

St. Mark's Catholic Church


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**And just as Moses lifted up
the serpent in the desert so must
the Son of Man be lifted up.**

— JOHN 3:14 —



Fifth Sunday of Lent

Lectionary: 34

Reading I

Ez 37:12-14

Thus says the Lord GOD:

O my people, I will open your graves and have you rise from them, and bring you back to the land of Israel. Then you shall know that I am the LORD, when I open your graves and have you rise from them, O my people! I will put my spirit in you that you may live, and I will settle you upon your land; thus you shall know that I am the LORD. I have promised, and I will do it, says the LORD.

Responsorial Psalm

130:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8

R. (7) With the Lord there is mercy and fullness of redemption.

Out of the depths I cry to you, O LORD;

LORD, hear my voice!

Let your ears be attentive to my voice in supplication.

R. With the Lord there is mercy and fullness of redemption.

If you, O LORD, mark iniquities, LORD, who can stand?

But with you is forgiveness, that you may be revered.

R. With the Lord there is mercy and fullness of redemption.

I trust in the LORD;

my soul trusts in his word.

More than sentinels wait for the dawn, let Israel wait for the LORD.

R. With the Lord there is mercy and fullness of redemption.\

For with the LORD is kindness and with him is plenteous redemption;

And he will redeem Israel from all their iniquities.

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Reading II

Rom 8:8-11

Brothers and sisters:

Those who are in the flesh cannot please God.

But you are not in the flesh;

on the contrary, you are in the spirit, if only the Spirit of God dwells in you.

Whoever does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him.

But if Christ is in you, although the body is dead because of sin, the spirit is alive because of righteousness.

If the Spirit of the one who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, the one who raised Christ from the dead will give life to your mortal bodies also, through his Spirit dwelling in you.

When she had said this, she went and called her sister Mary secretly, saying, "The teacher is here and is asking for you."

As soon as she heard this, she rose quickly and went to him.

For Jesus had not yet come into the village, but was still where Martha had met him.

So when the Jews who were with her in the house comforting her saw Mary get up quickly and go out, they followed her, presuming that she was going to the tomb to weep there.

When Mary came to where Jesus was and saw him, she fell at his feet and said to him, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died."

When Jesus saw her weeping and the Jews who had come with her weeping, he became perturbed and deeply troubled, and said, "Where have you laid him?"

They said to him, "Sir, come and see."

And Jesus wept.

So the Jews said, "See how he loved him."

But some of them said, "Could not the one who opened the eyes of the blind man have done something so that this man would not have died?"

So Jesus, perturbed again, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone lay across it.

Jesus said, "Take away the stone."

Martha, the dead man's sister, said to him, "Lord, by now there will be a stench; he has been dead for four days."

Jesus said to her, "Did I not tell you that if you believe you will see the glory of God?"

So they took away the stone.

And Jesus raised his eyes and said, "Father, I thank you for hearing me. I know that you always hear me; but because of the crowd here I have said this, that they may believe that you sent me."

And when he had said this, He cried out in a loud voice, "Lazarus, come out!"

The dead man came out, tied hand and foot with burial bands, and his face was wrapped in a cloth.

So Jesus said to them, "Untie him and let him go."

Now many of the Jews who had come to Mary and seen what he had done began to believe in him.

OR:

Jn 11:3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45

The sisters of Lazarus sent word to Jesus, saying, "Master, the one you love is ill."

When Jesus heard this he said, "This illness is not to end in death, but is for the glory of God, that the Son of God may be glorified through it."

Now Jesus loved Martha and her sister and Lazarus. So when he heard that he was ill, he remained for two days in the place where he was. Then after this he said to his disciples, "Let us go back to Judea."

When Jesus arrived, he found that Lazarus had already been in the tomb for four days.

When Martha heard that Jesus was coming, she went to meet him;

but Mary sat at home.

Martha said to Jesus, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died.

But even now I know that whatever you ask of God, God will give you."

Jesus said to her, "Your brother will rise."

Martha said, "I know he will rise, in the resurrection on the last day."

Jesus told her, "I am the resurrection and the life;

whoever believes in me, even if he dies, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die.

Do you believe this?"

She said to him, "Yes, Lord.

I have come to believe that you are the Christ, the Son of God, the one who is coming into the world."

