

**October 26<sup>th</sup>, 2025**

**The 20th Sunday after Pentecost**



**ASCENSION**

**First Reading** JOEL 2:23-32

A READING FROM THE BOOK OF JOEL

O children of Zion, be glad and rejoice in the Lord your God; for he has given the early rain for your vindication, he has poured down for you abundant rain, the early and the later rain, as before. The threshing floors shall be full of grain, the vats shall overflow with wine and oil. I will repay you for the years that the swarming locust has eaten, the hopper, the destroyer, and the cutter, my great army, which I sent against you. You shall eat in plenty and be satisfied, and praise the name of the Lord your God, who has dealt wondrously with you. And my people shall never again be put to shame. You shall know that I am in the midst of Israel, and that I, the Lord, am your God and there is no other. And my people shall never again be put to shame. Then afterward I will pour out my spirit on all flesh; your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, your old men shall dream dreams, and your young men shall see visions. Even on the male and female slaves, in those days, I will pour out my spirit. I will show portents in the heavens and on the earth, blood and fire and columns of smoke. The sun shall be turned to darkness, and the moon to blood, before the great and terrible day of the Lord comes. Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved; for in Mount Zion and in Jerusalem there shall be those who escape, as the Lord has said, and among the survivors shall be those whom the Lord calls.

**Holy Word, Holy Wisdom.**

**All: Thanks be to God.**

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**Psalm 65**

REFRAIN You crown the year with your goodness, O Lord.

You are to be praised, O God, in Zion; to you shall vows be performed in Jerusalem. To you that hear prayer shall all flesh come, because of their transgressions. R

Our sins are stronger than we are, but you will blot them out. Happy are they whom you choose and draw to your courts to dwell there! they will be satisfied by the beauty of your house, by the holiness of your temple. R

Awesome things will you show us in your righteousness, O God of our salvation, O Hope of all the ends of the earth and of the seas that are far away. You make fast the mountains by your power; they are girded about with might. R

You still the roaring of the seas, the roaring of their waves, and the clamour of the peoples. Those who dwell at the ends of the earth will tremble at your marvellous signs; you make the dawn and the dusk to sing for joy. R

You visit the earth and water it abundantly; you make it very plenteous; the river of God is full of water. You prepare the grain, for so you provide for the earth. R

You drench the furrows and smooth out the ridges; with heavy rain you soften the ground and bless its increase. You crown the year with your goodness, and your paths overflow with plenty. R

May the fields of the wilderness be rich for grazing, and the hills be clothed with joy. May the meadows cover themselves with flocks, and the valleys cloak themselves with grain; let them shout for joy and sing. R

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**Deuxième Lecture 2 TIMOTHÉE 4:6-8, 16-18**

**LECTURE DE LA DEUXIÈME LETTRE DE PAUL À TIMOTHÉE**

Car pour moi, je sers déjà de libation, et le moment de mon départ approche. J'ai combattu le bon combat, j'ai achevé la course, j'ai gardé la foi. Désormais la couronne de justice m'est réservée; le Seigneur, le juste juge, me le donnera dans ce jour-là, et non seulement à moi, mais encore à tous ceux qui auront aimé son avènement. Dans ma première défense, personne ne m'a assisté, mais tous m'ont abandonné. Que cela ne leur soit point imputé! C'est le Seigneur qui m'a assisté et qui m'a fortifié, afin que la prédication fût accomplie par moi et que tous les païens l'entendissent. Et j'ai été délivré de la gueule du lion. Le Seigneur me délivrera de toute oeuvre mauvaise, et il me sauvera pour me faire entrer dans son royaume céleste. A lui soit la gloire aux siècles des siècles! Amen!

Sainte Parole, Sainte Sagesse  
**Nous rendons Grâce à Dieu.**

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**Gospel LUKE 18:9-14**

**God be with you.**

All: And also with you.

**THE HOLY GOSPEL OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST ACCORDING TO LUKE.**

All: Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

Jesus also told this parable to some who trusted in themselves that they were righteous and regarded others with contempt: "Two men went up to the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector. The Pharisee, standing by himself, was praying thus, 'God, I thank you that I am not like other people: thieves, rogues, adulterers, or even like this tax collector. I fast twice a week; I give a tenth of all my income.' But the tax collector, standing far off, would not even look up to heaven, but was beating his breast and saying, 'God, be merciful to me, a sinner!' I tell you, this man went down to his home justified rather than the other; for all who exalt themselves will be humbled, but all who humble themselves will be exalted."

**The Gospel of Christ!**

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!