
1ST SUNDAY OF LENT

February 26, 2023

Entrance Hymn

Lord, Who throughout
These Forty Days #479

Responsorial Psalm #1016

Psalm 51: Be merciful, O Lord, for
we have sinned.

Communion Hymns

Merciful God #489

Psalm 51: Be Merciful, O
Lord #51

Psalm 91: Be With Me #65

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God,
the Father Almighty,
Creator of heaven and earth,
and in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died and was buried;
He descended into hell;
on the third day He rose again from the dead;
He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of God the
Father Almighty;
from there He will come to judge the living
and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Holy Catholic Church,
the communion of Saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and life everlasting.
Amen.

St. Michael the Archangel

St. Michael the Archangel,
defend us in battle. Be our
protection against the wickedness
and snares of the Devil. May God
rebuke him, we humbly pray,
and do thou, O prince of the
heavenly hosts, by the power of
God, cast into hell Satan, and all
evil spirits, who prowl about the
world seeking the ruin of souls.
Amen.

Readings

#1016

First Reading:

Genesis 2:7-9;3:1-7

Second Reading:

Romans 5:12-19

Gospel:

Matthew 4:1-11



Entrance Hymn

Lord, Who throughout These Forty Days 479



1. Lord, who through - out these for - ty days For
2. As you with Sa - tan did con - tend And
3. As you did hun - ger and did thirst, So
4. And through these days of pen - i - tence, And
5. A - bide with us that, when this life Of



us did fast and pray, Teach us to o - ver -
did the vic - t'ry win, O give us strength in
teach us, gra - cious Lord, To die to self, and
through your Pas - sion - tide, For ev - er - more, in
suf - fer - ing is past, An East - er of un -



come our sins, And close by you to stay.
you to fight, In you to con - quer sin.
on - ly live By your most ho - ly word.
life and death, O Lord, with us a - bide.
end - ing joy We may at - tain at last!

Text: Claudia F. Hernaman, 1838-1898, alt

Tune: ST. FLAVIAN, CM; John's Day Psalter, 1562; harm. based on the original faux-bourdon setting

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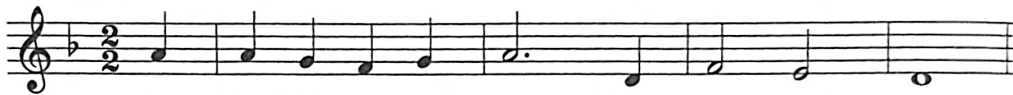
READING I

Genesis 2:7-9; 3:1-7 / 22

The LORD God formed man out of the clay of the ground and blew into his nostrils the breath of life, and so man became a living being.

Then the LORD God planted a garden in Eden, in the east, and placed there the man whom he had formed. Out of the ground the LORD God made various trees grow that were delightful to look at and good for food, with the tree of life in the middle of the garden and the tree of the knowledge of good and evil.

Now the serpent was the most cunning of all the animals that the LORD God had made. The serpent asked the woman, "Did God really tell you not to eat from any of the trees in the garden?" The woman answered the serpent: "We may eat of the fruit of the trees in the garden; it is only about the fruit of the tree in the middle of the garden that God said, 'You shall not eat it or even touch it, lest you die.'" But the serpent said to the woman: "You certainly will not die! No, God knows well that the moment you eat of it your eyes will be opened and you will be like gods who know what is good and what is evil." The woman saw that the tree was good for food, pleasing to the eyes, and desirable for gaining wisdom. So she took some of its fruit and ate it; and she also gave some to her husband, who was with her, and he ate it. Then the eyes of both of them were opened, and they realized that they were naked; so they sewed fig leaves together and made loincloths for themselves.



Be mer - ci - ful, O Lord, for we have sinned.

Have mercy on me, O God,
according to your merciful love;
according to your great compassion,
blot out my transgressions.
Wash me completely from my iniquity,
and cleanse me from my sin. *℟.*

My transgressions, truly I know them;
my sin is always before me.
Against you, you alone, have I sinned;
what is evil in your sight I have
done. *℟.*

Create a pure heart for me, O God;
renew a steadfast spirit within me.
Do not cast me away from your presence;
take not your holy spirit from me. *℟.*

Restore in me the joy of your salvation;
sustain in me a willing spirit.
O Lord, open my lips
and my mouth shall proclaim your
praise. *℟.*

READING II

Romans 5:12-19 or 5:12, 17-19

For short form read only the parts in brackets.

[Brothers and sisters: Through one man sin entered the world, and through sin, death, and thus death came to all men, inasmuch as all sinned—] for up to the time of the law, sin was in the world, though sin is not accounted when there is no law. But death reigned from Adam to Moses, even over those who did not sin after the pattern of the trespass of Adam, who is the type of the one who was to come.

But the gift is not like the transgression. For if by the transgression of the one, the many died, how much more did the grace of God and the gracious gift of the one man Jesus Christ overflow for the many. And the gift is not like the result of the one who sinned. For after one sin there was the judgment that brought condemnation; but the gift, after many transgressions, brought acquittal. [For if, by the transgression of the one, death came to reign through that one, how much more will those who receive the abundance of grace and of the gift of justification come to reign in life through

the one Jesus Christ. In conclusion, just as through one transgression condemnation came upon all, so, through one righteous act, acquittal and life came to all. For just as through the disobedience of the one man the many were made sinners, so, through the obedience of the one, the many will be made righteous.]