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This Week's Mass Intentions

Monday, March 22

7:30 AM	† Holy Souls in Purgatory Requested by Bill and Mary Reilly Family
	† Patrick Scatuorchio, 5th Anniversary Requested by Family
11:00 AM	† Amadeo Pagnotta Requested by Bertucci Family
	† John Fredricks Requested by Mark and Connie Duffy
	† Margaret Krauss Requested by Ed and Judy Blaha

Tuesday, March 23

7:30 AM	† Phyllis Blaine Requested by Estate
	† Roger Schank Requested by Family
11:00 AM	† Thomas Kenah Requested by Marybeth and Joe Walsh
	† Maureen Flynn Requested by Jerry Flynn
	† Joseph Downes Requested by Angela Downes

Wednesday, March 24

7:30 AM	† James Boozan Requested by John and Maria Checton
	† Kate Penny Requested by Ed and Judy Blaha
11:00 AM	† Samuel Toscano Requested by Sandra and Michael Keary
	† Loretta Bliesmann Requested by Mildred Illmensee

Thursday, March 25

7:30 AM	† Buonocore and Hoblitzell Families Requested by Family
	† Ruth Doran Requested by Margaret Azzarella
11:00 AM	† Nancy LaMonica Requested by Rose Ann and Robert Ferguson
	† Abby and Frank McCormack Requested by Paulette McCormack

Friday, March 26

7:30 AM	† Robert Klutkowski Requested by Lorraine and Stan Ciemniecki
	† Winifred Handel Requested by Margaret Azzarella
11:00 AM	† Elizabeth A. Smith Requested by Betsy Smith

Saturday, March 27

7:30 AM	† Carol Treger Requested by Estate
	† Joan Sweeney Requested by Christine and John Detweiler
4:30 PM	† Mary Eleanor Strouse Requested by Eleanor and John Sullivan
	† Catherine Donatelli Requested by Maureen Kelly Machirella
	† Andrew C. Corsini Requested by Tom Malloy

Palm Sunday, March 28

8:00 AM	† John Vassallo Requested by Christine Tonry
	† Milton Necklen Requested by Tages Family
	† Peg Krauss Requested by Pam Zusi and Family
10:00 AM	† Emory C. Smith Requested by Betsy Smith
	† Judy Kast Requested by Reynolds Family
	† Edward Francis Colrick, Jr. Requested by Ginny and Jim Mulvihill
	People of the Parish
5:00 PM	† All Souls Requested by Family
	† Jose Alfonso Rivas Requested by Family
	† Cira Torralba Requested by Children

salvation

Readings for the Week March 21, 2021

Monday: Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62 or 13:41c-62; Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6; Jn 8:1-11

Tuesday: Nm 21:4-9; Ps 102:2-3, 16-18, 19-21; Jn 8:21-30

Wednesday: Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95; Dn 3:52, 53, 54, 55, 56; Jn 8:31-42

Thursday: Is 7:10-14; 8:10; Ps 40:7-8a, 8b-9, 10, 11; Heb 10:4-10; Lk 1:26-38

Friday: Jer 20:10-13; Ps 18:2-3a, 3bc-4, 5-6, 7; Jn 10:31-42

Saturday: Ez 37:21-28; Jer 31:10, 11-12abcd, 13; Jn 11:45-56

Sunday: Mk 11:1-10 or Jn 12:12-16; Is 50:4-7; Ps 22:8-9, 17-18, 9-20, 23-24; Phil 2:6-11; Mk 14:1 — 15:47 or Mk 15:1-39



STATIONS of the CROSS

On Fridays during Lent, the Rosary will be recited before the 11:00 AM Mass. Stations of the Cross will follow Mass. Adoration begins after Stations of the Cross.

A Lenten Suggestion:

Please join some of our parishioners in saying the Rosary after the 7:30 AM & 11:00 AM masses and on Fridays before the 11:00 AM mass.

If you know someone who doesn't have access to the internet and would like a copy of the bulletin, please call the Rectory at 732-449-6364.

Please Note: At this time, because of Covid 19, we are not accepting clothing, or any personal books, devotionals, religious articles or Rosary beads. In the future we will gladly accept your donations, but at the present time and for the safety of all those concerned, we are asking that these items not be left at the church. Thank you.

Pray FOR THE SICK

Please Note: New Policy for the Pray for our Sick. Names will remain on the sick list read at mass for 4 weeks and then removed unless the requester calls to remain on the list for another 4 weeks. To ensure the consent of the person whose name appears here, the pastor's policy requires that only they or a family member may request a name be added to this list. Names will remain in the bulletin until the person or family request it be removed.

