

October 12 Monday of the Twenty-eighth Week in Ordinary Time

Reading 1 GAL 4:22-24, 26-27, 31-5:1

Brothers and sisters:

It is written that Abraham had two sons,
one by the slave woman and the other by the
freeborn woman.

The son of the slave woman was born
naturally,
the son of the freeborn through a promise.
Now this is an allegory.

These women represent two covenants.
One was from Mount Sinai, bearing children
for slavery;
this is Hagar.

But the Jerusalem above is freeborn, and she
is our mother.

For it is written:

*Rejoice, you barren one who bore no
children;*

*break forth and shout, you who were not in
labor;*

*for more numerous are the children of the
deserted one*

than of her who has a husband.

Therefore, brothers and sisters,
we are children not of the slave woman
but of the freeborn woman.

For freedom Christ set us free; so stand firm
and do not submit again to the yoke of
slavery.

Responsorial Psalm

PS 113:1B-2, 3-4, 5A AND 6-7

**R. Blessed be the name of the Lord
forever.**

or:

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

Praise, you servants of the LORD,
praise the name of the LORD.

Blessed be the name of the LORD
both now and forever.

**R. Blessed be the name of the Lord
forever.**

or:

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

From the rising to the setting of the sun
is the name of the LORD to be praised.

High above all nations is the LORD;

above the heavens is his glory.

**R. Blessed be the name of the Lord
forever.**

or:

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

Who is like the LORD, our God,
who looks upon the heavens and the earth
below?

He raises up the lowly from the dust;
from the dunghill he lifts up the poor.

**R. Blessed be the name of the Lord
forever.**

or:

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

Alleluia PS 95:8

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

If today you hear his voice,
harden not your hearts.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

Gospel LK 11:29-32

While still more people gathered in the crowd,
Jesus said to them,

“This generation is an evil generation;
it seeks a sign, but no sign will be given it,
except the sign of Jonah.

Just as Jonah became a sign to the Ninevites,
so will the Son of Man be to this generation.

At the judgment

the queen of the south will rise with the men of
this generation

and she will condemn them,

because she came from the ends of the earth
to hear the wisdom of Solomon,

and there is something greater than Solomon
here.

At the judgment the men of Nineveh will arise
with this generation

and condemn it,

because at the preaching of Jonah they
repented,

and there is something greater than Jonah
here.”

October 13

Tuesday of the Twenty-eighth Week in Ordinary Time

Reading 1 GAL 5:1-6

Brothers and sisters:
For freedom Christ set us free;
so stand firm and do not submit again to the yoke of slavery.
It is I, Paul, who am telling you that if you have yourselves circumcised, Christ will be of no benefit to you. Once again I declare to every man who has himself circumcised that he is bound to observe the entire law. You are separated from Christ, you who are trying to be justified by law; you have fallen from grace. For through the Spirit, by faith, we await the hope of righteousness. For in Christ Jesus, neither circumcision nor uncircumcision counts for anything, but only faith working through love.

Responsorial Psalm

PS 119:41, 43, 44, 45, 47, 48

R. Let your mercy come to me, O Lord.
Let your mercy come to me, O LORD,
your salvation according to your promise.
R. Let your mercy come to me, O Lord.
Take not the word of truth from my mouth,
for in your ordinances is my hope.
R. Let your mercy come to me, O Lord.
And I will keep your law continually,
forever and ever.
R. Let your mercy come to me, O Lord.
And I will walk at liberty,
because I seek your precepts.
R. Let your mercy come to me, O Lord.
And I will delight in your commands,
which I love.
R. Let your mercy come to me, O Lord.
And I will lift up my hands to your commands
and meditate on your statutes.
R. Let your mercy come to me, O Lord.

Alleluia HEB 4:12

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

The word of God is living and effective, able to discern reflections and thoughts of the heart.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

Gospel LK 11:37-41

After Jesus had spoken,
a Pharisee invited him to dine at his home.
He entered and reclined at table to eat.
The Pharisee was amazed to see that he did not observe the prescribed washing before the meal.
The Lord said to him, "Oh you Pharisees! Although you cleanse the outside of the cup and the dish, inside you are filled with plunder and evil. You fools! Did not the maker of the outside also make the inside? But as to what is within, give alms, and behold, everything will be clean for you."

