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As the Lord blesses me, I will build for the Lord



Endeavour to come to the house of God with a decent heart, and a decent dress.

First Reading

A reading from the Book of Isaiah (Isaiah 66:10-14)

"Rejoice with Jerusalem, and be glad for her, all who love her; rejoice with her I joy, all you who mourn over her; that you may suck and be satisfied with her consoling breasts; that you may drink deeply with delight from the abundance of her glory." For thus says the Lord: "Behold, I will extend prosperity to her like a river, and the wealth of the nations like an overflowing stream; and you shall suck, you shall be carried upon her hip, and fondled upon her knees. As one whom his mother comforts, so I will comfort you; you shall be comforted in Jerusalem. You shall see, and your heart shall rejoice; your bones shall flourish like the grass; and it shall be known that the hand of the Lord is with his servants."

The word of the Lord!

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 66

R. Cry out with joy to God, all the earth.

Cry out with joy to God, all the earth; O sing to the glory of his name. O render him glorious praise. Say to God, "How awesome your deeds!" **R**.

"Before you all the earth shall bow down, shall sin to you, sing

to your name!" Come and see the works of God: awesome his deeds among the children of men. **R.**

He turned the sea into dry land; they passed through the river on foot. Let our joy, then, be in him; he rules forever by his might. **R.**

Come and hear, all who fear God; I will tell what he did for my soul. Blest be God, who did not reject my prayer, nor withhold from me his merciful love. **R**.

Second Reading

A reading from the Letter of Saint Paul to the Galatians (Galatians 6: 14-18)

Brethren: Far be it from me to glory except in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by which the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world. For neither circumcision counts for anything, nor un-circumcision, but a new creation. Peace and mercy be upon all who walk by this rule, upon the Israel of God. Henceforth let no man trouble me; for I bear on my body the marks of Jesus. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit, brethren. Amen.

The word of the Lord!

Alleluia

Colossians 3: 15

Alleluia. Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts; let the word of Christ dwell in you richly. Alleluia.

Gospel

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke (Luke 10:1-12.17-20)

At that time: The Lord appointed seventy others, and sent them on ahead of him, two by two, into every town and place where he himself was about to come. And he said to them, "The harvest is plentiful, but the labourers are few; pray therefore the Lord of the harvest to send out labourers into his harvest. Go your way; behold, I send you out as lambs in the midst of wolves. Carry no purse, no bag, no sandals; and salute no one on the road. Whatever house you enter, first say, 'Peace be to this house! 'And if a son of peace is there, your peace shall rest upon him; but if not, it shall return to you. And remain in the same house, eating and drinking what they provide, for the labourer deserves his wages; do not go from house to house. Whenever you enter a town and they receive you, eat what is set before you; heal the sick in it and say to them, 'The kingdom of God has come near to you." But whenever you enter a town and they do not receive you, go into its streets and say, 'Even the dust of your town that clings to

our feet, we wipe off against you; nevertheless know this, that the kingdom of God has come near.' I tell you, it shall be more tolerable on that day for Sodom than for that town." The seventy returned with joy, saying, "Lord, even the demons are subject to us in your name!" And he said to them, "I saw Satan fall like lightning from heaven. Behold, I have given you authority to tread upon serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy; and nothing shall hurt you. Nevertheless do not rejoice in this, that the spirits are subject to you; but rejoice that your names are written in heaven."

The Gospel of the Lord.

MONDAY

7th July, 2025

First Reading

A reading from the Book of Genesis (Genesis 28: 10-22)

In those days: Jacob left Beersheba, and went towards Haran. And he came to a certain place, and stayed there that night, because the sun had set. Taking one of the stones of the place, he put it under his head and lay down in that place to sleep. And he dreamed that there was a ladder set up on the earth,

and the top of it reached to heaven; and behold, the angels of God were ascending and descending on it! And behold, the Lord stood above it and said, "I am the Lord, the God of Abraham your father and the God of Isaac; the land on which you lie I will give to you and to your descendants; and your descendants shall be like the dust of the earth, and you shall spread abroad to the west and to the east and to the north and to the south; and by you and your descendants shall all the families of the earth bless themselves. Behold, I am with you and will keep you wherever you go, and will bring you back to this land; for I will not leave you until I have done that of which I have spoken to you." Then Jacob awoke from his sleep and said, "Surely the Lord is in this place; and I did not know it." And he was afraid, and said, "How awesome is this place! This is none other than the house of God, and this is the gate of heaven." So Jacob rose early in the morning, and he took the stone which he had put under his head and set it up for a pillar and poured oil on the top of it. He called the name of that place Bethel; but the name of the city was Luz at the first. Then Jacob made a vow, saying, "If God will be with me, and will keep me in this way that I go, and will give me bread to eat and clothing to wear, so that I come again to my father's house in peace, then the Lord shall be my God, and this stone, which I have set up for a pillar, shall be God's house."

