

Today's Scripture Readings

Entrance Antiphon	Responsorial Psalm
When a profound silence covered all things and night was in the middle of it's	Response: The Word was made flesh and lived
course, Your all-powerful Word, O Lord,	among us.
bounded from heaven's royal throne.	
	O praise the Lord, Jerusalem!
PENITENTIAL RITE	Zion, praise your God!
P. Have mercy on us, O Lord	He has strengthened the bars of your gates,
C. For we have sinned against you.	He has blessed the children within you. R
P. Show us, O Lord, your mercy.	
C. And grant us your salvation.	He established peace on your borders,
P. May almighty God have mercy on us,	he feeds you with finest wheat. He sends out his word to the earth
forgive us our sins, and bring us to	And swiftly runs his command.
everlasting life. C. Amen.	
GLORIA	He makes his word known to Jacob,
Glory to God in the highest, and on earth	to Israel his laws and decrees.
peace to people of good will. We praise you,	He has not dealt thus with other nations;
we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you,	He has not taught them his decrees. R
we give you thanks for your great glory,	A reading from the letter of St. Paul to the
Lord God, heavenly King, God, almighty	Ephesians Eph:1:3-6. 15-18
Father. Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the	
Father, you take away the sins of the world,	Blessed be God the Father of our Lord Jesus
have mercy on us;	Christ, who has blessed us with all the spiritual
you take away the sins of the world,	blessings of heaven in Christ. Before the world was
receive our prayer;	made, he chose us, chose us in Christ, to be holy and spotless, and to live through love in his pres-
you are seated at the right hand of the Fa-	ence, determining that we should become his
ther, have mercy on us.	adopted sons, through Jesus Christ, for his own
For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,	kind purposes, to make us praise the glory of his
you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,	grace, his free gift to us in the Beloved.
with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the	That will explain why I, having once heard about
Father. Amen.	your faith in the Lord Jesus, and the love that you show towards all the saints, have never failed to
	remember you in my prayers and to thank God for
A reading from the book of	you. May the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the
Ecclesiastics Eccles 24:1-2.8-12	Father of glory, give you a spirit of wisdom and
Wisdom speaks her own praises,	perception of what is revealed, to
in the midst of her people she glories in	bring you to full knowledge of him. May he
herself. She opens her mouth in the assembly of the	enlighten the eyes of your mind so that you
Most High,	can see what hope his call holds for you, what rich glories he has promised the saints
she glories in herself in the presence of the	will inherit.
Mighty One.	The Word of the Lord.
Then the creator of all things instructed	The word of the Lord.
me, and he who created me fixed a	Gospel Acclamation
place for my tent.	Alleluia, alleluia!
He said, 'pitch your tent in Jacob, make Israel your inheritance'.	Glory be to you, O Christ, proclaimed to
From eternity, in the beginning, he	the pagans;
created me, and for eternity I shall	Glory be to you, O Christ,
remain.	believed in by the world. Alleluia!
I ministered before him in the holy	
tabernacle,	A reading from the holy Gospel according
and thus was I established on Zion In the beloved city he has given me	to John John 1: 1-18
rest, and in Jerusalem I wield my	
authority.	In the beginning was the Word:
I have taken root in a privileged people,	the Word was with God and the Word was God.
in the Lords property, in his inheritance.	He was with God in the beginning.

Through him all things came to be,

not one thing had its being but through him.

The Word of the Lord.

All that came to be had life in him and that life was the light of all people, a light that shines in the dark, a light that darkness could not overpower. The Word was the true light that enlightens all people; and he was coming into the world. He was in the world that had its being through him, and the world did not know him. He came to his own domain and his own people did not accept him. But to all who did accept him he gave power to become children of God, to all who believe in the name of him who was born not out of human stock or urge of the flesh or will of man but of God himself. The Word was made flesh, He lived among us, and we saw his glory, the glory that is his as the only Son of the Father, full of grace and truth.

The Gospel of the Lord

PROFESSION OF FAITH

I believe in one God, the Father almighty. maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible. I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven, and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day In accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. **Amen.**

Communion Antiphon

To all who would accept him, he gave the power to become children of God.