October 14

Wednesday of the Twenty-eighth Week in Ordinary Time

Reading 1 **GAL 5:18-25**

Brothers and sisters:

If you are guided by the Spirit, you are not under the law.

Now the works of the flesh are obvious: immorality, impurity, licentiousness, idolatry, sorcery, hatreds, rivalry, jealousy, outbursts of fury, acts of selfishness, dissensions, factions, occasions of envy, drinking bouts, orgies, and the like.

I warn you, as I warned you before, that those who do such things will not inherit the Kingdom of God.

In contrast, the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace,

patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control.

Against such there is no law.

Now those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified their flesh with its passions and desires.

If we live in the Spirit, let us also follow the Spirit.

Responsorial Psalm

PS 1:1-2, 3, 4 AND 6

R. Those who follow you, Lord, will have the light of life.

Blessed the man who follows not the counsel of the wicked

Nor walks in the way of sinners,

nor sits in the company of the insolent,

But delights in the law of the LORD and meditates on his law day and night.

R. Those who follow you, Lord, will have the light of life.

He is like a tree

planted near running water,

That yields its fruit in due season,

and whose leaves never fade.

Whatever he does, prospers.

R. Those who follow you, Lord, will have the light of life.

Not so the wicked, not so;

they are like chaff which the wind drives away.

For the LORD watches over the way of the just, but the way of the wicked vanishes.

R. Those who follow you, Lord, will have the light of life.

Alleluia **JN 10:27**

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

My sheep hear my voice, says the Lord; I know them, and they follow me.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

Gospel **LK 11:42-46**

The Lord said:

“Woe to you Pharisees!

You pay tithes of mint and of rue and of every garden herb,

but you pay no attention to judgment and to love for God.

These you should have done, without overlooking the others.

Woe to you Pharisees!

You love the seat of honor in synagogues and greetings in marketplaces.

Woe to you!

You are like unseen graves over which people unknowingly walk.”

Then one of the scholars of the law said to him in reply,

“Teacher, by saying this you are insulting us too.”

And he said, “Woe also to you scholars of the law!

You impose on people burdens hard to carry, but you yourselves do not lift one finger to touch them.”

October 15

Memorial of Saint Teresa of Jesus, Virgin and Doctor of the Church

Reading 1 EPH 1:1-10

Paul, an Apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, to the holy ones who are in Ephesus and faithful in Christ Jesus:
grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,
who has blessed us in Christ
with every spiritual blessing in the heavens,
as he chose us in him, before the foundation of the world,
to be holy and without blemish before him.
In love he destined us for adoption to himself through Jesus Christ,
in accord with the favor of his will,
for the praise of the glory of his grace that he granted us in the beloved.
In Christ we have redemption by his Blood,
the forgiveness of transgressions,
in accord with the riches of his grace that he lavished upon us.
In all wisdom and insight, he has made known to us the mystery of his will in accord with his favor that he set forth in him as a plan for the fullness of times,
to sum up all things in Christ, in heaven and on earth.

Responsorial Psalm

PS 98:1, 2-3AB, 3CD-4, 5-6

R. The Lord has made known his salvation.

Sing to the LORD a new song,
for he has done wondrous deeds;
His right hand has won victory for him,
his holy arm.

R. The Lord has made known his salvation.

The LORD has made his salvation known:
in the sight of the nations he has revealed his justice. He has remembered his kindness and his faithfulness
toward the house of Israel.

R. The Lord has made known his salvation.

All the ends of the earth have seen
the salvation by our God.
Sing joyfully to the LORD, all you lands;
break into song; sing praise.

R. The Lord has made known his salvation.

Sing praise to the LORD with the harp,
with the harp and melodious song.
With trumpets and the sound of the horn
sing joyfully before the King, the LORD.

R. The Lord has made known his salvation.

Alleluia JN 14:16

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

I am the way and the truth and the life, says the Lord;
no one comes to the Father except through me.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

Gospel LK 11:47-54

The Lord said:

“Woe to you who build the memorials of the prophets
whom your fathers killed.

