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FIRST READING [Gen 18:20-32](#)

A reading from the book of Genesis

The Lord said, 'How great an outcry there is against Sodom and Gomorrah! How grievous is their sin! I propose to go down and see whether or not they have done all that is alleged in the outcry against them that has come up to me. I am determined to know.'

The men left there and went to Sodom while Abraham remained standing before the Lord. Approaching him he said, 'Are you really going to destroy the just man with the sinner? Perhaps there are fifty just men in the town. Will you really overwhelm them, will you not spare the place for the fifty just men in it? Do not think of doing such a thing: to kill the just man with the sinner, treating just and sinner alike! Do not think of it! Will the judge of the whole earth not administer justice?'

The Lord replied, 'If at Sodom I find fifty just men in the town, I will spare the whole place because of them.'

Abraham replied, 'I am bold indeed to speak like this to my Lord, I who am dust and ashes. But perhaps the fifty just men lack five: will you destroy the whole city for five?' 'No', he replied 'I will not destroy it if I find forty-five just men there.'

Again Abraham said to him,

'Perhaps there will only be forty there.' 'I will not do it' he replied 'for the sake of the forty.'

Abraham said, 'I trust my Lord will not be angry, but give me leave to speak: perhaps there will only be thirty there.' 'I will not do it' he replied 'if I find thirty there.' He said, 'I am bold indeed to speak like this, but perhaps there will only be twenty there.' 'I will not destroy it' he replied 'for the sake of the twenty.' He said, 'I trust my Lord will not be angry if I speak once more: perhaps there will only be ten.' 'I will not destroy it' he replied 'for the sake of the ten.'

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

(R.) Lord, on the day I called for help, you answered me.

1. I thank you, Lord, with all my heart, you have heard the words of my mouth. Before the angels I will bless you. I will adore before your holy temple. **(R.)**

2. I thank you for your faithfulness and love which excel all we ever knew of you. On the day I called, you answered; you increased the strength of my soul. **(R.)**

3. The Lord is high yet he looks on the lowly and the haughty he knows from afar. Though I walk in the midst of affliction you give me life and frustrate my foes. **(R.)**

4. You stretch out your hand and save me, your hand will do all things for me. Your love, O Lord, is eternal, discard not the work of your hands. **(R.)**

SECOND READING [Col 2:12-14](#)

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Colossians

You have been buried with Christ, when you were baptised; and by baptism, too, you have been raised up with him through your belief in the power of God who raised him from the dead. You were dead, because you were sinners and had not been circumcised: he has brought you to life with him, he has forgiven us all our sins.

He has overridden the Law, and cancelled every record of the debt that we had to pay; he has done away with it by nailing it to the cross.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

You have received the Spirit which makes us God's children, and in that Spirit we call God our Father. Alleluia!

GOSPEL [Lk 11:1-13](#)

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

Once Jesus was in a certain place praying, and when he had finished, one of his disciples said, 'Lord, teach us to pray, just as John taught his disciples.'

HYMNS

ENTRANCE

Tell out, my soul

1. Tell out, my soul, the great-ness of the Lord!
 2. Tell out, my soul, the great-ness of his name!
 3. Tell out, my soul, the great-ness of his might!

1. Un - num - bered bless - ings, give my spi - rit voice;
 2. Make known his might, the deeds his arm has done;
 3. Pow'rs and do - mi - nions lay their glo - ry by.

1. ten - der to me the pro - mise of his word;
 2. his mer - cy sure, from age to age the same;
 3. Proud hearts and stub - born wills are put to flight,

1. in God my Sa - viour shall my heart re - joice.
 2. his ho - ly name, the Lord, the Might - y One.
 3. the hun - gry fed, the hum - ble lift - ed high.

COMMUNION

Companions On the Journey

Refrain:

We are companions on the journey,
 Breaking Bread and sharing life;
 And in the love we bear
 Is the hope we share
 For we believe in the love of our God,
 We believe in the love of our God.

No longer strangers to each other,
 No longer strangers in God's House;
 We are fed and we are nourished
 By the strength of those who care,
 By the strength of those who care.

We have been gifted with each other,
 And we are called by the Word of the Lord;
 To act with justice to love tenderly,
 And to walk humbly with our God,
 To walk humbly with our God.

RECESSIONAL

The Summons

Will you come and follow me

1. "Will you come and fol - low me if I but call your
 2. Will you let the blind - ed see if I but call your
 3. Lord, your sum - mons e - choes true when you but call my

1. name? Will you go where you don't know and nev - er
 2. name? Will you set the pris - ners free and nev - er
 3. name. Let me turn and fol - low you and nev - er

1. be the same? Will you let my love be shown,
 2. be the same? Will you kiss the le - per clean,
 3. be the same. In your com - pa - ny I'll go

1. will you let my name be known. Will you let my
 2. and do such as this un - seen, and ad - mit to
 3. where your love and foot - steps show. Thus I'll move and

1. life be grown in you and you in me?
 2. what I mean in you and you in me?
 3. live and grow in you and you in me.



