

Readings at Mass for the Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year A)

ENTRANCE HYMN *New English Hymnal 436*

FIRST READING *EZEKIEL 33.7-9*

A reading from the Prophet, Ezekiel

Thus says the Lord: 'So you, son of man, I have made a watchman for the house of Israel. Whenever you hear a word from my mouth, you shall give them warning from me. If I say to the wicked, O wicked one, you shall surely die, and you do not speak to warn the wicked to turn from his way, that wicked person shall die in his iniquity, but his blood I will require at your hand. But if you warn the wicked to turn from his way, and he does not turn from his way, that person shall die in his iniquity, but you will have delivered your soul.'

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

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

PSALM 95(94). 1-2, 6-7B, 7C-9; R. VV. 7C, 8A

**R. O that today you would listen to his voice!
'Harden not your hearts.'**

Come, let us ring out our joy to the Lord;
hail the rock who saves us.

Let us come into his presence, giving thanks;
let us hail him with a song of praise. **R.**

O come; let us bow and bend low.
Let us kneel before the Lord who made us,
for he is our God, and we the people,
the people of his pasture, the flock of his hand. **R.**

O that today you would listen to his voice!
'Harden not your hearts as at Meribah,
as on that day at Massah in the desert
when your forebears put me to the test;
when they tried me, though they saw my work.' **R.**

SECOND READING *ROMANS 13.8-10*

A reading from the Letter of Saint Paul to the Romans
Brothers and sisters: Owe no one anything, except to love each other. For the one who loves another has fulfilled the law. For the commandments, 'You shall not commit adultery; You shall not murder; You shall not steal; You shall not covet,' and any other commandment, are summed up in this word: 'You shall love your neighbour as yourself.' Love does no wrong to a neighbour; therefore, love is the fulfilling of the law.

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

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

R. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

God was in Christ reconciling the world to himself,
and entrusting to us the message of reconciliation. **R.**

GOSPEL *MATTHEW 18.15-20*

At that time: *Jesus said to his disciples, 'If your brother sins against you, go and tell him his fault, between you and him alone. If he listens to you, you have gained your brother. But if he does not listen, take one or two others along with you, that every charge may be established by the evidence of two or three witnesses. If he refuses to listen to them, tell it to the church. And if he refuses to listen even to the church, let him be to you as a Gentile and a tax collector.'*

Truly, I say to you, whatever you bind on earth,
shall be bound in heaven; and whatever you loose on
earth, shall be loosed in heaven. Again, I say to you, if two
of you agree on earth about anything they ask, it will be
done for them by my Father in heaven. For where two
or three are gathered in my name, there am I among
them.'

OFFERTORY HYMN *New English Hymnal 461*

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*