The word of the Lord!

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 91

R. O my God, I trust in you.

He who dwells in the shelter of the Most High, and abides in the shade of the Almighty, says to the Lord, "My refuge, my stronghold, my God in whom I trust!" **R.**

He will free you from the snare of the fowler, from the destructive plague; he will conceal you with his pinions, and under his wings you will find refuge. **R.**

Since he clings to me in love, I will free him, protect him, for he knows my name. When he calls on me, I will answer him; I will be with him in distress. **R**.

Allelvia

Alleluia. Our Saviour Christ Jesus abolished death and brought life and immortality to light through the Gospel. **Alleluia.**

Gospel

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew (Matthew 9:18-26)

At that time: While Jesus was speaking, behold, a ruler came in and knelt before him, saying, "My daughter has just died; but

come and lay your hand on her, and she will live." And Jesus rose and followed him, with his disciples. And behold, a woman who had suffered from a haemorrhage for twelve years came up behind him and touched the fringe of his garment; for she said to herself, "If I only touch his garment, I shall be made well." Jesus turned, and seeing her he said, "Take heart, daughter; your faith has made you well." And instantly the woman was made well. And when Jesus came to the ruler's house, and saw the flute players, and the crowd making a tumult, he said, "Depart; for the girl is not dead but sleeping." And they laughed at him. But when the crowd had been put outside, he went in and took her by the hand, and the girl arose. And the report of this went through all that district.

The Gospel of the Lord!

TUESDAY

8th July, 2025



A reading from the Book of Genesis (Genesis 32:23-32)

In those days: Jacob arose at night and took his two wives, his two maids, and his eleven children, and crossed the ford of the

Jabbok. He took them and sent them across the stream, and like wise everything that he had. And Jacob was left alone; and a man wrestled with him until the breaking of the day. When the man saw that he did not prevail against Jacob, he touched the hollow of his thigh; and Jacob's thigh was put out of joint as he wrestled with him. Then he said, "let me go, for the day is breaking," but Jacob said, "I will not let you go, unless you bless me." And he said to him, "what is your name?" and he said, "Jacob." Then he said, "Your name shall no more be called Jacob, but Israel, for you have striven with God and with men, and have prevailed." Then Jacob asked him, "tell me, I pray, your name." but he said, "Why is it that you ask my name?" and there he blessed him. So Jacob called the name of the place Peniel, saying, "for I have seen God face to face, and yet my life is preserved." The sun rose upon him as he passed Penuel, limping because of his thigh. Therefore to this day the Israelites do not eat the sinew of the hip which is upon the hollow of the thigh, because he touched the hollow of Jacob's thigh on the sinew of the hip.

The word of the Lord!

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 17

R. In justice I shall behold your face.

O Lord, hear a cause that is just, Pay heed to my cry. Turn your ear to my prayer: No deceit is on my lips. **R.**

From you may my justice come forth. Your eyes discern what is upright. Search my heart and visit me by night. Test me by fire, and you will find no wrong in me. **R**.

To you I call; for you will surely heed me, O God. Turn your ear to me; hear my words. Display your merciful love. By your right hand you deliver from their foes. Those who put their trust in you. **R**.

Guard me as the apple of your eye. Hide me in the shadow of your wings. As for me, in justice I shall behold your face; When I awake I shall be filled with the vision Of your presence. **R.**

Allelvia

Alleluia. I am the good shepherd, says the Lord; I know my own, and my own know me. Alleluia

Gospel

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew (Matthew 9:32-38)

At that time: Behold, a mute demoniac was brought to Jesus. And when the demon had been cast out, the mute man spoke: and the crowds marvelled, saying, "Never was anything like this seen in Israel. "But the Pharisees said, "He casts out demons by the prince of demons. "And Jesus went about all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues and preaching the gospel of the kingdom, and healing every disease and every infirmity. When he saw the crowd, he had compassion for them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd, then he said to his disciples. "The harvest is plentiful, but the labourers are few; pray therefore the Lord of the harvest to send out labourers into his harvest

The Gospel of the Lord.