BLESSINGS FOR THE WEEK AHEAD

NOTICES

This Sunday is the Second World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly. Below is an extract of Pope Francis' message for today:

"In old age they will still bear fruit" (Ps 92:15). These words of the Psalmist are glad tidings, a true "gospel" that we can proclaim to all on this second World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly. They run counter to what the world thinks about this stage of life, but also to the attitude of grim resignation shown by some of us elderly people, who harbour few expectations for the future.

Many people are afraid of old age. They consider it a sort of disease with which any contact is best avoided. The elderly, they think, are none of their concern and should be set apart, perhaps in homes or places where they can be cared for, lest we have to deal with their problems. This is the mindset of the "throw-away culture", which leads us to think that we are somehow different from the poor and vulnerable in our midst, untouched by their frailties and separated from "them" and their troubles.

The Scriptures see things differently. A long life – so the Bible teaches – is a blessing, and the elderly are not outcasts to be shunned but living signs of the goodness of God who bestows life in abundance. Blessed is the house where an older person lives! Blessed is the family that honours the elderly!

FEAST DAYS

Mon - St James, Apostle
Tue - Sts Joachim & Anne
Fri - St Martha

Old age is not a time of life easily understood even by those of us who are already experiencing it. Even though it eventually comes with the passage of time, no one prepares us for old age, and at times it seems to take us by surprise. The more developed societies expend large sums on this stage of life without really helping people to understand and appreciate it; they offer healthcare plans to the elderly but not plans for living this age to the full. This makes it hard to look to the future and discern what direction to take. On the one hand, we are tempted to ward off old age by hiding our wrinkles and pretending to be forever young, while on the other, we imagine that the only thing we can do is bide our time, thinking glumly that we cannot "still bring forth fruit".

Old age is no time to give up and lower the sails, but a season of enduring fruitfulness: a new mission awaits us and bids us look to the future. This would be our own contribution to the revolution of tenderness, a spiritual and non-violent revolution in which I encourage you, dear grandparents and elderly persons, to take an active role. Dear grandparents, dear elderly persons, we are called to be artisans of the revolution of tenderness in our world! Let us become,

as it were, poets of prayer: let us develop a taste for finding our own words. To all of you, and to your loved ones, I send my blessing and the assurance of my closeness and affection."

PRAYER FOR THE SECOND WORLD DAY FOR GRANDPARENTS AND THE ELDERLY

I give thanks to you, Lord,
For the blessing of a long life
For, to those who take refuge in
You,
Grant always to bear fruit.
Forgive, O Lord,
Resignation and disillusionment,
But forsake me not
When my strength declines.
Teach me to look with hope
To the future you give me,
To the mission you entrust to me
And to sing your praises without
end. Make me a tender craftsman
Of Your revolution,
To guard with love my
grandchildren
And all the little ones who seek
shelter in You.
Protect, O Lord, Pope Francis
And grant Thy Church
To deliver the world from
loneliness.
Direct our steps in the way of
peace. Amen.

**THANK YOU TO
MONSIGNOR PETER
AND PARISHIONERS
FOR MY BIRTHDAY
WISHES.
FROM
SHIRLEY**



THE ORDER OF MASS

THE INTRODUCTORY RITES

*In the name of the Father, and of the Son,
and of the Holy Spirit.*

Amen.

PENITENTIAL ACT

*Brethren (brothers and sisters), let us acknowledge our
sins, and so prepare ourselves to celebrate the sacred
mysteries.*

**I confess to you almighty God
and to you my brothers and sisters,
that I have greatly sinned,
in my thoughts and in my words,
in what I have done and in what I have failed to do,
through my fault, through my fault,
through my most grievous fault (*striking the breast*)
therefore I ask the blessed Mary ever-virgin,
all the angels and saints,
and you, my brothers and sisters,
to pray for me to the Lord our God.**

*May almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us our
sins, and bring us to everlasting life.*

Amen.

GLORIA (when spoken)

Glory to God in the highest,
and on earth peace to people of good will.
We praise you, we bless you,
we adore you, we glorify you,
we give you thanks for your great glory,
Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father.
Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
you take away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us;
you take away the sins of the world,
receive our prayer;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father,
have mercy on us.
For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father.
Amen.

THE APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty,
Creator of heaven and earth,
and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, (*all bow*)
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died and was buried;
he descended into hell;
on the third day he rose again from the dead;
he ascended into heaven, and is seated
at the right hand of God the Father almighty,
from there he will come to judge
the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and life everlasting. **Amen.**

AFTER THE PREFACE

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts.
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.

THE MYSTERY OF FAITH

We proclaim your Death, O Lord,
and profess your Resurrection,
until you come again.

THE CONCLUDING RITES

The Lord be with you.
And with your spirit.
*May almighty God bless you
the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit.*
Amen.

Go forth, the Mass is ended.

Thanks be to God