

# Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time B

24 October 2021

## THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

### First Reading

Jeremiah 31:7-9

A reading from the book of the prophet Jeremiah

Thus says the Lord:

"Sing aloud with gladness for Jacob,  
and raise shouts for the chief of the nations;  
proclaim, give praise, and say,  
'Save, O Lord, your people,  
the remnant of Israel.'

"See, I am going to bring them from the land of the north,  
and gather them from the farthest parts of the earth,  
among them those who are blind and those who are lame,  
those with child and those in labour; together;  
a great company, they shall return here.

"With weeping they shall come,  
and with consolations I will lead them back,  
I will let them walk by brooks of water;  
in a straight path in which they shall not stumble;  
for I have become a father to Israel,  
and Ephraim is my firstborn."

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

### Responsorial Psalm

Ps 125

**R.** The Lord has done great things for us;  
we are filled with joy.

When the Lord restored the fortunes of Zion,  
we were like those in a dream.

Then our mouth was filled with laughter,  
on our tongue with shouts of joy. **R.**

Then it was said among the nations,  
"The Lord has done great things for them."  
The Lord has done great things for us,  
and we rejoiced. **R.**

Restore our fortunes, O Lord,  
like the watercourses in the desert of the Negev.  
May those who sow in tears  
reap with shouts of joy. **R.**

Those who go out weeping,  
bearing the seed for sowing,  
shall come home with shouts of joy,  
carrying their sheaves. **R.**

## **Second Reading**

Hebrews 5:1-6

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews

Every high priest chosen from among mortals  
is put in charge of things pertaining to God on their behalf,  
to offer gifts and sacrifices for sins.

He is able to deal gently with the ignorant and wayward,  
since he himself is subject to weakness;  
and because of this he must offer sacrifice for his own sins  
as well as for those of the people.

And one does not presume to take this honour;  
but takes it only when called by God, just as Aaron was.

So also Christ did not glorify himself in becoming a high priest,  
but was appointed by the one who said to him,

"You are my Son,  
today I have begotten you";  
as he says also in another place,  
"You are a priest forever;  
according to the order of Melchizedek."

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## **Gospel Acclamation**

2 Timothy 1:10

Alleluia, alleluia!

Our Saviour Jesus Christ has done away with death,  
and brought us life through his gospel.

Alleluia!

## **Gospel**

Mark 10:46-52

A reading from the holy gospel according to Mark

As Jesus and his disciples and a large crowd were leaving Jericho,  
Bartimaeus son of Timaeus, a blind beggar,  
was sitting by the roadside.

When he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth,  
he began to shout out and say,

"Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!"

Many sternly ordered him to be quiet,

but he cried out even more loudly,

"Son of David, have mercy on me!"

Jesus stood still and said,

"Call him here."

And they called the blind man, saying to him,

"Take heart;

get up, he is calling you."

So throwing off his cloak, he sprang up and came to Jesus.

Then Jesus said to him,

"What do you want me to do for you?"

The blind man said to him,

"My teacher; let me see again.

Jesus said to him,

"Go; your faith has made you well."

Immediately the man regained his sight and followed Jesus on the way.

The Gospel of the Lord.

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

