



ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

When he calls on me, I will answer him; I will deliver him and give him glory, I will grant him lengths of days

FIRST READING 9:8-15;1 page 562

A reading from the book of Genesis.

I will recall the covenant between myself and you – the waters shall never again become a flood to destroy all flesh.

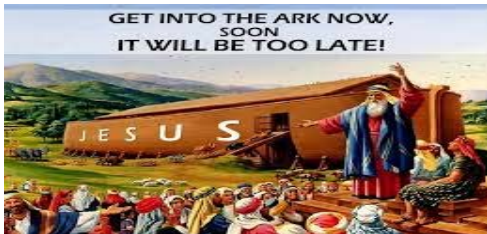
God spoke to Noah and his sons, "See, I establish my Covenant with you, and with your descendants after you; also with every living creature to be found with you, birds, cattle and every wild beast with you: everything that came out of the ark, everything that lives on the earth. I establish my Covenant with you: nothing of flesh shall be swept away again by the waters of the flood. There shall be no flood to destroy the earth again.

God said:" Here is the sign of Covenant I make between myself and you and every living creature with you for all generations: I set my bow in the clouds and it shall be a sign of the Covenant between me and the earth. When I gather the clouds over the earth and the bow appears in the clouds, I will recall the Covenant between myself and you and every living creature of every kind. And so the waters shall never again become a flood to destroy all things of flesh.

✠ **The word of the Lord.** ✠

Responsorial Psalm

Your ways, O Lord, are love and truth to those who keep your covenant.



SECOND READING

A reading from the 1st letter of St Peter.

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The water of the flood is a type of the baptism which saves you now.

Christ himself, innocent though he was, died once for sins, died for the guilty, to lead us to God. In the body he was put to death, in the spirit he was raised to life, and, in the spirit, he went to preach to the spirits in prison. Now it was long ago, when Noah was still building the ark which saved only a small group of eight people "by water:, and when God was still waiting patiently, that these spirits refused to believe. That water is a type of the baptism which saves you now, and which is not the washing off of physical dirt but a pledge made to God from a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, who has entered heaven and is at God's right hand, now that he has made the angels and Dominations and Powers his subjects.

✠ **The word of the Lord.** ✠

Gospel Acclamation

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, kings of endless glory! No one lives on bread alone, but on every word that comes from the mouth of God. Praise to you. Lord Jesus Christ.

GOSPEL

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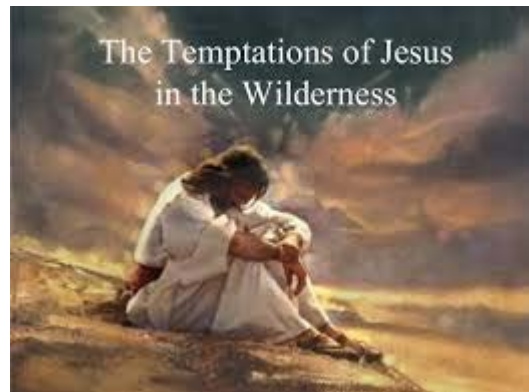
The reading from the Holy Gospel according to Mark.

He was tempted by Satan and the angels looked after him.

The Spirit drove Jesus out into the wilderness and he remained there for forty days and tempted by Satan. He was with the wild beasts, and angels looked after him.

After John had been arrested, Jesus went into Galilee. There he proclaimed the Good News from God. "The time has come" he said "and the kingdom of God is close at hand. Repent, and believe the Good News."

◆ **The Gospel of the Lord.** ◆



COMMUNION ANTIPHON

One does not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes forth from the mouth of God.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Renewed now with heavenly bread, by which faith is nourished, hope increased, and charity strengthened. We pray, O Lord that we may learn to hunger for Christ, the true and living bread, and strive to by every word which proceeds from your mouth.

◆ **Through Christ our Lord.** ◆

