

Prayer and Service



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1st Reading — Corinthians 1:26-31



Brothers and sisters, think of what you were when you were called. Not many of you were wise by human standards; not many were influential; not many were of noble birth. But God chose the foolish things of the world to shame the wise; God chose the weak things of the world to shame the strong. God chose the lowly things of this world and the despised things—and the things that are not—to nullify the things that are, so that no one may boast before him. It is because of him that you are in Christ Jesus, who has become for us wisdom from God—that is, our righteousness, holiness and redemption. Therefore, as it is written: "Let the one who boasts boast in the Lord."

The word of the Lord

R: Thanks be to God



The Responsorial Psalm



The response to the Psalm is - R - Happy the man who fears the Lord.

Happy the man who fears the Lord, who takes delight in all his commands. His sons will be powerful on earth; the children of the upright are blessed. R

Riches and wealth are in his house; his justice stands firm for ever. He is a light in the darkness for the upright: he is generous, merciful and just. R

The good man takes pity and lends, he conducts his affairs with honour. The just man will never waver: he will be remembered for ever. R

He has no fear of evil news; with a firm heart he trusts in the Lord. With a steadfast heart he will not fear; he will see the downfall of his foes. R

Open-handed, he gives to the poor; his justice stands firm for ever. His head will be raised in glory. R



The Gospel — Matthew 9:35-37



The Gospel according to Matthew

The Workers Are Few

Jesus went through all the towns and villages, teaching in their synagogues, proclaiming the good news of the kingdom and healing every disease and sickness. When he saw the crowds, he had compassion on them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. Then he said to his disciples, "The harvest is plentiful but the workers are few.

The Gospel of the Lord

R: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ



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