15th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, YEAR A, MASS PRAYERS AND READINGS.

LINKS

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

COLLECT

READING I Is 55:10-11

READING II Rom 8:18-23

Or: Mt 13:1-9

PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

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PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Ego autem cum iustítia apparébo in conspéctu tuo; satiábor dum manifestábitur glória tua.

As for me, in justice I shall behold your face; I shall be filled with the vision of your glory.

[-» Greeting]

COLLECT

O God, who show the light of your truth to those who stray and help them back t~ the right path, grant that all whom you acknowledge for their professing of the faith may reject whatever contrasts with the name of Christian and strive after all that does it honor. Through our Lord.

READINGS FOR YEAR A (2020, 2023, 2026...)

READING I Is 55:10–11

Thus says the Lord: Just as from the heavens the rain and snow come down and do not return there till they have watered the earth, making it fertile and fruitful, giving seed to the one who sows and bread to the one who eats, so shall my word be that goes forth from my mouth; my word shall not return to me void, but shall do my will, achieving the end for which I sent it.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

R. The seed that falls on good ground will yield a fruitful harvest.

Semen cécidit in terram bonam, et fecit fructum.

You have visited the land and watered it; greatly have you enriched it.

God's watercourses are filled; you have prepared the grain.
R. Thus have you prepared the land: drenching its furrows, breaking up its clods, softening it with showers, blessing its yield.
R. You have crowned the year with your bounty, and your paths overflow with a rich harvest; the untilled meadows overflow with it, and rejoicing clothes the hills.
R. The fields are garmented with flocks and the valleys blanketed with grain.
They shout and sing for joy.
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READING II Rom 8:18-23

Brothers and sisters: I consider that the sufferings of this present time are as nothing compared with the glory to be revealed for us. For creation awaits with eager expectation the revelation of the children of God; for creation was made subject to futility, not of its own accord but because of the one who subjected it, in hope that creation itself would be set free from slavery to corruption and share in the glorious freedom of the children of God. We know that all creation is groaning in labor pains even until now; and not only that, but we ourselves, who have the firstfruits of the Spirit, we also groan within ourselves as we wait for adoption, the redemption of our bodies.

ALLELUIA

Semen est verbum Dei, sator autem Christus; omnis qui ínvenit eum, manébit in ætérnum.

The seed is the word of God, Christ is the sower; all who come to him will live for ever.

GOSPEL

Mt 13:1–23 [short version 13:1–9]

On that day, Jesus went out of the house and sat down by the sea. Such large crowds gathered around him that he got into a boat and sat down, and the whole crowd stood along the shore. And he spoke to them at length in parables, saying: "A sower went out to sow. And as he sowed, some seed fell on the path, and birds came and ate it up. Some fell on rocky ground, where it had little soil. It sprang up at once because the soil was not deep, and when the sun rose it was scorched, and it withered for lack of roots. Some seed fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up and choked it. But some seed fell on rich soil, and produced fruit, a hundred or sixty or thirtyfold. Whoever has ears ought to hear."

The disciples approached him and said, "Why do you speak to them in parables?" He said to them in reply, "Because knowledge of the mysteries of the kingdom of heaven has been granted to you, but to them it has not been granted. To anyone who has, more will be given and he will grow rich; from anyone who has not, even what he has will be

taken away. This is why I speak to them in parables, because they look but do not see and hear but do not listen or understand. Isaiah's prophecy is fulfilled in them, which says: You shall indeed hear but not understand, you shall indeed look but never see. Gross is the heart of this people, they will hardly hear with their ears, they have closed their eyes, lest they see with their eyes and hear with their ears and understand with their hearts and be converted, and I heal them.

"But blessed are your eyes, because they see, and your ears, because they hear. Amen, I say to you, many prophets and righteous people longed to see what you see but did not see it, and to hear what you hear but did not hear it.

"Hear then the parable of the sower. The seed sown on the path is the one who hears the word of the kingdom without understanding it, and the evil one comes and steals away what was sown in his heart. The seed sown on rocky ground is the one who hears the word and receives it at once with joy. But he has no root and lasts only for a time. When some tribulation or persecution comes because of the word, he immediately falls away. The seed sown among thorns is the one who hears the word, but then worldly anxiety and the lure of riches choke the word and it bears no fruit. But the seed sown on rich soil is the one who hears the word and understands it, who indeed bears fruit and yields a hundred or sixty or thirtyfold."

[-» Creed, Universal Prayer]

[-» Offertory]

Or:

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[-> Offertory]

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PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

Look upon the offerings of the Church, O Lord, as she makes her prayer to you, and grant that, when consumed by those who believe, they may bring ever greater holiness. Through Christ our Lord.

[-» Eucharistic Prayer]

[-» Preface of Sundays in Ordinary Time or of Weekdays]

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Passer invénit sibi domum et turtur nidum, ubi repónat pullos suos. Altária tua, Dómine virtútum, Rex meus, et Deus meus! Beáti qui hábitant in domo tua, in sæculum sæculi laudábunt te.

The sparrow finds a home, and the swallow a nest for her young, at your altars, O Lord of hosts, my king and my God. Blessed are they who dwell in your house, forever

singing your praise.

Or

Qui mandúcat meam carnem et bibit meum sánguinem, in me manet et ego in eo, dicit Dóminus.

Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood remains in me and I in him, says the Lord. [-» Communion]

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Having consumed these gifts, we pray, O Lord, that by our participating in this mystery, its saving effects upon us may grow. Through Christ our Lord.

[-» Concluding Rite]