

Saturday of the thirteenth week in Ordinary Time

Saturday 4 July 2020

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

All peoples, clap your hands. Cry to God with shouts of joy!

FIRST READING

AMOS 9:11-15 (JB)

I will restore my people Israel and plant them in their own country.

It is the Lord who speaks:

'That day I will re-erect the tottering hut of David, make good the gaps in it, restore its ruins and rebuild it as it was in the days of old, so that they can conquer the remnant of Edom and all the nations that belonged to me.'

It is the Lord who speaks, and he will carry this out.

'The days are coming now - it is the Lord who speaks - when harvest will follow directly after ploughing, the treading of grapes soon after sowing, when the mountains will run with new wine and the hills all flow with it. I mean to restore the fortunes of my people Israel; they will rebuild the ruined cities and live in them, plant vineyards and drink their wine, dig gardens and eat their produce. I will plant them in their own country, never to be rooted up again out of the land I have given them, says the Lord, your God.'

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

PS 84:9, 11-14 (JB)

R. The Lord speaks of peace to his people.

I will hear what the Lord God has to say, a voice that speaks of peace, peace for his people and his friends and those who turn to him in their hearts. **R.**

Mercy and faithfulness have met; justice and peace have embraced. Faithfulness shall spring from the earth and justice look down from heaven. **R.**

The Lord will make us prosper and our earth shall yield its fruit. Justice shall march before him and peace shall follow his steps.

R.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION *JOHN 10:27 (JB)*

Alleluia, alleluia!

My sheep listen to my voice, says the Lord. I know them, and they follow me. Alleluia!

GOSPEL

MATTHEW 9:14-17 (JB)

The wedding guests would never mourn while the bridegroom is still with them?

John's disciples came to Jesus and said, 'Why is it that we and the Pharisees fast, but your disciples do not?' Jesus replied, 'Surely the bridegroom's attendants would never think of mourning as long as the bridegroom is still with them? But the time will come for the bridegroom to be taken away from them, and then they will fast. No one puts a piece of unshrunk cloth on to an old cloak, because the patch pulls away from the cloak and the tear gets worse. Nor do people put new wine into old wineskins; if they do, the skins burst, the wine runs out, and the skins are lost. No; they put new wine into fresh skins and both are preserved.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all within me, his holy name.