

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

You are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy people. Praise God who called you out of darkness and into his marvellous light. **Alleluia!**

The Lord be with you **and also with you**

Gospel

Luke 10.25-29, 36-37

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke
Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ

Just then a lawyer stood up to test Jesus. 'Teacher,' he said, 'what must I do to inherit eternal life?' He said to him, 'What is written in the law? What do you read there?' He answered, 'You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength, and with all your mind; and your neighbour as yourself.' And he said to him, 'You have given the right answer; do this, and you will live.'

But wanting to justify himself, he asked Jesus, 'And who is my neighbour?'

Which of these, do you think, was a neighbour to the man who fell into the hands of the robbers?' He said, 'The one who showed him mercy.' Jesus said to him, 'Go and do likewise.'

For the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ

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RECONCILIATION SUNDAY

25TH MAY 2025

NATIONAL RECONCILIATION WEEK 2025

Bridging Now to Next



Sentence

How does God's love abide in anyone who has the world's goods and sees a brother or sister in need and yet refuses help? 1 John 3.17

Prayer of the Day

Spirit God. Creator of all. You gave us this Mother Earth to share.
Humble us with the grace to listen - to listen with open hearts to the story of others,
as we journey through this land together.
Unite us all - all who drink of the same water and breathe of the same air.
For this we pray. **Amen**

First Reading

Isaiah 25:6-8

A reading from the prophet Isaiah

On this mountain the Lord of hosts will make for all peoples
a feast of rich food, a feast of well-aged wines,
of rich food filled with marrow, of well-aged wines strained clear.

And he will destroy on this mountain
the shroud that is cast over all peoples,
the covering that is spread over all nations;
he will swallow up death forever.

Then the Lord God will wipe away the tears from all faces,
and the disgrace of his people he will take away from all the earth,
for the Lord has spoken.

Hear the word of the Lord

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 85

1 O Lord, you were gracious to your land:

you restored the fortunes of Jacob.

2 You forgave the iniquity of your people:

and covered all their sin.

3 You put aside all your wrath:

and turned away from your fierce indignation.

4 Return to us again, O God our saviour:

and let your anger cease from us.

5 Will you be displeased with us for ever:

will you stretch out your wrath from one generation to another?

6 Will you not give us life again:

that your people may rejoice in you?

7 Show us your mercy, O Lord:

and grant us your salvation.

8 I will hear what the Lord God will speak:

for he will speak peace to his people, to his faithful ones, whose hearts are turned to him.

9 Truly his salvation is near to those that fear him:

and his glory shall dwell in our land.

10 Mercy and truth are met together:

righteousness and peace have kissed each other;

11 Truth shall flourish out of the earth:

and righteousness shall look down from heaven.

12 The Lord will also give us all that is good:

and our land shall yield its plenty.

13 For righteousness shall go before him:

and tread the path before his feet.

Second Reading

1 John 3:16 – 24

A Reading from the First Letter of John

We know love by this, that he laid down his life for us - and we ought to lay down our lives for one another. How does God's love abide in anyone who has the world's goods and sees a brother or sister in need and yet refuses help?

Little children, let us love, not in word or speech, but in truth and action. And by this we will know that we are from the truth and will reassure our hearts before him whenever our hearts condemn us; for God is greater than our hearts, and he knows everything. Beloved, if our hearts do not condemn us, we have boldness before God; and we receive from him whatever we ask, because we obey his commandments and do what pleases him.

And this is his commandment, that we should believe in the name of his Son Jesus Christ and love one another, just as he has commanded us. All who obey his commandments abide in him, and he abides in them. And by this we know that he abides in us, by the Spirit that he has given us.

Hear the word of the Lord

Thanks be to God.