Christopher Walker, Alice Healy, Benjamin Ohlweiler, Jeremy Pavlick, Lucy Gargano, Christine Frauenheim, Robert MacPherson, Jake Gilbert, Bill Lesniak, Jim Bogan, Bruce Bogan, Sr., Cathy Shalloo, Sharon Cox, Lee Cox, Bobbie Woods, Julia Buonocore, Alexandra Gavilanes, Sarah Gallagher, Jimmy Azzollini, Vivian Wilson, Ken Hauck, Dorothy Waugh, Patricia Cavanaugh, Rose Courtney, Grace Philhower, Maria Valdez.

If you are a parishioner who has not been able to attend Mass and would like to have a Eucharistic Minister bring Holy Communion to you, please contact Donna at the rectory, 732-449-6364 x100 or email donna@stmarkseagirt.com.

Eternal Rest grant onto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them.

Please remember in your prayers those of our diocese, parish, friends, and family members who have recently died:

† Peter Warshaw

† Emily Walker

May the angels lead you into paradise...



Thank You! We are so grateful to all those who financially sacrifice each week to support our parish and its ministries! We would especially like to thank all of those who faithfully use their weekly parish contribution envelopes and those who give online through the Parish Giving Program.

3.14.2021 Collection

\$8,898.

3.15.2020 Collection

\$9,398 .

CYO News, by Mary Reilly

The CYO wishes to thank the generous parishioners of St. Mark's for their overwhelming response to Operation Swaddle the Baby!!!! As of this writing, we have already received 3000 diapers!!!!!! Many thanks to CYO Sophomore Caitlin for organizing this drive! (Pictured with sister Megan packing up the goods in their Dad Michael's car.)



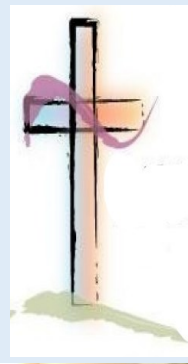
Many thanks to parishioners Christina and Drew Foerst for sponsoring Operation Easter Basket!!! Our CYO members spent last Sunday preparing 40 beautiful Easter baskets which will be distributed to local children by the Missionaries of Charity Sisters in Asbury Park!

Save the date: March 28!!!

We understand that the Easter Bunny will be making an appearance after the 10 AM and 5 PM Masses. Make sure you have your Easter baskets with you so you can hunt for some colorful eggs stuffed with wonderful treats!!!! (Pictured: the Bunny's helpers working hard to get those eggs stuffed!)



NB: CYO this Sunday evening, March 21, is only for CYO members working on the Stations of the Cross.



ST. MARK'S CHURCH

EASTER EGG HUNT



**SUNDAY MARCH 28TH
AFTER THE 10 AM MASS**

HAVE YOUR CHILD BRING A BAG OR
BASKET FOR CYO'S ANNUAL EASTER EGG HUNT

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Lent at the midpoint: Stay in your lane

by Bishop David O'Connell C.M.

Here we are at the midpoint of our Lenten journey with the finish line now in sight. How has it been going?

Living our Catholic faith takes practice all the time, even more so with the challenges imposed upon us by the COVID-19 pandemic. But when we trip or fall, the true believer picks himself/herself up, dusts himself/herself off and carries on where he/she left off.



So it is with the holy season of Lent, that annual time of penance and grace the Church gives us. There are crosses and resurrections throughout these 40 days heading toward the commemoration of Christ's own Cross and Resurrection. Perhaps we started off on Ash Wednesday with the very best of Lenten intentions and plans. And we may have stumbled on the way. But we shouldn't give up on what we hoped and wanted to do for the Lord.

Maybe we didn't pray as much or with the intensity as we had planned. Maybe we hedged a bit here and there on what we had pledged to ourselves to give up. Maybe we didn't give to others as we had promised ourselves we would. Maybe we have been critical, harsh or rude to others or engaged in gossip about them. Maybe we've let the masks and all the social distancing get the best of us. Guess what? No one is perfect! The Christian life is about the long view as well as the short. Our goal as Catholics in the long and short term is to draw as close to Christ as humanly possible, to "practice the presence of God!" And when we veer off course, the Christian gets back in the race: Don't give up!

