

# TODAY'S MASS

15th January 2023

2nd Sunday of Ordinary Time (A)

## ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

All the earth shall bow down before you, O God,  
and shall sing to you,  
shall sing to your name, O Most High!

Ps 65:4

## SECOND READING

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

1:1-3

I, Paul, appointed by God to be an apostle, together with brother Sosthenes, send greetings to the church of God in Corinth, to the holy people of Jesus Christ, who are called to take their place among all the saints everywhere who pray to our Lord Jesus Christ; for he is their Lord no less than ours. May God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ send you grace and peace

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## THE COLLECT

Almighty ever-living God,  
who govern all things,  
both in heaven and on earth,  
mercifully hear the pleading of your people  
and bestow your peace on our times.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
God, for ever and ever.

## FIRST READING

A reading from the prophet Isaiah

49:3. 5-6

The Lord said to me, 'You are my servant, Israel,  
in whom I shall be glorified';  
I was honoured in the eyes of the Lord,  
my God was my strength.  
And now the Lord has spoken,  
he who formed me in the womb to be his servant,  
to bring Jacob back to him,  
to gather Israel to him:

'It is not enough for you to be my servant,  
to restore the tribes of Jacob and bring back the survivors  
of Israel;  
I will make you the light of the nations  
so that my salvation may reach to the ends of the earth.'

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## PSALM

Ps 39:2.4.7-10. R.vv8.9

**R) Here I am, Lord!  
I come to do your will.**

I waited, I waited for the Lord  
and he stooped down to me;  
he heard my cry.  
He put a new song into my mouth,  
praise of our God. **(R)**

You do not ask for sacrifice and offerings,  
but an open ear.  
You do not ask for holocaust and victim.  
Instead, here am I. **(R)**

In the scroll of the book it stands written  
that I should do your will.  
My God, I delight in your law  
in the depth of my heart. **(R)**

Your justice I have proclaimed  
in the great assembly.  
My lips I have not sealed;  
you know it, O Lord. **(R)**

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

**Alleluia, alleluia!  
Blessings on the King who comes  
in the name of the Lord!  
Peace in heaven  
and glory in the highest heavens!  
Alleluia!**

## GOSPEL

John 1:29-34

The Lord be with you.

**And with your spirit.**

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

Seeing Jesus coming towards him, John said, 'Look, there is the lamb of God that takes away the sin of the world. This is the one I spoke of when I said: A man is coming after me who ranks before me because he existed before me. I did not know him myself, and yet it was to reveal him to Israel that I came baptising with water.' John also declared, 'I saw the Spirit coming down on him from heaven like a dove and resting on him. I did not know him myself, but he who sent me to baptise with water had said to me, "The man on whom you see the Spirit come down and rest is the one who is going to baptise with the Holy Spirit." Yes, I have seen and I am the witness that he is the Chosen One of God.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

## PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

Grant us, O Lord, we pray,  
that we may participate worthily in these mysteries,  
for whenever the memorial of this sacrifice is celebrated  
the work of our redemption is accomplished.  
Through Christ our Lord.

## COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Cf. Ps 22:5

**You have prepared a table before me,  
and how precious is the chalice that quenches my thirst.**

## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Pour on us, O Lord, the Spirit of your love,  
and in your kindness  
make those you have nourished  
by this one heavenly Bread  
one in mind and heart.  
Through Christ our Lord.

