

Isaiah Bible Study

Isaiah 1-2 in the Lectionary

1st Sunday of Advent (Year A)

Reading 1 - Isaiah 2:1-5

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Responsorial Psalm - Psalm 122:1-2, 3-4a, 4b-5, 6-7, 8-9

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<p>¹I rejoiced when they said to me, "Let us go to the house of the LORD."</p> <p>²And now our feet are standing within your gates, Jerusalem.</p> <p>³Jerusalem, built as a city, walled round about.^[b]</p> <p>⁴There the tribes go up, the tribes of the LORD, As it was decreed for Israel, to give thanks to the name of the LORD.</p> <p>⁵There are the thrones of justice, the thrones of the house of David.</p> <p>⁶For the peace of Jerusalem pray: "May those who love you prosper!"</p> <p>⁷May peace be within your ramparts,</p>	<p>¹I was glad when they said to me, "Let us go to the house of the LORD!"</p> <p>²Our feet have been standing within your gates, O Jerusalem!</p> <p>³Jerusalem, built as a city which is bound firmly together, ⁴to which the tribes go up, the tribes of the LORD, as was decreed for Israel, to give thanks to the name of the LORD.</p> <p>⁵There thrones for judgment were set, the thrones of the house of David.</p> <p>⁶Pray for the peace of Jerusalem! "May they prosper who love you!"</p> <p>⁷Peace be within your walls,</p>

prosperity within your towers.”	and security within your towers!”
⁸ For the sake of my brothers and friends I say, “Peace be with you.”	⁸ For my brethren and companions’ sake I will say, “Peace be within you!”
⁹ For the sake of the house of the LORD, our God, I pray for your good.	⁹ For the sake of the house of the LORD our God, I will seek your good.

Reading 2 - Romans 13:11-14

NABRE	RSVCE
¹¹ And do this because you know the time; it is the hour now for you to awake from sleep. For our salvation is nearer now than when we first believed; ¹² the night is advanced, the day is at hand. Let us then throw off the works of darkness [and] put on the armor of light; ¹³ let us conduct ourselves properly as in the day, not in orgies and drunkenness, not in promiscuity and licentiousness, not in rivalry and jealousy. ¹⁴ But put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the desires of the flesh.	¹¹ Besides this you know what hour it is, how it is full time now for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we first believed; ¹² the night is far gone, the day is at hand. Let us then cast off the works of darkness and put on the armor of light; ¹³ let us conduct ourselves becomingly as in the day, not in reveling and drunkenness, not in debauchery and licentiousness, not in quarreling and jealousy. ¹⁴ But put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

Alleluia - cf. Psalm 85:8

Gospel - Matthew 24:37-44

NABRE	RSVCE
³⁷ For as it was in the days of Noah, so it will be at the coming of the Son of Man. ³⁸ In [those] days before the flood, they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, up to the day that Noah entered the ark. ³⁹ They did not know until the flood came and carried them all away. So will it be [also] at the coming of the Son of Man. ⁴⁰ Two men will be out in the field; one will be taken, and one will be left. ⁴¹ Two women will be grinding at the mill; one will be taken, and one will be left. ⁴² ^[c] Therefore, stay awake! For you do not know on which day your Lord will come. ⁴³ Be sure of this: if the master of the house had known the hour of night when the thief was coming, he would have stayed awake and not let his house be broken into. ⁴⁴ So too, you also must be prepared, for at an hour you do not expect, the Son of Man will come.	³⁷ As were the days of Noah, so will be the coming of the Son of man. ³⁸ For as in those days before the flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day when Noah entered the ark, ³⁹ and they did not know until the flood came and swept them all away, so will be the coming of the Son of man. ⁴⁰ Then two men will be in the field; one is taken and one is left. ⁴¹ Two women will be grinding at the mill; one is taken and one is left. ⁴² Watch therefore, for you do not know on what day your Lord is coming. ⁴³ But know this, that if the householder had known in what part of the night the thief was coming, he would have watched and would not have let his house be broken into. ⁴⁴ Therefore you also must be ready; for the Son of man is coming at an hour you do not expect.

Monday of the 15th Week of Ordinary Time (Year II)

