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Our Lady, Queen and Patroness of Nigeria (Solemnity)

Mary, our Queen is the Patroness of our country, Nigeria, seconded as Patron by St. Patrick of Ireland. Entrusted to Mary's maternal care, Nigeria will emerge more united and prosperous.

Let us pray to Mary, Mother of good counsel and seat of wisdom, to guide our leaders and citizens on the path of truth, justice and peace, and protect our Church from the onslaughts of neo-paganism, Islam and modernity.

Entry Antiphon

Hail, Holy Mother, who gave birth to the King who rules heaven and earth for ever!

Ukwe Mbata

Ekele, Nne di aso, onye muru Eze na-achi eluigwe na uwa ebighiebi!

Collect

O God, who give us the joy of honouring Our Lady, Queen of Nigeria, as mother of divine hope and communion; grant that, with the help of her intercession we may always work for peace and reconciliation in this world and come to share the fullness of your grace. Through our Lord.

First Reading

A reading from the prophet Isaiah (11:1-10)

A shoot springs from the stock of Jesse, a scion thrusts from his roots: on him the spirit of the Lord rests, a spirit of wisdom and insight, a spirit of knowledge and of the fear of the Lord. (The fear of the Lord is his breath). He does not judge by appearances, he gives no verdict in hearsay, but judges the wretched with integrity, and with equity gives a verdict for the poor of the land. His word is a rod that strikes the ruthless, his sentences bring death to the wicked. Integrity is the loin cloth round his waist, faithfulness the belt about his hips. The wolf lives with the lamb, the panther lies down with the kid, calf and lion cub feed together with a little boy to lead them. The cow and the bear make friends, their young lie down together. The lion eats straw like the ox. The infant plays over the cobra's hole; into the viper's lair, the young child puts his hand. They do no hurt, no harm, on all my holy mountain, for the country is filled with the knowledge of the Lord as the waters swell the sea. That day, the root of Jesse shall stand as a signal to the peoples. It will be sought out by the nations and its home will be glorious.

The word of the Lord.

Ekpere Mmeghe

O Chineke, onye na-enye anyi onu nke isopuru Nne anyi, Ezenwanyi nke Naijiria, ka nne nke olileanya di nso na ezi mmekorita; mee ka, site n'enyemaka aririo ya ka anyi na-aruru mgbe niile maka udo na ndoziagbata ndi mmadu n'ime uwa a, were biakwa keta oke n'uju amara gi. Site na Dinwenyi anyi.

The Ogugu Nke Mbu

The ogugu wetaran'onye amuma Aizaya (11:1-10)

Ome ga-esi n'ukwu osisi nke Jesse puta, alaka ga-etoputa na mgborogwu ya. Mmuo nke Oseburuwa ga-adakwa ya, mmuo nke amamihe na nghota, mmuo nke ndumodu na ike, mmuo nke omuma na egwu nke Chukwu. Itu egwu nke Chukwu ga-abu ihe na-atu ya ufo. O gaghi eji naani ihe anya na-ahu kpee ikpe, nke a ga-eji naani ihe o nuru na nti wee kpebie okwu. Kama ezimume ka o ga-eji kpeere ndi ogbenye ikpe; o ga-enye ndi di umeala n'uwa ikpe nkwmoto; Okwu ya ga-abu mkpara igwe ga-akutu uwa, ikpe ya ga-ewetara ndi ajo mmadu onwu. Ezimume ga-abu akwa o ma n'ukwu ya, ikwudosiike ga-abu aji o kere n'ukwu ya. Nkita ohia na umuaturu ga-ebi otu ebe, agu na umu ewu ga-ebi otu ebe, agu na umu ewu ga-edina. Nwa ehi na odum na nwa odum ga-anokwa otu ebe; Obere nwa ga na-edu ha; Ehi na edi ga na-edina otu ebe; odum ga na-ata ahijia ka ehi. Nwa na-anu ara ga-egwu egwu n'onu agwo nwa na-eto eto ga-amanye aka n'onu agwo ajuala. Ha agaghi emebi mobu meruo mmadu ahu n'elu ugwu m di nso, n'ihina uwa ga-ajuputa n'amamihe nke Chineke, dika otu mmiri si juputa n'osimiri. N'ubochi ahu, mgborogwu nke Jesse, ga-akwuru dika ihe akara n'ihu mmadu niile. Mba niile ga-achoba ya, ebe obibi ya ga-adi ebube.

Okwu nke Oseburuwa.

Responsorial Psalm: Ps. 72:1-2. 7-8. 12-13, 17 (R.v. 7)

Response: In his days justice shall flourish and peace till the moon fails.

1. O God, give your judgement to the king, to a king's son your justice, that he may judge your people in justice and your poor in right judgement (R.)

2. In his days justice shall flourish and peace till the moon fails. He shall rule from sea to sea, from the Great River to earth's bounds (R.)

3. For he shall save the poor when they cry, and the needy who are helpless. He will have pity on the weak and save the lives of the poor (R.)

4. May his name be blessed forever and endure like the sun. Every tribe shall be blessed in him, all nations bless his name. (R.)

Second Reading

A reading from the letter of St. Paul to the Ephesians (2:13-22).

But now in Christ Jesus, you that used to be so far apart from us have been brought very close, by the blood of Christ. For he is the peace between us, and has made the two into one and broken down the barrier which used to keep them apart, actually destroying in his own person the hostility caused by the rules and decrees of the Law. This was to create one single New Man in himself out of the two of them and by restoring peace through the cross, to unite them both in a single Body and reconcile them with God. In his own person he killed the hostility. Later he came to bring the good news of peace, peace to you who were far away and peace to those who were near at hand. Through him, both of us have in the one Spirit our way to come to the Father.

So you are no longer aliens or foreign visitors: you are citizens like all the saints, and part of God's household. You are part of a building that has the apostles and prophets for its foundations, and Christ Jesus himself for its main cornerstone. As every structure is aligned on him, all grow into one holy temple in the Lord; and you too, in him, are being built into a house where God lives, in the Spirit.

The word of the Lord.

Alleluia, alleluia! Lk. 1:28

Rejoice, so highly favoured! The Lord is with you. Of all women you are the most blessed. Alleluia!

Abuoma na Aziza: Abu. 72:1-2.7-8.12-13.17. (Az.7)

Aziza: N'oge ya eziumume ga-achawaputa, udo ga-adikwa ruo na njedebe uwa.

1. Nye eze ikpe nkwoṃoto gi, O Chineke, nyekwa nwa eze eziumume nke gi, ka o were nwee ike ichi ndi nke gi n'uzo ziri ezi, nyekwa ndi ogbenye ikpe ziri ezi. (Az.)

2. N'oge ya eziumume ga-achawaputa, udo ga-adikwa ruo na njedebe nke uwa. Alaeze ya ga-esi n'osimiri ruo n'osimiri, bido na mmiri ruo n'isi ngwucha nke uwa. (Az.)

3. O ga-atohapu onye ogbenye kpokuru ya, na ndi niile choro enyemaka ya. O ga-emere ndi ogbenye na ndi esighi ike ebere, na azokwa ndu ndi no na mkpa. (Az.)

4. Ngozi diri aha ya ebebe, ka o digide dika anyanwu, ka agburu niile di n'owa nweta ngozi na ya, ka mba niile kpoo ya onye di ngozi (Az.)

Ihe Ogugu Nke Abu

Ihe ogugu e wetara n'akwukwozi Pol di aso degaara ndi Efesus (2:13-22).

Ugbu a n'ime Jesu Kristi, unu bu ndi nobu n'ebe di anya ka e wedeberela nso n'ime obara Kristi. Ya bu udo anyi, onye merela anyi ka anyi buru otu ma kwatuokwa mgbidi nkewa nke na-eweta iro. O sitere n'ahu ya weta n'isi njedebe, iwu na atumaatu nke ndi Juu, ka o wee ji mmadu abuo ahụ meputa otu mmadu ohuru n'ime onwe ya, si n'uzo di otu a na-eme ka udo di. N'uzo di otu a ka o ga-esi kpeziere anyi na Chineke site n'obe ya, wetakwa n'isi njedebe, iro di n'etiti ha abuo. O biakwara kwusaara unu ndi no ebe di anya na unu ndi no nso, ozioma nke udo. O bu site na ya ka anyi ji nwee ike n'ime otu Mmuo ahụ, ibiakwute Nna.

Ya bu unu esorola ndi nso buru ndi a muru n'ala, n'ezinuulo Chineke; nke a rukwasara n'elu ntoala nke umazu na ndiamuma, nke Jesu Kristi n'onwe ya bu okwute ntoala ya. O bu n'ime ya ka ihe ndi a niile jikotara onu, too, wee buru ulonso n'ime Dinwenu. N'ime ya ka a runyekwara unu dika ebe obibi nke Chineke n'ime mmuo.

Okwu nke Oseburuwa.

Alleluia, alleluia! Luk. 1:28

Ekele, i juputara na grasia, Oseburuwa nnonyeanyi gi. I di ngozi n'etiti umunwaanyi niile. Alleluia!

Gospel

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew (2:13-15,19-23)

After the wise men had left, the angel of the Lord appeared to Joseph in a dream and said, "Get up, take the child and his mother with you, and escape into Egypt, and stay there until I tell you, because Herod intends to search for the child and do away with him." So Joseph got up and, taking the child and his mother with him, left that night for Egypt, where he stayed until Herod was dead. This was to fulfil what the Lord had spoken through the prophet: I called my son out of Egypt. After Herod's death, the angel of the Lord appeared in a dream to Joseph in Egypt and said, "Get up, take the child and his mother with you and go back to the land of Israel, for those who wanted to kill the child are dead." So Joseph got up and, taking the child and his mother with him, went back to the land of Israel. But when he learnt that Archelaus had succeeded his father Herod as ruler of Judea he was afraid to go there, and being warned in a dream he left for the region of Galilee. There he settled in a town called Nazareth. In this way the words spoken through the prophets were to be fulfilled: He will be called a Nazarene.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Prayer of the Faithful

Opening Prayer

God our Father, our strength in adversity, our health in weakness, our comfort in sorrow, hear the prayers of your people and be merciful to them.

For the Church

That God may guide her leaders, especially the Pope, the Cardinals, the Bishops, and the Priests that they may be compassionate in leading the flock entrusted into their care and realize that their role is that of a servant and not that of a master, for this we pray O Lord.

For Civil Needs

That God of Providence may inspire our leaders to evolve concrete strategies to cater for the needs of our society, so that peace, security and progress will be achieved, for this we pray O Lord.

For The Citizens of Our Country Nigeria

That our people may always keep in mind that God loves them and expects that his people ought to love one another, so that this love of God may reach each and every citizen of this great nation which God had endowed with

Ozioma

Ihe ogugu nke a si n'Ozioma di aso nke Matiu dere (2:13-15,19-23)

Mgbe ndi amamihe ahụ labara mmuọọma nke Onyenweanyi biakwutere Josef na nro si ya, "Bilie, kporo nwata ahụ na nne ya gbaga Ijipt. Noro ebe ahụ, ruo mgbe m ga-agwa gi, n'ihina Herod bu n'uche icho nwata-kiri ahụ ka o gbuo ya." Josef biliri kporo nwata ahụ na nne ya n'ime abali gbaga Ijipt. O no ebe ahụ ruo mgbe Herod nwurū. Nke a bụ iji mejuputa ihe Dinwenụ kwuru site n'onụ onye amụma si, "Esiri m n'Ijipt kpọputa nwa m."

Mgbe Herod nwurū, mmuọọma nke Onyenweanyi biakwutere Josef na nro n'Ijipt si ya, "Bilie, kporo nwata ahụ na nne ya laghachi n'ala Izrel, n'ihina ndi choro igbu ya anwuola." O biliri kporo nwata ahụ na nne ya laghachi n'ala Izrel. Ma mgbe Josef nuru na Akaeleus anochiele anya nna ya Herod dika eze Judia, egwu turu ya iga ebe ahụ. Ebe o bu na a doola ya aka na nti na nro, o gara biri na Galili, n'obodo a na-akpo Nazaret. Nke a bụ iji mejuputa ihe ndi amuma kwuru si, "A ga-akpo ya onye Nazaret."

Ozioma nke Oseburuwa.

Ekpere nke ndi Kwerenu

Ekpere Mmeghe

Chineke Nna anyi, ike anyi n'oge nhusianya, ahụ ike anyi n'adighiike, ntasiobi anyi n'uru, nuru aririo ndi nke gi, meere ha ebere.

Maka Nzuko

Ka Chineke dube ndi ndu nzuko, o kacha Pop, ndi Kadinal, ndi Bishop, na ndi Ukochukwu niile, ka ha na-enwe omiiko n'iduzi igwe aturu ahanyere ha n'aka, were nabata oru ha obughi ka nnaukwu kama ka odibo. Anyi ario gi, Dinwenu.

Maka Mkpa Obodo

Ka Chineke onye Nhazi ihe niile tuziere ndi ndu obodo aka iweputa usoro apiri aka iji leba anya na mkpa diiri obodo anyi, ka e were nweta udo, nchedo na oganihu. Anyi ario gi, Dinwenu.

Maka ndi Obodo anyi Naijiria

Ka ndi obodo anyi na-ebu n'obi na Chineke huru ha n'anya, na-atu anya na ha onwe ha ga-ahukwa mmadu ibe ha n'anya, uzo ihunaanya a ga-esi erute onye obula n'ime obodo a Chineke ji onyinye di

abundant natural and mineral resources, for this we pray O Lord.

For the Sick and Needy in Our Society

That the sick among us will receive healing, the needy, those suffering, especially the poor, orphans, widows and the marginalized, that the Lord who loves people in this condition will meet them at their point of need; for this we pray O Lord.

For Our Departed Brothers and Sisters

That our God who is Lord both of the living and the dead will look with mercy and compassion on all the departed of our country Nigeria, especially those who paid the supreme price in active service of their father land either here in the country or in foreign mission and grant them eternal rest, for this we pray O Lord.

Closing Prayer

All powerful and ever-living God, your people have presented their praises and petitions to you in humility. Through the intercession of our Lady, Queen of Nigeria hear and answer the prayers of your children. We ask this through Christ our Lord.

Prayer Over The Gifts

Receive, O Lord, with these offerings the prayers of your people that, through the intercession of Our Lady, Queen of Nigeria, they may confer on us the gifts of true justice and lasting peace. Through Christ our Lord.

Preface

It is truly right and just, our duty and our salvation, always and everywhere to give you thanks, Lord, holy Father, almighty and eternal God, and to praise, bless and glorify your name on the solemnity of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Queen of Nigeria. For by the overshadowing of the Holy Spirit she conceived your Only Begotten Son, and without losing the glory of virginity, brought forth into the world the eternal Light, Jesus Christ our Lord. Through him you gave us freedom in a land that is richly blessed with human and natural resources, so that we might serve you, Our Creator, with grateful hearts, And so, with the Angels and all the Saints, we sing together the unending hymn of your glory as we acclaim:

iche gozie. Anyị ariọ gi, Dinwenu.

Maka ndi Ahu adighii na ndi no na Mkpa

Ka ndi ahu adighii n'etiti anyi nata Kogwugwo, ka ndi no na mkpa, ndi no n'ahuhu, ma o kacha ndi ogbenye, ndi enweghi nne na nna, ndi ajadu na ndi niile a na-akpapu n'uso; ka Onyenweanyi na-ahu ndi mmadu no n'onodu di otu a zute ha na mkpa ha niile. Anyi ariọ gi, Dinwenu.

Maka Ndi Umunne Anyi Nwuru Anwu

Ka Chineke anyi onye bu Dinwenu nke ndi di ndu na ndi nwuru anwu lekwasị anya ebere were nwee omiiko n'aru ndi obodo anyi niile nwuru anwu, ma o kacha ndi nwuru ka ha na-agbara obodo anyi odibo ka ha no n'ala anyi ma o bu ka ha no na mba ozọ. Anyi ariọ gi, Dinwenu.

Ekpere Mmечи

Chineke puru ime ihe niile di ebighiebi, ndi nke gi ji umeala ebutere gi otito na aririọ ha. Site n'aririọ nke Maria, Ezenweanyi nke Naijiria, nuru aririọ umu gi ma zaa ha. Sitena Kristi Onyenweanyi.

Ekpere Nhunye

Nara, O Dinwenu, na onyinye ndi a ga, ekpere ndi nke gi, ka site n'aririọ nke Nne anyi, Ezenwanyi nke Naijiria, ka ha hukwasị anyi onyinye nke ikpemkwumoto ziriezi and udo di okpu. Sitena Kristi Onyenweanyi.

Malite Nnukwu Ekpere Inye Ekele

O kwesiri ezie, burukwa ihe ziri ezi, bara uru, na-azo ndu, na anyi ga-enye gi ekele, oge niile, na ebe niile, O Dinwenu, Nna di nso, Chineke ji ike niile, Onye di uwatuwa. O kwesikwara na anyi ga-eto gi, gozie gi, kwuputa oruoma gi na mmemme nke Maria di Ngozi Vejin Okpu, Ezenwanyi nke Naijiria. Onye si n'ike nke Mmuo Nso wee turu ime nke so otu Nwa gi, n'emerughi ebube di okpu nke ibu vejin ya, Wee muputara uwa ihe di ebighiebi, Dinwenu anyi Jesu Kristi. Onye ndi Mmuooma si na ya na-eto ebubeeze gi, ikeochichi na-esekpuru gi, Ike nille na-ama jijiji n'ihu gi. Igwe na ike niile nke eluigwe na kwa Serafim di ngozi, jikotara aka onu na mmemme oke onu na-eto gi. Anyi na-ariọ ka I kwe ka anyi tinyekwuolu
4 anyi na nke ha, were umeala na-eto gi na-asi:

Communion Antiphon

All generations will call me blessed, for God has looked on his lowly handmaid.

Prayer After Communion

Renewed by this heavenly Sacrament, we pray, O Lord our God, that we who honour our Lady, Queen of Nigeria, may follow Christ faithfully, provide for the needs of the Church, and work for a just and peaceful society, in unity of mind and heart. Through Christ our Lord.

Solemn Blessing

V/ Born of the Blessed Virgin Mary, the Son of God redeemed mankind. May he enrich you with his blessings. R/ Amen.

V/ You received the author of life through Mary. May you always rejoice in her loving care. R/ Amen.

V/ You have come on Mary's Feast day to venerate her. May you be filled with the joys of the Spirit and the gifts of your eternal home. R/ Amen.

V/ And may the blessing of almighty God, the Father, and the Son, + and the Holy Spirit, come down on you and remain with you for ever. R/ Amen.



2 October [Orie] Wednesday of Week 26 (White)

The Holy Guardian Angels (Memorial)

The Guardian Angels are heavenly spirits assigned by God to watch over each and every human being on earth. Angels are servants and messengers from God. ("Angel" in Greek means messenger). The doctrine of angels is part of the Church's tradition.

Since the 17th century the Church has celebrated a Feast in October throughout the Universal Church to honour our Guardian Angels. God has charged His angels with the ministry of watching and safeguarding every one of His creatures, in view of their attaining eternal salvation. Their role is both to guide us to good thoughts, words and works, and to preserve us from evil. The company of Guardian Angels should inspire confidence and serenity at difficult moments.

Entry Antiphon

Angels of the Lord, bless the Lord, praise and exalt him above all forever.

Collect

O God, who in your unfathomable providence are pleased to send your holy Angels to guard us, hear our supplication as we cry to you, that we may always be defended by their protection and rejoice eternally in their company. Through our Lord.

Ukwe Oriri Nso

Mba niile ga-akpo m onye di ngozi, n' ihi na Chineke elego umeala nke nwaodibo ya.

Aririọ A Natachaa Oriri Nso

Ka anyi nwetarala mgbanwo nke Sakramenti eluigwe a, anyi na-arịo, O Dinwenu Chineke anyi, ka anyi bu ndi na-asopuru Nne anyi, Ezenwanyi nke Naijiria, kwudosie ike iso Kristi, were gboo mkpa nke nzuko ga, biakwa were njikoonu nke echiche na obi ruo oru maka ikpemkwumoto na udo obodo. Siten a Kristi Onyenweanyi.

Ngozi Puru Iche

Uko/ Nwa nke Chukwu a muru na Vejini Maria di ngozi zoputara mmadu. Ka o hujuputa uba ngozi ya n' ime unu.

Oha/ Amen.

Uko/ Unu esila n' aka Maria nata isi-okike ndu. Ka unu nri na nchedo ihunaanya ya mgbe niile. Oha/ Amen.

Uko/ Unu biara taa ka unu sopuru Maria n' ubochi oriri ya. Ka unu juputakwa n' onu nke Mmuo Nso na onyinye nke ulo unu di ebighiebi.

Oha/ Amen.

Uko/ Ka ngozi nke Chukwu ji ike niile, Nna, na Nwa, + na Mmuo Nso dakwasa unu ma nonyere unu oge niile. Oha/ Amen.

Ukwe Mbata

Ndi Mmuooma nke Oseburuwa, gozieni Onyenweanyi, toonu ma jaanu ya mma karia ihe dum ebighiebi.

Ekpere Mmeghe

O Chineke, onye o masiri site na nzube gi echiche mmadu apughi ighotacha, izipu ndi Mmuozi gi di nso ka ha na-azoga anyi, nuru aririọ anyi mgbe anyi bekuru gi, ka a na-azo anyi site na nchedo ha, ka anyi were nri ebighiebi n' otu ha. Site na Dinwenu anyi.

First Reading

A reading from the book of Job (9:1-12.14-16)

Job spoke to his friends: Indeed, I know it is as you say: how can man be in the right against God? If any were so rash as to challenge him for reasons, one in thousand would be more than they could answer. His heart is wise, and his strength is great: who then can successfully defy him? He moves the mountains, though they do not know it; he throws them down when he is angry. He shakes the earth, and moves it from its place, making all its pillars tremble. The sun, at his command, forbears to rise, and on the stars he sets a seal. He and no other stretched out the skies, and trampled the Sea's tall waves. The Bear, Orion too, are of his making, the Pleiades and the Mansions of the South. His works are great, beyond all reckoning, his marvels, past all counting. Were he to pass me, I should not see him, nor detect his stealthy movement. Were he to snatch a prize, who could prevent him, or dare to say, 'What are you doing?' How dare I plead my cause, then, or choose arguments against him? Suppose I am in the right, what use is my defence? For he whom I must sue is judge as well. If he deigned to answer my citation, could I be sure that he would listen to my voice?

The word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm: Ps. 87:10-15(R.v.3)

Response: **Let my prayer come into your presence, O Lord.**

1. I call to you, Lord, all the day long; to you I stretch out my hands. Will you work your wonders for the dead? Will the shades stand and praise you? (R.)
2. Will your love be told in the grave or your faithfulness among the dead? Will your wonders be known in the dark or your justice in the land of oblivion? (R.)
3. As for me, Lord, I call to you for help: in the morning my prayer comes before you. Lord, why do you reject me? Why do you hide your face? (R.)

Alleluia, alleluia! Ps. 118:105

Your word is a lamp for my steps and a light for my path. Alleluia!

Gospel

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke (9:57-62)

As Jesus and his disciples travelled along they met a man on the road who said to

Ihe Ogugu Nke Mbụ

Ihe ogugu e wetaara n'akwukwo Job (9:1-12.14-16)

Job zara si: N'eziokwu ama m na o di otu a; ma olee otu mmadu ga-esi dizu mima n'ihu Chineke? O buru na mmadu achoo ka ya na ya gbaghaa okwu, onye ahu apughi iza ya otu ugboro n'ime otu puku. O maara ihe, ike ya di ebube, olee onye kpochiri obi n'ebe o no, ma nwee mmeri? Onye nke na-ekposa ugwu, ma ha amataghi mgbe o ji iwe ya akwatu ha. Onye nke na-akwaghari uwa n'onodu ya, ma mee ka ide ya niile ma jijiji. Onye na-etiri anyanwu iwu, o hapu iwa, onye nke kpuchiri kpakpando ga. Onye o bu naani ya setipuru eluigwe ma zogidekwa ebilimmiri ukwu. Onye nke mebere Bea na Orion, Plaides na ulo ogbako nke ndida. Onye na-eme nnukwu ihe nke kariji nghota na ihe di itunaanya enweghi iguta onu. Lee, o na-esi n'ebe m no agafe, ma anaghi m ahu ya. O nari agakwa ma amataghi m ya. Lee, o na-apunari ihe n'ike, onye puru igbochi ya? Onye ga-aju ya: "Gini ka i na-eme ihe a?" Kedu ka m ga-esi zagha chi ya, ma kpachapukwa anyanwu m? O bu ezie na aka m di ochi, ma apughi m iza ya okwu. Aga m ario ebere n'aka onye na-ebo m ebubo. O buru na m kpokuo ya o za m, agaghi m ekwere na o na-ege m nti n'olu. Okwu nke Oseburuwa.

