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SUNDAY 24 OCTOBER 2021

30TH SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME

Year B



I trust and I love you, Jesus.



ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Let the hearts that seek the Lord rejoice;
turn to the Lord and his strength;
constantly seek his face.



We say these words or sing a hymn as the priest approaches the altar.

COLLECT

Almighty ever-living God,
increase our faith, hope and charity,
and make us love what you command,
so that we may merit what you promise...



We ask for God's help. Listen now to the priest as he offers this prayer.



FIRST READING JEREMIAH 31:7-9

The people of God are living in two kingdoms, in the north and south. They are all very sad, but here is a message of hope from God. The prophet Jeremiah tells the people that they will be united again as one kingdom.

There will be great celebrations as God gathers the people from the far ends of the earth. Everyone is coming home! Like a loving father, God will lead the people, guiding them to streams of water along a smooth path.



LOOK at the reader and LISTEN. God gives words of hope to the people through the prophet Jeremiah.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM PSALM 125

What marvels the Lord worked for us!
Indeed we were glad.



The cantor or psalmist sings or says the psalm. Listen to the verses, and then respond by using these words.



SECOND READING HEBREWS 5:1-6

A very important festival for Jewish people is Yom Kippur, the Day of Atonement. On this day, Jewish people celebrate God's forgiveness of their sins and their new start with God. The high priest who makes the

offerings has been chosen from the community by God. Here, as Christians, we are reminded that God has given us Jesus as our high priest. It is through Jesus, one of us, that our sins are forgiven.



LOOK at the reader and LISTEN. We can be confident that Jesus understands us and will help us.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!
I am the light of the world, says the Lord,
anyone who follows me
will have the light of life.
Alleluia!



We give a shout of praise to God, using these words taken from the Bible.



DO YOU KNOW?

Thursday 28 October is the feast of **Ss Simon and Jude, Apostles**. According to some traditions, they went together as **missionaries to Persia**, and died for their faith there. Both were among Jesus **twelve special disciples**. Simon is known as "the zealot" and Jude is also "Thaddaeus", which stops anyone mixing them up with Simon Peter and Judas.



THINK

Today is **World Mission Day**. We give money to **support churches, hospitals, schools and vocations** in countries where the Church is new, young or poor. **Let's pray for everyone** involved in sharing Jesus' Good News.





GOSPEL MARK 10:46-52

The Good News about Jesus is told to us by St Mark.

As a blind man in Jesus' time, Bartimaeus had little option but to beg for money. He is sitting on the side of the road, when he hears Jesus coming and shouts out to him. The crowd are embarrassed by the noise Bartimaeus is making and try to shush him, but he is determined

to be heard and shouts even louder. Jesus hears Bartimaeus' cries for help and calls him over. Bartimaeus throws off his cloak, his only protection, and races to Jesus. Jesus sees how much trust and faith Bartimaeus has in him and heals him. Bartimaeus can see again!

STAND to LISTEN to the priest or deacon as he prepares to read the Gospel. Before he reads the Gospel, what does he do to his forehead, his lips and his heart? Can you copy him?



PRAY

"Master, let me see again."

Jesus, help me to really see what's important in my life. Help me to appreciate the good things around me and not to take anything, or anyone, for granted. Amen.



PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL

Dear Lord, I would like to pray for all those who are working to spread the Good News about Jesus across the world. Give them your joy and peace. Lord, hear my prayer.

Listen to the reader as he or she encourages us to pray for situations and people in need. Here is a prayer you could say privately.



OFFERTORY PROCESSION

As we take our gifts of bread, wine and money to the altar, think about a time when you were selfish and then think about all the times when you did something kind and helpful. Say a little prayer offering these thoughts up to God.

Watch as the gifts are made ready and the priest washes his hands and prepares for the Eucharistic Prayer.



THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

Today's special prayer thanks God for fulfilling all God's promises to us.

What can you give special thanks for today?

We listen to the prayer of praise and thanks to God.



THE LORD'S PRAYER

As the priest extends his hands, we say the prayer that Jesus taught us.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

We will ring out our joy at your saving help and exult in the name of our God.

You are invited to sing a Communion song or say this verse, which has been especially chosen for today's celebration.



MY PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Thank you, Jesus, for always listening to me when I need help. Thank you for your healing love. Amen.



IXΘΥΣ

is the Greek word for "fish" and was used in the catacombs as a sign for early Christians. It is made up from the first letter of five Greek titles for the Lord:

- I (Jesus)
- X (Christos)
- Θ (Theou/God's)
- Υ (Uios/Son)
- Σ (Soter/Saviour)



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We take Jesus with us to carry on the work that he did on earth, until we meet again next Sunday.

Go in peace.