WEDNESDAY

9th July, 2025

First Reading

A reading from the Book of Genesis (Genesis 41:55-57; 42:5-7a. 17-24a)

In those days: when all the land of Egypt was famished, the

people cried to Pharaoh for bread; and Pharaoh said to all the Egyptians, "Go to Joseph; what he says to you, do." So when the famine had spread over all the land, Joseph opened all the storehouses, and sold to the Egyptians, for the famine was severe in the land of Egypt. Moreover, all the earth came to Egypt to Joseph to buy grain, because the famine was severe over all the earth. Thus the sons of Israel came to Egypt to buy among the others who came, for the famine was in the land of Canaan. Now Joseph was governor over the land; he it was who sold to all the people of the land. And Joseph's brothers came, and bowed themselves before him with their faces to the ground. Joseph saw his brothers, and knew them, but he treated them like strangers and spoke roughly to them. And he put them all together in prison for three days. On the third day Joseph said to them, "Do this and you will live, for I fear God: if you are honest men, let one of your brothers remain confined in your prison, and let the rest go and carry grain for the famine of your households, and bring your youngest brother to me; so your words will be verified, and you shall not die." And they did so. Then they said to one another, "In truth we are guilty concerning our brother, in that we saw the distress of his soul, when he besought us and we would not listen; therefore is this distress come upon us." And Reuben answered them, "Did I not tell you not to sin against the lad? But you would not listen. So now there comes a reckoning for his blood." They did not know

that Joseph understood them, for there was an interpreter between them. Then he turned away from them and wept.

The word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 33

R. May your merciful love be upon us, as we hope in you, O Lord.

Give thanks to the Lord upon the harp; with a ten-stringed lute sing him songs. O sing him a song that is new; play skilfully, with shouts of joy. **R.**

The LORD frustrates the designs of the nations; he defeats the plans of the peoples. the designs of the LORD stand forever, the plans of his heart from age to age. **R**.

Yes, the LORD'S eyes are on those who fear him, who hope in his merciful love, to rescue their souls from death, to keep them alive in famine. **R**.

Allelvia

Alleluia. The kingdom of God is at hand; repent, and believe in the Gospel. Alleluia.

Gospel

A reading from the Book of Genesis (Genesis 16:1-12.15-16)

At that time: Jesus called to him his twelve disciples and gave them authority over unclean spirits, to cast them out, and to heal every disease and every infirmity. The names of the twelve apostles are these: first, Simon, who is called Peter, and Andrew his brother; Jams the son of Zebedee, and John his brother; Philip and Bartholomew; Thomas and Matthew the tax collector; James the son of Alphaeus, and Thaddaeus; Simon the Cananaean, and Judas Iscariot, who betrayed him. These Twelve Jesus sent out, charging them, "Go nowhere among the Gentiles, and enter no town of the Samaritans, but go rather to the lost sheep of the house of Israel. And preach as you go, saying, 'The kingdom of heaven is at hand."

The Gospel of the Lord.

THURSDAY

10th July, 2025

First Reading

A reading from the Book of Genesis (Genesis 44: 18-21.23b-29; 45: 1-5)

In those days: Judah went up to Joseph and said, "O my lord, let your servant, I beg you, speak a word in my lord's ears, and let not your anger burn against your servant; for you are like Pharaoh himself. My lord asked his servants, saying, 'Have you a father, or a brother?' And we said to my lord, 'We have a father, an old man, and a young brother, the child of his old age; and his brother is dead, and he alone is left of his mother's children; and his father loves him.' Then you said to your servants, 'Bring him down to me, that I may set my eyes upon him. Unless your youngest brother comes down with you, you shall see my face no more.' When we went back to your servant my father we told him the words of my lord. And when our father said, 'Go again, buy us a little food,' we said, 'We cannot go down. If our youngest brother goes with us, then we will go down; for we cannot see the man's face unless our youngest brother is with us.' Then your servant my father said to us, 'You know that my wife bore me two sons; one left me, and I said, surely he has been torn to pieces; and I have never seen him since. If you take this one also from me, and harm befalls him, you will bring down my grey hairs in sorrow to Sheol." Then Joseph could not control himself before all those who stood by him; and he cried, "Make every one go out from me." So no one stayed with him when Joseph made himself known to his brothers. And he wept aloud, so that the Egyptians heard it, and the household of Pharaoh heard it. And

