

# Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time B

## 14 February 2021

### THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

#### First Reading

Leviticus 13:1-2, 44-46

A reading from the book of Leviticus

The Lord spoke to Moses and Aaron, saying:

"When a person has on the skin of the body a swelling or an eruption or a spot, and it turns into a leprous disease on the skin of the body, that person shall be brought to Aaron the priest or to one of his sons the priests.

"A person who has the leprous disease shall wear torn clothes and let the hair of the head be dishevelled and shall cover the upper lip and cry out, 'Unclean, unclean.'

A person shall remain unclean as long as the disease persists; and being unclean, that person shall live alone with a dwelling outside the camp."

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

#### Responsorial Psalm

Ps 31:1-2, 5, 10bc- 11

**R. You are my refuge, O Lord,  
and the joy of my salvation.**

**OR**

**I turn to you, Lord, in time of trouble,  
and you fill me with the joy of salvation.**

Happy are those whose transgression is forgiven,  
whose sin is covered.

Happy are those to whom the Lord imputes no iniquity,  
and in whose spirit there is no deceit. **R.**

I acknowledged my sin to you,  
and I did not hide my iniquity;  
I said: 'I will confess my transgressions to the Lord.'  
and you forgave the guilt of my sin. **R.**

Steadfast love surrounds  
those who trust in the Lord.  
Be glad in the Lord and rejoice, O righteous,  
and shout for joy, all you upright in heart. **R.**

## **Second Reading**

2 Corinthians 10:3 - 11:1

A reading from the first letter of Paul to the Corinthians  
"All things are lawful," but not all things are beneficial.  
"All things are lawful," but not all things are built up.  
Do not seek your own advantage, but that of the other.  
Eat whatever is sold in the meat market  
without raising any question on the ground of conscience,  
for "the earth and its fullness are the Lord's."  
If an unbeliever invites you to a meal,  
and you are disposed to go,  
eat whatever is set before you,  
without raising any question on the ground of conscience.  
But if someone says to you,  
"This has been offered in sacrifice,"  
then do not eat it,  
out of consideration for the one who informed you,  
and for the sake of conscience-  
I mean the other's conscience, not your own.  
For why should my liberty

be subject to the judgement of someone else's conscience?  
If I partake in thankfulness,  
why should I be denounced because of that for which I give thanks?

Whether you eat or drink, or whatever you do,  
do everything for the glory of God.  
Give no offense to Jews or to Greeks  
or to the church of God,  
just as I try to please everyone in everything I do,  
not seeking my own advantage, but that of many,  
so that they may be saved.

Be imitators of me, as I am of Christ.

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

### **Gospel Acclamation**

Luke 7:16

Alleluia, alleluia!  
A great prophet has appeared among us;  
God has visited his people.  
Alleluia!

### **Gospel**

Mark 1:40-45

A reading from the holy gospel according to Mark  
A man with leprosy came to Jesus begging him,  
and kneeling said to Jesus,  
"If you choose, you can make me clean."  
Moved with pity, Jesus stretched out his hand and touched him,  
and said to him, "I do choose. Be made clean!"  
Immediately the leprosy left him, and he was made clean.  
After sternly warning him Jesus sent him away at once,  
saying to him, "See that you say nothing to anyone;

but go, show yourself to the priest,  
and offer for your cleansing what Moses commanded,  
as a testimony to them."

But the man went out and began to proclaim it freely,  
and to spread the word,  
and people came to Jesus from every quarter.

The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

