

First Sunday Advent C

28 November 2021

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Reading

Jeremiah 33:14-16

A reading from the book of the prophet Jeremiah

The days are surely coming, says the Lord,
when I will fulfil the promise
I made to the house of Israel
and the house of Judah.

In those days and at that time
I will cause a righteous Branch to spring up for David;
and he shall execute justice and righteousness in the land.

In those days Judah will be saved
and Jerusalem will live in safety.
And this is the name by which it will be called:
"The Lord is our righteousness."

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 24:4-5, 8-9, 10, 14

R. To you, O Lord, I lift my soul.

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.***

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.***

And the paths of the Lord are steadfast love and faithfulness,
for those who keep his covenant and his decrees.
The friendship of the Lord is for those who fear him;
And he makes his covenant known to them. **R.**

Second Reading

1 Thessalonians 3:12 - 4:2

A reading from the first letter of Paul to the Thessalonians

Beloved:

May the Lord make you increase
and abound in love for one another and for all,
just as we abound in love for you.
And may he so strengthen your hearts in holiness
that you may be blameless before our God and Father
at the coming of our Lord Jesus with all his saints.

Finally, brothers and sisters,
we ask and urge you in the Lord Jesus that,
as you learned from us how you ought to live and to please God,
as, in fact, you are doing,
you should do so more and more.
For you know what instructions we gave you through the Lord Jesus.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation

Ps 85:7

Alleluia, alleluia!
Lord, show us your mercy and love,
and grant us your salvation.
Alleluia!

Gospel

Luke 21:25-28, 34-36

A reading from the holy gospel according to Luke
Jesus spoke to his disciples about his return in glory.
"There will be signs in the sun, the moon, and the stars

and on the earth distress among nations
confused by the roaring of the sea and the waves.
People will faint from fear and foreboding
of what is coming upon the world,
for the powers of the heavens will be shaken.

"Then they will see 'the Son of Man coming in a cloud'
with power and great glory.

Now when these things begin to take place,
stand up and raise your heads,
because your redemption is drawing near.

"Be on guard so that your hearts are not weighed down
with dissipation and drunkenness
and the worries of this life,
and that day catch you unexpectedly, like a trap.
For it will come upon all who live on the face of the whole earth.
Be alert at all times,
praying that you may have the strength
to escape all these things that will take place,
and to stand before the Son of Man."

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