When Jesus entered Jerusalem that first Palm Sunday, it was all cheers and palms and "Hosannas." That's where Jesus started in Holy Week. By Holy Thursday, it was washing feet and sharing his Body and Blood in the Eucharist and then off to Gethsemane. By Good Friday, it was Calvary and the Cross and his Crucifixion. By Easter Sunday, it was triumph and Resurrection, the tomb was empty and he had risen from the dead. That's where he finished his Holy Week. And that's where he began "the rest of the story!" For Christ and for all who follow him, it was and is worth the trip.

So, no matter where Lent has taken you this year, continue your holy resolve and, if you have hesitated or stumbled, be willing to pick yourself up and finish. Keep in mind the words of Pope Benedict XVI: "Lent stimulates us to let the Word of God penetrate our life and in this way to know the fundamental truth: who we are, where we come from, where we must go, what path we must take in life" (General Audience, March 1, 2006). "And Jesus said to all of them, 'If anyone would come after me, deny yourself, pick up your cross daily and follow me'" (Luke 9: 23). Stay in your lane. That's the path he offers us to Easter!

ANNUAL CATHOLIC Appeal 2021

Clergy and Religious Administration Consecrated Life

In the Diocese of Trenton, those in consecrated life represent membership in a variety of male and female religious institutes. These men and women have dedicated their lives to proclaim the Word of the God and serve His people. While not easily recognizable, nevertheless, they witness the face of God as they celebrate our liturgies and carry out the spiritual and corporal works of mercy in fields of education, health care and social services throughout the diocese. Your gift promotes those called to serve.

Your Gift Matters!

Your donation is important in building up our Church. Gifts of cash, check, money order, credit card or electronic transfers from your bank account are gratefully accepted. Gifts of stock, IRA distributions, bequests and charitable annuities can be coordinated by contacting the Department of Development at 609-403-7197.

Three Ways to Make Your Donation

ONLINE: Access our secure website at www.dioceseoftrenton.org/catholicappeal to easily make a pledge, payment or outright gift.



BY MAIL: Send a check or money order to our processing center, made payable to *Annual Catholic Appeal*:

Diocese of Trenton
PO Box 70170
Newark, NJ 07101

BY PHONE: Call our Department of Development at 609-403-7197 with your credit card information.

Thank you for your generosity.



2021 Annual Catholic Appeal
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March 27/28, Palm Sunday,
Easter Egg Hunt after the 10 AM Mass & after the
5 PM Mass (Spanish).



April 1, Holy Thursday
Mass of the Lord's Supper (bilingual) at 7:30 PM Mass.
Eucharistic Adoration until 10 PM.

April 2, Good Friday
Passion of the Lord at 3 PM with Communion and
Adoration of the Cross

Passion of the Lord at 5 PM (Spanish) with
Communion and Adoration of the Cross

CYO presents Stations of the Cross live at
7:30 PM (bilingual) Adoration of the Cross follows.

Saturday, April 3
Blessing of the Easter Food at 1 PM
Easter Vigil, (bilingual) at 8 PM.

Easter Sunday, April 4
8 AM, 10 AM, 12 Noon, and 2 PM (Spanish)

Sunday of Divine Mercy, April 11
Holy Hour with recitation of the Divine Mercy Chaplet
will begin at 2 PM.

Thank you for your generous support
of The Catholic Relief Services
Collection and for helping **Jesus in
disguise.** Your contributions make a
difference for the poor and marginalized
around the world. If you missed the
collection, it's not too late to give! Just visit
www.usccb.org/nationalcollections for more
information on how to give.

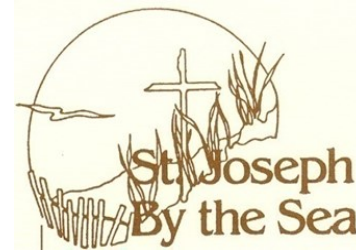
Dear Members of St. Mark's CYO,

We can't thank you enough for the efforts and hard work
you have accomplished on behalf of the Manasquan Food
Pantry.

We just want you to know that the \$225. you donated to
us as a result of your **Valentine's Walk for Hunger** was
used to purchase meat and fresh vegetables for our
clients. **Thank you! Thank you!**

Your continued support of the Manasquan Food Pantry is
a blessing to us!

Thank you from the Manasquan Food Pantry Board!