Reading 1 - Isaiah 1:10-17

NABRE	RSVCE
<p>¹⁰ Hear the word of the LORD, princes of Sodom! Listen to the instruction of our God, people of Gomorrah!</p> <p>¹¹ What do I care for the multitude of your sacrifices? says the LORD. I have had enough of whole-burnt rams and fat of fatlings; In the blood of calves, lambs, and goats I find no pleasure.</p> <p>¹² When you come to appear before me, who asks these things of you?</p> <p>¹³ Trample my courts no more! To bring offerings is useless; incense is an abomination to me. New moon and sabbath, calling assemblies— festive convocations with wickedness— these I cannot bear.</p> <p>¹⁴ Your new moons and festivals I detest; they weigh me down, I tire of the load.</p> <p>¹⁵ When you spread out your hands, I will close my eyes to you; Though you pray the more, I will not listen. Your hands are full of blood!^[b]</p> <p>¹⁶ Wash yourselves clean! Put away your misdeeds from before my eyes; cease doing evil; ¹⁷ learn to do good. Make justice your aim: redress the wronged, hear the orphan's plea, defend the widow.</p>	<p>¹⁰ Hear the word of the LORD, you rulers of Sodom! Give ear to the teaching of our God, you people of Gomor'rah!</p> <p>¹¹ "What to me is the multitude of your sacrifices? says the LORD; I have had enough of burnt offerings of rams and the fat of fed beasts; I do not delight in the blood of bulls, or of lambs, or of he-goats.</p> <p>¹² "When you come to appear before me, who requires of you this trampling of my courts?</p> <p>¹³ Bring no more vain offerings; incense is an abomination to me. New moon and sabbath and the calling of assemblies— I cannot endure iniquity and solemn assembly.</p> <p>¹⁴ Your new moons and your appointed feasts my soul hates; they have become a burden to me, I am weary of bearing them.</p> <p>¹⁵ When you spread forth your hands, I will hide my eyes from you; even though you make many prayers, I will not listen; your hands are full of blood.</p> <p>¹⁶ Wash yourselves; make yourselves clean; remove the evil of your doings from before my eyes; cease to do evil, ¹⁷ learn to do good; seek justice, correct oppression; defend the fatherless, plead for the widow.</p>

Responsorial Psalm - Psalm 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21 + 23

NABRE	RSVCE
<p>⁸ Not for your sacrifices do I rebuke you, your burnt offerings are always before me.</p> <p>⁹ I will not take a bullock from your house, or he-goats from your folds.</p> <p>¹⁶ "Why do you recite my commandments and profess my covenant with your mouth?</p> <p>¹⁷ You hate discipline; you cast my words behind you!</p> <p>²¹ When you do these things should I be silent?</p>	<p>⁸ I do not reprove you for your sacrifices; your burnt offerings are continually before me.</p> <p>⁹ I will accept no bull from your house, nor he-goat from your folds.</p> <p>¹⁶ "What right have you to recite my statutes, or take my covenant on your lips?</p> <p>¹⁷ For you hate discipline, and you cast my words behind you.</p>

<p>Do you think that I am like you? I accuse you, I lay out the matter before your eyes. ²³Those who offer praise as a sacrifice honor me; I will let him whose way is steadfast look upon the salvation of God.”</p>	<p>²¹These things you have done and I have been silent; you thought that I was one like yourself. But now I rebuke you, and lay the charge before you. ²³He who brings thanksgiving as his sacrifice honors me; to him who orders his way aright I will show the salvation of God!”</p>
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Alleluia - Matthew 5:10

Gospel - Mathew 10:34 – 11:1

NABRE	RSVCE
<p>³⁴“Do not think that I have come to bring peace upon the earth. I have come to bring not peace but the sword. ³⁵For I have come to set a man ‘against his father, a daughter against her mother, and a daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law; ³⁶and one’s enemies will be those of his household.’ ³⁷“Whoever loves father or mother more than me is not worthy of me, and whoever loves son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me; ³⁸and whoever does not take up his cross and follow after me is not worthy of me. ³⁹Whoever finds his life will lose it, and whoever loses his life for my sake will find it. ⁴⁰“Whoever receives you receives me,^[s] and whoever receives me receives the one who sent me. ⁴¹Whoever receives a prophet because he is a prophet will receive a prophet’s reward, and whoever receives a righteous man because he is righteous will receive a righteous man’s reward. ⁴²And whoever gives only a cup of cold water to one of these little ones to drink because he is a disciple—amen, I say to you, he will surely not lose his reward.”</p> <p>¹When Jesus finished giving these commands to his twelve disciples, he went away from that place to teach and to preach in their towns.</p>	<p>³⁴“Do not think that I have come to bring peace on earth; I have not come to bring peace, but a sword. ³⁵For I have come to set a man against his father, and a daughter against her mother, and a daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law; ³⁶and a man’s foes will be those of his own household. ³⁷He who loves father or mother more than me is not worthy of me; and he who loves son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me; ³⁸and he who does not take his cross and follow me is not worthy of me. ³⁹He who finds his life will lose it, and he who loses his life for my sake will find it. ⁴⁰“He who receives you receives me, and he who receives me receives him who sent me. ⁴¹He who receives a prophet because he is a prophet shall receive a prophet’s reward, and he who receives a righteous man because he is a righteous man shall receive a righteous man’s reward. ⁴²And whoever gives to one of these little ones even a cup of cold water because he is a disciple, truly, I say to you, he shall not lose his reward.”</p> <p>¹And when Jesus had finished instructing his twelve disciples, he went on from there to teach and preach in their cities.</p>

Tuesday of the 2nd Week of Lent (Year I & II)

