

**I will bless you abundantly
and make your descendants as countless
as the stars of the sky and the sands of the seashore;
your descendants shall take possession
of the gates of their enemies,
and in your descendants all the nations of the earth
shall find blessing—
all this because you obeyed my command.”**

The word of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 16:5, 8, 9-10, 11

R⁷. (1) You are my inheritance, O Lord.

**O LORD, my allotted portion and my cup,
you it is who hold fast my lot.
I set the LORD ever before me;
with him at my right hand I shall not be disturbed.**

R⁷. You are my inheritance, O Lord.

**Therefore my heart is glad and my soul rejoices,
my body, too, abides in confidence;
because you will not abandon my soul to the netherworld,
nor will you suffer your faithful one to undergo corruption.**

R⁷. You are my inheritance, O Lord.

**You will show me the path to life,
fullness of joys in your presence,
the delights at your right hand forever.**

R⁷. You are my inheritance, O Lord.