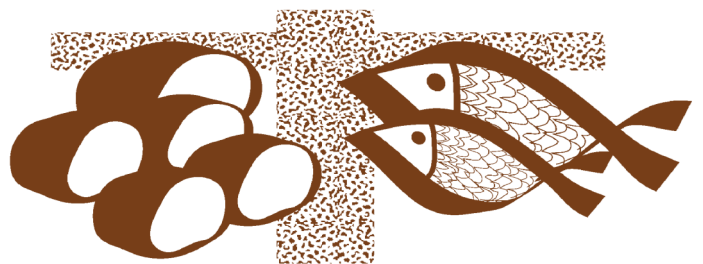
Our mission as Religious
Teachers Filippini is to "Go
forth and teach the Word
of God." Our ministry on
this holy ground is for the
people of God who come
to St. Joseph By the Sea for
soul searching, trying to
find peace in their lives
and a God who

understands them.

March 26-28, 2021 – FOOTSTEPS IN THE GARDEN – Do you
ever wonder what God is doing and has done in your life
even without your help? In scripture, God says, "You will be
like a watered garden." (Is 58:11-12) The blooms in the
garden of life take root in the silence. Although the garden
needs tending and harvesting, often in our busyness, we
miss the beauty that comes on its own and the footsteps of
the One who scatters seeds of hope. This weekend offers
you time to explore the gardens of your life. Light supper
served on Friday, March 26 at 5:30 pm Mass included.
Arrival: 4:00-5:00 pm/Departure: 11:00 am. Cost: \$250

Catholic Charities News

**Community Services is Catholic Charities' link to
parishes in the Trenton diocese. Serving families in
crises, we provide food, mortgage, rent and utilities
assistance, temporary housing, counseling, and
immigration services. To learn more about Catholic
Charities Community Services visit our You Tube
presentation. Click on: <https://youtu.be/-r8YRyPCIY4>
If you know of anyone needing assistance, please
contact Catholic Charities at 800-360-7711.**



Seven Sacraments Presentation

Our 5th graders along with their families celebrated a service to showcase the Seven Sacraments. Their special presentation included posters of each Sacrament and a presentation with visual symbols. Thank you to Father Jose, our Catechists; Mrs. Langeveld, Mrs. Leonhardt, Ms. Tombs, and our families and especially our children for being part of this special day! All posters are displayed on the walls around the Church!





Daily Novena Prayer to St. Joseph

O Saint Joseph, whose protection is so great, so strong, so prompt before the throne of God, I place in you all my interests and desires.

O Saint Joseph, do assist me by your powerful intercession and obtain for me from your divine Son all spiritual blessings through Jesus Christ, Our Lord, so that having experienced here below your heavenly power, I may offer my thanksgiving and homage to the most loving of fathers.

O Saint Joseph, I never weary of contemplating you and Jesus asleep in your arms. I dare not approach while He reposes near your heart. Hold Him close in my name and kiss His fine head from me and ask Him to return the kiss when I draw my dying breath. St. Joseph, patron of departing souls, pray for me. Amen.



Eucharistic Devotion

The importance of Eucharistic Adoration is shown in the fact that the Church has a ritual that regulates it: the Rite of Eucharistic Exposition and Benediction. This is an extension of the adoration of the Blessed Sacrament which occurs in every Mass:

"Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who takes away the sins of the world. Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb." Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament flows from the sacrifice of the Mass and serves to deepen our hunger for Communion with Christ and the rest of the Church. The Rite concludes with the ordained minister blessing the faithful with the Blessed Sacrament.

While everyone is not yet able to participate in the Mass in person, we encourage those who are able to make a visit on Fridays immediately after the 11 AM Mass for Adoration. Benediction begins at 1:45PM. Come spend some quiet time with the Lord.

There are less participants than at Mass and all safety precautions are being taken. Masks must be worn at all times in Church.

Easter Flower Memorials

Your donation beautifies the Church to Proclaim the Risen Lord!

Please use this form to drop off at the Rectory or pick up an Easter Flower Memorial Envelope and drop it in the basket on the side altar. Easter Flower Memorial Envelopes are available at the entrances of the church. Memorials will be published in the bulletin after Easter. Flowers are refreshed throughout the Easter season!



Easter Flower Offering

IN MEMORY OF _____

NAME _____ please print

ADDRESS _____

ENV. NO. _____ AMOUNT \$ _____

In Memory of: _____

Requested by: _____

Flower Donation Amount: _____

Important: Please be sure to print your loved ones' names clearly.

Iglesia de "San Marcos" Apostolado Hispano

Misa Dominical: Domingo 5:00 p.m.

Misa de Semana: Martes 6:00 p.m.