Consequently, you bear witness and give consent

to the deeds of your ancestors,
for they killed them and you do the building.

Therefore, the wisdom of God said,
‘I will send to them prophets and Apostles;
some of them they will kill and persecute’
in order that this generation might be charged

with the blood of all the prophets
shed since the foundation of the world,
from the blood of Abel to the blood of Zechariah

who died between the altar and the temple building.

Yes, I tell you, this generation will be charged with their blood!

Woe to you, scholars of the law!

You have taken away the key of knowledge.

You yourselves did not enter and you stopped those trying to enter.”

When Jesus left, the scribes and Pharisees began to act with hostility toward him and to interrogate him about many things,
for they were plotting to catch him at something he might say.

October 16

Friday of the Twenty-eighth Week in Ordinary Time

Reading 1 EPH 1:11-14

Brothers and sisters:
In Christ we were also chosen,
destined in accord with the purpose of the One
who accomplishes all things according to the
intention of his will,
so that we might exist for the praise of his
glory,
we who first hoped in Christ.
In him you also, who have heard the word of
truth,
the Gospel of your salvation, and have believed
in him,
were sealed with the promised Holy Spirit,
which is the first installment of our inheritance
toward redemption as God's possession, to the
praise of his glory.

Responsorial Psalm

PS 33:1-2, 4-5, 12-13

**R. Blessed the people the Lord has
chosen to be his own.**

Exult, you just, in the LORD;
praise from the upright is fitting.
Give thanks to the LORD on the harp;
with the ten-stringed lyre chant his praises.

**R. Blessed the people the Lord has
chosen to be his own.**

For upright is the word of the LORD,
and all his works are trustworthy.
He loves justice and right;
of the kindness of the LORD the earth is full.

**R. Blessed the people the Lord has
chosen to be his own.**

Blessed the nation whose God is the LORD,
the people he has chosen for his own
inheritance.

From heaven the LORD looks down;
he sees all mankind.

**R. Blessed the people the Lord has
chosen to be his own.**

Alleluia PS 33:22

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

May your kindness, LORD, be upon us;
who have put our hope in you.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

Gospel LK 12:1-7

At that time:

So many people were crowding together
that they were trampling one another
underfoot.

Jesus began to speak, first to his disciples,
“Beware of the leaven—that is, the hypocrisy—
of the Pharisees.

“There is nothing concealed that will not be
revealed,

nor secret that will not be known.

Therefore whatever you have said in the
darkness

will be heard in the light,

and what you have whispered behind closed
doors

will be proclaimed on the housetops.

I tell you, my friends,

do not be afraid of those who kill the body
but after that can do no more.

I shall show you whom to fear.

Be afraid of the one who after killing

has the power to cast into Gehenna;

yes, I tell you, be afraid of that one.

Are not five sparrows sold for two small
coins?

Yet not one of them has escaped the notice of
God.

Even the hairs of your head have all been
counted.

Do not be afraid.

You are worth more than many sparrows.”

October 17 Memorial of Saint Ignatius of Antioch, Bishop and Martyr

Reading 1 **EPH 1:15-23**

Brothers and sisters:

Hearing of your faith in the Lord Jesus
and of your love for all the holy ones,
I do not cease giving thanks for you,
remembering you in my prayers,
that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the
Father of glory,
may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation
resulting in knowledge of him.
May the eyes of your hearts be enlightened,
that you may know what is the hope that
belongs to his call,
what are the riches of glory
in his inheritance among the holy ones,
and what is the surpassing greatness of his
power
for us who believe,
in accord with the exercise of his great might,
which he worked in Christ,
raising him from the dead
and seating him at his right hand in the
heavens,
far above every principality, authority, power,
and dominion,
and every name that is named
not only in this age but also in the one to come.
And he put all things beneath his feet
and gave him as head over all things to the
Church,
which is his Body,
the fullness of the one who fills all things in
every way.

Responsorial Psalm

PS 8:2-3AB, 4-5, 6-7

**R. You have given your Son rule over the
works of your hands.**

O LORD, our LORD,
how glorious is your name over all the earth!
You have exalted your majesty above the
heavens.

