



**Thirtieth Sunday in ordinary Time- Year C (P 983)- 27/10/2019**

**ENTRANCE ANTIPHON**

Let the hearts that seek the Lord rejoice; turn to the Lord and his strength; constantly seek his face.

**FIRST READING 35:12-14, 16-19 Page 984**

A reading from the book of Sirach.

**The prayer of the humble will penetrate the heavens.**

The Lord is a judge who is no respecter of personages. He shows no respect of personages to the detriment of a poor man; he listens to the plea of the injured party. He does not ignore the orphan's supplication, nor the widow's as she pours out her story. The man who with his whole heart serves God will be accepted, his petitions will carry to the clouds. The humble man's prayer pierces the clouds, until it arrives he is inconsolable, nor will he desist until the Most High takes notice of him, acquits the virtuous and delivers judgement.

And the Lord will not be slow, nor will he be dilatory on their behalf.

✠ **The word of the Lord.** ✠

**Responsorial Psalm**

**The Lord hears the cry of the poor.**



**SECOND READING**

A reading from the 2<sup>nd</sup> letter of St Paul to Timothy. 4:6-8, 16-18 page 985

**All that remains is the crown of righteousness reserved for me.**

★ My life is already being poured away as a libation, and the time has come for me to be gone. I have fought the good fight to the end; I have run the race to the finish; I have kept the faith; all there is to come now is the crown of righteousness reserved for me, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will give to me on that Day; and not only to me but to all those who have longed for his Appearing.

The first time I had to present my defence, there was not a single witness to support me. Every one of them deserted me – may they not be held accountable for it. But the Lord stood by me and gave me power, so that, through me the whole message might be proclaimed for all the pagans to hear; and so I was rescued from the lion's mouth. The Lord will rescue me from all evil attempts on me, and bring me safely to his heavenly kingdom. To him be glory for ever and ever. Amen. ★

✠ **The word of the Lord.** ✠



**Gospel Acclamation**

Alleluia, alleluia!

God was in Christ, to reconcile the world to himself; and the Good News of reconciliation he has entrusted to us. Alleluia!

**GOSPEL**

**Page 986 18:9-14**

The reading from the Holy Gospel according to Luke.

**The publican returned to his home justified; the Pharisee did not.**

★ Jesus spoke the following parable to some people who prided themselves on being virtuous and despised everyone else, "Two men went up to the Temple to pray, one a Pharisee, the other a tax collector. The Pharisee stood there and said this prayer to himself, "I thank you, God, that I am not grasping, unjust, adulterous like the rest of mankind, and particularly that I am not like this tax collector here. I fast twice a week; I pay tithes on all I get." The tax collector stood some distance away, not daring even to raise his eyes to heaven; but he beat his breast and said, "God, be merciful to me, a sinner."

This man, I tell you, went home again at rights with God, the other did not. For everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, but the man who humbles himself will be exalted. ★

◆ **The Gospel of the Lord.** ◆



**COMMUNION ANTIPHON**

We will ring out our joy at your saving help and exult in the name of our God.

**PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

May your Sacraments, O Lord, we pray, perfect in us what lies within them, that what we now celebrate in signs we may one day possess in truth.

◆ **Through Christ our Lord.** ◆

