

# Monday of the sixth week of Easter

Monday 18 May 2020

## ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Rm 6:9

Christ, having risen from the dead, dies now no more; death will no longer have dominion over him, alleluia.

## FIRST READING

Acts 16:11-15

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

*The Lord opened her heart to accept those things which Paul taught.*

Sailing from Troas we made a straight run for Samothrace; the next day for Neapolis, and from there for Philippi, a Roman colony and the principal city of that particular district of Macedonia. After a few days in this city we went along the river outside the gates as it was the sabbath and this was a customary place for prayer. We sat down and preached to the women who had come to the meeting. One of these women was called Lydia, a devout woman from the town of Thyatira who was in the purple-dye trade. She listened to us, and the Lord opened her heart to accept what Paul was saying. After she and her household had been baptised she sent us an invitation: 'If you really think me a true believer in the Lord,' she said 'come and stay with us'; and she would take no refusal.

## RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 149:1-6. 9. R. v.4

**(R.) The Lord takes delight in his people.**

1. Sing a new song to the Lord, his praise in the assembly of the faithful. Let Israel rejoice in its Maker, let Zion's sons exult in their king. **(R.)**
2. Let them praise his name with dancing and make music with timbrel and harp. For the Lord takes delight in his people. He crowns the poor with salvation. **(R.)**
3. Let the faithful rejoice in their glory, shout for joy and take their rest. Let the praise of God be on their lips: this honour is for all his faithful. **(R.)**

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Jn 15:26. 27

Alleluia, alleluia!

The Spirit of truth will bear witness to me, says the Lord, and you also will be my witnesses. Alleluia!

## GOSPEL

Jn 15:26-16:4

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

*The Spirit of truth will bear witness to me.*

Jesus said to his disciples:

'When the Advocate comes, whom I shall send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth who issues from the Father, he will be my witness. And you too will be witnesses, because you have been with me from the outset. I have told you all this so that your faith may not be shaken. They will expel you from the synagogues, and indeed the hour is coming when anyone who kills you will think he is doing a holy duty for God. They will do these things because they have never known either the Father or myself. But I have told you all this, so that when the time for it comes you may remember that I told you.'

## COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Jn 20:19

Jesus stood in the midst of his disciples and said to them: Peace be with you, alleluia.