

February 21, 2021
First Sunday of Lent (B)



FIRST READING

Genesis 9:8–15

A reading from the book of Genesis

God told Noah and his sons:

“I am going to make a solemn promise to you
and to all who will live after you.

This includes the birds and animals that came out of the boat.

I promise every living creature on earth

that the earth and those living on it

will never again be destroyed by a flood.

“The rainbow that I have put in the sky will be my sign
to you and to every living creature on earth.

It will tell you that I will keep this solemn promise forever.

When I send clouds to cover the earth,

and the rainbow appears in the sky,

I will remember my promise

to you and to all other living creatures.

Never again will I let flood waters destroy all life.”

The word of the Lord.

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RESPONSORIAL PSALM

*Psalm 25:4–5abc,
6 & 7cd*

All: *Your ways, O Lord, are love and truth
to those who keep your covenant.*

*Show me your paths
and teach me to follow;
guide me by your truth
and instruct me.
You keep me safe.*

All: *Your ways, O Lord, are love and truth
to those who keep your covenant.*

*Please, LORD, remember,
you have always
been patient and kind.
Show how truly kind you are
and remember me.*

All: *Your ways, O Lord, are love and truth
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GOSPEL
Mark 1:12–15

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark

Right away God's Spirit made Jesus go into the desert.
He stayed there for forty days while Satan tested him.
Jesus was with the wild animals,
but angels took care of him.

After John was arrested,
Jesus went to Galilee and told the good news that comes from God.
He said, "The time has come!
God's kingdom will soon be here.
Turn back to God and believe the good news!"

The Gospel of the Lord.

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