Out of the mouths of babes and sucklings
you have fashioned praise because of your foes.

**R. You have given your Son rule over the
works of your hands.**

When I behold your heavens, the work of your

fingers,
the moon and the stars which you set in place—
What is man that you should be mindful of
him,

or the son of man that you should care for him?

**R. You have given your Son rule over the
works of your hands.**

You have made him little less than the angels,
and crowned him with glory and honor.

You have given him rule over the works of your
hands,

putting all things under his feet.

**R. You have given your Son rule over the
works of your hands.**

Alleluia **JN 15:26B, 27A**

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

The Spirit of truth will testify to me, says the
Lord, and you also will testify.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

Gospel **LK 12:8-12**

Jesus said to his disciples:

“I tell you,
everyone who acknowledges me before
others

the Son of Man will acknowledge before the
angels of God.

But whoever denies me before others
will be denied before the angels of God.

“Everyone who speaks a word against the
Son of Man will be forgiven,
but the one who blasphemes against the Holy
Spirit
will not be forgiven.

When they take you before synagogues and
before rulers and authorities,

do not worry about how or what your defense
will be

or about what you are to say.

For the Holy Spirit will teach you at that
moment what you should say.”

October 18

Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Reading 1 IS 45:1, 4-6

Thus says the LORD to his anointed, Cyrus,
whose right hand I grasp,
subduing nations before him,
and making kings run in his service,
opening doors before him
and leaving the gates unbarred:
For the sake of Jacob, my servant,
of Israel, my chosen one,
I have called you by your name,
giving you a title, though you knew me not.
I am the LORD and there is no other,
there is no God besides me.

It is I who arm you, though you know me not,
so that toward the rising and the setting of the
sun people may know that there is none
besides me.

I am the LORD, there is no other.

Responsorial Psalm

PS 96:1, 3, 4-5, 7-8, 9-10

R. (7b) **Give the Lord glory and honor.**

Sing to the LORD a new song;
sing to the LORD, all you lands.

Tell his glory among the nations;
among all peoples, his wondrous deeds.

R. **Give the Lord glory and honor.**

For great is the LORD and highly to be praised;
awesome is he, beyond all gods.

For all the gods of the nations are things of
nought, but the LORD made the heavens.

R. **Give the Lord glory and honor.**

Give to the LORD, you families of nations,
give to the LORD glory and praise;
give to the LORD the glory due his name!
Bring gifts, and enter his courts.

R. **Give the Lord glory and honor.**

Worship the LORD, in holy attire;
tremble before him, all the earth;
say among the nations: The LORD is king,
he governs the peoples with equity.

R. **Give the Lord glory and honor.**

Reading 2 1 THES 1:1-5B

Paul, Silvanus, and Timothy to the church of
the Thessalonians
in God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ:
grace to you and peace.

We give thanks to God always for all of you,
remembering you in our prayers,
unceasingly calling to mind your work of faith
and labor of love
and endurance in hope of our Lord Jesus
Christ,
before our God and Father,
knowing, brothers and sisters loved by God,
how you were chosen.
For our gospel did not come to you in word
alone,
but also in power and in the Holy Spirit and
with much conviction.

Alleluia PHIL 2:15D, 16A

R. **Alleluia, alleluia.**

Shine like lights in the world
as you hold on to the word of life.

R. **Alleluia, alleluia**

Gospel MT 22:15-21

The Pharisees went off
and plotted how they might entrap Jesus in
speech.

They sent their disciples to him, with the
Herodians, saying,

"Teacher, we know that you are a truthful
man

and that you teach the way of God in
accordance with the truth.

And you are not concerned with anyone's
opinion,

for you do not regard a person's status.

Tell us, then, what is your opinion:

Is it lawful to pay the census tax to Caesar or
not?"

Knowing their malice, Jesus said,

"Why are you testing me, you hypocrites?
Show me the coin that pays the census tax."

Then they handed him the Roman coin.

He said to them, "Whose image is this and
whose inscription?"

They replied, "Caesar's."

At that he said to them,

"Then repay to Caesar what belongs to
Caesar

and to God what belongs to God."