

Psalms, readings and collect

Date: 24th April – Easter IV Wednesday

Psalm:

(135) O PRAISE the Lord, laud ye the Name of the Lord : praise it, O ye servants of the Lord;
2 Ye that stand in the house of the Lord : in the courts of the house of our God.
3 O praise the Lord, for the Lord is gracious : O sing praises unto his Name, for it is lovely.
4 For why? the Lord hath chosen Jacob unto himself : and Israel for his own possession.
5 For I know that the Lord is great : and that our Lord is above all gods.
6 Whatsoever the Lord pleased, that did he in heaven and in earth : and in the sea, and in all deep places.
7 He bringeth forth the clouds from the ends of the world : and sendeth forth lightnings with the rain, bringing the winds out of his treasures.
8 He smote the first-born of Egypt : both of man and beast.
9 He hath sent tokens and wonders into the midst of thee, O thou land of Egypt : upon Pharaoh, and all his servants.
10 He smote divers nations : and slew mighty kings;
11 Sehon king of the Amorites, and Og the king of Basan : and all the kingdoms of Canaan;
12 And gave their land to be an heritage : even an heritage unto Israel his people.
13 Thy Name, O Lord, endureth for ever : so doth thy memorial, O Lord, from one generation to another.
14 For the Lord will avenge his people : and be gracious unto his servants.
15 As for the images of the heathen, they are but silver and gold : the work of men's hands.
16 They have mouths, and speak not : eyes have they, but they see not.
17 They have ears, and yet they hear not : neither is there any breath in their mouths.
18 They that make them are like unto them : and so are all they that put their trust in them.
19 Praise the Lord, ye house of Israel : praise the Lord, ye house of Aaron.
20 Praise the Lord, ye house of Levi : ye that fear the Lord, praise the Lord.
21 Praised be the Lord out of Sion : who dwelleth at Jerusalem.
Glory be to the Father and to the Son: and to the Holy Ghost.
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be: world without end. Amen.

Reading:

A Reading from the Gospel according to Saint John.

Jesus cried out and said, "He who believes in me, believes not in me but in him who sent me. And he who sees me sees him who sent me. I have come as light into the world, that whoever believes in me may not remain in darkness. If any one hears my sayings and does not keep them, I do not judge him; for I did not come to judge the world but to save the world. He who rejects me and does not receive my sayings has a judge; the word that I have spoken will be his judge on the last day. For I have not spoken on my own authority; the Father who sent me has himself given me commandment what to say and what to speak. And I know that his commandment is eternal life. What I say, therefore, I say as the Father has bidden me."

Collect of the day:

Almighty God, Who shewest to them that be in error the light of Thy Truth, to the intent that they may return into the way of righteousness: Grant unto all them that are admitted into the fellowship of Christ's religion that they may eschew those things that are contrary to their profession, and follow all such things as are agreeable to the same; through Jesus Christ Thy Son our Lord; Who liveth and reigneth with Thee in the unity of the Holy Ghost, God, throughout all ages world without end. Amen.

Today is the memorial of Lavinia Jane Campbell, of affectionate remembrance for many of us; please add this prayer just before the Grace:

O God, the Creator and Preserver of all, grant, we beseech Thee unto Vinnie and all who have died the sure benefits of Thy Son's saving Sacrifice, that in the last day when all things shall be gathered up in Him, they may know the fullness of His Love; the same Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

May her soul and the souls of all the departed, through the mercy and love of God, rest in peace. Amen.