Joseph said to his brothers, "I am Joseph; is my father still alive?" But his brothers could not answer him, for they were dismayed at his presence. So Joseph said to his brothers, "Come near to me, I beg you." And they came near. And he said, "I am your brother, Joseph, whom you sold into Egypt. And now do not be distressed, or angry with yourselves, because you sold me here; for God sent me before you to preserve life."

The word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 105

R. Remember the wonders the Lord has done.

But he called down a famine on the land; he broke their staff of bread. He had sent a man ahead of them, Joseph, sold as a slave. **R**.

His feet were weighed down in chains, his neck was bound with iron, until what he said came to pass, and the word of the Lord proved him true. **R**.

Then the king sent orders and released him; the ruler of the peoples set him free. He made him master of his house and ruler of all his possessions. **R.**

Allelvia

Alleluia. The kingdom of God is at hand; repent, and believe in the Gospel. Alleluia.

Gospel

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew (Matthew 10:7-15)

At that time: Jesus said to his apostles, "Preach as you go, saying, 'The kingdom of heaven is at hand.' Heal the sick, raise the dead, cleanse lepers, cast out demons. You received without pay, give without pay. Take no gold, nor silver, nor copper in your belts, no bag for your journey, nor two tunics, nor sandals, nor a staff; for the labourer deserves his food. And whatever town or village you enter, find out who is worthy in it, and stay with him until you depart. As you enter the house, salute it. And if the house is worthy, let your peace come upon it; but if it is not worthy, let your peace return to you. And if any one will not receive you or listen to your words, shake off the dust from your feet as you leave that house or town. Truly, I say to you, it shall be more tolerable on the day of judgement for the land of Sodom and Gomorrah than for that town."

The Gospel of the Lord!

FRIDAY

11th July, 2025

First Reading

A reading from the Book of Genesis (Genesis 46: 1-7.2-30)

In those days: Israel took his journey with all that he had, and came to Beersheba, and offered sacrifices to the God of his father Isaac. And God spoke to Israel in visions of the night, and said, "Jacob, Jacob." And he said, "Here am I." Then he said, "I am God, the God of your father; do not be afraid to go down to Egypt; for I will there make of you a great nation. I will go down with you to Egypt, and I will also bring you up again; and Joseph's hand shall close your eyes." Then Jacob set out from Beersheba; and the sons of Israel carried Jacob their father, their little ones, and their wives, in the wagons which Pharaoh had sent to carry him. They also took their cattle and their goods, which they had gained in the land of Canaan, and came into Egypt, Jacob and all his offspring with him, his sons, and his sons' sons with him, his daughters, and his sons' daughters; all his offspring he brought with him into Egypt. He sent Judah before him to Joseph, to appear before him in Goshen; and they came into the land of Goshen. Then Joseph made ready his chariot and went up to meet Israel his father in Goshen; and he

presented himself to him, and fell on his neck, and wept on his neck a good while. Israel said to Joseph, "Now let me die, since I have seen your face and know that you are still alive."

The word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 37

R. From the Lord comes the salvation of the just.

Trust in the Lord and do good; then you will dwell in the land and safely pasture. Find your delight in the Lord, who grants your heart's desire. **R**.

The Lord takes note of the days of the blameless; their heritage will last forever. They shall not be put to shame in evil days; in time of famine they shall have their fill. **R**.

Then turn away from evil and do good, and you may abide forever; for indeed, the Lord loves justice, and will never forsake his faithful. The unjust shall be wiped out forever, and the descendants of the wicked destroyed. **R.**

But from the Lord comes the salvation of the just, their stronghold in time of distress. The Lord helps them and rescues them, rescues and saves them from the wicked: because they take refuge in him. **R**.

Allelvia

Alleluia. When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth, and bring to your remembrance all that I have said to you. Alleluia.