GOSPEL

Matthew 4:1-11

At that time Jesus was led by the Spirit into the desert to be tempted by the devil. He fasted for forty days and forty nights, and afterwards he was hungry. The tempter approached and said to him, "If you are the Son of God, command that these stones become loaves of bread."

He said in reply, "It is written:

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

Then the devil took him to the holy city, and made him stand on the parapet of the temple, and said to him, "If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down. For it is written:

*He will command his angels concerning you
and with their hands they will support you,
lest you dash your foot against a stone."*

Jesus answered him, "Again it is written, *You shall not put the Lord, your God, to the test.*" Then the devil took him up to a very high mountain, and showed him all the kingdoms of the world in their magnificence, and he said to him, "All these I shall give to you, if you will prostrate yourself and worship me." At this, Jesus said to him, "Get away, Satan! It is written:

*The Lord, your God, shall you worship
and him alone shall you serve."*

Then the devil left him and, behold, angels came and ministered to him.

Communion Hymns

489 Merciful God

Refrain



Ash Wednesday: Sign us with ash - es, mer - ci - ful God,
 Lent Gathering: Gath - er your peo - ple, mer - ci - ful God,
 Lent Communion: Feed us and guide us, mer - ci - ful God:



Chil - dren of dust, as to dust we re - turn. Sign us with
 Gath - er the long - ing, the lost, and un - sure. Gath - er your
 Light, when the shad - ows of life cloud our view. Feed us and



ash - es, mer - ci - ful God; Mark us and make us your
 peo - ple, mer - ci - ful God, Name us and claim us as
 guide us, mer - ci - ful God, Peo - ple who hun - ger for



own. own, mark us and make us your own.
 yours. yours, name us and claim us as yours.
 you. you, peo - ple who hun - ger for you.

Verses



1. Sure - ly, you a - lone can save us. You pay our price with
 2. Sure - ly, you a - lone up - hold us. You give us strength for
 3. Sure - ly, you a - lone can heal us. Yours is the will to
 4. Sure - ly, you a - lone can free us. You break the bonds of
 5. Sure - ly, you a - lone re - fine us. You give us grace for
 6. Sure - ly, you a - lone re - deem us. You fill our dust with



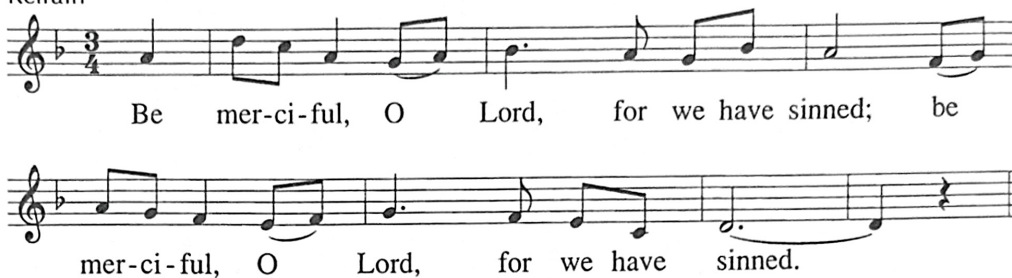
pre - cious blood. Reach - ing through your great com -
 all our needs. Shield - ing with a fa - ther's
 make us whole. Sooth - ing with a moth - er's
 guilt and sin. Brac - ing, till we walk up -
 lives made new, Forg - ing, through your fire and
 ho - ly breath. Burst - ing from the grave in



pas - sion, You lift up your peo - ple with love.
 fa - vor, You bless us with par - don and peace.
 kind - ness, The con - trite of heart you con - sole.
 right - ly, You bol - ster our hope once a - gain.
 ra - diance, A sac - ri - fice wor - thy for you.
 glo - ry, You rise from the ash - es of death.

51 Psalm 51: Be Merciful, O Lord

Refrain



Be mer-ci-ful, O Lord, for we have sinned; be
mer-ci-ful, O Lord, for we have sinned.

Verses

1. Have mercy on me, God, in your kindness,
in your compassion, blot out my offense.
O wash me more and more from my guilt and my sorrow,
and cleanse me from all of my sin.
2. My offenses, truly I know them, and my sins are always before me;
against you alone have I sinned, O Lord, what is evil in your sight I have done.
3. Create in me a clean heart, O God, put your steadfast spirit in my soul.
Cast me not away from your presence, O Lord, and take not your spirit from me.
4. Give back to me the joy of your salvation, let your willing spirit bear me up
and I shall teach your way to the ones who have wandered,
and bring them all home to your side.

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65 Psalm 91: Be with Me

Refrain



Be with me, Lord, when I am in trou-ble, be
with me, Lord, I pray.

Verses

1. You who dwell in the shelter of the Lord, Most High,
who abide in the shadow of our God,
say to the Lord: "My refuge and fortress, the God in whom I trust."
2. No evil shall befall you, no pain come near,
for the angels stand close by your side,
guarding you always and bearing you gently, watching over your life.
3. Those who cling to the Lord live secure in God's love,
lifted high, those who trust in God's name,
call on the Lord, who will never forsake you.
God will bring you salvation and joy.

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