Abụoma na Aziza: Abụ. 88:9-14 (Az.2)

Aziza: **Ka ekpere m ruo gi nti, O Onyenweanyi.**

1. Ana m akpoku gi ubochi niile O Onyenweanyi, agbasapurula m gi aka m. Oru ebube gi niile, o bu maka ndi nwuru anwu? Mmuo ha o ga-esi n'ili kulie too gi? (Az.)
2. Onye na-ekwuputa ihunaanya gi n'ime ili, mobu ntukwasiobi gi n'ala mmuo? Ndi no n'ime ili ha na-anu maka oru ebube gi niile, ndi e chezo echezo, ha na-anu maka eziumume? (Az.)
3. Mana ano m ebe a na-ario enyemaka gi O Onyenweanyi, na-ekpere gi ututu niile! Gini mere i jiri zonahu m ihu gi? (Az.)

Alaluya, alaluya! Abụ. 119:105

Okwu gi bu mpanaka na-edu m, burukwa ihe n'uzo m. Alaluya!

Ozioma

Ihe ogugu nke a si n'Ozioma di aso nke Luk dere (9:57-62)

Mgbe Jesu na ndi na-eso uzo ya na-aga n'uzo, otu nwoke siri ya, "Aga m eso gi

him, 'I will follow you wherever you go.' Jesus answered, 'Foxes have holes and the birds of the air have nests, but the Son of Man has nowhere to lay his head.'

Another to whom he said, 'Follow me', replied, 'Let me go and bury my father first.' But he answered, 'Leave the dead to bury their dead; your duty is to go and spread the news of the kingdom of God.'

Another said, 'I will follow you, sir, but first let me go and say good-bye to my people at home.' Jesus said to him, 'Once the hand is laid on the plough, no one who looks back is fit for the kingdom of God.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Prayer Over The Offerings

Recieve, O Lord, the offerings we bring before you as we venerate your holy Angels, and graciously grant that, under their constant protection, we may be delivered from present dangers and brought happily to life eternal. Through Christ our Lord.

For Preface, see Usoro Emume Missa (2018 Edition) p. 95

Communion Antiphon

In the presence of the Angels I will praise you, my God.

Prayer After Communion

As you are pleased to nourish us for Eternal life with so great a Sacrament, O Lord, direct us by the ministry of Angels into the way of salvation and peace. Through our Lord.

ebe obula i na-eje." Jesu asi ya, "Nkita ohia nwere onu ebe ha na-edina, umunnunu nke igwe nwekwara akwu, ma Nwa nke mmadu enweghi ebe o ga-edobe isi."

O gwara onyeozo si, "So m." Ma onye ahu siri, "Dinwenu m, kwere ka m buru uzo gaa, lie nna m." Jesu siri ya, "Hapu ndi nwuru anwu ka ha lie onwe ha. Ma gi onwe gi, gaa ka i kwisaa Alaeze Chineke."

Onyeozo gwakwara ya si, "Aga m eso gi Dinwenu m, ma kwere ka m buru uzo gaa si ndi no n'ulo m nodu mma." Jesu siri ya, "Onye obula nke jidere ugu eji ako ubi ma anya ato ya n'azu ekwesighi Alaeze nke chukwu."

Ozioma nke Oseburuwa.

Ekpere Nhunye

Nara, O Dinwenu, onyinye anyi na-ebuteka n'iru gi ka anyi na-asopuru ndi Mmuooma gi di aso, were obi ebere mee ka, n'okpuru nchedo ha di okpu, ka a zoputa anyi n'ihe diga egwu ugbu a ma were onu kpobata anyi ndu ebighiebi. Site na Dinwenu anyi.

Ukwe Oriri Nso

Onyenweanyi, Chineke m, a ga m ekwuputa gi n'ihu ndi Mmuoozi.

Ekpere A Natachaa Oriri Nso

Dika o siri masi gi iji Sakramenti kacha dukwu zuo anyi maka ndu ebighiebi, O Dinwenu, dube anyi site na oruodibo nke ndi Mmuooma n'uzo nke nzoputa na udo. Site na Kristi Onyenweanyi.

3 October [Afo] Thursday of Week 26 (White)

St Therese of the Child Jesus, Virgin & Doctor (Memorial)

Marie Thérèse Martin was born in a model Christian home at Alençon, France in 1873, as the youngest of five daughters. Her mother died when Thérèse was four which greatly affected her. She felt attracted as a child to cloister, which led to her obtaining dispensation to enter the Carmelite Monastery at fifteen.

Thérèse lived a very ordinary life, carrying out her daily duties with perfect fidelity. She had childlike trust in God's providence and merciful love, and was at the service of others. Her path to holiness, "The Little Way," came to light from her memoirs which her Prioress commanded her to write, which consisted of child-like simplicity which takes God at His Word, to let His love lead the way.

Thérèse had very fragile health. She had to offer this up, along with her inadequacies, for the Church, especially for priests on mission, and for the conversion of souls. She spent great deal of her time before the Eucharist, heroically contributing the little she could to her community.

Thérèse died 1897 at the age of 24 of tuberculosis, leaving a promise: "I will pass my heaven in doing good on earth." Canonized in 1925 and made patroness of all foreign missionaries, she was declared Doctor of the Church in 1997. Her life shows that love enables a soul to see the little things around to do and the little steps to take to greatness. Personal weakness should be great opportunity to trust in God, rather than wallow in self-pity, mediocrity, and depression.



Entry Antiphon

The Lord led her and taught her, and kept her as the apple of his eye. Like an eagle spreading its wings he took her up and bore her on his shoulders. The Lord alone was her guide.

Collect

O God, who open your Kingdom to those who are humble and to little ones, lead us to follow trustingly in the little way of Saint Therese, so that, through her intercession, we may see your eternal glory revealed. Through our Lord.

First Reading

A reading from the book of Job (19:21-27)

Job said: Pity me, pity me, you, my friends, for the hand of God has struck me. Why do you hound me down like God, will you never have enough of my flesh? Ah, would that these words of mine were written down, inscribed on some monument with iron chisel and engraving tool, cut into the rock for ever. This I know: that my Avenger lives, and he, the Last, will take his stand on earth. After my awaking, he will set me close to him, and from my flesh I shall look on God. He whom I shall see will take my part: these eyes will gaze on him and find him not aloof. The word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm: Ps.26:7-9.13-14. (R.v.13)

Response: **I am sure I shall see the Lord's goodness in the land of the living.**

1. O Lord, hear my voice when I call; have mercy and answer. Of you my heart has spoken: 'Seek his face.' (R.)
2. It is your face, O Lord, that I seek; hide not your face. Dismiss not your servant in anger; you have been my help. (R.)
3. I am sure I shall see the Lord's goodness in the land of the living. Hope in him, hold firm and take heart. Hope in the Lord! (R.)

Alleluia, alleluia! Mt 4:4

Man does not live on bread alone, but on every word that comes from the mouth of God. Alleluia!

Gospel

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke (10:1-12)

The Lord appointed seventy-two others and sent them out ahead of him, in pairs, to all the towns and places he himself was to visit. He said to them, 'The harvest is rich but the

Ukwe Mbata

Onyenweanyi na-edu ya na-akuziri ya, werekwa eledo ya anya n'uzo puru iche. Di ka etu egbe si agbasa nku ya, etu a ka o siri kuru ya na mbuaka ya ga. So naani Onyenweanyi bu onye ndu ya.

Ekpere Mmeghe

Chineke, onye na-emeghere Alaeze ya maka ndi obiumeala na ndi di ntakiri, dube anyi ka anyi were ntukwasiobi eso uzo ntakiri nke Teriza di aso, ka site n'aririo, ka anyi were hu mkpughe nke ebube gi. Site na Dinwenu anyi.

Ihe Ogugu Nke Mbu

Ihe ogugu wetara n'akwukwo Job (19:21-27)

Meerenu m ebere, meerenu m ebere, o! unu ndi enyi m, n'ihina aka nke Chineke emetula m. Gini kpata unu ji achu m dika Chineke? Gini mere anuahụ m adighizi unu mma? A si nnoo na e deturu okwu m o ga-adi m mma! Ma a si na e dere ya n'akwukwo! Ma a si na e ji mkpisi edide igwe, bie ya n'okwute ka o noro ebebe! N'ihina amaara m na onye mgbaputa m di ndu, mana e mesia o ga-eguzoro n'elu uwa; ma mgbe e sichara otu a mebie akpukpoahu m mgbe ahu aga m eji onodu ahu hu Chineke. Okwu nke Oseburuwa.

Abuoma na Aziza: Abu. 27:7-9.13-14 (Az.13)

Aziza: **Ekwere m na m ga-ahu idi mma nke Chineke, n'ala ndi di ndu.**

1. Onyenweanyi, nuru mkpu akwa m! Meere m ebere! Zaa m! Mkpurubi na na-ekwu maka gi si, "Choba ihu nke Onyenweanyi." Onyenweanyi, ana m achọ ihu gi. (Az.)
2. Ezonarila m ihu gi, ejila iwe chupu nwodibo gi, O bu gi bu onye enyemaka m. Ahapula m; agbahapula m; Chineke onye nzoputa m. (Az.)
3. Ekwere m na m ga-ahu idi mma nke Chineke, n'ala ndi di ndu. Chekwube na Dinwenu. Obi sie gi ike, tukwasi ya obi, chekwube na ya. (Az.)

Aleluya, aleluya! Mat. 4:4

Obughi naani site na nri ka mmadu si adi ndu, kama site n'okwu obula nke si n'onu Chineke puta. Aleluya!

Ozioma

Ihe ogugu nke a si n'Ozioma di aso nke Luk dere (10:1-12)

Dinwenu hoputara mmadu iri asaa ozo, zipu ha abuo abuo ka ha buru ya uzo gaa n'obodo obula na n'ebe obula ya onwe ya gaje ibia. O wee gwa ha si, "Owuwe ihe ubi buru ibu, ma ndi oru di

labourers are few, so ask the Lord of the harvest to send labourers to his harvest. Start off now, but remember, I am sending you out like lambs among wolves. Carry no purse, no haversack, no sandals. Salute no one on the road. Whatever house you go into, let your first words be, "Peace to this house!" And if a man of peace lives there, your peace will go and rest on him; if not, it will come back to you. Stay in the same house, taking what food and drink they have to offer, for the labourer deserves his wages; do not move from house to house. Whenever you go into a town where they make you welcome, eat what is set before you. Cure those in it who are sick, and say, "The kingdom of God is very near to you." But whenever you enter a town and they do not make you welcome, go out into its streets and say, "We wipe off the very dust of your town that clings to our feet, and leave it with you. Yet be sure of this: the kingdom of God is very near." I tell you, on that day it will not go as hard with Sodom as with that town.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Prayer Over The Offerings

As we proclaim your wonders in Saint Therese, O Lord, we humbly implore your majesty, that as her homage of love was pleasing to you, so, too, our dutiful service may find favour in your sight. Through Christ our Lord.

For Preface, see Usoro Emume Missa (2018 Edition) p. 108

Communion Antiphon

Thus says the Lord: Unless you turn and become like children, you will not enter the kingdom of heaven.

Prayer After Communion

May the Sacrament we have received, O Lord, kindle in us the force of that love with which Saint Therese dedicated herself to you and longed to obtain your mercy for all. Through Christ our Lord.



4 October [Nkwo] Friday of Week 26 (White)
St Francis of Assisi, Religious (Memorial)

Francis Bernardone was born in 1181 at Assisi, Italy. The son of a wealthy cloth merchant, young Francis lived a lavish and irresponsible life. At the age of twenty, he went to war against Perugia, but was captured. In prison, he experienced a vision from Christ that completely changed his life. He left all his possessions and embraced complete poverty, taking the Gospel as his rule of life.

Francis wore ragged old clothes, begged for food and preached peace. He began to attract followers, so that in 1209 with the papal blessing, he founded the Friars

olemaole. Ya mere, rịonụ Nna ukwu nke owuwe ihe ubi, ka o zite ndi oru n'owuwe ihe ubi ya." Gabanụ; lee, ana m ezipu unu dika umuaturu n'etiti aguowuru. Unu ewela akpaego, mobu akpa obula, mobu akpukpoukwu. Unu ekelekwala onye obula n'uzo. Ulo obula unu banyere, burunu uzo si, "Udo diri ulo a!" O buru na nwa nke udo no ebe ahu, udo unu ga-adakwasa ya, ma o buru na o noghi, udo unu ga-aloghachitara unu. Nodunu n'otu ulo ahu, na-erinu na-afukwanu ihe obula ha nyere unu n'ihina onye oru kwesiri ugwo oru ya. Unu esikwala n'ulo fere n'ulo. Mgbe unu banyere n'ulo obula ha nabata unu, rienu ihe obula ha chere unu n'ihu: Gwoonu ndi oria no n'obodo ahu, gwanu ndi obodo ahu si, "Alaeze Chineke abiaruola unu nso." Ma mgbe unu banyere n'obodo obula, ndi obodo ahu anabataghi unu, gaanu n'okporo uzo ya, kwuo si, "O buladi aja si n'obodo unu, nke takuru n'ukwu anyi, anyi na-ehichapu ya, ka o buru ihe akaebe megide unu. Otu o di maranu nke a, na alaeze Chineke abiaruola unu nso. Agwa m unu, a ga-egosi Sodom ebere n'ubochi ahu karia obodo ahu. Ozioma nke Oseburuwa.

Ekpere Nhunye

Ka anyi na-ekwuputa oru itunaanya gi nime Teriza di aso, O Dinwenu, anyi ji umeala ario ukpoeze gi, ka dika ofufenru ihunaanya ya siri masi gi, ka oru odibo anyi nwetakwa nkwapo n'iru gi. Site na Kristi Onyenweanyi.

Ukwe Oriri Nso

Onyenweanyi na-ekwu: Beereso ma unu agbanwordo di ka umu ntakiri, unu agaghi iba n'alaeze eluigwe.

Ekpere A Natachaa Oriri Nso

Ka Sakramenti anyi natarala, O Dinwenu, kpalite nime anyi ike nke ihunaanya ahu nke Teriza di aso jiri hunyere gi onwe ya, werekwa nwee aguu idotara mmadu niile ebere gi. Site na Kristi Onyenweanyi.

Minor - Franciscans who would consider themselves the least among the religious. Again in 1212 with St. Clare of Assisi, he founded the Order of "Poor Ladies", now known as the "Poor Clares". He also founded the "Third Order of Penance" to include lay people.

Out of humility, St Francis never accepted the priesthood but remained a deacon all his life. He had a great love for God's creatures (birds and animals) which he called brothers and sisters. He was the first person recorded in history to receive the stigmata in 1224. His ardent love of God merited him the title Seraphic Doctor. Francis died in 1226 and was canonized less than two years after.

Entry Antiphon

Francis, the man of God, left his home behind, abandoned his inheritance and became poor and penniless, but the Lord raised him up.

Collect

O God, by whose gift Saint Francis was conformed to Christ in poverty and humility, grant that by walking in Francis' footsteps we may follow your Son, and through joyful charity come to be united with you. Through our Lord.

First Reading

Reading from the book of Job (38:1.12-21;40:3-5)

From the heart of the tempest the Lord gave Job his answer. He said: Have you ever in your life given orders to the morning or sent the dawn to its post, telling it to grasp the earth by its edges and shake the wicked out of it, when it changes the earth to sealing clay and dyes it as a man dyes clothes; stealing the light from wicked men and breaking the arm raised to strike? Have you journeyed all the way to the sources of the sea, or walked where the Abyss is deepest? Have you been shown the gates of Death or met the janitors of Shadowland? Have you an inkling of the extent of the earth? Tell me all about it if you have! Which is the way to the home of the light, and where does darkness live? You could then show them the way to their proper places, or put them on the path to where they live! If you know all this, you must have been born with them, you must be very old by now! Job replied to the Lord: My words have been frivolous: what can I reply? I had better lay my finger on my lips. I have spoken once... I will not speak again; more than once... I will add nothing.

The word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm: Ps. 138:1-3.7-10.13-14 (R.v. 24)

Response: Lead me, Lord, in the path of life eternal.

1. O Lord, you search me and you know me, you know my resting and my rising, you discern my purpose from afar. You mark when I walk

Ukwe Mbata

Francis, nwoke nke Chineke, hapuru ulo ya, gbakuta ihenketa ya azu were buru ogbenye mkpaaku, mana Onyenweanyi buliri ya elu.

Ekpere Mmeghe

O Chineke, onye sitere n'onyinye ya mee ka Francis di aso yie Kristi ka n'ogbenye ka n'umeala, mee site n'iso nzoukwu nke Francis, ka anyi na-esi Nwa gi, were site n'ihunaanya onu juru n'ime ya bia jikota onu n'ime gi. Site na Dinwenụ anyi.

Ihe Ogugu Nke Mbu

Ihe ogugu e wetara n'akwukwo Job (38:1.12-21;40:3-5)

Yahweh siri n'oke ifufe za Job si: Ka mgbe nne jiri muo gi i nyela ututu iwu, mobu mee chi obubo ka o mara onodu ya, ka chi ofufe biakwasi uwa, wee kposaa ndi ajoomume? Nke a na-enye uwa akara iribaama, dika akara e gburu n'uro, meekwa ya o dika akwa e jiri agwa di ichiche choo mma. O na-anapu ndi ajo mmadu ihe, ma na-akujikwa ha aka. I banyela n'ebe nsoputa mmiri oke osimiri di, ma garuo n'ime ala nke osimiri? Ekpugheerela gi onuuzo nke onwu, ka i hula onuuzo nke oke ochichiri? I ghotala obosara niile nke uwa? Gwa m, o buru na i ma ihe ndi a niile. Olee uzo gara ebe ihe bi, mobu nke gara ebe ochichiri bi, kpola ha ebe obibi ha ma choputakwa uzo gawara n'ulo ha? O doro m anya na i maara n'ihina a muola gi tupu ha ebido, i gbakwaala otutu afu. Job wee zaa Yahweh si, N'ezie abughi m ihe obula n'ihu gi, gini ka m ga-azakwanu gi? Emechiela m onu. Ekwuchaala m ka o ha m n'onu, o nweghikwa ihe ozo m nwere ikwu Okwu nke Oseburuwa.

Abuoma na Aziza: Abu. 139:1-3.7-10.13-14 (Az. 24)

Aziza: Dubem, Chineke, n'uzo nke ndu ebebe.

1. Onyenweanyi, i nyochaala m, marakwa m! I ma mgbe m noduru ala na mgbe m kwu oto; i na-anu ebe di anya mara ihe m bu n'uche. I

or lie down, all my ways lie open to you. (R.)
 2. O where can I go from your spirit, or where can I flee from your face? If I climb the heavens, you are there. If I lie in the grave, you are there. (R.)
 3. If I take the wings of the dawn and dwell at the sea's furthest end, even there your hand would lead me, your right hand would hold me fast. (R.)
 4. For it was you who created my being, knit me together in my mother's womb. I thank you for the wonder of my being, for the wonders of all your creation. (R.)

Alleluia, alleluia Ps 94:8

Harden not your hearts today, but listen to the voice of the Lord. Alleluia!

Gospel

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke (10:13-16)

Jesus said to his disciples: 'Alas for you, Chorazin! Alas for you, Bethsaida! For if the miracles done in you had been done in Tyre and Sidon, they would have repented long ago, sitting in sackcloth and ashes. And still, it will not go as hard with Tyre and Sidon at the Judgement as with you. And as for you, Capernaum, did you want to be exalted high as heaven? You shall be thrown down to hell. 'Anyone who listens to you listens to me; anyone who rejects you rejects me, and those who reject me reject the one who sent me.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Prayer Over The Offerings

As we bring you these offerings, O Lord, we pray that we may be rightly disposed for the celebration of the mystery of the Cross, which Saint Francis so ardently embraced. Through Christ our Lord.

For Preface, see Usoro Emume Missa (2018 Edition) p. 103

Communion Antiphon

Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Prayer After Communion

Grant us, we pray, O Lord, through these holy gifts which we have received, that, imitating the charity and apostolic zeal of Saint Francis, we may experience the effects of your love and spread them everywhere for the salvation of all. Through Christ our Lord.

mazuru omume m niile, mgbe m na-arụ ọrụ mọbụ mgbe m na-ezu ike (Az.)

2. Olee ebe m nwere ike iga, iji gbalahụ gi, ebee ka m ga-agbaga wee pụo n'ihu gi? O buru na m agbagoo n'eluigwe, i nọ ebe ahụ! O buru na m agaa n'ala mmuo, i nokwa ebe ahụ (Az.)

3. O buru na m efegaa n'owuwa anyanwu; mọbụ biri n'odida ya na ngafe osimiri, aka gi nokwa ebe ahụ na-edu m; aka nri gi na-ejidesi m ike. (Az.)

4. O bu gi kere mmuo m, O bukwa gi kpuru m n'afọ nne m. Ana m ekele gi maka ihe omimi ndi a, maka ihe itunaanya di n'okike i kere m, nakwa ihe ebube di n'aka ọrụ gi niile. (Az.)

Alleluia, alleluia! Ps. 94:8

Taa, o buru na unu anu olu ya, unu akpochila obi unu. Alleluia!

Ozioma

Ihe Ogugu nke a si n'Ozioma di aso nke Luk dere (10:13-16)

Jesu gwara ndi na-eso uzo ya si: Ahuhu ga-adiri gi, Korazin! Ahuhu ga-adiri gi Betsaida! N'ihina, a si na ọrụ niile di ike nke a ruru n'ime unu, na a ruru ha na Tajia na Sidon, ha garala echeghari ogologo mgbe, nodu n'akwa mkpe na ntu. Mana a ga-egosi Tajia na Sidon ebere n'ubochi ikpe kara unu. Ma ngi Kapanaum, i na-atu anya na a ga-ebuli gi n'eluigwe? A ga-eweda gi n'olulu oku alammuo. Jesu wee gwa ndi na-eso uzo ya si, "Onye obula na anu okwu unu, na-anu okwu m; onye obula juru unu ajula m, onye obula nke juru m jukwara onye ahụ nke zitere m."

Ozioma nke Oseburuwa.

Ekpere Nhunye

Ka anyi na-ebute onyinye ndi a ga, O Dinwenụ, anyi na-arịo ka anyi nwee ezi mmasi maka mmemme iheomimi nke Obe, nke Fransis di aso ji obi ya niile were makuo. Site na Kristi Onyenweanyi.

Ukwe Oriri Nso

Ngozi diiri ndi dara ogbenye n'ime mmuo, n'ihina alaeze eluigwe bu nke ha.

Ekpere A Natachaa Oriri Nso

Mee anyi, anyi na-arịo, O Dinwenụ, site n'onyinye nso ndi a anyi natarala, ka, site na nñomi ihunaanya na inuoku ndiozi nke Fransis di aso, ka anyi mata uru ihunaanya gi, werekwa gbasaa ya ebe niile maka nzoputa mmadu dum. Site na Kristi Onyenweanyi.



Entry Antiphon

Hail, holy Mother, you gave birth to the King who rules heaven and earth for ever!

Our Lady of Saturday

Ukwe Mbata

Ekele, Nne di aso, I muru Eze na-achi eluigwe na uwa ebighiebi!

Collect

Grant us, O merciful God, protection in our weakness, that we who keep the Memorial of the holy Mother of God may, with the help of her intercession, rise up from our iniquities. Through our Lord.

First Reading

Reading from the book of Job (42:1-3.5-6.12-16)

This was the answer Job gave to the Lord: I know that you are all-powerful: what you conceive, you can perform. I am the man who obscured your designs with my empty-headed words. I have been holding forth on matters I cannot understand, on marvels beyond me and my knowledge. I knew you then only by hearsay; but now, having seen you with my own eyes, I retract all I have said, and in dust and ashes I repent. The Lord blessed Job's new fortune even more than his first one. He came to own fourteen thousand sheep, six thousand camels, a thousand yoke of oxen and a thousand she-donkeys. He had seven sons and three daughters; his first daughter he called 'Turtledove', the second 'Cassia' and the third 'Mascara'. Throughout the land there were no women as beautiful as the daughters of Job. And their father gave them inheritance rights like their brothers.

After his trials, Job lived on until he was a hundred and forty years old, and saw his children and his children's children up to the fourth generation. Then Job died, an old man and full of days.

