

FIFTH SUNDAY

Season of the Year C

First Reading † Isaiah 6:1-8

Here am I! Send me.

A reading from the prophet Isaiah

In the year of King Uzziah's death, I saw the Lord seated on a high and lofty throne; his train filled the sanctuary. Above him stood seraphs, each one with six wings: with two each covered its face, with two each covered its feet and with two each flew. Each cried out to another:

'Holy, holy, holy is the Lord Sabaoth.
His glory fills the whole earth.'

The doorposts shook at the sound of their shouting and the Temple was full of smoke. Then I said:

'Woe is me! I am lost,
for I am a man of unclean lips
and I live among a people of unclean lips
and my eyes have seen the King, the Lord Sabaoth.'

Then one of the seraphs flew to me, holding in its hand a live coal which it had taken from the altar with a pair of tongs. With this it touched my mouth and said:

'Look, this has touched your lips,
your guilt has been removed
and your sin forgiven.'

I then heard the voice of the Lord saying:

'Whom shall I send? Who will go for us?'

And I said, 'Here am I; send me.'

The word of the Lord.

Responsorial † Psalm 137:1-5.7-8

In the sight of the angels I will sing your praises, Lord.

I thank you, Lord, with all my heart;
you have heard the words of my mouth.
In the presence of the angels I praise you.
I bow down toward your holy Temple.

In the sight of the angels I will sing your praises, Lord.

I give thanks to your name
for your merciful love and your faithfulness.
You have exalted your name over all.
On the day I called, you answered me;
you increased the strength of my soul.

In the sight of the angels I will sing your praises, Lord.

All earth's kings shall thank you, O Lord,
when they hear the words of your mouth.
They shall sing of the ways of the Lord,
'How great is the glory of the Lord!'

In the sight of the angels I will sing your praises, Lord.

With your right hand you save me;
the Lord will accomplish this for me.
O Lord, your merciful love is eternal;
discard not the work of your hands.

In the sight of the angels I will sing your praises, Lord.

Second Reading [longer form] † 1 Corinthians 15:1-11

I preach what they preach, and this is what you believe.

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Corinthians

I want you to know, brothers and sisters, the good news that I proclaimed to you, which you also accepted, and in which you stand firm, through which you are saved – why I proclaimed it to you, if you hold fast, unless you came to believe in vain.

In the first place I handed on to you what I had myself received, that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the scriptures, that he was buried and was raised up on the third day in accordance with the scriptures, that he was seen by Cephas and then by the Twelve; then he was seen by more than five hundred of the brothers and sisters at one time, most of whom are still with us, though some have died.

Then he was seen by James, then by all the apostles. Last of all, as though by one born at the wrong time, he was seen also by me. For I am the least of the apostles, not worthy to be called an apostle, since I persecuted the Church of God.

But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace to me has not been in vain; on the contrary, I worked more than all of them – though not I but the grace of God with me. Anyway, whether it was I or they, this is what we proclaim and this is what you came to believe.

The word of the Lord.

Second Reading [shorter form] † 1 Corinthians 15:3-8,11

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Gospel Acclamation † Matthew 4:19

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
Come follow me, says the Lord,
and I will make you fishers of my people.
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Gospel # Luke 5:1-11

They left everything and followed him.

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

Now it happened that Jesus was standing one day by the Lake of Gennesaret, with the crowd pressing round him listening to the word of God, when he caught sight of two boats at the water's edge. The fishermen had got out of them and were washing their nets. He got into one of the boats – it was Simon's – and asked him to put out a little from the shore. Then he sat down and taught the crowds from the boat.

When he had finished speaking he said to Simon,

'Put out into deep water and pay out your nets for a catch.'

Simon replied,

'Master, we worked hard all night long and caught nothing, but if you say so, I will pay out the nets.'

And when they had done this they netted such a huge number of fish that their nets began to tear, so they signalled to their companions in the other boat to come and help them; when these came, they filled both boats to sinking point.

When Simon Peter saw this he fell at the knees of Jesus saying,

'Leave me, Lord; I am a sinful man.'

For he and all his companions were completely awestruck at the catch of fish they had made; so also were James and John, sons of Zebedee, who were Simon's partners. But Jesus said to Simon,

'Do not be afraid; from now on it is people you will be catching.'

Then, bringing their boats back to land they left everything and followed him.

The Gospel of the Lord.

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