

Saturday of the fifth week of Easter

Saturday 16 May 2020

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Col 2:12

You have been buried with Christ in Baptism, through which you also rose again by faith in the working of God, who raised him from the dead, alleluia.

FIRST READING

Acts 16:1-10

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

Come to Macedonia and help us.

From Cilicia Paul went to Derbe, and then to Lystra. Here there was a disciple called Timothy, whose mother was a Jewess who had become a believer; but his father was a Greek. The brothers at Lystra and Iconium spoke well of Timothy, and Paul, who wanted to have him as a travelling companion, had him circumcised. This was on account of the Jews in the locality where everyone knew his father was a Greek.

As they visited one town after another, they passed on the decision reached by the apostles and elders in Jerusalem, with instructions to respect them.

So the churches grew strong in faith, as well as growing daily in numbers.

They travelled through Phrygia and the Galatian country, having been told by the Holy Spirit not to preach the word in Asia. When they reached the frontier of Mysia they thought to cross it into Bithynia, but as the Spirit of Jesus would not allow them, they went through Mysia and came down to Troas.

One night Paul had a vision: a Macedonian appeared and appealed to him in these words, 'Come across to Macedonia and help us.' Once he had seen this vision we lost no time in arranging a passage to Macedonia, convinced that God had called us to bring them the Good News.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 99:1-3. 5. R. v.1

(R.) Let all the earth cry out to God with joy.

1. Cry out with joy to the Lord, all the earth. Serve the Lord with gladness. Come before him, singing for joy. **(R.)**
2. Know that he, the Lord, is God. He made us, we belong to him, we are his people, the sheep of his flock. **(R.)**
3. Indeed, how good is the Lord, eternal his merciful love. He is faithful from age to age. **(R.)**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Col 3:1

Alleluia, alleluia!

If then you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is seated at the right hand of God. Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Jn 15:18-21

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John.

You do not belong to the world because I have chosen you out of it.

Jesus said to his disciples:

'If the world hates you, remember that it hated me before you. If you belonged to the world, the world would love you as its own; but because you do not belong to the world, because my choice withdrew you from the world, therefore the world hates you. Remember the words I said to you: A servant is not greater than his master. If they persecuted me, they will persecute you too; if they kept my word, they will keep yours as well. But it will be on my account that they will do all this, because they do not know the one who sent me.'

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Jn 17:20-21

Father, I pray for them, that they may be one in us, so that the world may believe it was you who sent me, says the Lord, alleluia.