The word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm: Ps.118: 66. 71. 75. 91. 125.130. (R.v.135)

Response: Let your face shine on your servant, O Lord.

1. Teach me discernment and knowledge for I trust in your commands. It was good for me to be afflicted, to learn your statutes. (R.)
2. Lord, I know that your decrees are right, that you afflicted me justly. By your decree the earth endures to this day; for all things serve you. (R.)
3. I am your servant, make me understand; then I shall know your will. The unfolding of your word gives light and teaches the simple. (R.)

Ekpere Mmeghe

Nye anyi, O Chineke di ebere, nchedo n'adighi ike anyi, ka anyi bu ndi na-edobe Ncheta Nne nke Chukwu di aso, site n'enyemaka aririo ya, si na mmehie anyi kulite. Site na Dinwenụ anyi.

Ihe Ogugu Nke Mbu

Ihe ogugu e wetara n'akwukwo Job (42:1-3.5-6.12-16)

Job zara Chineke si: Amaara m na i puru ime ihe niile, na o nweghikwa nzube gi obula nke ihe obula puru igbochi. O bu m bu onye iberibe nke turu okwu gi n'aja? N'ezie ekwuola m okwu m banyere ihe ndi m amaghi, ndi nke kariri m nghota. Anula m banyere gi, ma ugbu a, ejirila m anya m hu gi; n'ih i ya, ekwughasiala m ihe m kwuburu, ma wukwasa onwe aja na ntu iji gosi ncheghari m. Chineke gozikwara ubochi ndu Job ndi foduru karia otu o di na mbido; nke mere na o nwere aturu di puku iri ano, kamel di puku isii, ehi di puku abuo, na otu puku nne inyinyabu. O mutakwara umunwoke asaa na umunwaanyi ato. Aha o guru nke ada bu Jemaima, nke abuo bu Kezaya, ebe nke ato bu Kerenhapuk. N'obodo ahu niile, o nweghi umunwaanyi mara mma ka umu Job; nna ha nyere ha ihe nketa n'etiti umunne ha ndi nwoke.

Ka nke a gasiri, job biri otu nari afo na iri ano wee hu umu ya, na umuumu ya ruo n'agburu nke ano. Job kara nka wee nwuo Okwu nke Oseburuwa.

Abuoma na Aziza: Abu. 119:66.71. 75.91.125.130. (Az.135)

Aziza: Mee ka ihu gi chakwasị nwodibo gi, O Onyenweanyi.

1. Kuziere m ikpe ziri ezi na amamihe, maka na m kwere n'iwu gi. O di mma na atara m ahuhu, ka m wee nwee ike imata uzo gi. (Az.)
2. Amaara m na ikpe gi kwu oto O Onyenweanyi, na i tara m ahuhu n'ih i kwudosiike gi. Iwu gi na-achi ihe niile i kere eke, ebe ihe niile na-eke gi. (Az.)
3. Abu m nwodibo gi, nye m nghota, ka m wee nwee ike mara nkuzi gi! Okwu gi na-enye ihe, o na-enye ndi umeala nghota. (Az.)

Alleluia, alleluia! Mt. 11:25

Blessed are you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, for revealing the mysteries of the kingdom to mere children. Alleluia!

Gospel

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke (10:17-24)

The seventy-two came back rejoicing. 'Lord', they said 'even the devils submit to us when we use your name.' Jesus said to them, 'I watched Satan fall like lightning from heaven. Yes, I have given you power to tread underfoot serpents and scorpions and the whole strength of the enemy; nothing shall ever hurt you. Yet do not rejoice that the spirits submit to you; rejoice rather that your names are written in heaven.'

It was then that, filled with joy by the Holy Spirit, he said, 'I bless you, Father, Lord of heaven and of earth, for hiding these things from the learned and the clever and revealing them to mere children. Yes, Father, for that is what it pleased you to do. Everything has been entrusted to me by my Father; and no one knows who the Son is except the Father, and who the Father is except the Son and those to whom the Son chooses to reveal him.'

Then turning to his disciples he spoke to them in private, 'Happy the eyes that see what you see, for I tell you that many prophets and kings wanted to see what you see, and never saw it; to hear what you hear, and never heard it.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Prayer Over The Offerings

As we honour the memory of the Mother of your Son, we pray, O Lord, that the oblation of this sacrifice may, by your grace, make of us an eternal offering to you. Through Christ our Lord.

Communion Antiphon

He who is mighty has done great things for me, and holy is his name.

Prayer After Communion

Having been made partakers of eternal redemption, we pray, O Lord, that we, who commemorate the Mother of your Son, may glory in the fullness of your grace and experience its continued increase for our salvation. Through Christ our Lord.

Aleluia, aleluia! Mat. 11:25

A na m ekele gi Nna Dinwenu nke eluigwe na uwa, n'ihina i kpugheere umuntakiri ihe ndi a i zonahuru ndi amamihe na ndi okemmuta. Aleluia!

Ozioma

Ihe ogugu nke a si n'Ozioma di aso nke Luk dere (10:17-24)

Ndiози iri asaa ahụ jiri oñu lota si, "Onyenweanyi o buladi ndi mmuo ojoo rubeere anyi isi mgbe anyi nyere ha iwu n'aha gi!" O wee si ha, "Ahuru m Ekwensu ka o siri n'eluigwe daa dika amuma. Lee, enyela m unu ike izokwasa agwo na akpi ukwu, na imegide ike onye iro ahụ, o nweghikwa ihe ga-emeru unu ahụ. N'agbanyeghi nke a, unu anurila na ndi mmuo ojoo na-ehubere unu isi kama nweenu oñu na e deela aha unu n'eluigwe."

N'otu oge ahụ, obi toro Jesu uto site na Mmuo Nso, o wee si, Ekelee m gi Nna, Dinwenu nke eluigwe na uwa, n'ihina i zobere ihe ndi a n'ebe ndi amamihe na oke mmuta no, ma kpugheere ha umuntakiri. Ee Nna, otu a ka o si masi uche gi di nso. Nna m enyefeela m ihe niile n'aka. O dighikwa onye obula maara onye Nwa ahụ bu ma o bughị Nna, mọbu onye Nna ahụ bu ma o bughị Nwa ahụ, na onye obula nke Nwa ahụ choro ikpughere ya.

Jesu tughariri gwa ndi na-eso uzo ya na nzuzo si, "Ngozi diiri anya huru ihe unu huru! Ana m agwa unu na otutu ndi amuma na ndieze mgbe ochie chosiri ike ihu ihe unu na-ahụ, ma ha ahughi ha, na inu ihe unu na-anu, ma ha anughi ha."

Ozioma nke Oseburuwa.

Ekpere Nhunye

Ka anyi na-asopuru ncheta Nne nke Nwa gi, anyi na-ario, O Onyenweanyi, ka onyinye aja nke a, site n'amara gi, mee anyi onyinye okpu ehunyeere gi. Site na Kristi Onyenweanyi.

Ukwe Oriri Nso

Onye ji ike niile arugooro m nnukwu ihenga, aha ya di aso.

Ekpere A Natachaa Oriri Nso

Ka emerela ka anyi keta oke na mgbaputa di okpu, anyi na-ario, O Onyenweanyi, ka anyi bu ndi na-echeta Nne nke Nwa gi, nyaa isi n'uju nke amara gi were hubawanye uto ya maka nzoputa anyi. Site na Kristi Onyenweanyi.

27TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (B)

6 October 2024 [Orie] (Green)

Office:
Week 3

In the First Reading, God the Creator designs a helpmate fit for the man whom He places over creation. The Responsorial Psalm declares divine blessings that will accompany man when he is God-fearing, namely, fruitfulness, good health, happiness and prosperity. In the Second Reading, the Book of Hebrews portrays the purpose of Christ's self-giving sacrifice, i.e., to identify with and unite with man in his paschal victory. By enjoining in the Gospel that man must not divide what God has united, Jesus seals the sacred and invisible bond of man and woman in marriage, a symbol of his irrevocable union with his Body, the Church. He calls for a childlike heart to welcome the mystery of his Kingdom.

Entry Antiphon

Within your will, O Lord, all things are established and there is none that can resist your will. For you have made all things, the heaven and the earth, and all that is held within the circle of heaven; you are the Lord of all.

Collect

Almighty ever-living God, who in the abundance of your kindness surpass the merits and the desires of those who entreat you, pour out your mercy upon us: to pardon what conscience dreads, and to give what prayer does not dare to ask. Through our Lord.

First Reading

A reading from the book of Genesis (2:18-24)

The Lord God said, "It is not good that the man should be alone. I will make him a helpmate." So from the soil the Lord God fashioned all the wild beasts and all the birds of heaven. These he brought to the man to see what he would call them; each one was to bear the name the man would give it. The man gave names to all the cattle, all the birds of heaven and all the wild beasts. But no helpmate suitable for man was found for him. So the Lord God made the man fall into a deep sleep. And while he slept, he took one of his ribs and enclosed it in flesh. The Lord God built the rib he had taken from the man into a woman, and brought her to the man. The man exclaimed: "This at last is bone from my bones, and flesh from my flesh! This is to be called woman, for this was taken from man."

This is why a man leaves his father and mother and joins himself to his wife, and they become one body.

The word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm: Ps. 127 (R.v. 5)

Response: May the Lord bless us all the days of our life.

1. O blessed are those who fear the Lord and

Ukwe Mbata

Onyenweanyi, I jiri uche Gi nye ihe niile Onodu ya n'elu uwa, nke na o nweghi onye nwere ike igbochi uche Gi. O bu Gi kere ihe niile, ma eluigwe, ma elu uwa, ma pakpando. Gi bu Dinwenụ nke uwa niile.

Ekpere Mmeghe

Chineke puru ime ihe niile, Onye di mgbe ebighi ebi, afo-oma I na-emere anyi kariri ihe o bula anyi kwesiri ka emeere anyi ma obu ihe anyi puru itu anya na-aga emere anyi. Anyi ji umeala ario Gi ka I gbaghara anyi mmehie anyi niile nke na-anyido anyi n'obi. Biko nyekwue anyi ngozi di iche iche nke anyi apughi ike irio Gi. Site na Dinwenụ anyi.

Ihe Ogugu Nke Mbu

Ihe ogugu wetaran akw Aukwo, Genesis (2:18-24)

Oseburuwa Chineke si, "O dighi mma ka mmadu ahu noro naani ya; aga m enye ya onye enyemaka. Oseburuwa Chineke si n'uro ala ahu kpuputa anu niile bi n'ohia nakwa umunnunu niile na-efe n'elu; ihe ndi a niile ka o kpotaara nwoke ahu ka omara aha o ga-agu ha; nke obula n'ime ha ga-aza aha nwoke ahu guru ya. Nwoke ahu nyere anuulo niile, umunnunu igwe niile na anuohia niile ndi ahu aha; ma o nweghi onye enyemaka tosi etosi a chotaara nwoke ahu. Ya mere, Oseburuwa Chineke ji mee ka nwoke ahu rahu oke ura. N'oge o di n'ura ahu, Oseburuwa amiri otu mkpisi akuku ya bia were anu ahu kpuchie oghere ebe ahu o si weta ya. Oseburuwa Chineke ji mkpisi akuku nwoke ahu o miputara kputa otu nwaanyi nke o kpotaara nwoke ahu. Oge ahu nwoke ahu ekwuwo si, "N'ikpeazu, nke a bu okpukpu si n'okpukpu m nakwa ahu si n'ahu m; a ga-akpo ya nwaanyi n'ihina e siri na nwoke meputa ya."

Nke a mere nwoke ga-eji hapu nna ya na nne ya bia rapara n'ahu nwunye ya ha abuo aburu otu ahu.

Okwu nke Oseburuwa.

Abuoma na Aziza: Abu. 128 (Az.5)

Aziza: Ka Onyenweanyi gozie anyi, ubochi ndu anyi niile.

14. Ngozi na-adiri ndi na-aturu Chineke egwu,

walk in his ways! By the labour of your hands you shall eat. You will be happy and prosper. (R.)

2. Your wife will be like a fruitful vine in the heart of your house; your children like shoots of the olive, around your table. (R.)

3. Indeed thus shall be blessed the man who fears the Lord. May the Lord bless you from Zion in a happy Jerusalem all the days of your life! May you see your children's children. On Israel, peace! (R.)

Second Reading

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews (2:9-11)

We see in Jesus one who was for a short while made lower than the angels and is now crowned with glory and splendour because he submitted to death; by God's grace he had to experience death for all mankind.

As it was his purpose to bring a great many of his sons into glory, it was appropriate that God, for whom everything exists and through whom everything exists, should make perfect, through suffering, the leader who would take them to their salvation. For the one who sanctifies, and the ones who are sanctified, are of the same stock; that is why he openly calls them brothers. The word of the Lord.

Alleluia, alleluia! 1Jn.4:12

No one has ever seen God; but as long as we love one another God will live in us and his love will be complete in us. Alleluia!

Gospel

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark (10:2-16)

Some Pharisees approached Jesus and asked, "Is it against the law for a man to divorce his wife?" They were testing him. He answered them, "What did Moses command you?" "Moses allowed us" they said "to draw up a writ of dismissal and so to divorce." Then Jesus said to them, "It was because you were so unteachable that he wrote this commandment for you. But from the beginning of creation God made them male and female. This is why a man must leave his father and mother, and the two become one body. They are no longer two, therefore, but one body. So then, what God has united, man must not divide." Back in the house the disciples questioned him again about this,

na-eso ụzọ ya. Ihe aka gị kutara ka i ga-eri, añụrị na oganiihu ga-abụ nke gị. (Az.)

2. Nwunye gị ga-adị ka osisi vain, na-ami mkpuru n'ime ụlọ gị, ụmụ gị ga-adị ka osisi oliv, gbaa oche nri gị gburugburu. (Az.)

3. Lee, otu ahụ ka a ga-esi gozie onye ahụ, nke na-aturu Chineke egwu. Ka Onyenweanyi si na Zayon gozie gị, ka i hukwa oganiihu nke Jerusalem, ụbọchị ndụ gị niile. Ka i dikwa ndụ hụ ụmụmụ gị, udo diri Izrel! (Az.)

Ihe Ogugu Nke Abuo

Ihe ogugu e wetara n'akwukwo Hibru (2:9-11)

Ma anyi na-ahu Jesu, onye e mere ka o di ala nwantakiri oge karia ndi mmuoma ka e ji otito na nsopuru kpuwe ya okpueze n'ihia ahuhu nke onwu, ka o buru na site n'amara nke Chukwu ka o wee nwuo maka mmadu niile.

N'ihina o kwesiri ekwesi na onye ihe niile si n'aka ya di, na onye ihe niile di n'aka site n'ikpobata otutu umu Chineke n'otito ga-eme ka onye ndu nke nzoputa ha zuo oke site n'ahuhu. N'ihina ma onye ahu nke na-edo ha nso, ma ndi ahu a na-edo nso, ha niile nwere otu mbido. Nke a mere ihere anapughi ya ikpo ha umunna.

Okwu nke Oseburuwa.

Alaluya, alaluya! 1 Jon 4:12.

Onwebeghi onye hurula Chineke. O buru na anyi hurita onwe anyi n'anya, Chineke na-anogide n'ime anyi, ma na-emekwa ka ihunaanya ya zuo oken'ime anyi. Alaluya!

Ozioma

Ihe ogugu nke a si n'Ozioma di aso nke Mak dere (10:2-16)

Ufodu ndi Farisii biakwutere Jesu, iji nwalee ya, ha juru ya si, "O ziri ezi n'iwu ka nwoke gbaa nwunye ya alukwaghi m?" Jesu zara ha si, "Gini ka Mosis nyere unu n'iwu?" Ha zara si, "Mosis kwenyere ka nwoke dee akwukwo alukwaghim nye nwunye ya, wee chulaa ya." Ma Jesu gwara ha si, "O bu n'ihia ekweghi ekwe unu ka Mosis ji deere unu iwu di otu a. Ma site na mbido okike, Chineke mere ha nwoke na nwaanyi. N'ihia nke a ka nwoke ga-eji hapu nna ya na nne ya gakwuru nwunye ya, ha abuo aburu otu. Ya bu ha abughikwa mmadu abuo ozo kama otu. Ihe Chineke jikoro onu mmadu obula ekewakwala ya." N'ime ulo, ndi na-eso ya juru ya ozo ihe

and he said to them, “The man who divorces his wife and marries another is guilty of adultery against her. And if a woman divorces her husband and marries another she is guilty of adultery too.”

People were bringing little children to him, for him to touch them. The disciples turned them away, but when Jesus saw this he was indignant and said to them, “Let the little children come to me; do not stop them; for it is to such as these that the kingdom of God belongs. I tell you solemnly, anyone who does not welcome the kingdom of God like a little child will never enter it.” Then he put his arms round them, laid his hands on them and gave them his blessing.
The Gospel of the Lord.

Prayer Over The Offerings

Acept, O Lord, we pray, the sacrifices instituted by your commands, and through the sacred mysteries, which we celebrated with dutiful service, graciously complete the sanctifying work by which you are pleased to redeem us. Through Christ our Lord.

Communion Antiphon

The Lord is good to those who hope in him, to the soul that seeks him.

Prayer After Communion

Grant us, almighty God, that we may be refreshed and nourished by the Sacrament which we have received, so as to be transformed into what we consume. Through Christ our Lord.

Holy Hour: The Eucharist-Source of Family Unity and Love



7 October [Afo] Monday of Week 27 (White) (White)

Our Lady of the Rosary, (Memorial)

The feast of Our Lady of the Rosary was instituted by Pope St. Pius V to honor Mary for Christian victory over the Turks at Lepanto on 7th October 1570. The victory was favour attributed to the recitation of the Rosary, which saved Europe from being overrun by the forces of Islam. The invocation, “Help of Christians,” was hence inserted in the Litany of Loretto. Later, Pope Leo XIII added the invocation “Queen of the most Holy Rosary, pray for us.” Today’s Feast is in reality a great festival

of thanksgiving for the countless benefits bestowed on Christendom through the Rosary of our blessed Queen and Mother.

In modern times, successive popes, including late Pope John Paul II, have urged the faithful to pray the rosary. It is a form of contemplative prayer, mental and vocal prayer, which brings down God’s blessing on the Church, on humankind and on history. It is a prayer biblically inspired, which centers on meditation on the salvific mysteries of Christ, in union with his mother, Mary, who so closely associated with him in his work of redemption.

Entry Antiphon

Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with you. Blessed are you among women and blessed is the fruit of your womb.

banyere okwu a. Ma o zara ha si, “Onye obula gbara nwunye ya alukwaghim luru nwaanyi ozo na-akwa iko megide ya. Ma o burukwa na nwaanyi agbaa di ya alukwaghim luru di ozo o na-akwakwa iko.

Ndi mmadu kpotaara Jesu umuntakiri ka o metu ha aka; ma ndi na-eso izo ya baara ha mba. Ma mgbe Jesu huru ihe ha na-eme, iwe were ya nke ukwu. O wee si ha, “Hapunu umuntakiri ka ha biakwute m, unu egbochila ha n’ihina Alaeze Chineke bu nke ndi di otu a. N’ezie agwa m unu onye obula nke na-agaghi anabata Alaeze Chineke dika nwatakiri, agaghi aba n’ime ya.” Ma o kuuu ha n’aka ya gozie ha, bikwasa ha aka n’isi. Ozioma nke Oseburuwa.

Ekpere Nhunye

Onyenweanyi, biko nara aja nke a, I jiri iwu Gi tooro anyi ntoala ya. Nara ihe omimi a di nsọ nke anyi bu umuodibo Gi nahunyere Gi, ji kwuo ugwo anyi ji. Were ya kpobata anyi na nzoputa na idi nsọ zuru ezu. Site na Kristi Onyenweanyi.

Ukwe Oriri Nso

Onyenweanyi di mma n’ebe ndi chekwubere na Ya no; O di mma n’ebe ndi na-achọ Ya no.

Ekpere A Natachaa Oriri Nso

Chineke ji ike niile, anyi ejirila ihe ogbugba ndu Gi rijuo afo; jirikwa ya nujuo afo. Biko anyi na-ario, mee ka anyi yie Kristi ahụ, onye anyi nata. Site na Kristi Onyenweanyi.

Ukwe Mbata

Ekele Maria, i juputara na grasia, Oseburuwa nonyeere gi. I di ngozi n’etiti umunwanyị 16niileikporo, o dikwa ngozi bu nwa afo gi.

Collect

Pour forth, we beseech you, O Lord, your grace into our hearts, that we, to whom the Incarnation of Christ your Son was made known by the message of an Angel, may, through the intercession of the Blessed Virgin Mary, by his Passion and Cross be brought to the glory of his Resurrection. Who lives and reigns with you.

First Reading

A reading from the letter of St. Paul to the Galatians (1:6-12)

I am astonished at the promptness with which you have turned away from the one who called you and have decided to follow a different version of the Good News. Not that there can be more than one Good News; it is merely that some troublemakers among you want to change the Good News of Christ; and let me warn you that if anyone preaches a version of the Good News different from the one we have already preached to you, whether it be ourselves or an angel from heaven, he is to be condemned. I am only repeating what we told you before: if anyone preaches a version of the Good News different from the one you have already heard, he is to be condemned. So now whom am I trying to please man, or God? Would you say it is men's approval I am looking for? If I still wanted that, I should not be what I am—a servant of Christ.

The fact is, brothers, and I want you to realise this, the Good News I preached is not a human message that I was given by men, it is something I learnt only through a revelation of Jesus Christ. The word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm Ps 110:1-2.7-10 (R.v.5)

Response: **The Lord keeps his covenant ever in mind.**

1. Alleluia! I will thank the Lord with all my heart in the meeting of the just and their assembly. Great are the works of the Lord; to be pondered by all who love them. (R.)

2. His works are justice and truth: his precepts are all of them sure, standing firm forever and ever: they are made in uprightness and truth. (R.)

3. He has sent deliverance to his people and established his covenant forever. Holy his name, to be feared; his praise shall last forever! (R.)

Alleluia alleluia! Jn. 13:34

I give you a new commandment love one another just as I have loved you. Alleluia!

Ekpere Mmeghe

Hukwasa anyị, anyị na-ariọ, O Dinwenu, amara gi n'obi anyị, ka anyị bu ndi sitere n'ozu nke Mmuooma mata Iwere Ahu nke Kristi Nwa gi, site n'ariro nke Vejin Maria di Ngozi, buru ndi ahu ga-esitekwa n'Ahuhi na Obe ya were bata n'otito nke Mbilitenonwu ya. Onye gi na ya di ndu na-achi.

Ihe Ogugu Nke Mbu

Ihe ogugu e wetara n'akwukwo ozi Pol di aso degaara ndi Galeshia (1:6-12)

Ogbagwojuru m anya na unu ji osooso na-ahapu onye kporo unu site n'amara nke Kristi na-agbaso ozioma ozo. O bughi na ozioma ozo di, kama o nwere ufodu ndi mmadu na-enye unu nsogbu, na-achokwa igbanwe Ozioma nke Kristi. Ma o burugodu na anyi onwe anyi, mabu mmuoma si n'eluigwe bia, zie unu Ozioma ozo di iche na nke anyi kuziere unu, ya buru onye a buru onu. Dika anyi kwuru na mbu, ana m ekwukwa ya ozo, o buru na onye obula na-akuziri unu Ozioma ozo nke abughi ozioma ahu unu natara na mbu, ya buru onye a buru onu. Ihe m na-acho ugbo a o bu nkwapo mmadu ka o bu nke Chineke? Ka ana m acho ime ihe na-amasi ndi mmadu? O buru na m ka na-eme ihe na-amasi ndi mmadu, agaghi m abu nwodibo Kristi.

O ga-amasi m ime ka unu mata umunna m na Ozioma nke m wetara unu abughi ozioma nke mmadu. Anataghi m ya site n'aka mmadu. O dighikwa onye obula kuziri m ya, kama o ruru m aka site na mkpughe nke Jesu Kristi.

Okwu nke Oseburuwa.

Abuoma na Aziza Abu 111:1-2.7-10 (Az.5)

Aziza: **Onyenweanyi anaghi echezo ogbugbandu ya.**

1. Alaluya! Eji m obi m niile enye Onyenweanyi ekele, n'ogbako ndi eziumume. Oru Onyenweanyi niile di itunaanya, ndi niile o na-amasi kwesiri ilekwasa ya anya. (Az.)

2. Ihe niile o na-eme bu n'ikwudosiike na n'ikpe nkwmoto, iwu ya di ntukwasijobi n'uzo niile, nke a mere ka o di ebebe ebebe, nke di n'udi ikwudosiike na ugwu. (Az.)

