



PRAYER OF THE DAY

Stir up Your power, O Lord, and come, that by Your protection we may be rescued from the threatening perils of our sins and saved by Your mighty deliverance; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen *(Gregorian Sacramentary)*

FIRST READING: ISAIAH 64:1-9

- 1 Oh that you would rend the heavens and come down,
that the mountains might quake at your presence—
- 2 as when fire kindles brushwood
and the fire causes water to boil—
to make your name known to your adversaries,
and that the nations might tremble at your presence!
- 3 When you did awesome things that we did not look for,
you came down, the mountains quaked at your presence.
- 4 From of old no one has heard or perceived by the ear,
no eye has seen a God besides you,
who acts for those who wait for him.
- 5 You meet him who joyfully works righteousness,
those who remember you in your ways.
Behold, you were angry, and we sinned;
in our sins we have been a long time, and shall we be saved?
- 6 We have all become like one who is unclean,
and all our righteous deeds are like a polluted garment.
We all fade like a leaf,
and our iniquities, like the wind, take us away.
- 7 There is no one who calls upon your name,
who rouses himself to take hold of you;
for you have hidden your face from us,
and have made us melt in the hand of our iniquities.
- 8 But now, O Lord, you are our Father;
we are the clay, and you are our potter;
we are all the work of your hand.
- 9 Be not so terribly angry, O Lord, and remember not iniquity forever.
Behold, please look, we are all your people.

PSALM 80:1-7

- 1 Hear, O Shepherd of Israel, leading Joseph ^ like a flock; *
shine forth, you that are enthroned up^on the cherubim.
- 2 In the presence of Ephraim, Benjamin, ^ and Manasseh, *
stir up your strength and ^ come to help us.
- 3 Restore us, O ^ God of hosts; *
show the light of your countenance, and we ^ shall be saved.
- 4 O LORD ^ God of hosts, *
how long will you be angered
despite the prayers ^ of your people?
- 5 You have fed them with the ^ bread of tears; *
you have given them bowls of ^ tears to drink.
- 6 You have made us the derision ^ of our neighbors, *
and our enemies laugh ^ us to scorn.
- 7 Restore us, O ^ God of hosts; *
show the light of your countenance, and we ^ shall be saved.

SECOND READING: 1 CORINTHIANS 1:3-9

³ Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. ⁴ I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that was given you in Christ Jesus, ⁵ that in every way you were enriched in him in all speech and all knowledge — ⁶ even as the testimony about Christ was confirmed among you — ⁷ so that you are not lacking in any spiritual gift, as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ, ⁸ who will sustain you to the end, guiltless in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. ⁹ God is faithful, by whom you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

GOSPEL: MARK 11:1-10

¹ Now when they drew near to Jerusalem, to Bethphage and Bethany, at the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two of his disciples ² and said to them, “Go into the village in front of you, and immediately as you enter it you will find a colt tied, on which no one has ever sat. Untie it and bring it. ³ If anyone says to you, ‘Why are you doing this?’ say, ‘The Lord has need of it and will send it back here immediately.’”

⁴ And they went away and found a colt tied at a door outside in the street, and they untied it. ⁵ And some of those standing there said to them, “What are you doing, untying the colt?” ⁶ And they told them what Jesus had said, and they let them go. ⁷ And they brought the colt to Jesus and threw their cloaks on it, and he sat on it. ⁸ And many spread their cloaks on the road, and others spread leafy branches that they had cut from the fields. ⁹ And those who went before and those who followed were shouting, “Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!” ¹⁰ Blessed is the coming kingdom of our father David! Hosanna in the highest!”