

Psalms, readings and collect

Date: 2nd March – Lent III

Monday

Psalm:

(5) PONDER my words, O Lord : consider my meditation.
2 O hearken thou unto the voice of my calling, my King and my God : for unto thee will I make my prayer.
3 My voice shalt thou hear betimes, O Lord : early in the morning will I direct my prayer unto thee, and will look up.
4 For thou art the God that hast no pleasure in wickedness : neither shall any evil dwell with thee.
5 Such as be foolish shall not stand in thy sight : for thou hatest all them that work vanity.
6 Thou shalt destroy them that speak leasing : the Lord will abhor both the blood-thirsty and deceitful man.
7 But as for me, I will come into thine house, even upon the multitude of thy mercy : and in thy fear will I worship toward thy holy temple.
8 Lead me, O Lord, in thy righteousness, because of mine enemies : make thy way plain before my face.
9 For there is no faithfulness in his mouth : their inward parts are very wickedness.
10 Their throat is an open sepulchre : they flatter with their tongue.
11 Destroy thou them, O God; let them perish through their own imaginations : cast them out in the multitude of their ungodliness; for they have rebelled against thee.
12 And let all them that put their trust in thee rejoice : they shall ever be giving of thanks, because thou defendest them; they that love thy Name shall be joyful in thee;
13 For thou, Lord, wilt give thy blessing unto the righteous : and with thy favourable kindness wilt thou defend him as with a shield.
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.

(7) O LORD my God, in thee have I put my trust : save me from all them that persecute me, and deliver me;
2 Lest he devour my soul, like a lion, and tear it in pieces : while there is none to help.
3 O Lord my God, if I have done any such thing : or if there be any wickedness in my hands;
4 If I have rewarded evil unto him that dealt friendly with me : yea, I have delivered him that without any cause is mine enemy;
5 Then let mine enemy persecute my soul, and take me : yea, let him tread my life down upon the earth, and lay mine honour in the dust.
6 Stand up, O Lord, in thy wrath, and lift up thyself, because of the indignation of mine enemies : arise up for me in the judgement that thou hast commanded.
7 And so shall the congregation of the people come about thee : for their sakes therefore lift up thyself again.
8 The Lord shall judge the people; give sentence with me, O Lord : according to my righteousness, and according to the innocency that is in me.
9 O let the wickedness of the ungodly come to an end : but guide thou the just.
10 For the righteous God : trieth the very hearts and reins.
11 My help cometh of God : who preserveth them that are true of heart.

12 God is a righteous Judge, strong and patient : and God is provoked every day.
13 If a man will not turn, he will whet his sword : he hath bent his bow, and made it ready.
14 He hath prepared for him the instruments of death : he ordaineth his arrows against the persecutors.
15 Behold, he travaileth with mischief : he hath conceived sorrow, and brought forth ungodliness.
16 He hath graven and digged up a pit : and is fallen himself into the destruction that he made for other.
17 For his travail shall come upon his own head : and his wickedness shall fall on his own pate.
18 I will give thanks unto the Lord, according to his righteousness : and I will praise the Name of the Lord most High.
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Reading:

A Reading from the Gospel according to Saint Luke.

Jesus came to Nazara and said to the peole, "Truly, I say to you, no prophet is acceptable in his own country. But in truth, I tell you, there were many widows in Israel in the days of Eli'jah, when the heaven was shut up three years and six months, when there came a great famine over all the land; and Eli'jah was sent to none of them but only to Zar'ephath, in the land of Sidon, to a woman who was a widow. And there were many lepers in Israel in the time of the prophet Eli'sha; and none of them was cleansed, but only Na'aman the Syrian." When they heard this, all in the synagogue were filled with wrath. And they rose up and put him out of the city, and led him to the brow of the hill on which their city was built, that they might throw him down headlong. But passing through the midst of them he went away.

Collect of the day:

We beseech Thee, Almighty God, look upon the hearty desires of Thy humble servants, and stretch forth the right hand of Thy Majesty to be our defence against all our enemies; in and through Jesus Christ our Lord, Who liveth and reigneth with Thee in the unity of the Holy Ghost, God, throughout all ages world without end. Amen.