3. O na-abia igbaputa ndi nke ya osooso, na-enye ogbugbandu ya otu mgbe, aha ya di nso, kwesi na anyi ga-aturu ya egwu, a ga-ekwe ukwe otito ya ebebe. (Az.)

Alaluya, alaluya! Jon.13:34

Iwu ohuu ka m na-enye unu ka unu ha lonwe unu n'anya otu m si hu unu n'anya. 17Alaluya!

Gospel

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke (10:25-37)

There was a lawyer who, to disconcert Jesus, stood up and said to him, 'Master, what must I do to inherit eternal life?' He said to him, 'What is written in the Law? What do you read there?' He replied, 'You must love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your strength, and with all your mind, and your neighbour as yourself.' 'You have answered right,' said Jesus 'do this and life is yours.

But the man was anxious to justify himself and said to Jesus, 'And who is my neighbour?' Jesus replied, 'A man was once on his way down from Jerusalem to Jericho and fell into the hands of brigands; they took all he had, beat him and then made off, leaving him half dead. Now a priest happened to be travelling down the same road, but when he saw the man, he passed by on the other side. In the same way a Levite who came to the place saw him, and passed by on the other side. But a Samaritan traveller who came upon him was moved with compassion when he saw him. He went up and bandaged his wounds, pouring oil and wine on them. He then lifted him on to his own mount, carried him to the inn and looked after him. Next day, he took out two denarii and handed them to the innkeeper. "Look after him," he said "and on my way back I will make good any extra expense you have made." Which of these three, do you think, proved himself a neighbour to the man who fell into the brigands' hands?' 'The one who took pity on him' he replied. Jesus said to him, 'Go and do the same yourself.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Prayer Over The Offerings

Grant, we pray, O Lord, that we may be rightly conformed to these offerings we bring, and so honour the mysteries of your Only Begotten Son, as to be made worthy of his promises. Who lives and reigns for ever and ever.

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Communion Antiphon

Behold, you will conceive in your womb and bear a son, and you shall name Jesus.

Prayer After Communion

We pray, O Lord our God, that just as we proclaim in this Sacrament the Death

Ozioma

Ihe Ogugu nke a si n'Ozioma di aso nke Luk dere (10:25-37)

Otu onye okaiwu biliri inwale Jesu wee juo ya si, "Onyenkuzi, gini ka m ga-eme wee keta ndu ebighiebi?" Jesu jughachiri ya, "Gini ka e dere n'iwu? O bu gini ka i gutara na ya?" O wee zaa si, "I ga-eji obi gi niile, na mmuo gi niile, na ike gi niile, na uche gi niile, hu Dinweni Chineke gi n'anya, hukwa onye agbataobi gi n'anya ka i siri hu onwe gi n'anya." Jesu siri, "I zara nke oma. Mee nke a, i ga-adi ndu."

Ka o na-achosi ike igunyee onwe ya dika onye ezionume, o juru Jesu si, "Onye bukwani onye agbataobi m?" Jesu zagbachiri ya si, "Otu nwoke si na Jerusalem na-aga Jeriko, o dabara n'aka ndi ohi, ndi gbara ya oto tikwaa ya ihe, wee hapu ya o di ndu onwu ka mma gbalaga. E mechaa otu onye ukochukwu si n'otu uzo ahu na-agafe. Mgbe o huru nwoke ahu o siri n'akuku nke ozo gafee. Otu aka ahu, mgbe otu onye agburu Levai biaruru ebe ahu. O hukwara nwoke ahu, si n'akuku nke ozo gafere. Ma otu onye Sameria, ka o na-aga njem biaruru n'ebe nwoke ahu togboro. Mgbe o huru ya, o meere ya ebere. O wee jekwuru ya, kechie onya ya bia wukwasakwa ya mmanu na mmanya. O kukwasara ya n'inyinyaibu ya, kpoba ya n'ulo ndi obia wee leta ya anya nke oma. N'echi ya, onye Sameria oma ahu nyere onye na-elekota ulo ndi obia ahu ego olaocha abuo si, "Biko, lezie nwoke a anya nke oma. Ihe obula i mefuru n'elu nke a m nyere gi, mgbe m loghachiri, aga m akwughachi gi." Jesu wee juo onye okaiwu ahu si, "Onye n'ime mmadu ato ndi a ka i chere gosiri onwe ya onye agbataobi nwoke ahu nke dabara n'aka ndi ohi?" O zara si, "Onye ahu nke meere ya ebere." Jesu agwa ya si, "Gaa ka i mee otu ahu." Ozioma nke Oseburuwa.

Ekpere Nhunye

Mee, anyi na-ario, O Dinweni, ka anyi nyie n'ezie onyinye ndi a anyi nabute, iji asopuru iheomimi nke Nwa-Gi-I-huru-n'anya, were buru ndi ga-etosi etosi inweta nkwa ya. Onye di ndu na-achi ebighiebi ebighiebi.

Ukwe Oriri Nso

Lee, I ga-adi ime muta nwa nwoke; aha i Lga-akpo ya bu Jesu.

Ekpere A Natachaa Oriri Nso

Anyi na-ario, O Dinweni Chineke anyi, Aka etu anyi si ekwuputa n'ime

and Resurrection of your Son, so, being made partakers in his suffering, may we also merit a share in his consolation and his glory. Who lives and reigns for ever and ever.

Solemn Blessing

V/ May God, who through the childbearing of the Blessed Virgin Mary willed in his great kindness to redeem the human race, be pleased to enrich you with his blessings. **R/** Amen.

V/ May you know always and everywhere the protection of her, through whom you have been found worthy to receive the author of life. **R/** Amen.

V/ May you, who have devoutly gathered on this day, carry away with you the gifts of spiritual joys and heavenly rewards. **R/** Amen.

V/ And may the blessing of almighty God, the Father, and the Son, + and the Holy Spirit, come down on you and remain with you for ever.

R/ Amen.

Sakramenti a Onwụ na Mbilitenonwụ nke Nwa ị, ka anyị site n'iketa oke n'ahụhụ ya, kwesikwa iketa oke na nkasiobi ya na otito ya. Onye dị ndụ na-achi ebighịebi ebighịebi.

Ngozi Puru Iche

V/ Ka Chineke, onye sitere na omumu-nwa nke Vejin Maria di Ngozi kpebie na nnukwu afoma ya izoputa mmadu dum, nwee mmasi ihujuputa uba ngozi ya n'ime unu. **R/** Amen.

V/ Ka unu mata oge niile na n'ebe niile nchedo onye ahu unu sitere n'aka ya buru ndi a gunyere isoro nata isi-okike nke ndu.

R/ Amen.

V/ Ka unu, ndi ji nsopuru gbakowa taata, buru lawa onyinye nke onu nke mmuo ga na ugwo nke eluigwe ga. **R/** Amen.

V/ Ka ngozi nke Chukwu ji ike niile, Nna, na Nwa, + na Mmuo Nso dakwasa unu ma nonyere unu oge niile. **R/** Amen.

8 October [Nkwo] Tuesday of Week 27 (Green)

(For Entry Antiphon and Collect, see page 14)

First Reading

A reading from the letter of St. Paul to the Galatians (1:13-24)

You must have heard of my career as a practising Jew, how merciless I was in persecuting the Church of God, how much damage I did to it, how I stood out among other Jews of my generation, and how enthusiastic I was for the traditions of my ancestors.

Then God, who had specially chosen me while I was still in my mother's womb, called me through his grace and chose to reveal his Son in me, so that I might preach the Good News about him to the pagans. I did not stop to discuss this with any human being, nor did I go up to Jerusalem to see those who were already apostles before me, but I went off to Arabia at once and later went straight back from there to Damascus. Even when after three years I went up to Jerusalem to visit Cephas and stayed with him for fifteen days, I did not see any of the other apostles; I only saw James, the brother of the Lord, and I swear before God that what I have just written is the literal truth. After that I went to Syria and Cilicia, and was still not known by sight to the churches of Christ in Judaea, who had heard nothing except that their one-time persecutor was now preaching the faith he had previously tried to destroy; and they gave glory to God for me.

The word of the Lord.

Ihe Ogugu Nke Mbu

Ihe ogugu e wetara n'akwukwo ozi Pol di aso degaara ndi Galeshia (1:13-24)

Unu anula maka ndu ochie m n'usoro okpukpe ndi Juu na otu m si sogbuo Nzuko Chineke, ma gbakwaa mbo imebi ya. Agara m n'ihu n'usoro okpukpe ndi Juu karia otutu ndi ogbo m n'etiti ndi nke m, omenaala nna anyi ha nukwara m oku n'obi karia. Ma mgbe o masiri onye ahu hoputara m iche tupu a muo m, o kpokwara m site n'amara ya. O masiri ya ikpughere m Nwa ya, ka m wee kwusaa maka ya n'etiti ndi mba ozo. O nweghi onye obula m jekwuuru maka ndumodu, nke m na-aga Jerusalem igakwuru ndi buru m uzo buru umuazu kama agara m Arabia, e mechaa m laghachi Damaskos. Ka afo ato gachara agara m Jerusalem ihu Pita nke putara Sefas ma a sugharia ya ijuta ya ihe ufodu. Anonyekwara m ya ubochi iri na ise. O dighi onyeozo n'ime ndi umuazu m huru, ma o bughị naani Jemis nwanne Dinwenu. Ihe m na-edere unu bu eziokwu n'ihu Chineke, anaghi m atu asi. Ka nke a gachara, agara m n'otutu akuku Siria na Silisia. N'oge ahu nzuko Kristi niile di na Judia amatabeghi onye m bu. Naani ihe ha nuru a na-ekwu bu, "Onye ahu kpagburu anyi na mbu na-ekwusazi ugbo a okwukwe ahu o choro imebi na mbu." Ha wee too Chineke n'ihu m.

19 Okwu nke Oseburuwa.

Responsorial Psalm: Ps. 138:1-3.13-15(R.v.24)

Response: Lead me, Lord, in the path of life eternal.

1. O Lord, you search me and you know me, you know my resting and my rising, you discern my purpose from afar. You mark when I walk or lie down, all my ways lie open to you. (R.)

2. For it was you who created my being, knit me together in my mother's womb. I thank you for the wonder of my being, for the wonders of all your creation. (R.)

3. Already you knew my soul, my body held no secret from you when I was being fashioned in secret and moulded in the depths of the earth. (R.)

Alleluia, alleluia! Lk. 11:28

Happy are those who hear the word of God and keep it! Alleluia!

Gospel

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke (10:38-42)

Jesus came to a village, and a woman named Martha welcomed him into her house. She had a sister called Mary, who sat down at the Lord's feet and listened to him speaking. Now Martha who was distracted with all the serving said, 'Lord, do you not care that my sister is leaving me to do the serving all by myself? Please tell her to help me.' But the Lord answered: 'Martha Martha,' he said 'you worry and fret about so many things, and yet few are needed, indeed only one. It is Mary who has chosen the better part; it is not to be taken from her.' The Gospel of the Lord.

(For Prayer Over The Offerings, Communion Antiphon, and Prayer After Communion, see pages 16)

9 October [Eke] Wednesday of Week 27 (Green/Red/White)

**St Denis, Bishop & His Companions, Martyrs
or St. John Leonardi, Priest (Opt Mem)**

(For Entry Antiphon and Collect, see page 14)

First Reading

A reading from the letter of St. Paul to the Galatians (2:1-2.7-14)

It was not till fourteen years had passed that I went up to Jerusalem again. I went with Barnabas and took Titus with me. I went there as the result of a revelation, and privately I laid before the leading men the Good News as I proclaim it among the pagans; I did so for fear

Abuoma na Aziza: Abu. 139:1-3.13-15 (Az.24)

Aziza: Dube m, Onyenweanyi, n'uzo nke ndu ebebe.

1. Onyenweanyi, i nyochaala m, marakwa m! I ma mgbe m noduru ala na mgbe m kwu oto; i na-anọ ebe di anya mara ihe m bu n'uche. I mazuru omume m niile, mgbe m na-arụ orụ mọbụ mgbe m na-ezu ike. (Az.)

2. O bu gi kere mmuo m, O bukwa gi kpuru m n'afọ nne m. Ana m ekele gi maka ihe omimi ndi a, maka ihe itunaanya di n'okike i kere m, nakwa ihe ebube di n'aka oru gi niile. (Az.)

3. I maara m nke oma! I maara otu okpukpu m niile siri di oge a na-akpu m na nzuzo, oge a na-jikota m onu n'afọ nne m. (Az.)

Aléluya, aléluya! Luk.11:28

Ngozi na-adiri ndi nuru okwu Chineke ma debe ya. Aléluya!

Ozioma

Ihe Ogugu nke a si n'Ozioma di aso nke Luk dere (10:38-42)

Mgbe ha na-aga n'uzo, Jesu banyere n'otu onumara. Otu nwaanyi a na-akpo Mata nabatara ya n'ulo ya. Mata nwere nwanne nwaanyi a na-akpo Meri, onye noduru ala n'ukwu Onyenweanyi na-anuru nkuzi ya. Ma uche Mata gbasachara agbasa ebe o na-agba mbo maka ileobia. O biakwutere Jesu si, "Onyenweanyi, o bu na o metughi gi n'obi na nwanne m nwaanyi hapuru nani m ije ozi niile? Gwanu ya ka o bia nyere m aka." Ma Onyenweanyi zara ya si, "Mata, Mata, i na-echegbu onwe gi na-esogbukwa onwe gi n'ihio otutu ihe; ma otu ihe bu ihe di mkpa. Meri ahoroala oke ka mma nke a na-agaghi anapu ya." Ozioma nke Oseburuwa.

(For Prayer Over The Offerings, Communion Antiphon, and Prayer After Communion, see pages 16)

9 October [Eke] Wednesday of Week 27 (Green/Red/White)

**St Denis, Bishop & His Companions, Martyrs
or St. John Leonardi, Priest (Opt Mem)**

(For Entry Antiphon and Collect, see page 14)

Ihe Ogugu Nke Mbụ

Ihe ogugu e wetara n'akwukwo ozi Pol di aso degaara ndi Galeshia (2:1-2.7-14)

Mgbe afọ iri na anọ gachara, mu na Banabas gaghachiri Jerusalem, akporokwara m Taitus jee. Agara m site na mkpughe nke Chineke. Mgbe anyi zukoro na nzuko, egosiri m ndi kwesiri ntukwasiojiobi 20 n'etiti ndi mba ozo ozioma ahụ nke m na-

the course I was adopting or had already adopted would not be allowed. On the contrary, they recognised that I had been commissioned to preach the Good News to the uncircumcised just as Peter had been commissioned to preach it to the circumcised. The same person whose action had made Peter the apostle of the circumcised had given me a similar mission to the pagans. So, James, Cephas and John, these leaders, these pillars, shook hands with Barnabas and me as a sign of partnership: we were to go to the pagans and they to the circumcised. The only thing they insisted on was that we should remember to help the poor, as indeed I was anxious to do.

When Cephas came to Antioch, however, I opposed him to his face, since he was manifestly in the wrong. His custom had been to eat with the pagans, but after certain friends of James arrived he stopped doing this and kept away from them altogether for fear of the group that insisted on circumcision. The other Jews joined him in this pretence, and even Barnabas felt himself obliged to copy their behaviour.

When I saw they were not respecting the true meaning of the Good News, I said to Cephas in front of everyone, 'In spite of being a Jew, you live like the pagans and not like the Jews, so you have no right to make the pagans copy Jewish ways.'

The word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm Ps 116 (R. Mk 16:15)

Response: Go out to the whole world; proclaim the Good News.

1. Alleluia! O praise the Lord, all you nations, acclaim him all you peoples! (R.)
2. Strong is his love for us; he is faithful forever. (R.)

Alleluia, alleluia! Rom 8:15

The Spirit you received is not the spirit of slaves bringing fear into your lives again; it is the spirit of sons, and it makes us cry out, 'Abba, Father!' Alleluia!

Gospel

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke (11:1-4)

Once Jesus was in a certain place praying, and when he had finished, one of his disciples said, 'Lord, teach us to pray, just as John taught his disciples.' He said to them, 'Say this when you pray: "Father, may your name be held holy, your

ekwusa. Emere m'otu a n'ihina achoghi m'ka oru m'uru n'oge gara aga mobu nke m'na-aru ugbu a buru ihe efu. Ma n'aka nke ozo, mgbe ha huru na Chineke nyere m'oru izisa ozioma n'etiti ndi e bighi ugwu; dika o nyere Pita oru izisa ozioma n'etiti ndi e biri ugwu. N'ihina onye siri n'aka Pita ruo oru izisa ozioma n'etiti ndi e biri ugwu sikwa n'ime m'ruo oru izisara ndi mba ozo. Ma mgbe ha huru amara nke e nyere m, Jemis, Pita (Sefas); na Jon ndi a na-asopuru dika ogidi, nyere mu na Banabas ntuziaka nke ndi kwerenu iga n'ihu n'oru ikwusa ozioma n'etiti ndi mba ozo, ka ha onwe ha gakwaa n'ihu iru oru nke ha n'etiti ndi e biri ugwu. Naani otu ihe ha choro bu ka anyi cheta ndi ogbenye, bu nke m ji inuoku n'obi na-eme.

Mgbe Pita (Sefas) biaruru Antiok, agwara m ya okwu n'ihu n'ihina ihe o mere adighi mma. Tupu ndi Jemis zitere abiaruo ebe ahu, Pita na ndi mba ozo na-eriko nri; ma mgbe ha rutere, Pita wepuru aka na nri, laghachi azu n'ihina egwu ndi Juu na-atu ya. Ndi Juu ndiozo ya na ha no sooro ya mee omume ihuabuo a. Banabas n'onwe ya sokwara ha mee otu a.

Ma mgbe m huru na ha emeghi omume kwuto banyere eziokwu nke ozioma ahu, agwara m Sefas n'ihu ha niile si, "O buru na gi nwa onye Juu na-ebi ndu dika onye mba ozo, na-abughi dika onye Juu, oleo otu i ga-esi manye ndi mba ozo ka ha na-ebi ndu dika ndi Juu?"

Okwu nke Oseburuwa.

Abuoma na Aziza Abu 117 (Az. Mak. 16:15)

Aziza: Gaanu n'uwa niile, kwusaaranu ihe niile e kere eke ozioma.

1. Toonu Onyenweanyi, mba niile, toonu ya, ndi mmadu niile. (Az.)
2. N'ihina ihunaanya ya siri ike, nkwudosiike ya na-adi okpu. (Az.)

Aleluya, aleluya! Rom. 8:15

Muo nke unu natara abughi nke ibu oru, ma o bu nke ilaghachi n'egwu ozo, kama o bu Mmuo ibu umu, nke na-enyekwa anyi ike itiku Chineke, si: 'Nna, Ezi Nna m!' Aleluya!

Ozioma

Ihe Ogugu nke a si n'Ozioma di aso nke Luk dere (11:1-4)

Jesus no n'otu ebe na-ekpe ekpere. Mgbe o kwusiri, otu onye n'ime ndi na-eso uzo ya gwara ya si, "Onyenweanyi kuziere anyi ka e si ekpe ekpere dika Jon si kuziere ndi na-eso uzo ya." O siri ha, "Mgbe obula unu na-ekpe ekpere, sinu: Nna, ka otito diri aha gi, ka ochichi

kingdom come; give us each day our daily bread, and forgive us our sins, for we ourselves forgive each one who is in debt to us. And do not put us to the test.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

gi bia. Nye anyi taa nri nke ubochi anyi. Gbaghara anyi mmehie anyi niile; dika anyi siri gbaghara ndi mehiere anyi. Ekwela ka anyi kwenye na nranye. Ma zoputa anyi n'ajo ihe.”

Ozioma nke Oseburuwa.

10 October [Orie] Thursday of Week 27 (Green)

(For Entry Antiphon and Collect, see page 14)

First Reading

A reading from the letter of St. Paul to the Galatians (3:1-5)

Are you people in Galatia mad? Has someone put a spell on you, in spite of the plain explanation you have had of the crucifixion of Jesus Christ? Let me ask you one question: was it because you practised the Law that you received the Spirit, or because you believed what was preached to you? Are you foolish enough to end in outward observances what you began in the Spirit? Have all the favours you received been wasted? And if this were so, they would most certainly have been wasted. Does God give you the Spirit so freely and work miracles among you because you practice the Law, or because you believed what was preached to you?

The word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm Lk 1:69-75

(R.v. 68)

Response: **Blessed be the Lord, the God of Israel! He has visited his people.**

1. God has raised up for us a mighty saviour in the house of David his servant, as he promised by the lips of holy men, those who were his prophets from of old. (R.)

2. A saviour who would free us all from our foes, from the hands of all who hate us. So his love for our fathers is fulfilled and his holy covenant remembered. (R.)

3. He swore to Abraham our father to grant us, that free from fear, and saved from the hands of our foes, we might serve him in holiness and justice all the days of our life in his presence. (R.)

Alleluia, alleluia! Acts 16:14

Open our heart, O Lord, to accept the words of your Son. Alleluia!

Gospel

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke (11:5-13)

Jesus said to his disciples: ‘Suppose one of you has a friend and goes to him in the middle of the night to say, “My friend, lend me three loaves, because a friend of mine on his

Ihe Ogugu Nke Mbu

Ihe ogugu e wetaara n'akwukwo ozi Pol di aso degaara ndi Galeshia (3:1-5)

Ewo! Unu ndi Galeshia enweghi uche! Onye meghariri unu anya, unu bu ndi e mere ka onwu Jesu Kristi n'elu obe buru ihe were unu anya? Ka m juo unu otu ihe: “Unu natara Mmuo Nso site n'iru oru iwu choro, ka o bu site na nkuzi nke okwukwe?” Unu di oke nzuzu? Unu malitere site n'ike Mmuo Nso, ma ugbu a unu na-akwusizi n'ike nke anuah? Unu tara otutu ahuhu di otu a n'efu? O buri n'ezie na o bu n'efu ka m jukwaa unu ajuju ozo, Mmuo Nso ahụ Chineke nyere unu; na oru ebube o ruru n'etiti unu, o mere ha n'ihu iwu unu dobere, ka o bu n'ihina unu nuru ma kwerekwaa n'ozio ma?

Okwu nke Oseburuwa.

Abuoma na Aziza Luk 1:69-75 (Az.68)

Aziza: **Ngozi diri Dinwenụ Chineke nke Izrel makana o biara leta ma zoputakwa ndi nke ya.**

1. O weliterela anyi onye nzoputa site n'agburu Devid, nwodibo ya; otu o siri kwuo n'oge ochie, site n'onu ndi amuma ya. (Az.)

2. Na a ga-azoputa anyi site n'aka ndi iro anyi, na sitekwa n'aka ndi niile kporo anyi asi. Gosi ebere nke o kwere nnanna anyi ha na nkwa, bia chetakwa ogbugbandu ya di nso. (Az.)

3. O nnuuru nnanna anyi bu Abraham iyi. Kwekwa nkwa na ya ga-azoputa anyi n'aka ndi iro anyi. Ka anyi nwee ike na-ekpere ya n'atughi egwu obula, n'idi nso na eziumume n'ihu ya, ubochi niile nke ndu anyi. (Az.)

Alaluya, alaluya! Acts 16:14

Meghee obi anyi, O Chineke, ka anyi were nabata okwu nke nwa Gi. Alaluya!

Ozioma

Ihe Ogugu nke a si n'Ozioma di aso nke Luk dere (11:5-13)

Jesu siri ha, “Onye n'ime unu nwere enyi ga-agakwuru ya n'etiti abali si ya, ‘Enyi m binye m ogbe achicha ato; n'ihina otu enyi m si n'ije puta n'ulo m. Enweghikwa m ihe oriri obula

travels has just arrived at my house and I have nothing to offer him"; and the man answers from inside the house, "Do not bother me. The door is bolted now, and my children and I are in bed; I cannot get up to give it to you." I tell you, if the man does not get up and give it to him for friendship's sake, persistence will be enough to make him get up and give his friend all he wants.

"So I say to you: Ask, and it will be given to you; search, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened to you. For the one who asks always receives; the one who searches always finds; the one who knocks will always have the door opened to him. What father among you would hand his son a stone when he asked for bread? Or hand him a snake instead of a fish? Or hand him a scorpion if he asked for an egg? If you then, who are evil, know how to give your children what is good, how much more will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!"
The Gospel of the Lord.

(For Prayer Over The Offerings, Communion Antiphon, and
Prayer After Communion, see pages 16)

11 October [Afo] Friday of Week 27 (Green)

St. John XXIII, Pope (Opt. Mem.)

