

Fifth Sunday in Lent

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LECTIONARY TEXTS

RCL (Revised Common Lectionary)

Isaiah 43:16-21

Psalm 126

Philippians 3:4b-14

John 12:1-8

Suggested ReClaim texts
(same)



COLLECT / PRAYER OF THE DAY

Almighty God, look with mercy upon your people, and grant that by your great goodness, they may be governed and preserved in both body and soul; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH (*Optional Supplications for*)

ON THE GOSPEL READING • John 12:1-8

Lord Jesus Christ, you have taught us to be mindful of the poor and to minister to their needs in your name. Enable us to do so, mindful that our greater gift, and their greater need, is not daily bread, but you, the Bread of Life. Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

FOR THE CHURCH

Look in mercy upon your church, O Lord, which you have bought with a great price. Keep us from giving offense to the Gospel and bind us together in the unity of the Spirit. Grant that our children, baptized in your name, may live daily in their baptismal promise. And to all who commune at your table, grant forgiveness, peace, and life eternal. Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

FOR THOSE IN AUTHORITY

Merciful God and Father, bless your servants, the president of the United States, and the governor of this state. May they, and all who are entrusted with authority, perform their responsibilities as ministers of your commandments. Grant them wisdom and understanding so that, by their governance, we may be protected and directed in the way of righteousness, peace, and unity. Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

FOR THE BLESSINGS OF REDEMPTION

Lord God, heavenly Father, we give you thanks that in your great mercy you sent your only Son to become incarnate, and to redeem us from sin and everlasting death. And we pray that you would enlighten our hearts by your Holy Spirit that we may give thanks always for your grace, and may comfort ourselves with the same in every time of trial and temptation. Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

FOR THE SICK

Almighty and everlasting God, the salvation of all who put their trust in you, hear our prayer for your servants who are ill, for whom we implore your help and mercy that, being restored to health, they may give you thanks and praise, with your whole church. Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

Lord, we thank you that you have taught us what you would have us believe and do. Help us to keep your Word in pure hearts, so we thereby may be strengthened in faith, perfected in holiness, and comforted in life and in death. **Amen.**
