

# Readings at Mass for the Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year A)

ENTRANCE HYMN *New English Hymnal* 440

FIRST READING *ZECHARIAH* 9.9-10

A reading from the Prophet, Zechariah

*Thus says the Lord:* 'Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion! Shout aloud, O daughter of Jerusalem! Behold, your king is coming to you; righteous and having salvation is he, humble and mounted on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey. I will cut off the chariot from Ephraim and the war horse from Jerusalem; and the battle bow shall be cut off, and he shall speak peace to the nations; his rule shall be from sea to sea, and from the River to the ends of the earth.'

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

*PSALM* 145(144). 1-2, 8-9, 10-11, 13C-14; R. CF. V. 1

**R. I will bless your name for ever,  
my God and king.**

I will extol you, my God and king,  
and bless your name for ever and ever.  
I will bless you day after day,  
and praise your name for ever and ever. **R.**

The Lord is kind and full of compassion,  
slow to anger, abounding in mercy.  
How good is the Lord to all,  
compassionate to all his creatures. **R.**

All your works shall thank you, O Lord,  
and all your faithful ones bless you.  
They shall speak of the glory of your reign,  
and declare your mighty deeds. **R.**

The Lord is faithful in all his words,  
and holy in all his deeds.  
The Lord supports all who fall,  
and raises up all who are bowed down. **R.**

SECOND READING *ROMANS* 8.9, 11-13

A reading from the Letter of Saint Paul to the Romans  
*Brothers and sisters:* You are not in the flesh but in the Spirit, if in fact the Spirit of God dwells in you. Anyone who does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him. If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ Jesus from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies, through his Spirit who dwells in you.

So, then, brothers and sisters, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh. For if you live according to the flesh you will die, but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live.

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

**R. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**

I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth: you have revealed the secrets of the kingdom to little children. **R.**

GOSPEL *MATTHEW* 11.25-30

At that time: *Jesus declared,* 'I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, that you have hidden these things from the wise and understanding, and revealed them to little children; yes, Father, for such was your gracious will. All things have been handed over to me by my Father, and no one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son chooses to reveal him.

Come to me, all who labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.'

OFFERTORY HYMN *New English Hymnal* 376

MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

**We proclaim your Death, O Lord,  
and profess your Resurrection  
until you come again.**

*The numbers of this evening's Entrance and Offertory hymns are also displayed on the boards on the pillars*