(For Entry Antiphon and Collect, see page 14)

First Reading

A reading from the letter of St. Paul to the Galatians (3:7-14)

Don't you see that it is those who rely on faith who are the sons of Abraham? Scripture foresaw that God was going to use faith to justify the pagans, and proclaimed the Good News long ago when Abraham was told: In you all the pagans will be blessed. Those therefore who rely on faith receive the same blessing as Abraham, the man of faith.

On the other hand, those who rely on the keeping of the Law are under a curse, since scripture says: Cursed be everyone who does not persevere in observing everything prescribed in the book of the Law. The Law will not justify anyone in the sight of God, because we are told: the righteous man finds life through faith. The Law is not even based on faith, since we are told: The man who practises these precepts finds life through practising them. Christ redeemed us from the curse of the Law by being cursed for our sake, since scripture says: Cursed be everyone who is hanged on a tree. This was done so that in Christ Jesus the blessing of Abraham might

m ga-enye ya; ma o ga-esi n'ime ulo zaghachi si, 'Esogbula m; anyi emechiela uto ugbu a, mu na umuaka m alabaala ura, agaghi m enwe ike ikuli nye gi ihe obula?' Agwa m unu, o bu ezie na o gaghi ekuli nye ya ihe obula n'ihina o bu enyi ya, ma n'ihu nsogbu ya, o ga-ekuli nye ya ihe obula di ya mkpa. Ya mere, agwa m unu, rionu, a ga-enye unu, chonnu, unu ga-achota, kionu aka, a ga-emeghere unu.

N'ihina onye obula na-arionu na-ariona, onye obula na-achonu na-achota, onye obula na-aku aka ka a ga-emeghere. Kedu nna n'etiti unu nwa ya ga-ario azu, o nye ya agwo; mobu o rio ya akwa o nye ya akpi? O buru na unu bu ndi ojoo maara otu e si enye unu unyi onyine di mma. Nna unu nke bi n'igwe, aghaghi inye ha Mmuo Nso bu ndi niile na-ario ya.

Ozioma nke Oseburuwa.

The Ogugu Nke Mbu

Ihe ogugu e wetara n'akwukwo ozi Pol di aso degaara ndi Galeshia (3:7-14)

Ya bu, unu ahula na o bu ndi nwere okwukwe bu umu Abraham. Akwukwo Nso buru uto hu na Chineke ga-esite n'okwukwe guo ndi mba ozo na ndi eziumume. N'ihu nke a, Akwukwo Nso buru uto zie Abraham ozioma, si, "Chineke ga-agozi mba niile nke uwa site n'aka gi." N'otu aka ahụ, Chineke ga-agozi ndi niile kwere dika o si gozie Abraham.

Ndi niile tukwasara obi n'oru nke iwu bu ndi a buru onu, n'ihina e dere ya n'akwukwo nso si, "Onye a buru onu ka o bu, bu onye anaghi emezu ihe e dere n'akwukwo iwu". Ugbo a o weela anyan na Chineke anaghi agu onye obula n'onye eziumume site naani n'idobe iwu, n'ihina Akwukwo Nso kwuru si, "Onye Chineke si n'okwukwe ya guo n'onye eziumume ga-adi ndu"; mana o bughu n'iwu ka okwukwe dabeere, kama "Onye obula na-emezu ihe obula iwu kwuru ga-esite na ya di ndu". Kristi agbaputala anyi site n'ibu onu nke iwu na-eweta, site n'ibu onye a buru onu maka anyi: n'ihina e dere si, "Onye a buru onu ka o bu, bu onye koro n'elu osisi". Jesu Kristi mere nke a ka ngozi ahụ Chineke nyere Abraham rute ndi mba

include the pagans, and so that through faith we might receive the promised Spirit.
The word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm Ps 110:1-6 (R.v.5)

Response: The Lord keeps his covenant ever in mind.

1. Alleluia! I will thank the Lord with all my heart in the meeting of the just and their assembly. Great are the works of the Lord; to be pondered by all who love them. (R.)
2. Majestic and glorious his work, his justice stands firm forever. He makes us remember his wonders. The Lord is compassion and love. (R.)
3. He gives food to those who fear him; keeps his covenant ever in mind. He has shown his might to his people by giving them the lands of the nations. (R.)

Alleluia, alleluia! Jn. 12:32

When I am lifted up from the earth, I shall draw all men to myself.
Alleluia!

Gospel

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke (11:15-26)

Some of the people said, 'It is through Beelzebul, the prince of devils, that he casts out devils.' Others asked Jesus, as a test, for a sign from heaven; but, knowing what they were thinking, he said to them, 'Every kingdom divided against itself is heading for ruin, and a household divided against itself collapses. So too with Satan: if he is divided against himself, how can his kingdom stand? - since you assert that it is through Beelzebul that I cast out devils. Now if it is through Beelzebul that I cast out devils, through whom do your own experts cast them out? Let them be your judges, then. But if it is through the finger of God that I cast out devils, then know that the kingdom of God has overtaken you. So long as a strong man fully armed guards his own palace, his goods are undisturbed; but when someone stronger than he is attacks and defeats him, the stronger man takes away all the weapons he relied on and shares out his spoil. 'He who is not with me is against me; and he who does not gather with me scatters.

'When an unclean spirit goes out of a man it wanders through waterless country looking for a place to rest, and not finding one it says, "I will go back to the home I came from." But on arrival,

ozo aka, o mekwara nke a ka anyi wee nweta nkwa nke Mmuo Nso site n'okwukwe.
Okwu nke Oseburuwa.

Abuoma na Aziza Abu 111:1-6 (Az.5)

Aziza: Onyenweanyi na-ebu ogbugbandu ya n'uche mgbe niile.

1. Aleluya! Eji m obi m niile enye Onyenweanyi ekele, n'ogbako ndi eziumume. Oru Onyenweanyi niile di itunaanya, ndi niile o na-amasi kwesiri ilekwasa ya anya. (Az.)
2. Oru niile o na-aru juputara n'otito na ebube, eziumume ya enweghi ike igbanwe agbanwe. O na-ekwe ka anyi na-echeta oru ebube ya. Onyenweanyi di ebere di obioma. (Az.)
3. O na-enye ndi na-aturu ya egwu nri, o naghi echezo ogbugbandu ya. O na-echetara ndi nke ya ike o na-akpa site n'inye ha oke mba ndiozo. (Az.)

Aleluya, aleluya! Jon 12:32

Ma mu onwe m, mgbe e si n'uwa welite m elu, aga m adotara onwe m ndi mmadu niile. Aleluya!

Ozioma

Ihe Ogugu nke a si n'Ozioma di aso nke Luk dere (11:15-26)

Ma ufodu n'ime ha kwuru si, "O na-achupu ndi mmuo ojoo site n'ike Belzebul, onyeisi ndi mmuo ojoo," ma ndiozo, iji nwalee ya, chooro n'aka ya ihe ama nke si n'igwe. Ebe o bu na O ma ihe ha na-eche, o siri ha, "Alaeze obula nke kewaranu megide onwe ya ga-adakpo, ulo obula nke dagidere ibe ya na-adakpo. O buru na Ekwensu ekewakwa megide onwe ya, kedu ka alaeze ya ga-esi kwudo? Unu na-asi na-ana m achupu ndi mmuo ojoo site n'ike Belzebul. O buru na m na-achupu ndi mmuo ojoo site n'ike Belzebul, site n'ike onye ka unu unu na achupu ha? Ya mere, ha ga-abu ndi ikpe unu. Ma, o buru na o bu site na mkpisi aka nke Chineke ka m na-achupu ndi mmuo ojoo, matanu na alaeze Chineke abiakwasila unu. Mgbe dike ji ngwaagha na-eche obi ya, o dighi mfe izute ihe o ji biri. Ma mgbe onye ka ya ike bjara megide ya, wee merie ya, o na-anara ya ihe agha ya niile, bu ihe ntukwasiobi ya, kesaara ndi otu ya ihe o kwatara n'ulo dike ahụ. Onye na-anonyereghi m, na-emegide m; onye obula na-adighi eso m ekpokota ekpokota, na-ekposa ekposa.

Mgbe mmuo ojoo siri n'ime onye o ji puo, o na-akpaghari n'ala kporo nku na-acho ebe izuikwe. Mgbe o chochara ma o chotaghi, o na-ekpebi n'obi ya si, 'Aga m alaghachi n'ulo m ebe

finding it swept and tidied, it then goes off and brings seven other spirits more wicked than itself, and they go in and set up house there, so that the man ends up by being worse than he was before.’
The Gospel of the Lord.

m si puta.’ Mgbe o chighatara, o hu na a zachaaala ulo ahụ dozie ya nke oma. O na-apu, kpota ndi mmuo ojobo asaa ozo ndi ka ya nwe obi ojoo tinyere ya onwe ya, ha na-abata biri n’ebe ahụ, onodu ikpeazu nke onye ahụ adi njo kari nke mbu.
Ozioma nke Oseburuwa.

(For Prayer Over The Offerings, Communion Antiphon, and Prayer After Communion, see page 16)

12 October [Nkwo] Saturday of Week 27 (Green/White) **Saturday Memorial of the Blessed Virgin Mary (Opt. Mem.)** (For Entry Antiphon and Collect, see page 14)

First Reading

A reading from the letter of St. Paul to the Galatians (3:22-29)

Scripture makes no exceptions when it says that sin is master everywhere. In this way the promise can only be given through faith in Jesus Christ and can only be given to those who have this faith.

Before faith came, we were allowed no freedom by the Law; we were being looked after till faith was revealed. The Law was to be our guardian until the Christ came and we could be justified by faith. Now that that time has come we are no longer under that guardian, and you are, all of you, sons of God through faith in Christ Jesus. All baptised in Christ, you have all clothed yourselves in Christ, and there are no more distinctions between the Jews and Greek, slave and free, male and female, but all of you are one in Christ Jesus. Merely by belonging to Christ you are the posterity of Abraham, the heirs he was promised.
The word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm Ps 104:2-7(R.v.8)

Response: The Lord remembers his covenant forever.

1. O sing to the Lord, sing his praise; tell all his wonderful works! Be proud of his holy name, let the hearts that seek the Lord rejoice. (R.)
2. Consider the Lord and his strength; constantly seek his face. Remember the wonders he has done, his miracles, the judgements he spoke. (R.)
3. O children of Abraham, his servant, O sons of the Jacob he chose. He, the Lord, is our God: his judgements prevail in all the earth. (R)

Ihe Ogugu Nke Mbu

Ihe ogugu e wetara n’akwukwo ozi Pol di aso degaara ndi Galeshia (3:22-29)

Mana Akwukwo Nso edobela ihe niile n’okpuru njo ka e wee nye ndi kwere ekwe nkwa ahụ e kwere ha n’ime Jesu Kristi.

Ugbu a, tupu okwukwe abia, anyi niile no n’okpuru iwu, a machibidoro anyi niile ruo mgbe a ga-ekpughere anyi okwukwe. Ya bu na iwu ahụ bu onye nlekota anyi ruo mgbe Kristi biara, ka e wee ganye anyi na ndi ezionume site n’okwukwe. Mana ugbu a okwukwe biara, anyi anoghikwa n’okpuru onye nlekota ahụ bu iwu; n’ihina n’ime Jesu Kristi unu niile bu umu Chineke site n’okwukwe. Ka unu niile ha, bu ndi e mere mmirichukwu n’ime Kristi eyikwasala Kristi dika uwe. Nkewa nke na-adibu n’etiti ndi Juu na ndi Grik, n’etiti ndi ohu na ndi nwe onwe ha, n’etiti umunwoke na umunwaanyi, apughi ichikwa ozo n’ihina unu niile bu otu n’ime Jesu Kristi. O bu na unu bu ndi nke Kristi, unu bukwu umu Abraham ndi ga-eketa ihe e kwere na nkwa. Okwu nke Oseburuwa.

Abuoma na Aziza Abu 105:2-7 (Az.8)

Aziza: Onyenweanyi na-akpachapuru ogbugbandu ya anya ebebe.

1. Kweerenụ ya ukwe, kuoronu ya egwu, kwuputanụ orụ itunaanya ya niile! Nwebenu añuri n’aha nso ya ka obi niile na-achọ Chineke ñuria. (Az.)
2. Chobanụ Onyenweanyi na ike ya, chobanụ ihu nke Onyenweanyi mgbe niile, Chetanụ oru ebube niile o ruu, oru itunaanya ya niile, na ikpe niile si n’onu ya puta. (Az.)
3. Unu umu Abraham bu nwodibo ya, umu Jekob bu onye nke o horo! O bu ya bu Onyenweanyi na Chineke anyi, ike ochichi ya gazuru uwa niile. (Az.)

Alleluia, alleluia! Lk. 11:28

Happy are those who hear the word of God and keep it. Alleluia!

Gospel

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke (11:27-28)

As Jesus was speaking, a woman in the crowd raised her voice and said, 'Happy the womb that bore you and the breasts you sucked!' But he replied, 'Still happier, those who hear the word of God and keep it!'

The Gospel of the Lord.

(For Prayer Over The Offerings, Communion Antiphon, and Prayer After Communion, see pages 16)

**28TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (B)
13 October 2024 [Eke] (Green)**

**Office:
Week 4**

In the First Reading, love of wisdom is prized above possession of earthly powers, riches, health or beauty, due to innumerable blessings that come with it. The Responsorial Psalm beckons on God for the wisdom of heart to acknowledge how fleeting this world, to enable a total trust in His providence. In the Second Reading, the word of God that conveys wisdom of heart is described as living and all-perceptive, revolutionizing and transforming. In his answer to an inquirer about perfection in the Gospel, Jesus, the wisdom of God, proposes self-renunciation and discipleship as pathway, moving on to espouse the dangers of earthly riches to perfection, with assurance of reward albeit with persecution to his followers.

Entry Antiphon

If you, O Lord, should mark iniquities, Lord, who could stand? But with you is found forgiveness, O God of Israel.

Collect

May your grace, O Lord, we pray, at all times go before us and follow after, and make us always determine to carry out good works. Through our Lord.

First Reading

A reading from the book of Wisdom (7:7-11)

I prayed, and understanding was given to me; I entreated, and the spirit of Wisdom came to me. I esteemed her more than sceptres and thrones; compared with her, I held riches as nothing. I reckoned no priceless stone to be her peer, for compared with her, all gold is a pinch of sand, and beside her silver ranks as mud. I loved her more than health or beauty, preferred her to the light, since her radiance never sleeps. In her company all good things came to me, at her hands riches not to be numbered. The word of the Lord.

Aléluya, aléluya! Lk. 11:28

Ngozi na-adiri ha karia, bu ndi nuru okwu Chineke dobekwa ya!. Aléluya.

Ozioma

Ihe ogugu nke a si n'Ozioma di aso nke Luk dere (11:27-28)

Mgbe Jesu na-ekwu okwu ndi a, otu nwaanyi si n'etiti igwe mmadu ahụ welie olu si, "Ngozi na-adiri afo nke muru gi na ara nke I nuru!" Ma o zara si, "Ngozi na-adiri ha karia, bu ndi nuru okwu Chineke dobekwa ya!"

Ozioma nke Oseburuwa.

Ukwe Mbata

Dinwenụ, O buru na I dekota mmehie anyi, onye n'ime anyi ga-akwudo? Ma mgbaghara bu nke Gi, Chineke nke Izrel.

Ekpere Mmeghe

Oseburuwa, biko nye anyi amara Gi, nke ga na-enyere anyi aka na-akwado anyi, K'anyị wee na-enwe aguu ime uche Gi. Site na Dinwenụ anyi.

Ihe Ogugu Nke Mbu

Ihe ogugu e wetara n'akwukwo Amamihe (7:7-11)

Mgbe m choputara na m bu mmadu nkiti, Marioro m aririo, e nye m ezigbo nghota. Mmuo nke amamihe biakwutere m. Eweere m ya ka ihe kacha elu, karia ike ochichi na ocheeze, ewekwaara m akunuuba ka ihe nkiti n'ebe o no. O nweghi okwute dara oke onu m ga-eji tunyere ya, n'ihina a bia n'ebe o no, olaedo bu naani aja, olaocha bukwa naani uro. Ahuru m ya n'anya karia ahụ ike na mma ahụ. Ahoro m ya karia oku ebe o bu na ihe ya anaghi anyu anyu. Iheoma niile sooro ya wee rute m aka; site n'aka ya, enwetara m akunuuba a na-apughi iguta onu. Okwu nke Oseburuwa.

Responsorial Psalm: Ps. 89:12-17 (R.v. 14)

Response: **Fill us with your love that we may rejoice.**

1. Make us know the shortness of our life that we may gain wisdom of heart. Lord, relent! Is your anger for ever? Show pity to your servants. (R.)

2. In the morning, fill us with your love; we shall exult and rejoice all our days. Give us joy to balance our affliction for the years when we knew misfortune. (R.)

3. Show forth your work to your servants; let your glory shine on their children. Let the favour of the Lord be upon us; give success to the work of our hands. (R.)

Second Reading

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews (4:12-13)

The word of God is something alive and active: it cuts like any double-edged sword but more finely: it can slip through the place where the soul is divided from the spirit, or joints from the marrow; it can judge the secret emotions and thoughts. No created thing can hide from him; everything is uncovered and open to the eyes of the one to whom we must give account of ourselves.

The word of the Lord.

Alleluia, alleluia! Mt. 5:3

How happy are the poor in spirit; theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Gospel

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark (10:17-30)

Jesus was setting out on a journey when a man ran up, knelt before him and put this question to him, "Good Master, what must I do to inherit eternal life?" Jesus said to him, "Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone. You know the commandments: You must not kill; you must not commit adultery; you must not steal; you must not bring false witness; you must not defraud; honour your father and mother." And he said to him, "Master, I have kept all these from my earliest days." Jesus looked steadily at him and loved him, and he said, "There is one thing you lack. Go and sell everything you own and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me." But his face fell at these words and he went away sad, for he was a man of great wealth.

Abụoma na Aziza: Abụ. 90:12-17 (Az.14)

Aziza: **Nye anyị ihunaanya gi, ka anyị wee nūria.**

1. Kuziere anyị imata ka ndụ anyị siri di nkenke, ka anyị were si otu a buru ndi maara ihe. Onyenweanyi medoo obi, iwe gi o ga-adị okpu? Meere umuodibo gi ebere. (Az.)

2. Ka ihunaanya gi juputa n'ime anyị ututu obula, ka anyị were nwee ike ikwe ukwe ma nweekwa añuri ubochi niile nke ndụ anyị. Mee ka anyị nwee añuri dika anyị siri ruo uju n'oge i na-ata anyị ahuhu. (Az.)

3. Mee ka anyị bu umuodibo gi hu oru itunaanya gi, meekwa ka umu anyị hu ebube gi. Mee ka idiuto gi nonyere anyị O Onyenweanyi, iji were kwado oru nke anyị ruu. (Az.)

Ihe Ogugu Nke Abuo

Ihe ogugu e wetara n'akwukwo Hibru (4:12-13)

Okwu Chineke di ndu, di ike, o di nko karia mmaaghaihuabuo. O na-amiba ruo na njiko mkpuruobi na mmuo, nkwonkwo na umiokpukpu. O bukwa ihe nwere ike inyocha echiche na izu niile nke obi. O dighi ihe e kere eke zoro ezo n'ihu Chukwu, kama ihe niile gba oto, gherekwa oghe n'anya ya. O bukwa ya ka anyi ga-aza ajuju banyere onwe anyi. Okwu nke Oseburuwa.

Alaluya, alaluya! Mt. 5:3

Ngozi na-adiri ndi dara ogbenye n'ime mmuo ha, n'ihi na alaeze eluigwe bu nke ha.

Ozioma

Ihe ogugu nke a si n'Ozioma di aso nke Mak dere (10:17-30)

Ka Jesu na-ebili njem, otu nwoke gbara oso bia gbuo ikpere n'ala n'ihu ya, juo ya si "Ezigbo onyenkuzi, gini ka m ga-eme ka m wee keta ndu ebighiebi?" Jesu juru ya si, "Gini mere i ji akpo m ezigbo onye? O nweghi onye bu ezigbo onye beluso Chineke. I marala ihe ndi e nyere n'iwu: 'Egbula ochu, Akwala iko, Ezula ohi, Agbala ama asi, Arugbula mmadu, sopuru nna gi na nne gi.'" Nwoke ahu zara ya si, "Onyenkuzi, ihe niile ndi a ka m debere site n'okorobia m." Jesu lere ya anya nwee ihunaanya n'ebe o no, gwa ya si, "Otu ihe foduru gi ime. Laa, ree ihe niile i nwere were nye ndi ogbenye, i ga-enwe aku n'eluigwe, bia sobe m." Mgbe o nuru okwu a ihu gbaruru ya, o wee laa na mwute, n'ihina o bu onye bara uba nke ukwu.

27 Jesu elegharia anya si ndi na-eso uzo ya,

Jesus looked round and said to his disciples, "How hard it is for those who have riches to enter the Kingdom of God!" The disciples were astounded by these words, but Jesus insisted, "My children," he said to them "how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God! It is easier for a camel to pass through the eye of a needle than for a rich man to enter the kingdom of God." They were more astonished than ever. "In that case" they said to one another "who can be saved?" Jesus gazed at them. "For men" he said "it is impossible, but not for God: because everything is possible for God."

Peter took this up. "What about us?" He asked him. "We have left everything and followed you." Jesus said, "I tell you solemnly, there is no one who has left house, brothers, sisters, father, children or land for my sake and for the sake of the gospel who will not be repaid a hundred times over, houses, brothers, sisters, mothers, children and land - not without persecutions - now in this present time and, in the world to come, eternal life."

The Gospel of the Lord.

Prayer Over The Offerings

Acept, O Lord, the prayers of your faithful with the sacrificial offerings, that, through these acts of devotedness, we may pass over to the glory of heaven. Through Christ our Lord.

Communion Antiphon

The rich suffer want and go hungry, but those who seek the Lord lack no blessing.

Prayer After Communion

We entreat your majesty most humbly, O Lord, that, as you feed us with the nourishment which comes from the most holy Body and Blood of your Son, so you may make us sharers of his divine nature. Who lives and reigns for ever and ever.



Theme: Jesus, the Wisdom of God, Calls to Perfection
See Sunday Evening Instruction on page 62

14 October [Orie] Monday of Week 28 (Green/Red)

St Callistus I, Pope & Martyr (Opt. Mem)

(For Entry Antiphon and Collect, see page 26)

First Reading

A reading from the letter of St. Paul to the Galatians (4:22-24, 26-27, 31-5:1)

The Law says, if you remember, that Abraham had two sons, one by the slave-

"Lee ka o si sie ike ndi ogaranya iba n'Alaeze Chineke!" Okwu ya a turu ndi na-eso uzo ya n'anya. Jesu gwakwara ha ozo si, "Umuntakiri m, lee ka o si siere ndi tukwasara obi n'akunuba ike iba n'Alaeze Chineke! O dikariri inyinyaibu mfe igafe n'anya aga karija ogaranya iba n'Alaeze Chineke!" Okwu a turu ha n'anya nke ukwu, ha wee juo ya si, "Onye kwanu ka a puru izoputa?" Jesu lere ha anya si, "N'ebe mmaadu no nke a bu ihe na-agaghi ekwe omume, ma o bughi n'ebe Chineke no. N'ihina n'ebe Chineke no o puru ime ihe niile."

Pita ebido gwaba ya si, "Lee anyi ahapula ihe niile soro gi." Jesu siri ha, "N'ezie agwa m unu, o dighi onye obula nke hapuru ulo, mabu umunne ndi nwoke mabu umunne ndi nwaanyi mabu nne mabu nna, mabu umu mabu ala, n'ihina m na n'ihina ozioma, na-agaghi enweta ihe ndi a ugbo a, na n'oge a. O ga-enweta nari kwuru nari; ulo, na umunne nwoke na umunne nwaanyi, na nne, na umu, na ubi, ha na otutu nsogbu o ga-anatakwa ndu ebighiebi n'uwa nke na-abia n'ihu.

Ozioma nke Oseburuwa.

Ekpere Nhunye

Onyenweanyi, biko, nara onyinye na ariri nke anyi bu ndi kwerenu. Site n'aja nke a di nso na ofufe nso anyi na-eke Gi, mee ka anyi bata n'otito nke eluigwe. Site na Kristi Onyenweanyi.

Ukwe Oriri Nso

Ndi ogaranya ga-ahu mkpa na aguu, mana o nweghi ihe ga-ako ndi naturu Chineke egwu.