Gospel

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew (Matthew 10: 16-23)

At that time: Jesus said to his apostles, "Behold, I send you out as sheep in the midst of wolves; so be wise as serpents and innocent as doves. Beware of men; for they will deliver you up to councils, and flog you in their synagogues, and you will be dragged before governors and kings for my sake, to bear testimony before them and the Gentiles. When they deliver you up, do not be anxious about how you are to speak or what you are to say; for what you are to say will be given to you in that hour; for it is not you who speak, but the Spirit of your Father speaking through you. Brother will deliver up brother to death, and the father his child, and children will rise against parents and have them put to death; and you will be hated by all for my name's sake. But he who endures to the end will be saved. When they persecute you in one town, flee to the next; for truly, I say to you, you will not have gone through all the towns of Israel, before the Son of man comes.

The Gospel of the Lord!

SATURDAY

12th July, 2025

First Reading

A reading from the Book of Genesis (Genesis 49:29-33; 50: 15-26)

In those days: Jacob charged his sons, and said to them, "I am to be gathered to my people; bury me with my fathers in the cave that is in the field of Ephron the Hittite, in the cave that is in the field at Machpelah, to the east of Mamre, in the land of Canaan, which Abraham bought with the field from Ephron the Hittite to possess as a burying place. There they buried Abraham and Sarah his wife; there they buried Isaac and Rebekah his wife; and there I buried Leah — the field and the cave that is in it were purchased from the Hittites." When Jacob finished charging his sons, he drew up his feet into the bed, and breathed his last, and was gathered to his people. When Joseph's brothers saw that their father was dead, they said, "It may be that Joseph will hate us and pay us back for all the evil which we did to him." So they sent a message to Joseph, saying, "Your father gave this command before he died, 'Say to Joseph, Forgive, I pray you, the transgression of your brothers and their sin, because they did evil to you.' And

now, we beg you, forgive the transgression of the servants of the God of your father." Joseph wept when they spoke to him. His brothers also came and fell down before him, and said, "Behold, we are your servants." But Joseph said to them, "Fear not, for am I in the place of God? As for you, you meant evil against me; but God meant it for good, to bring it about that many people should be kept alive, as they are today. So do not fear; I will provide for you and your little ones." Then he reassured them and comforted them. So Joseph dwelt in Egypt, he and his father's house; and Joseph lived a hundred and ten years. And Joseph saw Ephraim's children of the third generation; the children also of Machir the son of Manasseh were born upon Joseph's knees. And Joseph said to his brothers, "I am about to die; but God will visit you, and bring you up out of this land to the land which he swore to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob." Then Joseph took an oath of the sons of Israel, saying, "God will visit you, and you shall carry up my bones from here." So Joseph died, being a hundred and ten years old.

The word of the Lord!

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 105

R. You who are poor, seek God, and your hearts will revive.

Give thanks to the Lord; proclaim his name. Make known his deeds among the peoples. O sing to him, sing his praise; tell all his wonderful works! **R**.

Glory in his holy name; let the hearts that seek the Lord rejoice. Turn to the Lord and his strength; constantly seek his face. **R**.

O children of Abraham, his servant, O descendants of the Jacob he chose, he, the Lord, is Our God; his judgements are in all the earth. **R**.

Alleluia

Alleluia. If you are reproached for the name of Christ, you are blessed, because the Spirit of God rests upon you. Alleluia.

Gospel

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew (Matthew 10:24-33)

At that time: Jesus said to his apostles, "A disciple is not above his teacher, nor a servant above his master; it is enough for the disciple to be like his teacher, and the servant like his master. If they have called the master of the house Beelzebul, how much more will they malign those of his household. So have no

fear of them; for nothing is covered that will not be revealed, or hidden that will not be known. What I tell you in the dark, utter in the light; and what you hear whispered, proclaim upon the housetops. And do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul; rather fear him who can destroy both soul and body in hell. Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? And not one of them will fall to the ground without your Father's will. But even the hairs of your head are all numbered. Fear not, therefore; you are of more value than many sparrows. So every one who acknowledges me before men, I also will acknowledge before my Father who is in heaven; but whoever denies me before men, I also will deny before my Father who is in heaven."

The Gospel of the Lord!