

OFFERTORY CHANT Ps 19 (18): 9-12

IUSTÍTIÆ Dómini rectæ, lætíficantes corda, et iudícia eius dulci ora super mel et favum: nam et servus tuus custódiet ea.

THE ordinances of the Lord are right, bringing joy to all hearts, sweeter than honey or the honeycomb. Therefore your servant will observe them.

COMMUNION CHANT Ps 84 (83): 4-5

PASSER invénit sibi domum, et turtur nidum, ubi repónat pullos suos: altária tua, Dómine virtútum, Rex meus, et Deus meus: beáti, qui hábitant in domo tua, in sáeculum sáeculi laudábunt te.

THE sparrow has found herself a home, and the turtle dove a nest in which to lay her young: at your altars, O Lord of hosts, my King and my God! Blessed are they who dwell in your house, they shall praise you for ever and ever.



Fourth Sunday of Lent

YEAR A

ENTRANCE CHANT Is 66: 10-11; Ps 121

LÆTÁRE, Ierúsalem: et convéntum fácite, omnes qui dilígitis eam: gaudéte cum lætítia, qui in tristítia fuístis: ut exsultétis, et satiémini ab ubéribus consolatiónis vestræ. ʒ. Lætátus sum in his, quæ dicta sunt mihi: in domum Dómini íbimus.

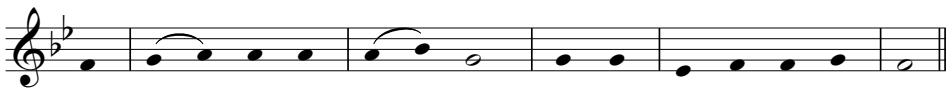
REJOICE, O Jerusalem; and gather round, all you who love her; rejoice in gladness, after having been in sorrow; exult and be replenished with the consolation flowing from her motherly bosom. ʒ. I rejoiced when it was said unto me: “Let us go to the house of the Lord.”

FIRST READING I Sam 16: 1b, 6-7, 10-13a

THE LORD said to Samuel: “Fill your horn with oil, and be on your way. I am sending you to Jesse of Bethlehem, for I have chosen my king from among his sons.”

As Jesse and his sons came to the sacrifice, Samuel looked at Eliab and thought, “Surely the LORD’s anointed is here before him.” But the LORD said to Samuel: “Do not judge from his appearance or from his lofty stature, because I have rejected him. Not as man sees does God see, because man sees the appearance but the LORD looks into the heart.” In the same way Jesse presented seven sons before Samuel, but Samuel said to Jesse, “The LORD has not chosen any one of these.” Then Samuel asked Jesse, “Are these all the sons you have?” Jesse replied, “There is still the youngest, who is tending the sheep.” Samuel said to Jesse, “Send for him; we will not begin the sacrificial banquet until he arrives here.” Jesse sent and had the young man brought to them. He was ruddy, a youth handsome to behold and making a splendid appearance. The LORD said, “There—anoint him, for this is the one!” Then Samuel, with the horn of oil in hand, anointed David in the presence of his brothers; and from that day on, the spirit of the LORD rushed upon David.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM Ps 23 (22): 1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6



The Lord is my shep - herd; there is noth-ing I shall want.

✠. The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want. | In verdant pastures he gives me repose; | beside restful waters he leads me; | he refreshes my soul.

✠. He guides me in right paths | for his name’s sake. | Even though I walk in the dark valley | I fear no evil; for you are at my side | with your rod and your staff | that give me courage.

✠. You spread the table before me | in the sight of my foes; | you anoint my head with oil; | my cup overflows.

Ÿ. Only goodness and kindness follow me | all the days of my life; |
and I shall dwell in the house of the LORD | for years to come.

OR: GRADUAL Ps 122 (121): 1, 7

LÆTÁTUS sum in his, quæ dic-
ta sunt mihi: in domum Dómi-
ni íbimus. Ÿ. Fiat pax in virtúte
tua: et abundántia in túrribus tuis.

IREJOICED when it was said
unto me: “Let us go to the house
of the Lord!” Ÿ. Let peace reign
within your walls, and abundance
in your towers.

SECOND READING Eph 5: 8-14

BROTHERS and sisters: You were once darkness, but now you
are light in the Lord. Live as children of light, for light pro-
duces every kind of goodness and righteousness and truth.
Try to learn what is pleasing to the Lord. Take no part in the fruit-
less works of darkness; rather expose them, for it is shameful even to
mention the things done by them in secret; but everything exposed by
the light becomes visible, for everything that becomes visible is light.
Therefore, it says: | “Awake, O sleeper, | and arise from the dead, |
and Christ will give you light.”

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION Jn 8: 12

I am the light of the world, says the Lord; whoever follows me will
have the light of life.

OR: TRACT Ps 125 (124): 1-2

QUI confidunt in Dómino,
sicut mons Sion: non com-
movébitur in ætérnum, qui hábitat
in Ierúsalem. Ÿ. Montes in circúitu
eius: et Dóminus in circúitu pópuli
sui, ex hoc nunc et usque in sæcu-
lum.

