

FIRST READING

Jeremiah 1:4–5, 17ab,
18–19

A reading from the book of the prophet Jeremiah

The LORD said to Jeremiah,
“Before I gave you life,
and before you were born,
I chose you to be a prophet to the nations.

“Jeremiah, get ready!
Go and tell those people everything I command you.
Don’t be afraid of them.

“Today my power will make you as strong as a fortress
or a tall column of iron or a wall of bronze.
You will be against everyone in Judah,
its kings, leaders, priests, and all the common people.
They will fight against you,
but they won’t win,
because I will be with you to protect you.
I, the LORD, have spoken.”

The word of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

*Psalm 71:1–2, 3abcd, 3ef
and 5a*

All: *I will sing of your salvation.*

*I run to you, LORD,
for protection.
Don't disappoint me.
You do what is right,
so come to my rescue.
Listen to my prayer
and keep me safe.*

All: *I will sing of your salvation.*

*Be my mighty rock, the place
where I can always run
for protection.
Save me by your command!*

All: *I will sing of your salvation.*

*You are my mighty rock
and my fortress.
I depend on you.*

All: *I will sing of your salvation.*

SECOND READING

1 Corinthians 13:4–8a,
11–13

A reading from the first letter of Paul to the Corinthians

Brothers and sisters:
Love is kind and patient,
never jealous, boastful, proud, or rude.
Love isn't selfish or quick tempered.
It doesn't keep a record of wrongs that others do.
Love rejoices in the truth, but not in evil.
Love is always supportive, loyal, hopeful, and trusting.
Love never fails!

When we were children,
we thought and reasoned as children do.
But when we grew up,
we quit our childish ways.

Now all we can see of God is like a cloudy picture in a mirror.
Later we will see him face to face.
We don't know everything,
but then we will,
just as God completely understands us.

For now there are faith, hope, and love.
But of these three, the greatest is love.

The word of the Lord.

GOSPEL

Luke 4:20b–24, 28–30

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

Everyone in the Jewish meeting place looked straight at Jesus.

Then Jesus said to them,
“What you have just heard me read has come true today.”

All the people started talking about Jesus
and were amazed at the wonderful things he said.
They kept on asking, “Isn’t he Joseph’s son?”

Jesus answered:
“You will certainly want to tell me this saying,
‘Doctor, first make yourself well.’
You will tell me to do the same things here in my own hometown
that you heard I did in Capernaum.
But you can be sure that no prophets are liked by the people
of their own hometown.”

When the people in the meeting place heard Jesus say this,
they became so angry that they got up and threw him out of town.
They dragged him to the edge of the cliff on which the town
was built,
because they wanted to throw him down from there.
But Jesus slipped through the crowd and got away.

The Gospel of the Lord.