

Epiphany 3

The Collect

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, mercifully look upon our infirmities, and in all our dangers and necessities stretch forth thy right hand to help and defend us; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

First Lesson

Isaiah 62:1-5

For Zion's sake I will not keep silent, and for Jerusalem's sake I will not rest, until her vindication goes forth as brightness, and her salvation as a burning torch. The nations shall see your vindication, and all the kings your glory; and you shall be called by a new name which the mouth of the LORD will give. You shall be a crown of beauty in the hand of the LORD, and a royal diadem in the hand of your God. You shall no more be termed Forsaken, and your land shall no more be termed Desolate; but you shall be called My delight is in her, and your land Married; for the LORD delights in you, and your land shall be married. For as a young man marries a virgin, so shall your sons marry you, and as the bridegroom rejoices over the bride, so shall your God rejoice over you.

The Word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

Psalm 96

1: O sing to the LORD a new song; sing to the LORD, all the earth!

2: Sing to the LORD, bless his name; tell of his salvation from day to day.

3: Declare his glory among the nations, his marvelous works among all the peoples!

4: For great is the LORD, and greatly to be praised; he is to be feared above all gods.

5: For all the gods of the peoples are idols; but the LORD made the heavens.

6: Honor and majesty are before him; strength and beauty are in his sanctuary.

7: Ascribe to the LORD, O families of the peoples, ascribe to the LORD glory and strength!

8: Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his name; bring an offering, and come into his courts!

9: Worship the LORD in holy array; tremble before him, all the earth!

10: Say among the nations, "The LORD reigns! Yea, the world is established, it shall never be moved; he will judge the peoples with equity."

11: Let the heavens be glad, and let the earth rejoice; let the sea roar, and all that fills it;

12: let the field exult, and everything in it! Then shall all the trees of the wood sing for joy

13: before the LORD, for he comes, for he comes to judge the earth. He will judge the world with righteousness, and the peoples with his truth.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son,
and to the Holy Ghost
*As it was in the beginning, is now,
and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.*

The Epistle

Romans 12:16-21

Live in harmony with one another; do not be haughty, but associate with the lowly; never be conceited. Repay no one evil for evil, but take thought for what is noble in the sight of all. If possible, so far as it depends upon you, live peaceably with all. Beloved, never avenge yourselves, but leave it to the wrath of God; for it is written, "Vengeance is mine, I will repay, says the Lord." No, "if your enemy is hungry, feed him; if he is thirsty, give him drink; for by so doing you will heap burning coals upon his head." Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

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The Holy Gospel *Glory be to thee, O Lord*

John 2:1-11

On the third day there was a marriage at Cana in Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there; Jesus also was invited to the marriage, with his disciples. When the wine failed, the mother of Jesus said to him, "They have no wine." And Jesus said to her, "O woman, what have you to do with me? My hour has not yet come." His mother said to the servants, "Do whatever he tells you." Now six stone jars were standing there, for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons. Jesus said to them, "Fill the jars with water." And they filled them up to the brim. He said to them, "Now draw some out, and take it to the steward of the feast." So they took it. When the steward of the feast tasted the water now become wine, and did not know where it came from (though the servants who had drawn the water knew), the steward of the feast called the bridegroom and said to him, "Every man serves the good wine first; and when men have drunk freely, then the poor wine; but you have kept the good wine until now." This, the first of his signs, Jesus did at Cana in Galilee, and manifested his glory; and his disciples believed in him.

The Gospel of the Lord
Praise be to thee, O Christ