Reading 1 - Isaiah 1:10, 16-20

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<p>¹⁰ Hear the word of the LORD, princes of Sodom! Listen to the instruction of our God, people of Gomorrah!</p> <p>¹⁶ Wash yourselves clean! Put away your misdeeds from before my eyes; cease doing evil;</p> <p>¹⁷ learn to do good. Make justice your aim: redress the wronged, hear the orphan's plea, defend the widow.</p> <p>¹⁸ Come now, let us set things right,^[a] says the LORD: Though your sins be like scarlet, they may become white as snow; Though they be red like crimson, they may become white as wool.</p> <p>¹⁹ If you are willing, and obey, you shall eat the good things of the land;</p> <p>²⁰ But if you refuse and resist, you shall be eaten by the sword: for the mouth of the LORD has spoken!</p>	<p>¹⁰ Hear the word of the LORD, you rulers of Sodom! Give ear to the teaching of our God, you people of Gomor'rah!</p> <p>¹⁶ Wash yourselves; make yourselves clean; remove the evil of your doings from before my eyes; cease to do evil,</p> <p>¹⁷ learn to do good; seek justice, correct oppression; defend the fatherless, plead for the widow.</p> <p>¹⁸ "Come now, let us reason together, says the LORD: though your sins are like scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they are red like crimson, they shall become like wool.</p> <p>¹⁹ If you are willing and obedient, you shall eat the good of the land;</p> <p>²⁰ but if you refuse and rebel, you shall be devoured by the sword; for the mouth of the LORD has spoken."</p>

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Verse Before the Gospel - Ezekiel 18:31

Gospel - Mathew 23:1-12

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<p>¹Then Jesus spoke to the crowds and to his disciples, ²saying, “The scribes and the Pharisees have taken their seat on the chair of Moses. ³Therefore, do and observe all things whatsoever they tell you, but do not follow their example. For they preach but they do not practice. ⁴They tie up heavy burdens [hard to carry] and lay them on people’s shoulders, but they will not lift a finger to move them. ⁵All their works are performed to be seen. They widen their phylacteries and lengthen their tassels. ⁶They love places of honor at banquets, seats of honor in synagogues, ⁷greetings in marketplaces, and the salutation ‘Rabbi.’ ⁸As for you, do not be called ‘Rabbi.’ You have but one teacher, and you are all brothers. ⁹Call no one on earth your father; you have but one Father in heaven. ¹⁰Do not be called ‘Master’; you have but one master, the Messiah. ¹¹The greatest among you must be your servant. ¹²Whoever exalts himself will be humbled; but whoever humbles himself will be exalted.</p>	<p>¹Then said Jesus to the crowds and to his disciples, ²“The scribes and the Pharisees sit on Moses’ seat; ³so practice and observe whatever they tell you, but not what they do; for they preach, but do not practice. ⁴They bind heavy burdens, hard to bear, and lay them on men’s shoulders; but they themselves will not move them with their finger. ⁵They do all their deeds to be seen by men; for they make their phylacteries broad and their fringes long, ⁶and they love the place of honor at feasts and the best seats in the synagogues, ⁷and salutations in the market places, and being called rabbi by men. ⁸But you are not to be called rabbi, for you have one teacher, and you are all brethren. ⁹And call no man your father on earth, for you have one Father, who is in heaven. ¹⁰Neither be called masters, for you have one master, the Christ. ¹¹He who is greatest among you shall be your servant; ¹²whoever exalts himself will be humbled, and whoever humbles himself will be exalted.</p>

Monday of the 1st Week of Advent (Year I & II)

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Alleluia - See Psalm 80:4

Gospel - Mathew 8:5-11

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<p>⁵When he entered Capernaum, a centurion approached him and appealed to him, ⁶saying, “Lord, my servant is lying at home paralyzed, suffering dreadfully.” ⁷He said to him, “I will come and cure him.” ⁸The centurion said in reply, “Lord, I am not worthy to have you enter under my roof; only say the word and my servant will be healed. ⁹For I too am a person subject to authority, with soldiers subject to me. And I say to one, ‘Go,’ and he goes; and to another, ‘Come here,’ and he comes; and to my slave, ‘Do this,’ and he does it.” ¹⁰When Jesus heard this, he was amazed and said to those following him, “Amen, I say to you, in no one in Israel have I found such faith. ¹¹I say to you, many will come from the east and the west, and will recline with Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob at the banquet in the kingdom of heaven,</p>	<p>⁵As he entered Caper'na-um, a centurion came forward to him, beseeching him ⁶and saying, “Lord, my servant is lying paralyzed at home, in terrible distress.” ⁷And he said to him, “I will come and heal him.” ⁸But the centurion answered him, “Lord, I am not worthy to have you come under my roof; but only say the word, and my servant will be healed. ⁹For I am a man under authority, with soldiers under me; and I say to one, ‘Go,’ and he goes, and to another, ‘Come,’ and he comes, and to my slave, ‘Do this,’ and he does it.”¹⁰When Jesus heard him, he marveled, and said to those who followed him, “Truly, I say to you, not even in Israel have I found such faith. ¹¹I tell you, many will come from east and west and sit at table with Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob in the kingdom of heaven,</p>