



This is the Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

1 Pet 2.9

**Alleluia.**

You are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's own people: called out of darkness into his marvellous light. **Alleluia.**

GOSPEL READING

Jn 11.32-44

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

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

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

When Mary came to where Jesus was and saw him, she fell at his feet, saying to him, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died." When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who had come with her also weeping, he was deeply moved in his spirit and greatly troubled. And he said, "Where have you laid him?" They said to him, "Lord, come and see." Jesus wept. So the Jews said, "See how he loved him!" But some of them said, "Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man also have kept this man from dying?"

Then Jesus, deeply moved again, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone lay against it. Jesus said, "Take away the stone." Martha, the sister of the dead man, said to him, "Lord, by this time there will be an odour, for he has been dead four days." Jesus said to her, "Did I not tell you that if you believed you would see the glory of God?" So they took away the stone. And Jesus lifted up his eyes and said, "Father, I thank you that you have heard me. I knew that you always hear me, but I said this on account of the people standing around, that they may believe that you sent me." When he had said these things, he cried out with a loud voice, "Lazarus, come out." The man who had died came out, his hands and feet bound with linen strips, and his face wrapped with a cloth. Jesus said to them, "Unbind him, and let him go."

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**Praise to you, O Christ.**

PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

Lord Jesus Christ, King of glory, you have opened the kingdom of heaven to all believers: come and save your people by the mystery of your body and blood, and bring us with your saints to your eternal glory; who are alive and reign, now and for ever. **Amen.**

POST-COMMUNION

Lord of heaven, in this eucharist you have brought us near to an innumerable company of angels and to the spirits of the saints made perfect: as in this food of our earthly pilgrimage we have shared their fellowship, so may we come to share their joy in heaven; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

SOLEMN BLESSING

May God, who kindled the fire of his love in the hearts of the saints, pour upon you the riches of his grace. **Amen.**

May he give you joy in their fellowship and a share in their praises. **Amen.**

May he strengthen you to follow them in the way of holiness and to come to the full radiance of glory. **Amen.**

And the blessing ...