THOSE who trust in the Lord
are like Mount Zion; the in-
habitants of Jerusalem shall never
be shaken. Ÿ. As the mountains
are round about Jerusalem, so the
Lord is round about his people,
from this time forth and for ever-
more.

GOSPEL Jn 9: 1-41 For short form, exclude section in brackets.

AS JESUS PASSED BY he saw a man blind from birth. [His disciples asked him, “Rabbi, who sinned, this man or his parents, that he was born blind?”] Jesus answered, “Neither he nor his parents sinned; it is so that the works of God might be made visible through him.

We have to do the works of the one who sent me while it is day. Night is coming when no one can work. While I am in the world, I am the light of the world.” When he had said this,] he spat on the ground and made clay with the saliva, and smeared the clay on his eyes, and said to him, “Go wash in the Pool of Siloam” — which means Sent —. So he went and washed, and came back able to see.

His neighbors and those who had seen him earlier as a beggar said, “Isn’t this the one who used to sit and beg?” Some said, “It is,” but others said, “No, he just looks like him.” He said, “I am.” [So they said to him, “How were your eyes opened?” He replied, “The man called Jesus made clay and anointed my eyes and told me, ‘Go to Siloam and wash.’ So I went there and washed and was able to see.” And they said to him, “Where is he?” He said, “I don’t know.”]

They brought the one who was once blind to the Pharisees. Now Jesus had made clay and opened his eyes on a sabbath. So then the Pharisees also asked him how he was able to see. He said to them, “He put clay on my eyes, and I washed, and now I can see.” So some of the Pharisees said, “This man is not from God, because he does not keep the sabbath.” But others said, “How can a sinful man do such signs?” And there was a division among them. So they said to the blind man again, “What do you have to say about him, since he opened your eyes?” He said, “He is a prophet.”

[Now the Jews did not believe that he had been blind and gained his sight until they summoned the parents of the one who had gained his sight. They asked them, “Is this your son, who you say was born blind? How does he now see?” His parents answered and said, “We know that this is our son and that he was born blind. We do not know how he sees now, nor do we know who opened his eyes. Ask him, he is of age; he

can speak for himself.” His parents said this because they were afraid of the Jews, for the Jews had already agreed that if anyone acknowledged him as the Christ, he would be expelled from the synagogue. For this reason his parents said, “He is of age; question him.”

So a second time they called the man who had been blind and said to him, “Give God the praise! We know that this man is a sinner.” He replied, “If he is a sinner, I do not know. One thing I do know is that I was blind and now I see.” So they said to him, “What did he do to you? How did he open your eyes?” He answered them, “I told you already and you did not listen. Why do you want to hear it again? Do you want to become his disciples, too?” They ridiculed him and said, “You are that man’s disciple; we are disciples of Moses! We know that God spoke to Moses, but we do not know where this one is from.” The man answered and said to them, “This is what is so amazing, that you do not know where he is from, yet he opened my eyes. We know that God does not listen to sinners, but if one is devout and does his will, he listens to him. It is unheard of that anyone ever opened the eyes of a person born blind. If this man were not from God, he would not be able to do anything.”] They answered and said to him, “You were born totally in sin, and are you trying to teach us?” Then they threw him out.

When Jesus heard that they had thrown him out, he found him and said, “Do you believe in the Son of Man?” He answered and said, “Who is he, sir, that I may believe in him?” Jesus said to him, “You have seen him, the one speaking with you is he.” He said, “I do believe, Lord, “and he worshiped him. [Then Jesus said, “I came into this world for judgment, so that those who do not see might see, and those who do see might become blind.”

Some of the Pharisees who were with him heard this and said to him, “Surely we are not also blind, are we?” Jesus said to them, “If you were blind, you would have no sin; but now you are saying, ‘We see,’ so your sin remains.”]

OFFERTORY CHANT Ps 135 (134): 3, 6

LAUDÁTE Dóminum, quia **P**RAISE the Lord, for he is loving; sing in honor of his name,
benígnus est: psállite nómini

eius, quóniam suávis est: ómnia,
quæcúmque vóluit, fecit in cælo et
in terra.

for he is gracious. He has accom-
plished whatever he resolved to do
in heaven and on earth.

COMMUNION CHANT Jn 9: 6, 11, 38

LUTUM fecit ex sputo Dómi-
nus, et linívit óculos meos: et
ábii, et lavi, et vidi, crédidi Deo.

THE Lord made some clay
with his spittle, and he spread
it over my eyes; and I went forth, I
washed myself, I began to see, and
I put my faith in God.



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FIRST READING II Chr 36: 14-16, 19-23

IN those days, all the princes of Judah, the priests, and the people
added infidelity to infidelity, practicing all the abominations
of the nations and polluting the LORD’s temple which he had
consecrated in Jerusalem.