Ekpere A Natachaa Oriri Nso

Dinwenu, anyi ji umeala arijo ebube eze Gi; otu I si were Ahu na Obara nke a kacha nso zuo anyi, biko si otu ahu mee ka anyi soro rite oke n'ibu Chukwu nke Gi. Site na Kristi Onyenweanyi.

girl, and one by his free-born wife. The child of the slave-girl was born in the ordinary way; the child of the free woman was born as the result of a promise. This can be regarded as an allegory: the women stand for the two covenants. The first who comes from Mount Sinai, and whose children are slaves, is Hagar. The Jerusalem above, however, is free and is our mother, since scripture says: Shout for joy, you barren women who bore no children! Break into shouts of joy and gladness, you who were never in labour. For there are more sons of the forsaken one than sons of the wedded wife. So, my brothers, we are the children, not of the slave-girl, but of the free-born wife.

When Christ freed us, he meant us to remain free. Stand firm, therefore, and do not submit again to the yoke of slavery. The word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm: Ps. 112:1-7 (R.v. 2)

Response: May the name of the Lord be blessed for evermore!

1. Alleluia! Praise, O servants of the Lord, praise the name of the Lord! May the name of the Lord be blessed both now and forever more. (R.)

2. From the rising of the sun to its setting praised be the name of the Lord! High above all nations is the Lord, above the heavens his glory. (R.)

3. Who is like the Lord, our God, who stoops from the heights to look down, to look down upon heaven and earth? From the dust he lifts up the lowly, from the dungheap he raises the poor. (R.)

Alleluia, alleluia Ps 94:8

Harden not your hearts today, but listen to the voice of the Lord. Alleluia!

Gospel

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke (11:29-32)

The crowds got even bigger and Jesus addressed them, 'This is a wicked generation; it is asking for a sign. The only sign it will be given is the sign of Jonah. For just as Jonah became a sign to the Ninevites, so will the Son of Man be to this generation. On judgement day the Queen of the South will rise up with the men of this generation and condemn them, because she came from the ends of the earth to hear the wisdom of Solomon; and there is something greater than Solomon here. On

onye ohu nke nwaanyi nke ozo bu nwa nke nwaanyi ahụ nwe onwe ya. Á muru nwa nke nwaanyi ohu ahụ site n'anụahụ, mụo nwa nke nwaanyi ahụ nwe onwe ya site na nkwa. Ugwu a, nke a bu ihe omuma atu: Umunwaanyi abuo ahụ bu ogbugbandu abuo. Otu n'ime ha, nke bu Haga, si n'ugwu Sinai; umu o na-amu bukwu ndi ohu. Ma Jerusalem nke eluigwe nwe onwe ya, o bu ya bu nne anyi. N'ihina e dere si, nuri a onu gi nwaanyi aga anaghi amu nwa, tiwe mkpu onu gi onye ime anaghi eme; n'ihina umu nke nwaanyi ahụ a hapuru naani ya di otutu karia umunwaanyi nke nwere di." Ya bu umunna m anyi abughi umu nke nwaanyi ohu ahụ, kama anyi bu umu nke nwaanyi ahụ nke nwe onwe ya.

Anyi enwerela onwe anyi, n'ihi na Kristi agbaputala anyi n'ohu. Ya bu kwudosienu ike dika ndi nwerela onwe ha. Okwu nke Oseburuwa.

Abuoma na Aziza: Abu. 113:1-7 (Az.2)

Aziza: Ngozi diri aha nke Onyenweanyi bido ugbu a ruo mgbe ebighiebi.

1. Aleluya! Too, umuodibo nke Chineke too aha nke Onyenweanyi. Ngozi diri aha nke Chineke, bido ugbu a ruo mgbe ebighiebi. (Az.)

2. Bido n'owuwa anyanwu ruo n'odida ya, otito diri aha nke Oseburuwa! Onyenweanyi di elu karicha uwa niile, otito ya karichakwara eluigwe niile. (Az.)

3. Onye dika Onyenweanyi bu Chineke anyi? Ocheeze ya di n'elu, mana o na-eledata anya n'eluigwe na uwa. O na-esi n'aja ebuli ndi ogbenye, o na-esikwa na ntu ewelite ndi enweghi ka o di ha. (Az.)

Aleluya, aleluya! Ps. 94:8

Taa, o buru na unu anu olu ya, unu akpochila obi unu. Aleluya!

Ozioma

Ihe Ogugu nke a si n'Ozioma di aso nke Luk dere (11:29-32)

Mgbe igwe mmadu ahụ na-abawanye, Jesu bidoro na-ekwu si, "Ogbo a bu ogbo ojoo; o na-acho ihe ama, ma o dighi ihe ama a ga-enye ya karia ihe ama nke Jona. N'ihina otu Jona si buuru ndi obodo Ninive ihe ama, otu ahụ ka Nwa nke Mmadu ahụ ga-esi buuru ogbo a ihe ama. N'ubochi ikpe ahụ, Ezenwaanyi Ndida ugwu ga-ebili soro ogbo a guzo n'ikpe, kpegbue ya. N'ihina o si nsotu nke uwa bia inu okwu amamihe Solomon. Ma lee, ihe kariri Solomon no ebe a. Ndi

judgement day the men of Nineveh will stand up with this generation and condemn it, because when Jonah preached, they repented; and there is something greater than Jonah here.

The Gospel of the Lord.

obodo Ninive ga-eso ogbo a kulie n'ubochi ikpe, kpegbue ya; n'ihina ha cheghariri mgbe ha nuru nkuzi Jona, ma lee, ihe ka Jona di n'ebe a."

Ozioma nke Oseburuwa.

(For Prayer Over The Offerings, Communion Antiphon, and Prayer After Communion, see page 28)



15 October [Afo] Tuesday of Week 28 (White)

St Teresa of Avila, Virgin & Doctor (Memorial)

St. Teresa of Jesus, honored as the "seraphic virgin," ranks first among women for wisdom and learning. Born at Avila, Spain, in the year 1515, Teresa set out for Africa to die for Christ at the age of seven, but was brought back by her uncle. She grew up reading the lives of the saints. When she lost her mother at twelve, she implored Mary for maternal protection.

In 1533, Teresa entered the Carmelite Order. The Carmelites at that period had slacken from religious rules to live comfortable lives, kept private properties, with much contact with the outside world. Despite the physical pain and spiritual dryness she suffered for eighteen years, Teresa made great stride in contemplative prayer, accompanied by frequent mystical experiences which on account of her humility she totally distrusted. Her hunger for perfection led her to found a convent of Discalced (or shoeless due to severity of penance) Carmelite nuns in Avila. With the approval of Pope Pius IV, she began in earnest the work of reforming the entire Carmelite Order. Despite heavy opposition and difficulties, she succeeded to found thirty-two reformed convents. The Discalced Carmelites eventually became independent in 1580.

Teresa's mystical union with God was palpable, especially during the last decade of her life. Her heart was at some stage transfixed. She wrote a lot of mystical works that showed how contemplative life can well up and overflow into action. Greatly worn out by strenuous life, Teresa died on 15 October 1582, beatified in 1614, and canonized in 1622. Pope Paul VI proclaimed her a Doctor of the Church in 1970.

Entry Antiphon

Like the deer that yearns for running streams,
so my soul is yearning for you, my God. My
soul is thirsting for God, the living God.

Ukwe Mbata

Di ka etu nne ele si achọ mmiri, etu ka
mkpuruobi m si achọ gi, Chineke m.
Mkpuruobi m na-achọ Chineke, nke di

Collect

O God, who through your Spirit raised up
Saint Teresa of Jesus to show the
Church the way to seek perfection, grant that
we may always be nourished upon the food
of her heavenly teaching and fired with
longing for true holiness. Through our Lord.

First Reading

A reading from the letter of St. Paul to the
Galatians (5:1-6)

When Christ freed us, he meant us to
remain free. Stand firm, therefore, and
do not submit again to the yoke of slavery. It is I,
Paul, who tell you this: if you allow yourselves to
be circumcised, Christ will be of no benefit to
you at all. With all solemnity I repeat my
warning: Everyone who accepts circumcision is
obliged to keep the whole law. But if you do look
to the Law to make you justified, then you have
separated yourselves from Christ, and have
fallen from grace. Christians are told by the

Ekpere Mmeghe

O Chineke, onye sitere na Mmụọ Nso welite
Teresa di aso nke Jesu ka o gosi Nzuko ụzọ
esi adi-asọ, mee ka anyi na-enweta mgbe dum
ozuzu nke sitere na nri nke nkuzi eluigwe o
kuziri, were anukwa oku inwe aguu maka ezi
idi aso. Site na Dinwenụ anyi.

Ihe Ogugu Nke Mbụ

Ihe ogugu e wetara n'akwukwo ozi Pol di aso
degaara ndi Galeshia (5:1-6)

Anyị enwerela onwe anyi, n'ihina Kristi
agbaputala anyi n'ohu. Ya bu kwudosienụ
ike dika ndi nwerela onwe ha. Ugbu a, mụ bu
Pol na-agwa unu si, "O buru na unu anabata ibi
ugwu, Kristi abaghiri unu uru obula." Ozo ana
m ekwuputa na onye obula ga-anabata ibi ugwu
ji ugwo idebezu iwu ahụ. E kewapula unu n'ebe
Kristi nọ, unu ndi a ga-agunye na ndi eziumume
site n'iwu. Unu adapula n'amara nke Chineke.
N'ihina anyi onwe anyi nwere olileanya na
site n'ike nke Mmụọ Nso, a ga-agu anyi na ndi

Spirit to look to faith for those rewards that righteousness hopes for, since in Christ Jesus whether you are circumcised or not makes no difference - what matters is faith that makes its power felt through love. The word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm: Ps. 118:41.43-45.47-48 (R.v. 41)

Response: **Lord, let your love come upon me.**

1. Lord, let your love come upon me, the saving help of your promise. Do not take the word of truth from my mouth for I trust in your decrees. (R.)

2. I shall always keep your law forever and ever. I shall walk in the path of freedom for I seek your precepts. (R.)

3. Your commands have been my delight; these I have loved. I will worship your commands and love them and ponder your statutes. (R.)

Alleluia, alleluia! Heb. 4:12

The word of God is something alive and active; it can judge secret emotions and thoughts. Alleluia!

Gospel

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke (11:37-41)

Jesus had just finished speaking when a Pharisee invited him to dine at his house. He went in and sat down at the table. The Pharisee saw this and was surprised that he had not first washed before the meal. But the Lord said to him, 'Oh, you Pharisees! You clean the outside of cup and plate, while inside yourselves you are filled with extortion and wickedness. Fools! Did not he who made the outside make the inside too? Instead, give alms from what you have and then indeed everything will be clean for you.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Prayer Over The Offerings

May our offering, O Lord, be acceptable to your majesty, to whom the devoted service of Saint Teresa was pleasing in such great treasure. Through Christ our Lord.

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Communion Antiphon

I will sing forever of your mercies, O Lord through all ages my mouth will proclaim your truth.

eziomume site n'okwukwe anyi. N'ime Jesu Kristi obibi ugwu mobu ebighi ugwu abaghi uru obula, kama okwukwe na-arusi oru ike site n'ihunaanya. Okwu nke Oseburuwa.

Abuoma na Aziza: Abu. 119:41.43-45.47-48 (Az.41)

Aziza: **Onyenweanyi, kwe ka ihunaanya gi biakwute m.**

1. Kwe ka ihunaanya nke ikwudosiike gi biakwute m O Onyenweanyi, ya na nzoputa gi, dika i siri kwe na nkwa. Anapula m eziokwu gi n'ihina nchekwube m di n'iwu gi. (Az.)

2. Aga m na-edobe iwu gi, mgbe niile, ebebe ebebe. Mgbe ahụ, aga m ebi ndu nke onye nweere onwe ya, n'ihina iwu gi bu ihe m na-acho. (Az.)

3. N'ihina ana m enwe anu n'iwu gi, nke m huru n'anya nke ukwu. Ana m asopuru iwu gi niile nke m huru n'anya, na-achigharika ya n'ime obi m. (Az.)

Aleluya, aleluya! Hib 4:12

Okwu nke Chineke di ndu, di ike, O nwere ike inyocha echiche na izu niile nke obi. Aleluya!.

Ozioma

Ihe Ogugu nke a si n'Ozioma di aso nke Luk dere (11:37-41)

Ka Jesu na-ekwu okwu, otu onye Farisii kporo ya oku oriri; O banyere nora n'ochi nri. O gbagwojuru onye Farisii ahụ anya ihu na Jesu ebughị uzo kwoo aka ya tupu o ribe ihe. Ma Dinwenu siri ya, "Unu ndi Farisii na-asacha azu iko na azu efere, ma n'ime, unu juputara n'anyaukwu na obiojoo. Unu ndi nzuzu! O bu na o bughị onye ahụ mere azu iko mekwara ime ya? Kama werenu ihe ndi ahụ di n'ime ruo oru ebere; ihe niile ga-adikwara unu ocha.

Ozioma nke Oseburuwa.

Ekpere Nhunye

Ka onyinye anyi, O Dinwenu, masi Kukupoeze gi inara, onye nke nabatara ka nnukwu aku odibo anya-rulu-ala nke Teresa di aso gbara. Site na Kristi Onyenweanyi.

Ukwe Oriri Nso

Aga m ekwe ukwe ebere gi ebighiebi, O Dinwenu site na ndudugandu niile onu m ga-ekwuputa eziokwu gi.

Prayer After Communion

Grant, O Lord our God, that your obedient family, whom you have fed with the Bread of heaven, may follow the example of Saint Teresa and rejoice to sing of your mercies for all eternity. Through Christ our Lord.

16 October [Nkwo] Wednesday of Week 28 (Green/White)
St Hedwig, Religious or St Margaret Mary Alacoque, Virgin (Opt. Mem.)
(For Entry Antiphon and Collect, see page 26)

First Reading

A reading from the letter of St. Paul to the Galatians (5:18-25)

If you are led by the Spirit, no law can touch you. When self-indulgence is at work the results are obvious: fornication, gross indecency and sexual irresponsibility; idolatry and sorcery; feuds and wrangling, jealousy, bad temper and quarrels; disagreements, factions, envy; drunkenness, orgies and similar things. I warn you now, as I warned you before: those who behave like this will not inherit the kingdom of God. What the Spirit brings is very different: love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, trustfulness, gentleness and self-control. There can be no law against things like that, of course. You cannot belong to Christ Jesus unless you crucify all self-indulgent passions and desires.

Since the Spirit is our life, let us be directed by the Spirit.

The word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm: Ps. 1:1-4.6 (R. Jn 8:12)

Response: Anyone who follows you, O Lord, will have the light of life.

1. Happy indeed is the man who follows not the counsel of the wicked; nor lingers in the way of sinners nor sits in the company of the scorners, but whose delight is the law of the Lord and who ponders his law day and night. (R.)

2. He is like a tree that is planted beside the flowing waters, that yields its fruit in due season and whose leaves shall never fade; and all that he does shall prosper. (R.)

3. Not so are the wicked, not so! For they like winnowed chaff shall be driven away by the wind. For the Lord guards the way of the just but the way of the wicked leads to doom. (R.)

Ekpere A Natachaa Oriri Nso

Mee, O Dinwenụ Chineke anyị, ka mezinaulo gị rubereisi, nke ị werela Achicha nke eluigwe zua, na-eso ukpuru nke Teriza di aso ma n'ibu abụ maka ebere gị ekpo niile. Site na Kristi Onyenweanyi.

Ihe Ogugu Nke Mbụ

Ihe ogugu e wetara n'akwukwozi Pọl di aso degaara ndi Galeshia (5:18-25)

Oburu na mmuo na-edu unu, unu anoghi kwa n'okpuru iwu. Ugbo a, oru nke anahụ putara ihe; ikwaiko, omume ruru inyi, aguu ikwaiko, ikpere arusi, igwo nsi, ibu iro, esemokwu, ekworo, onuma, icho nke onwe, nkewa, iro otu, ntaji anya, inubiga mm anya oke, iri oke oriri na igba ajo egwu na ihe ndiozo di otu a. Ana m ado unu aka na nti ugbo a otu m si doo unu na mbu, na ndi na-eme ihe di otu a agaghi eketa alaeze Chineke. Mana mkpuru nke mmuo bu: ihunaanya, onu, udo, ndidi, obioma, idi mma, ikwesi ntukwasioji, idi nwayoo na njikota nke onwe; o dighi iwu obula megidere ihe ndi a. Ndi niile bu ndi nke Jesu Kristi akpogbuola ochicho na aguu anahụ n'obe.

O buru na anyi na-adị ndu nke mmuo ka anyi na-emenụ omume site na nduzi nke mmuo.

Okwu nke Oseburuwa.

Abuoma na Aziza: Abụ. 1:1-4.6. (Az. Jn 8:12)

Aziza: Onye obula na-eso gi, Onyenweanyi, ga-enwe ihe nke ndu.

1. Anuri ga-adiri nwoke ahụ nke anaghi eso ndumodu onye ajoomume, mọbu nọdu n'otu ndi na-ekwuto Chineke; kama o na-enwe anuri n'ebe iwu Onyenweanyi di; ma na-achighari iwu ya n'obi ya ehihie na abali. (Az.)

2. O di ka osisi a kuru n'akuku iyi, nke namiputa ya n'oge ya, nke akwukwo ya anaghi akponwu akponwu, ihe niile o na-eme na-agara ya nke oma. (Az.)

3. O dighi otu a n'ebe ndi ajo mmadu no; Mba, n'ihina ha dika afuru oka nke ikuku na-ebughari. N'ihina Onyenweanyi na-echekwaba uzo ndi eziumume, mana uzo ndi ajo mmadu na-eduba n'ila n'iyi. (Az.)

Alleluia, alleluia! Jn 10:27

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

Gospel

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke (11:42-46)

The Lord said to the Pharisees: 'Alas for you Pharisees! You who pay your tithe of mint and rue and all sorts of garden herbs and overlook justice and the love of God! These you should have practised, without leaving the others undone. Alas for you Pharisees who like taking the seats of honour in the synagogues and being greeted obsequiously in the market squares! Alas for you, because you like the unmarked tombs that men walk on without knowing it!'

A lawyer then spoke up. 'Master,' he said, 'when you speak like this you insult us too.' 'Alas for you lawyers also,' he replied 'because you load on men burdens that are unendurable, burdens that you yourselves do not move a finger to lift.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Alaluya, alaluya! Jn. 10:27

Onyenweanyi kwuru si: Aturu m n-anu olu m, amakwara m ha, ha na-esokwa m. Alaluya!

Ozioma

Ihe ogugu nke a si n'Ozioma di aso nke Luk dere (11:42-46)

Jesu gwara ndi Farisii si, "Ma ahuhu ga-adiri unu, ndi Farisii! Unu na-enye onyinye ego na nke osisi na nke mkpa akwukwo di icheiche ma legbara ikpe nkwmoto na ihunaanya nke Chineke anya. Ihe niile ndi a ka unu kwesiri ime n'elegharaghi ndiozo anya. Ahuhu ga-adiri unu, ndi Farisii! N'ihina o na-amasi unu ino n'ochi kacha mma n'ulonzo niile na inara ekele puru iche n'oma ahia. Ahuhu ga-adiri unu! N'ihina unu dika ili ndi na-aputaghi ihe nke mmadu na-gafe n'elu ha n'amaghi na ha di."

Otu onye n'ime ndi okaiwu zara ya si, "Onye nkuzi, mgbe I na-ekwu otu a, anyi sokwa na ndi I na-akpari." Jesu wee si, "Ahuhu ga-adikwara unu ndi okaiwu! N'ihina unu na-ebo ndi mmadu ibu di aru ma unu onwe unu adighi emetu ibu ahu o buladi otu mkpisi aka unu."

Ozioma nke Oseburuwa.

(For Prayer Over The Offerings, Communion Antiphon, and Prayer After Communion, see page 28)



17 October [Eke] Thursday of Week 28 (Red)

St. Ignatius of Antioch, Bishop & Martyr (Memorial)

Born c. 50 A.D. in Syria, St. Ignatius was a convert from paganism, who grew to be one of the greatest bishops of the early Church. He was the successor of St. Peter as Bishop of Antioch. He was condemned to death during the Emperor Trajan's persecution. On his way to martyrdom, a journey which took months, he wrote a series of encouraging letters to the churches under his care, dwelling on the mystery of Christ, Church organization, Christian life and on the crown of martyrdom. He summed up his sentiments concerning his impending death thus: "I am the wheat of Christ, ground by the teeth of beasts to become pure bread." He died, being thrown to wild animals at the Roman colosseum, c.107.

Entry Antiphon

With Christ I am nailed to the cross, yet I am alive, though it is no longer I, but Christ who is alive in me. I live by faith in the Son of God who loved me, and gave himself up for me.

Collect

Almighty ever-living God, who adorn the sacred body of your Church with the confessions of holy martyrs, grant, we pray, that, just as the glorious passion of Saint Ignatius of Antioch which we celebrate today, brought him eternal splendour, so may it be for us unending protection. Through Christ our Lord.

Ukwe Mbata

Akpogbukoola mu na Kristi n'obe, mana a di m ndu, o bughi m kama o bu Kristi bu onye bizi n'ime m. E ji m okwukwe na Nwa nke Chineke adi ndu, onye huru m n'anya weere onwe ya nyefee maka m.

Ekpere Mmeghe

Chineke ji ike niile di uwatuwa, onye ji akaebe nke ndi di aso e gburu n'ihu gi acho ahụ di aso nke Nzuko gi mma, mee, anyi na-arịo, ka dika ahuhu di ebube nke Igneshius Antiok di aso anyi na-eri oriri taa, siri wetara ya ebube di okpu, ka o sikwa otu ahụ buuru anyi ihe nchedo ebighiebi.

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First Reading

A reading from the letter of St. Paul to the Ephesians (1:1-10)

From Paul, appointed by God to be an apostle of Christ Jesus, to the saints who are faithful to Christ Jesus: Blessed be God the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us with all the spiritual blessings of heaven in Christ. Before the world was made, he chose us, chose us in Christ, to be holy and spotless, and to live through love in his presence, determining that we should become his adopted sons, through Jesus Christ for his own kind purposes, to make us praise the glory of his grace, his free gift to us in the Beloved, in whom, through his blood, we gain our freedom, the forgiveness of our sins. Such is the richness of the grace which he has showered on us in all wisdom and insight. He has let us know the mystery of his purpose, the hidden plan he so kindly made in Christ from the beginning to act upon when the times had run their course to the end: that he would bring everything together under Christ, as head, everything in the heavens and everything on earth. The word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm: Ps. 97:1-6 (R. V.2)

Response: **The Lord has made known his salvation.**

1. Sing a new song to the Lord for he has worked wonders. His right hand and his holy arm have brought salvation. (R.)
2. The Lord has made known his salvation; has shown his justice to the nations. He has remembered his truth and love for the house of Israel. (R.)
3. All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God. Shout to the Lord all the earth, ring out your joy. (R.)
4. Sing Psalms to the Lord with the harp with the sound of music. With trumpets and the sound of the horn acclaim the King, the Lord. (R.)

Alleluia, alleluia! Jn.14:6

I am the Way, the Truth and the Life. No one can come to the Father except through me.

Gospel

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke (11:47-54)

Jesus said to the lawyers: 'Alas for you who build the tombs of the prophets, the men your ancestors killed! In this way you both witness what your ancestors did and approve it; they

Ihe Ogugu nke Mbu

Ihe ogugu e wetara n'akwukwozi Pol di aso degaara ndi Efesus (1:1-10)

Pol, nwaazu nke Jesu Kristi dika uche Chineke si cho, na-edegara ndi nso, ndi bukwa ndi kwerenu n'ime Jesu Kristi akwukwozi a. Ngozi diri Chineke na Nna nke Dinweni anyi Jesu Kristi, onye sitere n'eluigwe were ngozi niile nke mmuo gozie anyi n'ime Kristi. O hooro anyi n'ime Kristi tupu a too ntoala uwa, ka anyi diri ya nso n'enweghi ntupo obula n'ihu ya. O jiri ihunaanya nye anyi onodu; ka anyi buru umu ya site na Jesu Kristi dika ochicho nke uche ya siri di. O bu maka mbuli elu nke ngozi ya di otito, nke o nyere anyi n'efu n'ime Nwa ya o huru n'anya. N'ime ya ka anyi siri nweta nzoputa site n'obara ya, ya na mgbaghara nke njo anyi dika otu ngozi ya si baa uba, nke o nyebigara anyi oke. O jirila oke amamihe na nghota niile mee ka anyi mara ihe omimi nke di n'obi ya, dika nzube ya si di, nke o kwadobere n'ime Kristi, dika atumaatu nke gaejuputa mgbe oge ruu, ichikota ihe niile, ndi di n'eluigwe na ndi di n'owa n'okpuru ya. Okwu nke Oseburuwa.

