



LECTIONARY TEXTS

RCL (Revised Common Lectionary)
Daniel 7:1-3, 15-18
Psalm 149
Ephesians 1:11-23
Luke 6:20-31

Suggested ReClaim texts
(same)

COLLECT / PRAYER OF THE DAY

Almighty God, in the mystical body of your Son, Jesus Christ, you have knit together in one company and fellowship your holy church in heaven and on earth. Grant us grace so to follow your blessed saints in faith and faithfulness, that we, too, may come to those unspeakable joys which you have prepared for those who love you; 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

ON THE GOSPEL READING

Gracious God and Father, a great crowd of the witnesses surround us, some of whom have entered the church triumphant, and some of whom still strive with us in the church militant. Uphold and defend your church, that we may live in the spirit of the Beatitudes, follow the example of the saints, and be filled with all joy in believing. Lord in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

FOR THE BLESSEDNESS OF HEAVEN

Almighty, everlasting God, you gave your only Son to be the mediator of good things to come. Grant that we, your servants, may now and hereafter share in the blessed company of the redeemed. Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

REMEMBERING THE DEPARTED

We give thanks, everlasting Father, for your servants who have departed this life in faith, and now share the joys of your heavenly kingdom, and we humbly ask that, with them, we may live in Christ and die in him, and finally awaken in his likeness in the resurrection to life everlasting. Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

FOR THE CONFIRMANDS

Gracious Father, always strengthening the hearts of those whom you regenerate, confirming in them your promise and faithfulness, grant that our confirmands may grow in faith and knowledge of your Word, that they may rejoice and daily live in their baptism. Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

FOR THOSE WHO HAVE NOT HEARD

Almighty and everlasting God, who does not desire the death of a sinner, but that all repent and live. we pray that all who do not know your saving grace and truth in Jesus Christ may be turned from false deities to the true and living God, and to him whom you have sent, and be gathered into your holy church, to give glory to your name. 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.**