

# Isaiah Bible Study

## Isaiah 3-5 Lectionary and Missal

### 27<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year A)

#### **Entrance Antiphon [Cf. Est 4:17]**

Within your will, O Lord, all things are established,  
and there is none that can resist your will.  
For you have made all things, the heaven and the earth,  
and all that is held within the circle of heaven;  
you are the Lord of all.

#### **Collect**

Almighty ever-living God,  
who in the abundance of your kindness  
surpass the merits and the desires of those who entreat you,  
pour out your mercy upon us  
to pardon what conscience dreads  
and to give what prayer does not dare to ask.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, for ever and ever.

#### **First Reading - Isaiah 5:1-7**

Let me now sing of my friend,  
my friend's song concerning his vineyard.  
My friend had a vineyard  
on a fertile hillside;  
he spaded it, cleared it of stones,  
and planted the choicest vines;  
within it he built a watchtower,  
and hewed out a wine press.  
Then he looked for the crop of grapes,  
but what it yielded was wild grapes.

Now, inhabitants of Jerusalem and people of Judah,  
judge between me and my vineyard:  
What more was there to do for my vineyard  
that I had not done?  
Why, when I looked for the crop of grapes,  
did it bring forth wild grapes?  
Now, I will let you know  
what I mean to do with my vineyard:

take away its hedge, give it to grazing,  
break through its wall, let it be trampled!  
Yes, I will make it a ruin:  
it shall not be pruned or hoed,  
but overgrown with thorns and briars;  
I will command the clouds  
not to send rain upon it.  
The vineyard of the LORD of hosts is the house of Israel,  
and the people of Judah are his cherished plant;  
he looked for judgment, but see, bloodshed!  
for justice, but hark, the outcry!

**Response - Isaiah 5:7A**

**Responsorial Psalm - Psalm 80:9, 12, 13-14, 15-16, 19-20**

R/ (Is 5:7a) **The vineyard of the Lord is the house of Israel.**

A vine from Egypt you transplanted;  
you drove away the nations and planted it.  
It put forth its foliage to the Sea,  
its shoots as far as the River.

R/ **The vineyard of the Lord is the house of Israel.**

Why have you broken down its walls,  
so that every passer-by plucks its fruit,  
The boar from the forest lays it waste,  
and the beasts of the field feed upon it?

R/ **The vineyard of the Lord is the house of Israel.**

Once again, O LORD of hosts,  
look down from heaven, and see;  
take care of this vine,  
and protect what your right hand has planted  
the son of man whom you yourself made strong.

R/ **The vineyard of the Lord is the house of Israel.**

Then we will no more withdraw from you;  
give us new life, and we will call upon your name.  
O LORD, God of hosts, restore us;  
if your face shine upon us, then we shall be saved.

R/ **The vineyard of the Lord is the house of Israel.**

**Second Reading - Philippians 4:6-9**

Brothers and sisters:  
Have no anxiety at all, but in everything,  
by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving,  
make your requests known to God.  
Then the peace of God that surpasses all understanding

will guard your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus.

Finally, brothers and sisters,  
whatever is true, whatever is honorable,  
whatever is just, whatever is pure,  
whatever is lovely, whatever is gracious,  
if there is any excellence  
and if there is anything worthy of praise,  
think about these things.  
Keep on doing what you have learned and received  
and heard and seen in me.  
Then the God of peace will be with you.

### **Gospel Acclamation - John 15:16**

“You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you that you should go and bear fruit and that your fruit should abide; so that whatever you ask the Father in my name, he may give it to you.”

### **Gospel - Matthew 21:33-43**

Jesus said to the chief priests and the elders of the people:  
"Hear another parable.  
There was a landowner who planted a vineyard,  
put a hedge around it, dug a wine press in it, and built a tower.  
Then he leased it to tenants and went on a journey.  
When vintage time drew near,  
he sent his servants to the tenants to obtain his produce.  
But the tenants seized the servants and one they beat,  
another they killed, and a third they stoned.  
Again he sent other servants, more numerous than the first ones,  
but they treated them in the same way.  
Finally, he sent his son to them, thinking,  
'They will respect my son.'  
But when the tenants saw the son, they said to one another,  
'This is the heir.  
Come, let us kill him and acquire his inheritance.'  
They seized him, threw him out of the vineyard, and killed him.  
What will the owner of the vineyard do to those tenants when he comes?"  
They answered him,  
"He will put those wretched men to a wretched death  
and lease his vineyard to other tenants  
who will give him the produce at the proper times."  
Jesus said to them, "Did you never read in the Scriptures:  
*The stone that the builders rejected*

*has become the cornerstone;  
by the Lord has this been done,  
and it is wonderful in our eyes?*

Therefore, I say to you,  
the kingdom of God will be taken away from you  
and given to a people that will produce its fruit."

