henceforth all generations will call me blessed; for he who is mighty has done great things for me, and holy is his name. And his mercy is on those who fear him from generation to generation. He has shown strength with his arm, he has scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts, he has put down the mighty from their thrones, and exalted those of low degree; he has filled the hungry with good things, and the rich he has sent empty away. He has helped his servant Israel, in remembrance of his mercy, as he spoke to our fathers, to Abraham and to his posterity for ever."

And Mary remained with her about three months, and returned to her home.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.



The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary

8th September

THE FIRST READING

Micah 5:1-4

A reading from the prophet Micah.

Now you are walled about with a wall; siege is laid against us; with a rod they strike upon the cheek the ruler of Israel.

But you, O Bethlehem Ephrathah, who are little to be among the clans of Judah, from you shall come forth for me one who is to be ruler in Israel, whose origin is from of old, from ancient days.

Therefore he shall give them up until the time when she who is in travail has brought forth; then the rest of his brethren shall return to the people of Israel.

And he shall stand and feed his flock in the strength of the Lord, in the majesty of the name of the Lord his God. And they shall dwell secure, for now he shall be great to the ends of the earth.

This is the Word of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Grail 12:6-7

R. I will praise the Name of the Lord.

O Lord, my trust is in thy mercy;
and my heart is joyful
in thy salvation. **R.**

I will sing of the Lord,
because he hath dealt
so lovingly with me:
yea, I will praise the Name of the Lord
most Highest. **R.**

THE SECOND READING

Romans 8:28-30

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

Brethren: We know that in everything God works for good with those who love him, who are called according to his purpose. For those whom he foreknew he also predestined to be

conformed to the image of his Son, in order that he might be the first-born among many brethren.

And those whom he predestined he also called; and those whom he called he also justified; and those whom he justified he also glorified.

This is the Word of the Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Blessed art thou, O Virgin Mary; who a maiden undefiled hast our Saviour for thy child. Virgin Mother of God, the whole world cannot contain him, yet made man for our sake, hidden he lies in thy womb. Alleluia, alleluia. This is the festival of the glorious Virgin Mary of the seed of Abraham. Alleluia.

THE GOSPEL READING

Matthew 1:18-23

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Matthew.

R. Glory be to thee, O Lord.

Now the birth of Jesus Christ took place in this way.

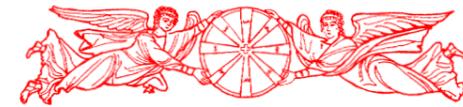
When his mother Mary had been betrothed to Joseph, before they came together she was found to be with child of the Holy Spirit; and her husband Joseph, being a just man and unwilling to put her to shame, resolved to divorce her quietly.

But as he considered this, behold, an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream, saying, "Joseph, son of David, do not fear to take Mary your wife, for that which is conceived in her is of the Holy Spirit; she will bear a son, and you shall call his name Jesus, for he will save his people from their sins."

All this took place to fulfil what the Lord had spoken by the prophet: "Behold, a virgin shall conceive and bear a

son, and his name shall be called Emmanuel" (which means, God with us).

This is the Gospel of the Lord.



The Triumph of the Cross

14th September

THE FIRST READING

Numbers 21:4-9

A reading from the Book of Numbers.

In those days: The people became impatient on the way.

And the people spoke against God and against Moses, "Why have you brought us up out of Egypt to die in the wilderness? For there is no food and no water, and we loathe this worthless food."

Then the Lord sent fiery serpents among the people, and they bit the people, so that many sons of Israel died. And the people came to Moses, and said, "We have sinned, for we have spoken against the Lord and against you; pray to the Lord, that he take away the serpents from us." So Moses prayed for the people.

And the Lord said to Moses, "Make a fiery serpent, and set it up as a sign; and every one who is bitten, when he sees it, shall live."

So Moses made a bronze serpent, and set it up as a sign; and if a serpent bit any man, he would look at the bronze serpent and live.

This is the Word of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

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R. Do not forget the works of the Lord.

Hear my law, O my people;
incline your ears

unto the words of my mouth.
I will open my mouth in a parable;

I will declare hard sentences of old;
Which we have heard and known
and such as our fathers have told us. **R.**

When he slew them, they sought him,
and turned them early,
and inquired after God.

And they remembered
that God was their strength,
and that the high God
was their redeemer. **R.**

Nevertheless, they did but flatter him
with their mouth,
and dissembled with him
in their tongue.
For their heart was not right with him,
neither continued they steadfast
in his covenant. **R.**

But he, being full of compassion,
forgave their iniquity,
and destroyed them not:
yea, many a time
turned he his anger away,
and would not suffer
his whole displeasure to arise. **R.**

THE SECOND READING

Philippians 2:6-11

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

Christ Jesus, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, but emptied himself, taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of