Abuoma na Aziza: Abu. 98:1-6(Az.2)

Aziza: **Onyenweanyi egosila ike nzoputa ya.**

1. Kweere Onyenweanyi ukwe ohuru, n'ihina o ruu ru ebube, aka nri ya na aka ya di nso eweterela ya mmeri. (Az.)
2. Onyenweanyi egosila ike nzoputa ya, o meela ka mba niile mata ezionume ya. O chetala ihunaanya ya na ikwudosiike ya n'ebe ezinuulo Izrel no. (Az.)
3. Akuku uwa niile ahula nzoputa nke Chineke anyi. Uwa niile tjerenu Onyenweanyi mkpu onu, werenu ukwe na mkpu onu too ya. (Az.)
4. Kweereni Onyenweanyi ukwe werenu ubo akwara na ihe egwu di icheiche tiere Onyenweanyi egwu! Werenu opi igwe na mpi kwuputa na Onyenweanyi bu eze. (Az.)

Alaluya, alaluya! Jn 14:6

Mu onwe m bu uzo, eziokwu na ndu. Mo dighi onye obula ga-abiakwute Nna ma o bughi site na m.

Ozioma

Ihe Ogugu nke a si n'Ozioma di aso nke Luk dere (11:47-54)

Jesu gwara ndi okaiwu si ha: "Ahuhu ga-adiri unu! N'ihina unu na-aru ili ndi amuma, ndi nna unu ha gburu. Ya bu, unu bu ndi akaebe ma kwenyekwa n'ihe ndi nna unu ha mere; n'ihina

did the killing, you do the building.

‘And that is why the Wisdom of God said, “I will send them prophets and apostles; some they will slaughter and persecute, so that this generation will have to answer for every prophet’s blood that has been shed since the foundation of the world, from the blood of Abel to the blood of Zechariah, who was murdered between the altar and the sanctuary.” Yes, I tell you this generation will have to answer for it all.

‘Alas for you lawyers who have taken away the key of knowledge! You have not gone in yourselves, and have prevented others going in who wanted to.’

When he left the house, the scribes and the Pharisees began a furious attack on him and tried to force answers from him on innumerable questions, setting traps to catch him out in something he might say.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Prayer Over The Offerings

May this oblation and our homage be pleasing to you, O Lord, just as you accepted Saint Ignatius, the wheat of Christ, made pure bread through his martyrdom and passion. Through Christ our Lord.

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Communion Antiphon

I am the wheat of Christ to be ground by the teeth of beasts, that I may be found to be pure bread.

Prayer After Communion

May the heavenly Bread we have received on Saint Ignatius’ day, O Lord, renew us, we pray, and make us Christians in name and in deed. Through Christ our Lord.



18 October [Orie] Friday of Week 28 (Red) St Luke The Evangelist (Feast)

Born at Antioch to pagan Greek parents and possibly a slave, Luke was one of the earliest converts. He studied in Antioch and Tarsus and was a physician by profession (Colossians 4:14). Luke met St. Paul at Troas and joined him to evangelize Greece and Rome.

Luke wrote one of the synoptic Gospels, much of which was based on the teachings and writings of Paul. His Gospel shows special sensitivity to evangelizing Gentiles. He also wrote a history of the early Church: the Acts of the Apostles. Luke died c.74 A.D. in Greece; some stories say he was martyred. He is the patron of physicians and surgeons.

Entry Antiphon

How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of him who brings glad tidings of peace, bearing good news, announcing salvation!

ha gburu ha, unu aruo ili ha. O bu maka nke a ka Amamihe nke Chineke ji kwuo si, ‘Aga m ezigara ha ndi amuma na ndiozi, ufodu n’ime ha ka ha ga-egbu, takwaa ha ahuhu,’ Ya mere, n’aka ogbo a ka Chineke ga-aju ese maka obara ndi amuma niile a gbafuru site na mbido nke uwa, site n’obara Ebel ruo na nke Zekaria, onye e gburu n’agbata ebe nchuaja n’ulonso. Ee, agwa m unu, a ga-aju ese ha n’aka ogbo a.

Ahuhu ga-adiri unu ndi okaiwu! N’ihina unu ewepula igodo e ji agbaghe onuuzo amamihe; unu abanyeghi n’onwe unu, unu gbochikwara ndi na-agba mbo ibanye.

Mgbe Jesu si ebe ahụ pụo, ndi odeakwukwo na ndi Farisi bidoro isogbu ya, na ikpasu ya ikwu otutu okwu, na-esiri ya onya, ka ha mara ma O ga-ekwuhie onu, ka ha hu ihe ha ga-eji jide ya.

Ozioma nke Oseburuwa.

Ekpere Nhunye

Ka ajaonyinye a na ofufe ndu anyi buru ihe ga-amasi gi, O Dinwenụ, dika I siri nara Igneshius di aso, oka Kristi, nke e mere ka o buru achicha di ocha site na nhusianya ya na ogbugbu e gburu ya. Site na Kristi Onyenweanyi.

Ukwe Oriri Nso

A di m ka oka Kristi nke eze umu Anuohia gwerili, ka m were buru achicha di ocha.

Ekpere A Natachaa Oriri Nso

Ka achicha eluigwe anyi natarala n’ubochi nke Igneshius di aso, O Dinwenụ, gbanwoo anyi, anyi na-ario, ma mee ka anyi buru ndi otu Kristi ka n’ahia ma n’omume. Site na Kristi Onyenweanyi.

Ukwe Mbata

Lekene ka o siri maa mma n’eluugwu bu mmakwu onye ahụ na-ebute ozi udo di uto, burukwa ozioma, ma na-ekwusa nzoputa!

Collect

Lord God, who chose Saint Luke to reveal by his preaching and writings the mystery of your love for the poor, grant that those who already glory in your name may persevere as one heart and one soul, and that all nations may merit to see your salvation. Through our Lord.

First Reading

A reading from the second letter of St. Paul to Timothy (4:10-17)

Demas has deserted me for love of this life and gone to Thessalonika, Crescens has gone to Galatia and Titus to Dalmatia; only Luke is with me. Get Mark to come and bring him with you; I find him a useful helper in my work. I have sent Tychicus to Ephesus. When you come, bring the cloak I left with Carpus in Troas, and the scrolls, especially the parchment ones, Alexander the coppersmith has done me a lot of harm; the Lord will repay him for what he has done. Be on your guard against him yourself, because he has been bitterly contesting everything that we say.

The first time I had to present my defence, there was not a single witness to support me. Every one of them deserted me - may they not be held accountable for it. But the Lord stood by me and gave me power, so that through me the whole message might be proclaimed for all the pagans to hear.

The word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm: Ps. 144:10-13. 17-18. (R.v. 12)

Response: Your friends, O Lord, make known the glorious splendour of your reign.

1. All your creatures shall thank you, O Lord, and your friends shall repeat their blessing. They shall speak of the glory of your reign and declare your might, O God. (R.)
2. They make known to men your mighty deeds and the glorious splendour of your reign. Yours is an everlasting kingdom; your rule lasts from age to age. (R.)
3. The Lord is just in all his ways and loving in all his deeds. He is close to all who call him, who call on him from their hearts. (R.)

Alleluia, alleluia! Jn. 15:16

I chose you from the world to go out and to bear fruit, fruit that will last, says the Lord. Alleluia!

Ekpere Mmeghe

Onyenweanyi Chineke, onye kporo Luk di aso ka o si na nzisa na edemedega gosiputa iheomimi ihunaanya gi maka ndi ogbenye, mee ka ndi ahụ ji aha gi anyabu isi guzosie ike n'inwe otu mmuo na otu obi, ka mba niile kwesi imata nzoputa gi. Site na Dinwenụ anyi.

Ihe Ogugu Nke Mbu

Ihe ogugu e wetara n'akwukwozi nke abuo Pol di aso degaara Timoti (4:10-17)

N'ihina Demas, onye huru uwa nke a n'anya agbahapula m, gaa Tesolonika. Krisens agaala Galeshia, Taitus agaa Dalmesia. Naani Luk nonyeere m, Kporo Mak ka gi na ya soro bia. N'ihina o ga-enye aka n'ijere m ozi. Ezigala m Tichikus n'Efesús. Mgbe i na-abia, wetara m uwe m ji achu oyi nke m hapuru na Troas, n'aka Kapus. Wetakwara m akwukwo niile ahụ, nke ka nke, akwukwo ndekota niile ahụ e ji akpukpo anụ mee. Alegzanda, onye na-akpu ola mere m nnukwu ihe ojoo. Onyenweanyi ga-akwughachi ya dika omume ya si di. Kpachara anya gi n'ebe o no, n'ihina o kwusiri ike n'imegide ihe niile anyi kuziri.

N'oge mbu m putara ikpere onu m, o dighi onye kwunyeere m. Ha niile gbahapuru m. Ka Chineke gbaghara ha. Ma Onyenweanyi nonyeere m, nye m ike ikwusa ozioma ahụ n'uju, ka ndi mba ozo were nu ya. Okwu nke Oseburuwa.

Abuoma na Aziza: Abu. 145:10-13.17-18 (Az.12)

Aziza: Onyenweanyi, ndi enyi gi gae kwuputa idi ike ebube nke alaeze gi.

1. Onyenweanyi, ihe niile i kere ga-ekele gi, ndi kwere na gi ga-agozi gi. Ha gae kwuputa ebube nke alaeze gi ma kwuputakwa idi ike gi. (Az.)
2. Ka mmadu niile mata oru itunaanya gi niile, na ebube di elu nke alaeze gi. Alaeze gi ga-adị ebebe, ochichi gi na-adị na ndudugandu niile. (Az.)
3. Onyenweanyi di mma n'uzo ya niile. Oruaka ya niile na-egosi ihunaanya. Onyenweanyi no ndi niile na-akpoku ya nso, ndi ji ezi obi na-akpoku ya. (Az.)

Aleluya, aleluya! Jon 15:16

Dinwenu kwuru si, a hooro m unu; weputakwa unu icha ka unu gaa mia otutu mkpuru; mkpuru ga-anogide. Aleluya!

Gospel

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke (10:1-9)

The Lord appointed seventy-two others and sent them out ahead of him, in pairs, to all the towns and places he himself was to visit. He said to them, "The harvest is rich but the labourers are few, so ask the Lord of the harvest to send labourers to his harvest. Start off now, but remember, I am sending you out like lambs among wolves. Carry no purse, no haversack, no sandals. Salute no one on the road. Whatever house you go into, let your first words be, "Peace to this house!" And if a man of peace lives there, your peace will go and rest on him; if not, it will come back to you. Stay in the same house, taking what food and drink they have to offer, for the labourer deserves his wages; do not move from house to house. Whenever you go into a town where they make you welcome, eat what is set before you. Cure those in it who are sick, and say, "The kingdom of God is very near to you." The Gospel of the Lord.

Prayer Over The Offerings

Grant through your heavenly gifts that we may serve you in freedom of heart, we pray, O Lord, so that the offerings we make on the feast day of Saint Luke may bring us healing and give us glory. Through Christ our Lord.

For Preface, see Usoro Emume

Communion Antiphon

The Lord sent out disciples to proclaim throughout the towns: The kingdom of God is at hand for you.

Prayer After Communion

Grant, we pray, almighty God that what we have received from your holy altar may sanctify us and make us strong in the faith of the Gospel which Saint Luke proclaimed. Through Christ our Lord.



19 October [Afo] Saturday of Week 28 (Green/White/Red)

Ss. John de Brebeuf and Isaac Jogues, Priests & Their Companions, Martyrs; or St. Paul of the Cross, Priest (Opt. Mem.)

Entry Antiphon

Hail, holy Mother, you gave birth to the King who rules heaven and earth for ever!

Ozioma

Ihe ogugu nke a si n'Ozioma di aso nke Luk dere (10:1-9)

Mgbe nke a gachara, Dinwenu hoputara mmadu iri asaa ozo, zipu ha abuo abuo ka ha buru ya uzo gaa n'obodo obula na n'ebe obula ya onwe ya gaje ibia. O wee gwa ha si, "Owuwe ihe ubi buru ibu, ma ndi oru di olemaole. Ya mere, rionu Nna ukwu nke owuwe ihe ubi, ka o zite ndi oru n'owuwe ihe ubi ya." Gabanu; lee, ana m ezipu unu dika umuaturu n'etiti aguowuru. Unu ewela akpaego, mobu akpa obula, mobu akpukpoukwu. Unu ekelekwala onye obula n'uzo. Ulo obula unu banyere, burunu uzo si, "Udo diri ulo a!" O buru na nwa nke udo no ebe ahu, udo unu ga-adakwasa ya, ma o buru na o noghi, udo unu ga-aloghachitara unu. Nodunu n'otu ulo ahu, na-erinu na-anukwanu ihe obula ha nyere unu n'ihina onye oru kwesiri ugwo oru ya. Unu esikwala n'ulo fere n'ulo. Mgbe unu banyere n'ulo obula ha nabata unu, rienu ihe obula ha chere unu n'ihu: Gwoonu ndi oria no n'obodo ahu, gwanu ndi obodo ahu si, "Alaeze Chineke abiaruola unu nso." Ozioma nke Oseburuwa.

Ekpere Nhunye

Mee site na onyinye eluigwe gi ka anyi were obi nweere onwe ya agbara gi odibo, anyi na-ario, O Dinwenu, ka onyinye anyi na-ebutega n'ubochi oriri nke Luk di aso wetara anyi ogwugwo ma nyekwa anyi otito. Site na Kristi Onyenweanyi.

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Ukwe Oriri Nso

Onyenweanyi zigara ndi na-eso uzo ya oka ha kwusaa n'obodo niile ga: Alaeze Chineke abiala nso maka unu.

Ekpere A Natachaa Oriri Nso

Mee, anyi na-ario, Chineke ji ike niile, ka ihe ndi anyi sirila n'ebe nchuaja gi nata doo anyi aso ma meekwa ka anyi di ike n'okwukwe nke Ozioma nke Luk di aso kwusara. Site na Kristi Onyenweanyi.

Our Lady of Saturday

Ukwe Mbata

Ekele, Nne di aso, I muru Eze na-achi eluigwe na uwa ebighiebi!

Collect

Grant us, O merciful God, protection in our weakness, that we who keep the Memorial of the holy Mother of God may, with the help of her intercession, rise up from our iniquities. Through our Lord.

First Reading

A reading from the letter of St. Paul to the Ephesians (1:15-23)

Il, having once heard about your faith in the Lord Jesus, and the love that you show towards all the saints, have never failed to remember you in my prayers and to thank God for you. May the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, give you a spirit of wisdom and perception of what is revealed, to bring you to full knowledge of him. May he enlighten the eyes of your mind so that you can see what hope his call holds for you, what rich glories he has promised the saints will inherit and how infinitely great is the power that he has exercised for us believers. This you can tell from the strength of his power at work in Christ, when he used it to raise him from the dead and to make him sit at his right hand, in heaven, far above every sovereignty, Authority, Power, or Domination, or any other name that can be named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. He has put all things under his feet, and made him as the ruler of everything, the head of the Church; which is his body, the fulness of him who fills the whole creation.

The word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm Ps 8:2-7 (R.v. 7)

Response: **You gave your Son power over the works of your hand.**

1. How great is your name, O Lord our God, through all the earth! Your majesty is praised above the heavens on the lips of children and of babes. (R.)

2. When I see the heavens, the works of your hands, the moon and the stars which you arranged, what is man that you should keep him in mind, mortal man that you care for him? (R.)

3. Yet you have made him little less than a god; with glory and honour you crowned him, gave him power over the works of your hand, put all things under his feet. (R.)

Alleluia, alleluia! 1 Sam 3:9; Jn. 6:68

Speak, Lord, your servant is listening: You have the message of eternal life. Alleluia!

Ekpere Mmeghe

Nye anyi, O Chineke di ebere, nchedo n'adighi ike anyi, ka anyi bu ndi na-edobe Ncheta Nne nke Chukwu di aso, site n'enyemaka aririyo ya, si na mmehie anyi kulite. Site na Dinwenụ anyi.

Ihe Ogugu nke Mbu

Ihe ogugu e wetara n'akwukwo ozi Pol di aso degaara ndi Efesus (1:15-23)

N'ihi nke a, mgbe m nuru banyere Okwukwe unu nwere n'ime Dinwenụ anyi Jesu kristi na ihunaanya unu nwere n'ebe ndi nsọ niile no; ewepughị m aka n'ikele Chineke banyere unu. Ana m echeta unu n'ekpere. Ka Chineke nke Dinwenụ anyi Jesu Kristi, Nna nke otito, nye unu mmuo nke amamihe na nke mkpughe jiri mata ya. Ana m ariokwa ka Chineke meghee anyi nke obi unu. Ka unu wee mata ihe bu nchekwube nke okpukpo o kporo unu, na ihe bu akụ nke nketa ahụ di ebube n'etiti ndi nsọ ya; na ihe bu idi ukwu na-enweghi atụ nke ike ya n'ime anyi, bu ndi kwere ekwe, dika oru nke ike aka ya siri di. Nke a bu nke o mejuputara n'ime Kristi mgbe o siri n'onwu kulie ya, mekwaa ka o noro n'aka nri ya n'alaeze eluigwe, ka o nodu n'ebe di elu karichaa ochichi niile na ike niile na ibu isi niile bia dikwa elu kara aha obula a marala, o bughi naanị n'ogbo nke a, kama ma ogba nke ga-abianu. Chineke edobekwala ihe niile n'okpuru ukwu ya, mekwaa ya isi ihe niile maka nzuko ya, nke bu ahụ, ya na uju nke onye ahụ na-emezu ihe niile juputara ihe niile.

Okwu nke Oseburuwa.

Abuoma na Aziza Abu 8:1-6 (Az.6)

Aziza: **I mere Nwa gi nnaukwu ihe niile e kere eke, were ihe niile dobe n'okpuru ya.**

1. Nyenweanyi Chineke anyi, lee ka aha gi siri di elu n'awa niile. N'eluigwe umuaka na ndi e ku n'aka na-ekwe ebube gi. (Az.)

2. M lee anya n'eluigwe i ji aka gi mee, ya na onwa na kpakpando i kere; gini ka mmadu bu I ji eche echiche banyere ya, nwa nke mmadu na i na-eleta ya anya? (Az.)

3. N'agbanyeghi, i mere ka o jiri obere ihe kara ndi mmuoma nta, I jikwa ugwu na nsopuru choo ya mma dika okpueze. I mere ya nnaukwu ihe niile e kere eke were ihe niile dobe n'okpuru ya. (Az.)

Aleluya, aleluya! 1 Sam 3:9

Kwuwe Onyenwe M, nwodibo gi na-ege nti: o bu ginwa ji okwu nke ndu ebebe. Aleluya!

Gospel

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke (12:8-12)

Jesus said to his disciples, 'I tell you, if anyone openly declares himself for me in the presence of men, the Son of Man will declare himself for him in the presence of God's angels. But the man who disowns me in the presence of men will be disowned in the presence of God's angels.'

'Everyone who says a word against the Son of Man will be forgiven, but he who blasphemes against the Holy Spirit will not be forgiven.'

'When they take you before synagogues and magistrates and authorities, do not worry about how to defend yourselves or what to say, because when the time comes, the Holy Spirit will teach you what you must say.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Prayer Over The Offerings

As we honour the memory of the Mother of your Son, we pray, O Lord, that the oblation of this sacrifice may, by your grace, make of us an eternal offering to you. Through Christ our Lord.

For Preface, see Usoro Emume Missa (2018 Edition) p. 88

Communion Antiphon

He who is mighty has done great things for me, and holy is his name.

Prayer After Communion

Having been made partakers of eternal redemption, we pray, O Lord, that we who commemorate the Mother of your Son, may glory in the fullness of your grace and experience its continued increase for our salvation. Through Christ our Lord.

Ozioma

Ihe ogugu nke a si n'Ozioma di aso nke Luk dere (12:8-12)

Jesu gwara ndi na-eso uzo ya si: Agwa m unu, onye obula na-ekwuputa m n'ihu ndi mmadu ka Nwa nke mmadu ahụ ga-ekwuputa n'ihu ndi mmuooma nke Chineke; ma onye ahụ nke na-agonahu m n'ihu ndi mmadu, ka a ga-agonahu.

Onye obula na-ekwu okwu megide Nwa nke mmadu ahụ, a ga-agbaghara ya; ma a gaghi agbaghara onye obula nke na-ekwuto Mmuo Nso.

Mgbe ha kpuputara unu n'ihu ulonzuko, ndi ochichi na ndiisi, unu echegbula onwe unu otu unu ga-esi, mobu ihe unu ga-aza, mobu ihe unu ga-ekwu; n'hina Mmuo Nso ga-akuziri unu n'oge ahụ, ihe unu kwesiri ikwu.

Ozioma nke Oseburuwa.

Ekpere Nhunye

Ka anyi na-asopuru ncheta Nne nke Nwa gi, anyi na-ario, O Onyenweanyi, ka onyinye aja nke a, site na'amara gi, mee anyi onyinye okpu ehunyeere gi. Site na Kristi Onyenweanyi.

Ukwe Oriri Nso

Onye ji ike niile arugooro m nnukwu ihenga, aha ya di aso.

Ekpere A Natachaa Oriri Nso

Ka emerela ka anyi keta oke na mgbaputa di okpu, anyi na-ario, O Onyenweanyi, ka anyi bu ndi na-echeta Nne nke Nwa gi, nyaa isi n'uju nke amara gi were hu mbawanye uto ya maka nzoputa anyi. Site na Kristi Onyenweanyi.

**29TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (B)
20 October 2024 [Nkwo] (Green)**

**Office:
Week 1**



World Mission Sunday

World Mission Sunday was instituted in 1926 by Pope Pius XI. It is a day set aside to focus on the missionary nature of the Church, calling for prayer, sacrifice and support for the work of evangelization.

In the First Reading, Isaiah prophesizes the glory that awaits God's servant - destined to save many by his suffering. The Responsorial Psalm exalts God's faithfulness, justice, compassion and love, revealed by His word. The Second Reading affirms the mediation of Jesus Christ who through his perseverance in weakness and temptation, proves to be faithful servant and Son of God to be trusted. The Son of God in the Gospel invites his followers to his own kind of servant-leadership, with eagerness to share in his suffering and cross, warning against earthly lust for power.

Entry Antiphon

To you I call; for you will surely heed me, O God; turn your ear to me; hear my words. Guard me as the apple of your eye; hide me in the shadow of your wings.

Collect

Almighty ever-living God, grant that we may always conform our will to yours and serve your majesty in sincerity of hearts. Through our Lord.

First Reading

A reading from the prophet Isaiah (53:10-11)

The Lord has been pleased to crush him with suffering. If he offers his life in atonement, he shall see his heirs, he shall have a long life and through him what the Lord wishes will be done. His soul's anguish over he shall see the light and be content. By his sufferings shall my servant justify many, taking their faults on himself. The word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm Ps. 32:4-5.18-20.22 (R.v. 22)

Response: **May your love be upon us, O Lord, as we place all our hope in you.**

1. The word of the Lord is faithful and all his works to be trusted. The Lord loves justice and right and fills the earth with his love. (R.)
2. The Lord looks on those who revere him, on those who hope in his love, to rescue their souls from death, to keep them alive in famine. (R.)
3. Our soul is waiting for the Lord. The Lord is our help and our shield. May your love be upon us, O Lord, as we place all our hope in you. (R.)

Second Reading

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews (4:14-16)

Since in Jesus, the Son of God, we have the supreme high priest who has gone through to the highest heaven, we must never let go of the faith that we have professed. For it is not as if we had a high priest who was incapable of feeling our weaknesses with us; but we have one who has been tempted in every way that we are, though he is without sin. Let us be confident, then, in approaching the throne of

Ukwe Mbata

Chineke m, ebekuola m Gi n'ihina na I na-anu olu m. Too nti n'ala, nuru okwu onu m. Onyenwe m, chekwaba m dika I si echekwaba mkpuru anya Gi; zobe m n'okpuru nku Gi.

Ekpere Mmeghe

Chineke puru ime ihe niile, Onye di ndu ebighe ebi, biko mee ka anyi gooro Gi onwe anyi, biakwa were obi diocha na-efe ebube eze Gi mgbe niile. Site na Diinwenụ anyi.

