

SUNDAY READINGS & PRAYERS

TRINITY 2 (YEAR B) PROPER 5

COLLECT

Lord, you have taught us that all our doings without love are nothing worth: send your Holy Spirit and pour into our hearts that most excellent gift of love, the true bond of peace and of all virtues, without which whoever lives is counted dead before you. Grant this for your only Son Jesus Christ's sake, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

FIRST READING

Gen 3.8-15

A reading from the book of Genesis.

The man and the woman heard the sound of the Lord God walking in the garden in the cool of the day, and the man and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the Lord God among the trees of the garden. But the Lord God called to the man 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 deceived me, and I ate."

The Lord God said to the serpent, "Because you have done this, cursed are you above all livestock and above all beasts of the field; on 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 offspring and her offspring; he shall bruise your head, and you shall bruise his heel."

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 130



℣. With the Lord there is mercy, and fullness of redemption. (*All repeat*)



Out of the depths I cry to | you O Lord;
Lord | hear my voice!
O let your ears | be attentive
to the voice | of my pleading. ℣.

If you O Lord should | mark our guilt,
Lord who | would survive?
But with you is | found forgiveness;
for this | we revere you. ℣.

My soul is waiting | for the Lord;
I count | on his word.
My soul is longing | for the Lord
more than watch-|man for daybreak. ℣.

Because with the Lord | there is mercy
and fullness | of redemption,
Israel indeed he | will redeem
from all its in-|iquity. ℣.

SECOND READING

2 Cor 4.13-5.1

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

Since we have the same spirit of faith according to what has been written, "I believed, and so I spoke", we also believe, and so we also 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 self is wasting away, our inner self is being renewed day by day. For this light momentary affliction is preparing for us an eternal weight of glory beyond all comparison, as 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 tent that is our

earthly home 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.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Jn 14.23

Alleluia.

Whoever loves me will keep my word:
and my Father will love him, and we shall
come to him.

Alleluia.

GOSPEL READING

Mk 3.20–35

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Hear the Gospel ✠ of our Lord Jesus Christ
according to Mark.

Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus went home, and the crowd gathered again, so that he and the disciples could not even eat. And when his family heard it, they went out to seize him, for they were saying, “He is out of his mind.”

And the scribes who came down from Jerusalem were saying, “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 children of man, and whatever blasphemies they utter, but whoever blasphemes against the Holy Spirit never has forgiveness, but is guilty of an eternal sin” – for they were saying, “He has an unclean spirit.”

And his mother and his brothers came, and standing outside they sent to him and called

him. And a crowd was sitting around him, and they said to him, “Your mother and your brothers are outside, seeking you.” And he answered them, “Who are my mother and my brothers?” And looking about at those who sat around him, he said, “Here are my mother and my brothers! For whoever does the will of God, he is my brother and sister and mother.”

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

Lord, we offer you this sacrifice to obtain your pardon and to give you glory: accept it and grant that it may cleanse us from our sins, so that the offering we make of our hearts may be pleasing to you; through Christ our Lord.
Amen.

POST-COMMUNION

Loving Father, we thank you for feeding us at the supper of your Son: sustain us with your Spirit, that we may serve you here on earth until our joy is complete in heaven, and we share in the eternal banquet with Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**