

Divine Worship

INTROIT *Protector noster* [Psalm 84: 9, 19, 1, 2]

Behold, O God, our defender, and look upon the face of thine Anointed: for one day in thy courts is better than a thousand. Ps. O how amiable are thy dwellings, thou Lord of hosts: my soul hath a desire and longing to enter into the courts of the Lord.

COLLECT Almighty and everlasting God: give unto us the increase of faith, hope, and charity; and, that we may obtain that which thou dost promise, make us to love that which thou dost command; through Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, ever one God, world without end. **Amen.**

APPOINTED PSALM Psalm 146: 1, 7-10 *Lauda, anima mea.*

PRAISE the Lord, O my soul: while I live, will I | praise the | Lord; *
yea, as long as I have any being, I will sing | praises un- | to my | God.
7 The Lord looseth men | out of | prison; * the Lord giveth | sight_ | to
the | blind.

8 The Lord helpeth them | that are | fallen; * the Lord | careth | for
the | righteous.

9 The Lord careth for the strangers; he defendeth the fatherless | and
| widow: * as for the way of the ungodly, he | turneth it | upside |
down.

10 The Lord thy God, O Sion, shall be King for | ever- | more, * and
through- | out all | gene- | rations.

ALLELUIA *Venite, exsultemus* [Psalm 95: 1]

Alleluia, alleluia. O come let us sing unto the Lord: Let us heartily
rejoice in the strength of our salvation. Alleluia.

OFFERTORY *Immittet angelus* [Psalm 34: 7, 8]

The Angel of the Lord tarrieth round about them that fear him, and
delivereth them: O taste and see how gracious the Lord is.

COMMUNION *Primum quaerite* [Matthew 6: 33]

Seek ye first the kingdom of God: and all those things shall be added
unto you, saith the Lord.

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FIRST READING *Isaiah 35: 4-7a*

Say to those who are of a fearful heart, "Be strong, fear not! Behold, your God will come with vengeance, with the recompense of God. He will come and save you." Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened, and the ears of the deaf unstopped; then shall the lame man leap like a hart, and the tongue of the dumb sing for joy. For waters shall break forth in the wilderness, and streams in the desert; the burning sand shall become a pool, and the thirsty ground springs of water.

SECOND READING *James 2: 1-5*

My brethren, show no partiality as you hold the faith of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Lord of glory. For if a man with gold rings and in fine clothing comes into your assembly, and a poor man in shabby clothing also comes in, and you pay attention to the one who wears the fine clothing and say, "Have a seat here, please," while you say to the poor man, "Stand there," or, "Sit at my feet," have you not made distinctions among yourselves, and become judges with evil thoughts? Listen, my beloved brethren. Has not God chosen those who are poor in the world to be rich in faith and heirs of the kingdom which he has promised to those who love him?

GOSPEL *Mark 7: 31-37*

At that time: Jesus returned from the region of Tyre, and went through Sidon to the Sea of Galilee, through the region of the Decapolis. And they brought to him a man who was deaf and had an impediment in his speech; and they besought him to lay his hand upon

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him. And taking him aside from the multitude privately, he put his fingers into his ears, and he spat and touched his tongue; and looking up to heaven, he sighed, and said to him, “Ephphatha,” that is, “Be opened.” And his ears were opened, his tongue was released, and he spoke plainly. And he charged them to tell no one; but the more he charged them, the more zealously they proclaimed it. And they were astonished beyond measure, saying, “He has done all things well; he even makes the deaf hear and the dumb speak.”



Roman Missal

INTROIT You are just, O Lord, and your judgment is right; treat your servant in accord with your merciful love. V. Blessed are they whose way is blameless, who walk in the law of the Lord. Blessed are they who observe his decrees, who seek him with all their heart.

COLLECT O God, by whom we are redeemed and receive adoption, look graciously upon your beloved sons and daughters, that those who believe in Christ may receive true freedom and an everlasting inheritance. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

RESPONSORIAL PSALM *Psalm 146: 1, 7-10*

℟. Praise the Lord, O my soul!

The Lord executes justice for the oppressed; he gives food to the hungry.
The Lord sets the prisoners free. **℟.**

The LORD sets the prisoners free;

the LORD opens the eyes of the blind.

The LORD lifts up those who are bowed down;

the LORD loves the righteous.

The LORD watches over the sojourners. **℟.**

He upholds the widow and the fatherless;

but the way of the wicked he brings to ruin.

The LORD will reign for ever, your God, O Zion, to all generations. **℟.**

VERSE BEFORE THE GOSPEL

℟. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Jesus proclaimed the Gospel of the Kingdom and cured every disease among the people.

℟. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

OFFERTORY I Daniel prayed to my God, saying: Hear, O Lord, the prayers of your servant; show your face upon your sanctuary, and favorably look down upon this people, upon whom your name is invoked, O God. V. While I was praying, I heard a voice saying unto me: Daniel! understand the words that I speak to you; for I am sent to you, and Michael likewise comes to help me.

COMMUNION Like the deer that yearns for running streams, so my soul is yearning for you, my God; my soul is thirsting for God, the living God.