### **Prayer over the Offerings**

Accept, O Lord, we pray,  
the sacrifices instituted by your commands  
and, through the sacred mysteries,  
which we celebrate with dutiful service,  
graciously complete the sanctifying work  
by which you are pleased to redeem us.  
Through Christ our Lord.

### **Communion Antiphon [Lam 3:25]**

The Lord is good to those who hope in him,  
to the soul that seeks him.

**Or: [Cf. 1 Cor 10:17]**

Though many, we are one bread, one body,  
for we all partake of the one Bread and one Chalice.

### **Prayer after Communion**

Grant us, almighty God,  
that we may be refreshed and nourished  
by the Sacrament which we have received,  
so as to be transformed into what we consume.  
Through Christ our Lord.

## **1<sup>st</sup> Monday in Advent (Year I & II during Year A)**

### **Entrance Antiphon [Cf. Jer 31:10; Is 35:4]**

Hear the word of the Lord, O nations;  
declare it to the distant lands:  
Behold, our Savior will come; you need no longer fear.

### **Collect**

Keep us alert, we pray, O Lord our God,  
as we await the advent of Christ your Son,  
so that, when he comes and knocks,  
he may find us watchful in prayer  
and exultant in his praise.  
Who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, for ever and ever.

### **First Reading - Isaiah 4:2-6**

On that day,  
The branch of the LORD will be beauty and glory,  
and the fruit of the land will be honor and splendor  
for the survivors of Israel.  
Everyone who remains in Zion,  
everyone left in Jerusalem  
Will be called holy:  
everyone inscribed for life in Jerusalem.  
When the Lord washes away  
the filth of the daughters of Zion,  
And purges Jerusalem's blood from her midst  
with a blast of judgment, a searing blast,  
Then will the LORD create,  
over the whole site of Mount Zion  
and over her place of assembly,  
A smoking cloud by day  
and a light of flaming fire by night.  
For over all, his glory will be shelter and protection:  
shade from the parching heat of day,  
refuge and cover from storm and rain.

### **Response - Text**

#### **Responsorial Psalm - Psalm 122:1-2, 3-4B, 4CD-5, 6-7, 8-9**

#### **R. Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord.**

I rejoiced because they said to me,  
"We will go up to the house of the LORD."  
And now we have set foot

within your gates, O Jerusalem.

**R. Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord.**

Jerusalem, built as a city  
with compact unity.

To it the tribes go up,  
the tribes of the LORD.

**R. Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord.**

According to the decree for Israel,  
to give thanks to the name of the LORD.

In it are set up judgment seats,  
seats for the house of David.

**R. Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord.**

Pray for the peace of Jerusalem!  
May those who love you prosper!  
May peace be within your walls,  
prosperity in your buildings.

**R. Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord.**

Because of my relatives and friends  
I will say, "Peace be within you!"  
Because of the house of the LORD, our God,  
I will pray for your good.

**R. Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord.**

**Gospel Acclamation - Psalm 80:4**

**R. Alleluia, alleluia.**

Come and save us, LORD our God;  
let your face shine upon us, that we may be saved.

**R. Alleluia, alleluia.**

**Gospel - Matthew 8:5-11**

When Jesus entered Capernaum,  
a centurion approached him and appealed to him, saying,  
"Lord, my servant is lying at home paralyzed, suffering dreadfully."  
He said to him, "I will come and cure him."

The 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.

For I too am a man 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."

When 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. I 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.”

### **Prayer over the Offerings**

Accept, we pray, O Lord, these offerings we make,  
gathered from among your gifts to us,  
and may what you grant us to celebrate devoutly here below  
gain for us the prize of eternal redemption.  
Through Christ our Lord.

### **Communion Antiphon [Cf. Ps 106 (105):4–5; Is 38:3]**

Come, O Lord, visit us in peace,  
that we may rejoice before you with a blameless heart.

### **Prayer after Communion**

May these mysteries, O Lord,  
in which we have participated,  
profit us, we pray,  
for even now, as we walk amid passing things,  
you teach us by them  
to love the things of heaven  
and hold fast to what endures.  
Through Christ our Lord.