

**SUNDAY, May 22, 2022**

**Sixth Sunday of Easter**

**Prayer for the Morning**

*Sing a new song to the Lord for he has worked wonders, alleluia! Glory to the Father.... Alleluia!*

**Hymn**

**Meter: LM**

This day our risen Savior reigns,  
Creation's undefeated King,  
While angels in resplendent light  
With mighty voice his triumph sing.  
This day the Lord has made his own,  
Who broke from his confining grave.  
His living presence fills the world  
That by his Cross he came to save.  
To God the Father glory give  
For Jesus Christ his deathless Son,  
Who with the Holy Spirit lives  
Immortal, and for ever One.

**Psalm**

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*This is the plan proposed for the whole earth,/ and this the hand outstretched over all nations.(Is 14:26)*

*God's plan of salvation, accomplished through the Death and Resurrection of Jesus Christ, embraces all peoples. In the hope of the Spirit, we rejoice in the fulfillment of his promises.*

Lord, make me know your ways.  
Lord, teach me your paths.  
Make me walk in your truth, and teach me:  
for you are God my savior.  
In you I hope all day long  
because of your goodness, O Lord.  
Remember your mercy, Lord,  
and the love you have shown from of old.  
Do not remember the sins of my youth.  
In your love remember me.  
The Lord is good and upright.  
He shows the path to those who stray,  
he guides the humble in the right path;  
he teaches his way to the poor.  
If anyone fears the Lord  
he will show him the path he should choose.  
His soul shall live in happiness  
and his children shall possess the land.  
The Lord's friendship is for those who revere him;  
to them he reveals his covenant.

Glory to the Father...

**Word of God**

**Romans 15:7-9**

Welcome one another, then, as Christ welcomed you, for the glory of God. For I say that Christ became a minister of the circumcised to show God's truthfulness, to confirm the promises to the patriarchs, but so that the Gentiles might glorify God for his mercy.

I proclaim you, O Lord, among the nations,/ and I will sing praise to your name. (cf. 2 Sm 22:50)

**Canticle of Zechariah**

*Let all the nations gather together,/ let the peoples assemble!* (Is 43:9)

Blessed be the Lord, the God of Israel; he has come to his people and set them free. He has raised up for us a mighty savior, born of the house of his servant David.

Through his holy prophets he promised of old that he would save us from our enemies, from the hands of all who hate us. He promised to show mercy to our fathers and to remember his holy covenant.

This was the oath he swore to our father Abraham: to set us free from the hands of our enemies, free to worship him without fear, holy and righteous in his sight all the days of our life.

You, my child, shall be called the prophet of the Most High; for you will go before the Lord to prepare his way, to give his people knowledge of salvation by the forgiveness of their sins.

In the tender compassion of our God the dawn from on high shall break upon us, to shine on those who dwell in darkness and the shadow of death, and to guide our feet into the way of peace.

**Glory to the Father...**

**Intercessions**

The Lord comes to rule the whole earth; to him we pray:

**R/**You bring us salvation!

You came in human flesh through the Virgin Mary: teach us to love all humanity, redeemed by your love. **R/**

You died for the people of every place and time: teach us to love people of every age, of every race, of every nation. **R/**

You arose to rule in fairness over all peoples: teach us to pursue justice and peace among nations. **R/** Personal intentions

Our Father....

*God of all the earth, you sent your only Son to redeem all peoples from sin and death. May his saving presence tear down the walls we have built between us, that he may rule the whole world in peace and love, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever. Amen.*

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**Reading 1**                      **Acts 15:1-2, 22-29**

Some who had come down from Judea were instructing the brothers, “Unless you are circumcised according to the Mosaic practice, you cannot be saved.” Because there arose no little dissension and debate by Paul and Barnabas with them, it was decided that Paul, Barnabas, and some of the others should go up to Jerusalem to the apostles and elders about this question.

The apostles and elders, in agreement with the whole church, decided to choose representatives and to send them to Antioch with Paul and Barnabas. The ones chosen were Judas, who was called Barsabbas, and Silas, leaders among the brothers. This is the letter delivered by them:

“The apostles and the elders, your brothers, to the brothers in Antioch, Syria, and Cilicia of Gentile origin: greetings. Since we have heard that some of our number who went out without any mandate from us have upset you with their teachings and disturbed your peace of mind, we have with one accord decided to choose representatives and to send them to you along with our beloved Barnabas and Paul, who have dedicated their lives to the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. So we are sending Judas and Silas who will also convey this same message by word of mouth: ‘It is the decision of the Holy Spirit and of us not to place on you any burden beyond these necessities, namely, to abstain from meat sacrificed to idols, from blood, from meats of strangled animals, and from unlawful marriage. If you keep free of these, you will be doing what is right. Farewell.’”

**Reading 2**                      **Revelation 21:10-14, 22-23**

The angel took me in spirit to a great, high mountain and showed me the holy city Jerusalem

coming down out of heaven from God. It gleamed with the splendor of God. Its radiance was like that of a precious stone, like jasper, clear as crystal. It had a massive, high wall, with twelve gates where twelve angels were stationed and on which names were inscribed, the names of the twelve tribes of the Israelites. There were three gates facing east, three north, three south, and three west. The wall of the city had twelve courses of stones as its foundation, on which were inscribed the twelve names of the twelve apostles of the Lamb.

I saw no temple in the city for its temple is the Lord God almighty and the Lamb. The city had no need of sun or moon to shine on it, for the glory of God gave it light, and its lamp was the Lamb.

**Gospel**                                      **John 14:23-29**

Jesus said to his disciples: “Whoever loves me will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we will come to him and make our dwelling with him. Whoever does not love me does not keep my words; yet the word you hear is not mine but that of the Father who sent me.

“I have told you this while I am with you. The Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything and remind you of all that I told you. Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. Not as the world gives do I give it to you. Do not let your hearts be troubled or afraid. You heard me tell you, ‘I am going away and I will come back to you.’ If you loved me, you would rejoice that I am going to the Father; for the Father is greater than I. And now I have told you this before it happens, so that when it happens you may believe.”

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**Men of St. Joseph Prayer**

St. Joseph, help me to be like you. Help me to be obedient to the teachings of the Church and faithful to God’s commands. Help me to patiently endure my cross each day. Let me be a model of holiness and a pillar of virtue. I solemnly promise to embrace God’s will and I accept the challenge to work tirelessly for my family’s salvation. Be my guide and companion on this journey. St. Joseph, terror of demons, pray for us!

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