

LECTIONARY TEXTS

RCL (Revised Common Lectionary)

Acts 2:1-21 or Numbers 11:24-30

Psalms 104:24-34, 35b

1 Corinthians 12:3b-13 or Acts 2:1-21

John 20:19-23 or John 7:37-39a

Suggested ReClaim texts
(same)



COLLECT / PRAYER OF THE DAY

Almighty God, you taught the hearts of your faithful people by sending to them the light of your Holy Spirit. Grant us, by the same Spirit, true discernment in all things, and may we continually rejoice in his holy counsel; through your Son, Jesus Christ, 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

Our risen and reigning Lord, breathe on your church the Holy Spirit, that with boldness we may proclaim the redeeming news of the Gospel, absolving the penitent in your name, and calling to repentance the impenitent. Lord in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

FOR THE HOLY SPIRIT

Send your Holy Spirit into our hearts, O God, that he may rule and direct us according to your will, comfort us in all temptations and afflictions, defend us from all error, and lead us into all truth, that we, being steadfast in faith, may increase in love and all good works, and in the end obtain eternal life. Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

FOR THOSE WHO HAVE NOT HEARD

Almighty and everlasting God, you do not desire the death of a sinner, but that the sinner 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.

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. 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

Gracious Father, 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.**
