

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.