

## COLLECT

Most merciful God,  
 who by the death and resurrection of  
 your Son Jesus Christ  
 delivered and saved the world:  
 grant that by faith in him who  
 suffered on the cross  
 we may triumph in the power of his  
 victory;  
 through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,  
 who is alive and reigns with you,  
 in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
 one God, now and for ever.

## FIRST READING Jeremiah 31:31-34

*A reading from the book of the prophet Jeremiah.*

The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt – a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, says the LORD. But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the LORD: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. No longer shall they teach one another, or say to each other, "Know the LORD," for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the LORD; for I will forgive their iniquity, and remember their sin no more.

## PSALM

*Either Psalm 51:1-12*

**R** *A clean heart create in me, O God.*

Have mercy on me, O God,  
 according to your loving-kindness;  
 in your great compassion blot out my  
 offences.

Wash me through and through from  
 my wickedness  
 and cleanse me from my sin. **R**

For I know my transgressions,  
 and my sin is ever before me.  
 Against you only have I sinned  
 and done what is evil in your sight.  
 And so you are justified when you  
 speak  
 and upright in your judgement. **R**

Indeed, I have been wicked from my  
 birth,  
 a sinner from my mother's womb.

For behold, you look for truth deep  
 within me,  
 and will make me understand wisdom  
 secretly. **R**

Purge me from my sin and I shall be  
 pure;  
 wash me and I shall be clean indeed.  
 Make me hear of joy and gladness,  
 that the body you have broken may  
 rejoice. **R**

Hide your face from my sins  
 and blot out all my iniquities.  
 Create in me a clean heart, O God,  
 and renew a right spirit within me.  
 Cast me not away from your presence  
 and take not your holy Spirit from me. **R**

## Or Psalm 119:9-16

**R** *O Lord, how I love your law.*

How shall the young cleanse their way?  
 By keeping to your words.  
 With my whole heart I seek you;  
 let me not stray from your  
 commandments. **R**

I treasure your promise in my heart,  
 that I may not sin against you.  
 Blessed are you, O Lord;  
 instruct me in your statutes. **R**

With my lips will I recite  
 all the judgements of your mouth.  
 I have taken greater delight in the  
 way of your decrees  
 than in all manner of riches. **R**

I will meditate on your commandments  
 and give attention to your ways.  
 My delight is in your statutes;  
 I will not forget your word. **R**

## SECOND READING Hebrews 5:5-10

*A reading from the letter to the Hebrews.*

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  
 for ever, according to the order of  
 Melchizedek." In the days of his  
 flesh, Jesus offered up prayers and  
 supplications, with loud cries and  
 tears, to the one who was able to save  
 him from death, and he was heard  
 because of his reverent submission.  
 Although he was a Son, he learned

obedience through what he suffered;  
 and having been made perfect, he  
 became the source of eternal salvation  
 for all who obey him, having been  
 designated by God a high priest  
 according to the order of Melchizedek.

## GOSPEL John 12:20-33

*Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.*

Among those who went up to  
 worship at the festival were some  
 Greeks. They came to Philip, who  
 was from Bethsaida in Galilee, and  
 said to him, "Sir, we wish to see  
 Jesus." Philip went and told Andrew;  
 then Andrew and Philip went and  
 told Jesus. Jesus answered them,  
 "The hour has come for the Son of  
 Man to be glorified. Very truly, I tell  
 you, unless a grain of wheat falls into  
 the earth and dies, it remains just a  
 single grain; but if it dies, it bears  
 much fruit. Those who love their life  
 lose it, and those who hate their life  
 in this world will keep it for eternal  
 life. Whoever serves me must follow  
 me, and where I am, there will my  
 servant be also. Whoever serves me,  
 the Father will honour. Now my soul  
 is troubled. And what should I say  
 – 'Father, save me from this hour'?  
 No, it is for this reason that I have  
 come to this hour. Father, glorify  
 your name." Then a voice came from  
 heaven, "I have glorified it, and I will  
 glorify it again." The crowd standing  
 there heard it and said that it was  
 thunder. Others said, "An angel has  
 spoken to him." Jesus answered,  
 "This voice has come for your sake,  
 not for mine. Now is the judgement  
 of this world; now the ruler of this  
 world will be driven out. And I, when  
 I am lifted up from the earth, will  
 draw all people to myself." He said  
 this to indicate the kind of death he  
 was to die.

## POST COMMUNION

Lord Jesus Christ,  
 you have taught us  
 that what we do for the least of our  
 brothers and sisters  
 we do also for you:  
 give us the will to be the servant of  
 others  
 as you were the servant of all,  
 and gave up your life and died for us,  
 but are alive and reign, now and for  
 ever.