

**T**he Collect

Almighty and everlasting God, give unto us the increase of faith, hope and charity; and, that we may obtain that which thou dost promise, make us to love that which thou dost command; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

**T**he Old Testament Reading is taken from the Book of Deuteronomy, beginning to read in Chapter 10 at the 12<sup>th</sup> verse.

10:12 “And now, Israel, what does the Lord your God require of you, but to fear the Lord your God, to walk in all his ways, to love him, to serve the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul, 13 and to keep the commandments and statutes of the Lord, which I command you this day for your good?

14 Behold, to the Lord your God belong heaven and the heaven of heavens, the earth with all that is in it;

15 yet the Lord set his heart in love upon your fathers and chose their descendants after them, you above all peoples, as at this day.

16 Circumcise therefore the foreskin of your heart, and be no longer stubborn.

17 For the Lord your God is God of gods and Lord of lords, the great, the mighty, and the terrible God, who is not partial and takes no bribe.

18 He executes justice for the fatherless and the widow, and loves the sojourner, giving him food and clothing.

19 Love the sojourner therefore; for you were sojourners in the land of Egypt.

The word of the Lord. All: Thanks be to God.

**T**he New Testament Reading is taken from the 1<sup>st</sup> letter of St Paul to the Thessalonians, beginning to read in Chapter 5 at the 9<sup>th</sup> verse.

5:9 For God has not destined us for wrath, but to obtain salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ, 10 who died for us so that whether we wake or sleep we might live with him.

11 Therefore encourage one another and build one another up, just as you are doing.

12 But we beseech you, brethren, to respect those who labour among you and are over you in the Lord and admonish you,

13 and to esteem them very highly in love because of their work.

Be at peace among yourselves.

14 And we exhort you, brethren,  
admonish the idle, encourage the fainthearted, help the weak,  
be patient with them all.

15 See that none of you repays evil for evil, but always seek to do good to one  
another and to all.

16 Rejoice always,

17 pray constantly,

18 give thanks in all circumstances;

for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you.

19 Do not quench the Spirit,

20 do not despise prophesying,

21 but test everything;

hold fast what is good,

22 abstain from every form of evil.

23 May the God of peace himself sanctify you wholly;

and may your spirit and soul and body be kept sound and blameless at the coming  
of our Lord Jesus Christ.

24 He who calls you is faithful, and he will do it.

The word of the Lord. All: Thanks be to God.

**P**salm appointed 145:8-13

Priest: The Lord be with you.

All: And with your spirit.

**H**ear the Holy Gospel according to St Luke.  
Glory to you, O Lord.

10:25 And behold, a lawyer stood up to put him to the test, saying,  
“Teacher, what shall I do to inherit eternal life?”

26 He said to him, “What is written in the law? How do you read?”

27 And he answered, “You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and  
with all your soul, and with all your strength, and with all your mind; and your  
neighbor as yourself.”

28 And he said to him, “You have answered right; do this, and you will live.”

29 But he, desiring to justify himself, said to Jesus, “And who is my neighbor?”

30 Jesus replied, “A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and he fell among robbers, who stripped him and beat him, and departed, leaving him half dead.

31 Now by chance a priest was going down that road; and when he saw him he passed by on the other side.

32 So likewise a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side.

33 But a Samaritan, as he journeyed, came to where he was; and when he saw him, he had compassion,

34 and went to him and bound up his wounds, pouring on oil and wine; then he set him on his own beast and brought him to an inn, and took care of him.

35 And the next day he took out two denarii and gave them to the innkeeper, saying, ‘Take care of him; and whatever more you spend, I will repay you when I come back.’

36 Which of these three, do you think, proved neighbor to the man who fell among the robbers?”

37 He said, “The one who showed mercy on him.” And Jesus said to him, “Go and do likewise.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

**P**ostcommunion Collect

O Lord, who here hast fed us with thy heavenly sacraments: grant, we pray thee, that we may thereby grow and increase toward the attainment of everlasting salvation. Through Jesus Christ our Lord, who livest and reignest with Thee in the unity of the Holy Spirit, One God, world without end. Amen.