

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time B

24 January 2021

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Reading

Jonah 3:1-5, 10

A reading from the book of the prophet Jonah

The word of the Lord came to Jonah, saying,
"Get up, go to Nineveh, that great city,
and proclaim to it the message that I tell you."
So Jonah set out and went to Nineveh,
according to the word of the Lord.

Now Nineveh was an exceedingly large city,
a three days' walk across.

Jonah began to go into the city, going a day's walk.

And he cried out,

"Forty days more, and Nineveh shall be overthrown!"

And the people of Nineveh believed God;
they proclaimed a fast,
and everyone, great and small, put on sackcloth.

'When God saw what they did,
how they turned from their evil ways,
God changed his mind about the calamity
that he had said he would bring upon them;
and he did not do it.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 24:4-9

R. Teach me your ways, O Lord.

Make me to know your ways, O Lord;
teach me your paths.

Lead me in your truth, and teach me:
for you are the God of my salvation. **R.**

Be mindful of your mercy, O Lord,
and of your steadfast love,
for they have been from of old.

According to your steadfast love remember me,
for the sake of your goodness, O Lord. **R.**

Good and upright is the Lord;
therefore he instructs sinners in the way.
He leads the humble in what is right,
and teaches the humble his way. **R.**

Second Reading

1 Corinthians 7:29-31

A reading from the first letter of Paul to the Corinthians

Brothers and sisters,
the appointed time has grown short;
from now on,
let even those who have wives be as though they had none,
and those who mourn as though they were not mourning,
and those who rejoice as though they were not rejoicing,
and those who buy as though they had no possessions,
and those who deal with the world as though they had no dealings
with it.

For the present form of this world is passing away.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation

Mark 1:15

Alleluia, alleluia!

The kingdom of God is near:
repent and believe the good news!

Alleluia!

Gospel

Mark 1:14-20

A reading from the holy gospel according to Mark

After John was arrested,

Jesus came to Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God,
and saying,

"The time is fulfilled,
and the kingdom of God has come near;
repent, and believe in the good news."

As Jesus passed along the Sea of Galilee,
he saw Simon and his brother Andrew casting a net into the sea-
for they were fishermen.

And Jesus said to them,

"Follow me and I will make you fishers of people."

And immediately they left their nets and followed him.

As Jesus went a little farther,
he saw James son of Zebedee and his brother John,
who were in their boat mending the nets.

Immediately he called them;
and they left their father Zebedee in the boat with the hired men,
and followed him.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.