

Twentieth Week in Ordinary Time

First Reading Isaiah 56:1, 6-7

Thus says the Lord:

“Keep justice, and do righteousness,
for soon my salvation will come,
and my deliverance be revealed.

“And the foreigners who join themselves to the Lord,
to minister to him, to love the name of the Lord,
and to be his servants,
everyone who keeps the sabbath, and does not profane it,
and holds fast my covenant
these I will bring to my holy mountain,
and make them joyful in my house of prayer;
their burnt offerings and their sacrifices
will be accepted on my altar;
for my house shall be called a house of prayer for all peoples.

Responsorial Psalm

Let the peoples praise you, O God;

Let all the peoples praise you.

May God be gracious and bless us
and let his face shed its light upon us.
So will your ways be known on earth
and all nations learn your salvation.

Let the peoples praise you, O God;

Let all the peoples praise you.

Let the nations be glad and shout for joy;
with unrighteousness you rule your peoples,
you guide the nations on earth.

Let the peoples praise you, O God;

Let all the peoples praise you.

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let all the peoples praise you.

May God still give us his blessing

that all the ends of the earth may revere him.

Let the peoples praise you, O God;

Let all the peoples praise you.

Second Reading Romans 11:13-15, 29-32

Brothers and sisters: I am speaking to you Gentiles. Inasmuch then as I am an Apostle to the Gentiles, I magnify my ministry in order somehow to make my fellow Jews jealous and thus save some of them. For if their rejection means the reconciliation of the world, what will their acceptance mean but life from the dead?

For the gifts and the call of God are irrevocable. Just as you were at one time disobedient to God, but now have received mercy because of their disobedience, so they have now been disobedient in order that by the mercy shown to you they also may receive mercy. For God has consigned all to disobedience, that he may have mercy on all.

Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia,

Jesus proclaimed the gospel of the kingdom

And healed every affliction among the people.

Alleluia.



Gospel Matthew 15:21-28

At that time: And Jesus went away and withdrew to the district of Tyre and Sidon. And behold, a Canaanite woman from that region came out and was crying, “Have mercy on me, O Lord, Son of David; my daughter is severely oppressed by a demon.” But he did not answer her a word. And his disciples came and begged him, saying, “Send her away, for she is crying out after us.” He answered, “I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel.” But she came and knelt before him, saying, “Lord, help me.” And he answered, “It is not right to take the children’s bread and throw it to the dogs.” She said, “Yes, Lord, yet even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their masters’ table.” Then Jesus answered her, “O woman, great is your faith! Be it done for you as you desire.” And her daughter was healed instantly.