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Iglesia San Marcos

Caza de Huevos de Pascua

Domingo, Marzo 28
despues de la Misa de 5:00 p.m.

Todos los niños y niñas hasta los 12 años, están invitados
participar en la Caza de Huevos de Pascua aquí en nuestra parroquia.
Los niños(as) deberán traer sus propias canastas y deberán
formarse afuera de la Iglesia de acuerdo a su edad.
Habrá personas voluntarias para asistirlos.
Los esperamos!



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Quinto Domingo de Cuaresma

Marzo 21, 2021

Primera Lectura: Jeremías 31, 31-34.

“Se acerca el tiempo, dice el Señor, en que haré con la casa de Israel y la casa de Judá una alianza nueva. No será como la alianza que hice con los padres de ustedes, cuando los tomé de la mano para sacarlos de Egipto. Ellos rompieron mi alianza y yo tuve que hacer un escarmiento con ellos. Ésta será la alianza nueva que voy a hacer con la casa de Israel: Voy a poner mi ley en lo más profundo de su mente y voy a grabarla en sus corazones.

Yo seré su Dios y ellos serán mi pueblo. Ya nadie tendrá que instruir a su prójimo ni a su hermano, diciéndole: ‘Conoce al Señor’, porque todos me van a conocer, desde el más pequeño hasta el mayor de todos, cuando yo les perdone sus culpas y olvide para siempre sus pecados”.

Salmo Responsorial: Salmo 50, 3-4. 12-13. 14-15

Crea en mí, Señor, un corazón puro.

Por tu inmensa compasión y misericordia, Señor, apiádate de mí y olvida mis ofensas. Lávame bien de todos mis delitos, y purifícame de mis pecados. R.

Crea en mí, Señor, un corazón puro.

Crea en mí, Señor, un corazón puro, un espíritu nuevo para cumplir tus mandamientos. No me arrojes, Señor, lejos de ti, ni retires de mí tu santo espíritu. R.

Crea en mí, Señor, un corazón puro.

Devuélveme tu salvación, que regocija y mantén en mí un alma generosa. Enseñaré a los descarriados tus caminos, y volverán a ti los pecadores. R.

Crea en mí, Señor, un corazón puro.

Segunda Lectura: Hebreos 5, 7-9.

Hermanos: Durante su vida mortal, Cristo ofreció oraciones y súplicas, con fuertes voces y lágrimas, a aquel que podía librarlo de la muerte, y fue escuchado por su piedad. A pesar de que era el Hijo, aprendió a obedecer padeciendo, y llegado a su perfección, se convirtió en la causa de la salvación eterna para todos los que lo obedecen.

Aclamación antes del Evangelio: Juan 12, 26.

R. Honor y gloria a ti, Señor Jesús.

El que quiera servirme, que me siga, para que donde yo esté, también esté mi servidor.

R. Honor y gloria a ti, Señor Jesús.

Evangelio: Juan 12, 20-33.

Entre los que habían llegado a Jerusalén para adorar a Dios en la fiesta de Pascua, había algunos griegos, los cuales se acercaron a Felipe, el de Betsaida de Galilea, y le pidieron: “Señor, quisiéramos ver a Jesús”. Felipe fue a decírselo a Andrés; Andrés y Felipe se lo dijeron a Jesús y él les respondió: “Ha llegado la hora de que el Hijo del hombre sea glorificado. Yo les aseguro que si el grano de trigo, sembrado en la tierra, no muere, queda infecundo; pero si muere, producirá mucho fruto. El que se ama a sí mismo, se pierde; el que se aborrece a sí mismo en este mundo, se asegura para la vida eterna. El que quiera servirme, que me siga, para que donde yo esté, también esté mi servidor. El que me sirve será honrado por mi Padre. Ahora que tengo miedo, ¿le voy a decir a mi Padre: ‘Padre, líbrame de esta hora’? No, pues precisamente para esta hora he venido. Padre, dale gloria a tu nombre”. Se oyó entonces una voz que decía: “Lo he glorificado y volveré a glorificarlo”. De entre los que estaban ahí presentes y oyeron aquella voz, unos decían que había sido un trueno; otros, que le había hablado un ángel. Pero Jesús les dijo: “Esa voz no ha venido por mí, sino por ustedes. Está llegando el juicio de este mundo; ya va a ser arrojado el príncipe de este mundo. Cuando yo sea levantado de la tierra, atraeré a todos hacia mí”. Dijo esto, indicando de qué manera habría de morir.

