

Wednesday of the First Week in Ordinary Time
January 13, 2021

Gathering Song: *The King of Glory*

Refrain: The King of glory comes, the nation rejoices. Open the gates before him, lift up your voices.

1. Who is the king of glory; how shall we call him? He is Emmanuel, the promised of ages.
2. In all of Galilee, in city or village, he goes among his people curing their illness.
3. Sing then of David's Son, our Savior and brother; in all of Galilee was never another.

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First Reading Hebrews 2:14-18

A reading from the Letter to the Hebrews

Since the children share in blood and Flesh, Jesus likewise shared in them, that through death he might destroy the one who has the power of death, that is, the Devil, and free those who through fear of death had been subject to slavery all their life.

Surely he did not help angels but rather the descendants of Abraham; therefore, he had to become like his brothers and sisters in every way, that he might be a merciful and faithful high priest before God to expiate the sins of the people.

Because he himself was tested through what he suffered, he is able to help those who are being tested.

The word of the Lord. – Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm Psalm 105:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8-9

The Lord remembers his covenant for ever.

Give thanks to the LORD, invoke his name;
make known among the nations his deeds.

Sing to him, sing his praise, proclaim all his wondrous deeds.

Glory in his holy name;
rejoice, O hearts that seek the LORD!

Look to the LORD in his strength;
seek to serve him constantly.

You descendants of Abraham, his servants, sons of Jacob, his chosen ones!

He, the LORD, is our God;
throughout the earth his judgments prevail.

He remembers forever his covenant
which he made binding for a thousand generations--

Which he entered into with Abraham
and by his oath to Isaac.

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Gospel Acclamation

R. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

My sheep hear my voice, says the Lord.
I know them, and they follow me.

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Gospel Mark 1:29-39

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark

On leaving the synagogue
Jesus entered the house of Simon and Andrew with James and John.
Simon's mother-in-law lay sick with a fever.
They immediately told him about her.
He approached, grasped her hand, and helped her up.
Then the fever left her and she waited on them.

When it was evening, after sunset,
they brought to him all who were ill or possessed by demons.
The whole town was gathered at the door.
He cured many who were sick with various diseases,
and he drove out many demons,
not permitting them to speak because they knew him.

Rising very early before dawn,
he left and went off to a deserted place, where he prayed.
Simon and those who were with him pursued him
and on finding him said, "Everyone is looking for you."
He told them, "Let us go on to the nearby villages
that I may preach there also.
For this purpose have I come."
So he went into their synagogues, preaching and driving out demons
throughout the whole of Galilee.

The Gospel of the Lord. **All:** Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Spiritual Communion Prayer

Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.

I love You above all things,
and I desire to receive You into my soul.

Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally,
come at least spiritually into my heart.

I embrace You as if You were already there
and unite myself wholly to You.

Never permit me to be separated from You.

Amen.

Sending Forth Song:

All the Ends of the Earth

Refrain: All the ends of the earth, all you creatures of the sea,
lift up your eyes to the wonders of the Lord.
For the Lord of the earth, the Master of the sea,
has come with justice for the world.

1. Heaven and earth shall rejoice in his might;
ev'ry heart, ev'ry nation call him Lord.

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