Ihe Ogugu Nke Mbụ

Ihe ogugu e wetaara n'akwukwo onye amuma Aizaya (53:10-11)

Ma o bu uche nke Chineke ita ya ahuhu; o tinyela ya n'iru uju; mgbe o jiri onwe ya chuo aja maka njo. O ga-ahu umuumu ya, mekwaa ka ubochi ya n'uwa too ogologo. Sitekwa na ya ka a ga-eji mee uche Chineke; O ga-ahu mkpuru nke ahuhu o tara, wee nwee afọ ojuju, site n'amamihe ya, ka nwodibo m nke na-eme ezigbo omume, na-akwubakwa aka ya oto gagesi mee ka otutu diri ka ya wee na-akwuba aka ha oto; Ya onwe ya ga-ebu mmehie ha. Okwu nke Oseburuwa.

Abụoma na Aziza Abụ 33:4-5.18-20.22 (Az.22)

Aziza: **Ka ihunaanya gi di n'ebe anyi no, O Onyenweanyi, ebe nchekwube anyi di na gi.**

1. Okwu nke Onyenweanyi bu eziokwu O nakwudosiike n'oru ya niile. O huru eziumume na ikpe nkwmoto n'anya, ihunaanya ya juputara n'uwa. (Az.)
2. Ma lee ka Onyenweanyi si eleta ndi niile na-aturu ya egwu anya, ndi niile tukwasiriobi ha n'ihunaanya ya. Ka O wee zoputa mkpuruobi ha n'onwu, ma chekwaba ha oge unwu. (Az.)
3. Mkpuruobi anyi na-eche Onyenweanyi; Ya bu onye enyemaka anyi na onye ogbugbo anyi, Ka ihunaanya gi di n'ebe anyi no, O Chineke ebe nchekwube anyi di na gi. (Az.)

Ihe Ogugu Nke Abụ

Ihe ogugu e wetaara n'akwukwo Hibru (4:14-16)

Ebe o bu na anyi nwere nnukwu onyeisi nchujaja, onye nke gaferela n'eluigwe, Jesu, Nwa nke Chukwu, ka anyi jidesienu okwukwe anyi ike. Onyeisi nchujaja anyi nwere abughi nke na-enweghi obi ebere n'adighi ike anyi, kama anyi nwere onyeisi nchujaja nke a nwarala n'uzo obula otu e si anwa anyi ma o meghe njo. Ka anyi were ntukwasiriobi bia nso n'ocheeze nke amara,

grace, that we shall have mercy from him and find grace when we are in need of help.
The word of the Lord.

Alleluia, alleluia! Mk 10:45

For the Son of Man Himself did not come to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many.
Alleluia!

Gospel

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark (10:35-45)

James and John, the sons of Zebedee, approached Jesus. "Master," they said to him "we want you to do us a favour." He said to them, "what is it you want me to do for you?" They said to him, "Allow us to sit one at your right hand and the other at your left in your glory." "You do not know what you are asking" Jesus said to them. "Can you drink the cup that I must drink, or be baptised with the baptism with which I must be baptised?" They replied, "we can." Jesus said to them, "The cup that I must drink you shall drink, and with the baptism with which I must be baptised you shall be baptised, but as for seats at my right hand or my left, these are not mine to grant; they belong to those to whom they have been allotted."

When the other ten heard this they began to feel indignant with James and John, so Jesus called them to him and said to them, "You know that among the pagans their so-called rulers lord it over them, and their great men make their authority felt. This is not to happen among you. No; anyone who wants to become great among you must be your servant, and anyone who wants to be first among you must be slave to all. For the Son of Man himself did not come to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many."

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Prayer Over The Offerings

Grant us, Lord, we pray, a sincere respect for your gifts, that, through the purifying action of your grace, we may be cleansed by the very mysteries we serve. Through Christ our Lord.

Communion Antiphon

Behold, the eyes of the Lord are on those who fear him, who hope in his merciful love, to rescue their souls from death, to keep them alive in famine.

iji nata ebere na iji chọta amara mgbe ọbula anyị nọ na mkpa.

Okwu nke Oseburuwa.

Alaluya, alaluya! Mak 10:45

Nihina Nwa nke Mmadu biakwara, o bughị ka a gbaara ya odibo, kama ka ọ buru odibo, werekwa ndu ya nye maka mgbaputa ọtụtụ mmadu. Alaluya!

Ozioma

Ihe ogugu nke a si n'Ozioma di aso nke Mak dere (10:35-45)

Emechaa Jemis na Jon umu Zebedi, were biakwute Jesu, si ya, "Onyenkuzi, anyi na-acho ka i meere anyi otu ihe anyi ga-ario gi." Jesu juru ha si, "Gini ka unu choro ka m meere unu?" Ha siri ya, "Biko, kwee ka anyi nodu, otu n'aka nri gi, otu n'aka ekpe gi, mgbe obula i ga-anodu n'ocheeze gi." Ma Jesu siri ha, "Unu amaghi ihe unu na-ario. Unu nwere ike inu iko m ga-anu, mabu kwe ka e mee unu udi mimirichukwu ahụ nke a ga-eme m?" Ha zara ya, "Anyi nwere ike." Jesu siri ha, "Iko nke m ga-anu ka unu ga-anu, mimirichukwu nke a ga-eme m ka ga-emekwa unu. Ma, o bughị m ga-ekpebi onye ga-ano n'aka nri m mabu n'aka ekpe m. Kama onodu ahụ diiri ndi niile a kwadebeere ya."

Mgbe umuazu Jesu mmadu iri ozo nuru maka aririo umunne abuo ahụ, iwe juputara ha obi n'ebe Jemis na Jon no. Ma Jesu kpokotara ha onu si ha, "Unu amarala na n'etiti ndi ogo mimuo ndi kwesiri ichi ha na-achi ochichi nchigbu. Ndi nnukwu mmadu ha na-egosikwa na ha ji ike ochichi. Ma o gaghi adi otu a n'etiti unu. Kama onye obula ga-abu onye ukwu n'etiti unu ga-aburiri nwodibo unu. Onye obulakwa nke ga-abu onye mbu n'etiti unu ga-aburiri ohu unu niile. Nihina Nwa nke mmadu biakwara, o bughị ka a gbaara ya odibo, kama ka ọ buru odibo, werekwa ndu ya nye maka mgbaputa ọtụtụ mmadu."

Ozioma nke Oseburuwa.

Ekpere Nhunye

Onyenweanyi, mee ka anyi jiri obi anyi niile, were onyinye I nyere anyi na-eke Gi. Biko, were amara Gi wuchaa anyi, ka anyi wee di ocha, site n'ihe omimi nke a anyi ji agbara Gi odibo. Site na Kristi Onyenweanyi.

Ukwe Oriri Nso

Lee ka anya Dinwenu si ledoo ndi na-Laturu Ya egwu, ndi chekwubere n'ihunanya Ya; ka O zoputa ha n'onwu, were nye ha nri n'oge oke aguu.

Prayer After Communion

Grant, O Lord, we pray, that, benefitting from participation in heavenly things, we may be helped by what you give in this present age and prepared for the gifts that are eternal. Through Christ our Lord.



Message of the Holy Father Francis for the 98th World Mission Day

See pages 63 & 64

21 October [Eke] Monday of Week 29 (Green)

(For Entry Antiphon and Collect, see page 40)

First Reading

A reading from the letter of St. Paul to the Ephesians (2:1-10).

You were dead, through the crimes and the sins in which you used to live when you were following the way of this world, obeying the ruler who governs the air, the spirit who is at work in the rebellious. We all were among them too in the past, living sensual lives, ruled entirely by our own physical desires and our own ideas; so that by nature we were as much under God's anger as the rest of the world. But God loved us with so much love that he was generous with his mercy: when we were dead through our sins, he brought us to life with Christ - it is through grace that you have been saved - and raised us up with him and gave us a place with him in heaven, in Christ Jesus.

This was to show for all ages to come, through his goodness towards us in Christ Jesus, how infinitely rich he is in grace. Because it is by grace that you have been saved, through faith; not by anything of your own, but by a gift from God; not by anything that you have done, so that nobody can claim the credit. We are God's work of art, created in Christ Jesus to live the good life as from the beginning he had meant us to live it.

The word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm: Ps. 99 (R.v.3) 1-5

Response: **He made us, we belong to him.**

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. Go within his gates, giving thanks. Enter his courts with songs of praise. Give thanks to him and bless his name. (R)

Ekpere A Natachaa Oriri Nso

Dinwenụ, biko mee ka anyị na-aga n'ihu site n' inata oriri nso a ugboro ugboro; ka anyị site n'enyemaka anyị na-enweta n' ihe nke uwa a, were mata ihe nke eluigwe. Site na Kristi Dinwenụ anyị.

The Ogugu Nke Mbu

Ihe ogugu e wetara n'akwukwozi Pol di aso degaara ndi Efesus (2:1-10).

O mere ka unu dikwa ndu ozo mgbe unu nwuru anwu site na njehie uzo, ya na njo unu nke unu biri n'ime ya na mbu; na-awaghari n' uzo na n'omume ojoo nke ndi bi n'uwa, unu na-esokwa onye ochichi na-achi ike nke ikuku bu mmuo nke na-arụ oru ugbo a n'ime unu bu umu nke inupuisi. Anyi niile ebitala na mbu n'etiti ihe ndi a mgbe anyi na-eso ochicho nke anuahụ na nke mmuo anyi. Anyi si n'uzo di otu a, soro ndi ozo niile buru ndi e meere iwe nke Chineke. Ma Chineke onye nke juputara n'ebere, site na nnukwu ihunaanya nke o huru anyi, o buladi mgbe anyi nwuru anwu site na njo anyi, mere ka anyi soro Kristi dikwa ndu ozo (site n' amara unu enwetala nzoputa). O kulitekwara anyi na ya meekwaa ka anyi na ya noro n' alaeze eluigwe n'ime Jesu Kristi.

Ka o wee buru na ogbo na-abia n'ihu na o gageosi uba nke amara ya na-enweghi atu, n'obi oma ya n'ebe anyi no n'ime Jesu Kristi. N'ihina e jirila amara zoputa unu site n'okwukwe; o bughi site n'ike unu kama o bu onyinye nke Chineke, o bughi site n'oru ka onye obula gharakwa inya isi. Anyi bu aka oru ya e kere n'ime Jesu Kristi maka ezi oru Chineke kwadobere site na mbu, nke anyi kwesiri iga n'ime ha.

Okwu nke Oseburuwa.

Abuoma na Aziza: Abu. 100 (Az.3) 1-5

Aziza: **Ya kere anyi, O bukwaa ya nwe anyi.**

1. Uwa niile tjerenu Onyenweanyi mkpu onu, Werenu iti mkpu onu bia n'ihu ya. (Az.)

2. Maranu na Onyenweanyi bu Chineke, ya kere anyi, O bukwaa ya nwe anyi, anyi bu ndi nke ya, anyi bukwaa igwe aturu ya. (Az.)

3. Werenu ekele baa n'onuzo ama ya niile, werenu otito baa n'ogige ya niile, kelenu ya, goziekwana aha ya. (Az.)

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4. N'ihina Onyenweanyi di mma, Ihunaanya ya

4. Indeed, how good is the Lord, eternal his merciful love. He is faithful from age to age. (R.) na-adi ebebe, ntukwasijobi ya na-adigide bido na-ndudugandụ ruo na ndudugandụ. (Az.)

Alleluia, alleluia! Mt. 5:3

How happy are the poor in spirit; theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Gospel

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke (12:13-21).

A man in the crowd said to Jesus, 'Master, tell my brother to give me a share of our inheritance.' 'My friend', he replied, 'who appointed me your judge, or the arbitrator of your claims?' Then he said to them, 'watch, and be on your guard against avarice of any kind, for a man's life is not made secure by what he owns, even when he has more than he needs.'

Then he told them a parable: 'There was once a rich man who, having had a good harvest from his land, thought to himself, what am I to do? I have not enough room to store my crops.' Then he said, 'This is what I will do: I will pull down my barns and build bigger ones, and store all my grain and my goods in them, and I will say to my soul: My soul, you have plenty of good things laid by for many years to come; take things easy, eat, drink, have a good time.' But God said to him, 'Fool! This very night the demand will be made for your soul; and this hoard of yours, whose will it be then?' So it is when a man stores up treasures for himself in place of making himself rich in the sight of God.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Alaluya, alaluya! Mt. 5:3

Ngozi na-adiri ndi dara ogbenye n'ime mmuo, n'ihu na alaeze eluigwe bu nke ha. Alaluya!

Ozioma

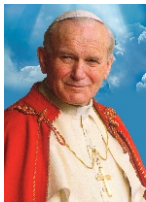
Ihe Ogugu nke a si n'Ozioma di aso nke Luk dere (12:13-21).

Otu onye n'ime igwe mmadu ahụ siri Jesu, "Onye nkuzi, gwa nwanne m nwoke ka anyị kee ihe anyị nwetara n'aka nna anyị." Ma Jesu zara ya si, "Nwoke m, onye mere m onye ikpe, mọbu onye na-eke ihe n'ebe unu no?" O gwara ha si, "Kpacharanu anya, zerekwanu anyaukwu niile; n'ihina ihe mejuputara ndu mmadu abughi oke akunuba o nwere."

O gwakwara ha okwu n'ukabulu si, "Ala ubi otu nwoke bara ogaranya wetara otutu ihe; o wee na-eche n'ime obi ya si, 'Gini ka m ga-eme n'ihina enweghi m ebe m ga-ehekwa ihe ubi m ndi a?' O kwuru si, 'Nke a ka m ga-eme: aga m akwatu oba m niile, ruo ndi ka ha obosara, ebe ahụ ka m ga-ehekwa oka m niile na akunuba m niile. Mgbe ahụ, agam asi mkpuruobi m, 'Mkpuruobi, i nwere otutu akunuba e debeere gi maka otutu afo; dere juu, rie, nuo, nwee obi anuri.' Ma Chineke siri ya, 'Onye nzuzu! N'abali taa ka m ga-acho mkpuruobi gi n'aka gi; ihe niile i kpakoro nke onye ka ha ga-abu?' Otu a ka o di onye obula na-akwadoro onwe ya aku ma o bughi ogaranya n'ebe Chineke no."

Ozioma nke Oseburuwa.

(For Prayer Over The Offerings, Communion Antiphon, and Prayer After Communion, see pages 41 & 42)



22 October [Orie] Tuesday of Week 29 (White)

St. John Paul II, Pope (Memorial)

Karol Wojtyla was born 1920 in Wadowice, Poland. His mother, father, and only brother had all died before he was 21, leaving him the sole surviving member of his family. After his priestly ordination and theological studies in Rome, he returned to homeland to be assigned pastoral and academic tasks. He was ordained Auxiliary Bishop at the age of 38, and in 1964 became the Archbishop of Krakow. He was in

1978 elected the first non-Italian Pope since

16th century at the age of 58, and took the name John Paul II. During his pontificate that lasted for over a quarter of a century, he undertook numerous pastoral journeys to more than 120 countries, promoting dialogue between nations and between religions. With emphasis on the dignity and rights of the human person, he campaigned against political oppression and the use of violence, upholding forgiveness. He visited Mehmet Ali Agca who attempted in 1981 to assassinate him to personally offer him forgiveness. His charisma showed in his denunciation of the materialism of Western society, and in his emphasis on solidarity as path to peace. He contributed to the fall of

the Communist Russia in 1991. With staunch pro-life outlook, he exhibited exceptional zeal for families, young people and the sick. He had great devotion to Divine Mercy and the Blessed Virgin Mary, both of which he promoted. Weakened by Parkinson's disease and age, he died in 2005 and was canonized by Pope Francis in 2014.

Entry Antiphon

I will look after my sheep, says the Lord, and I shall appoint a shepherd to pasture them, and I, the Lord, will be their God.

Collect

O God, who are rich in mercy and who willed that the blessed John Paul the Second should preside as Pope over your universal Church, grant, we pray, that instructed by his teaching, we may open our hearts to the saving grace of Christ, the sole Redeemer of mankind. Who lives and reigns.

First Reading

A reading from the letter of St. Paul to the Ephesians (2:12-22).

Do not forget that you had no Christ and were excluded from membership of Israel, aliens with no part in the covenants with their Promise; you were immersed in this world, without hope and without God. But now in Christ Jesus, you that used to be so far apart from us have been brought very close, by the blood of Christ. For he is the peace between us, and has made the two into one and broken down the barrier which used to keep them apart, actually destroying in his own person the hostility caused by the rules and decrees of the Law. This was to create one single New Man in himself out of the two of them and by restoring peace through the cross, to unite them both in a single Body and reconcile them with God. In his own person he killed the hostility. Later he came to bring the good news of peace, peace to you who were far away and peace to those who were near at hand. Through him, both of us have in the one Spirit our way to come to the Father.

So you are no longer aliens or foreign visitors: you are citizens like all the saints, and part of God's household. You are part of a building that has the apostles and prophets for its foundations, and Christ Jesus himself for its main cornerstone. As every structure is aligned on him, all grow into one holy temple in the Lord; and you too, in him, are being built into a house where God lives, in the Spirit.

The word of the Lord.

Ukwe Mbata

A ga m elezi umu aturu m anya, Onyenweanyi na-ekwu, a ga m ahota onyencheaturu ga-edu ha, ma munwa, Dinwenu, ga-abu Chineke ha.

Ekpere Mmeghe

O Chineke, onye di uba n'ebere bu onye o masiri ka Jon Pol nke Abuo di ngozi chiaa zuzugbe Nzuko ka Pop, mee, anyi nari, ka sitena mmuta anyi nwetara na nkuzi ya, anyi ewere meghepu obi anyi nyere amara nzoputa Kristi, bu ya bu so Onye Nzoputa mmadu dum. Onye di ndu na-achi.

Ihe Ogugu Nke Mbu

Ihe ogugu e wetara n'akwukwozi Pol di aso degaara ndi Efesus (2:12-22).

Chetanu mgbe e kewapuru unu na Kristi. E kewaputakwara unu site na mmekorita nke Izrel, burukwa ndi obia n'ogbugbandu ahu, na-enweghi olileanya na na-enwekwaghi Chineke, n'ime uwa. Ugbo a n'ime Jesu Kristi, unu bu ndi nobu n'ebe di anya ka e wedeberela nso n'ime obara Kristi. Ya bu udo anyi, onye merela anyi ka anyi buru otu ma kwatuokwa mgbidi nkewa nke na-eweta iro. O sitere n'ahu ya weta n'isi njedebe, iwu na atumaatu nke ndi Juu, ka o wee ji mmadu abuo ahu meputa otu mmadu ohuru n'ime onwe ya, si n'uzo di otu a na-eme ka udo di. N'uzo di otu a ka o ga-esi kpeziere anyi na Chineke site n'obe ya, wetakwa n'isi njedebe, iro di n'etiti ha abuo. O biakwara kwusaara unu ndi no ebe di anya na unu ndi no nso, ozioma nke udo. O bu site na ya ka anyi ji nwee ike n'ime otu mmuo ahu, ibiakwute Nna.

Ya bu unu esorola ndi nso buru ndi a muru n'ala, n'ezinulo Chineke; nke a rukwasara n'elu ntoala nke umazuru na ndiamuma, nke Jesu Kristi n'onwe ya bu okwute ntoala ya. O bu n'ime ya ka ihe ndi a niile jikotara onu, too, wee buru ulonso n'ime Dinwenu. N'ime ya ka a runyekwara unu dika ebe obibi nke Chineke n'ime mmuo.

Okwu nke Oseburuwa.

Responsorial Psalm: Ps. 84:9-14. (R.v.9)

Response: The Lord speaks of peace for his people.

1. I will hear what the Lord God has to say, a voice that speaks of peace, His help is near for those who fear him and his glory will dwell in our land. (R.)

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

3. 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.)

Alleluia, alleluia! Lk 21:36

Stay awake, praying at all times for the strength to stand with confidence before the Son of Man. Alleluia!

Gospel

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke (12:35-38).

Jesus said to his disciples: 'See that you are dressed for action and have your lamps lit. Be like men waiting for their master to return from the wedding feast, ready to open the door as soon as he comes and knocks. Happy those servants whom the master finds awake when he comes. I tell you solemnly, he will put on an apron, sit them down at table and wait on them. It may be in the second watch he comes, or in the third, but happy those servants if he finds them ready.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Prayer Over The Offerings

Look with favour, O Lord, we pray, on the offerings we set upon this sacred altar on the feast day of blessed John Paul the Second, that, bestowing on us your pardon, our oblations may give honour to your name. Through Christ our Lord.

For Preface, see Usoro Emume Missa (2018 Edition) p. 107

Communion Antiphon

It was not you who chose me, says the Lord, but I who chose you and appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last.

Post-Communion

Renewed by the sacred mysteries, we humbly pray, O Lord, that, following the example of blessed John

Abuoma na Aziza: Abu. 85:8-13. (Az.8)

Aziza: Onyenweanyi na-ekwu udo maka ndi nke ya.

1. Ana m ege nti n'ihe Chineke, Onyenweanyi na-ekwu, ihe o na-ekwu bu udo. N'ezie, nzoputa ya di nso maka ndi na-aturu ya egwu, ka ebube ya wee nogide n'ala anyi. (Az.)

2. Ihunaanya na okwukwe amakuola, eziumume na udo ebiela oma. Irubeisi ga-esi n'ala pulite, eziumume ga-esi n'elu ledata anya. (Az.)

3. Onyenweanyi ga-enye anyi oganiihu, ala anyi ga-amita mkpuru, bawanye. Eziumume ga-aga n'ihu ya, udo ga na-eso nzo ukwu ya. (Az.)

Aleluya, aleluya! Lk. 21:36

Nodunu na nche; na-ekpekwanu N'ekpere mgbe niile, ka unu nwekwa ike iguzo n'ihu nwa nke mmaadu ahụ.

Ozioma

Ihe Ogugu nke a si n'Ozioma di aso nke Luk dere (12:35-38).

Jesu gwara ndi na-eso uzo ya si: "Keenu aji n'ume, ka oku unu na-enwukwa, dikwanu ka ndi na-eche nna ha ukwu mgbe o ga-esi n'oriri agbamakwukwo lota, ka ha wee meghere ya uzo ngwangwa mgbe obula o galaghachi kuo aka. Ngozi ga-adiri umuodibo ahụ ndi nna ha ukwu ga-ahu ka ha mu anya mgbe o biara; n'ezie agwa m unu, o ga-eke akwa n'ukwu, mee ka ha nodu n'oché nri, bia gbaara ha odibo. O buru na o ga-abia na nche nke abuo mobu na nke ato n'isi ututu hu ha ka ha no na nche, ngozi ga-adiri umuodibo ahụ".

Ozioma nke Oseburuwa.

Ekpere Nhunye

Were mmasi lekwasá anya, O Onyenweanyi, anyi na-ario, n'oninye ndi anyi dosara n'ekwuaja a di aso n'ubochi oriri nke Jon Pol nke Abuo di aso, ka, site n'ihukwasa ebere gi n'ebe anyi no, oninye anyi ewere nye aha gi nsopuru. Site na Kristi Onyenweanyi.

Ukwe Oriri Nso

Obughi unu hotarala m, Onyenweanyi na-ekwu, kama o bu munwa hotarala unu were ziga unu ka unu jee mita mkpuru, mkpuru nke ga-adigide.

Ekpere A Natachaa Oriri Nso

Ka anyi nweterela mgbanwo iheomimi nsoga, anyi ji umeala ario, O Onyenweanyi, ka, site n'iso ezi mkpuru nke Jon Pol nke Abuo di

Paul the Second, we may strive to profess what he believed and to practice what he taught. Through Christ our Lord.

aso, anyi agbabazie mbo ikwuputa ihe ndi o kweere ma na-emeputakwa ihe ndi o kuzierela. Site na Kristi Onyenweanyi.

23 October [Afo] Wednesday of Week 29 (Green/White)

St. John of Capistrano, Priest (Opt. Mem.)

(For Entry Antiphon and Collect, see page 40)

First Reading

A reading from the letter of St. Paul to the Ephesians (3:2-12).

You have probably heard how I have been entrusted by God with the grace he meant for you, and that it was by a revelation that I was given the knowledge of the mystery, as I have just described it very shortly. If you read my words, you will have some idea of the depths that I see in the mystery of Christ. This mystery that has now been revealed through the Spirit to his holy apostles and prophets was unknown to any man in past generations; it means that pagans now share the same inheritance, that they are parts of the same body, and that the same promise has been made to them, in Christ Jesus, through the gospel. I have been made the servant of that gospel by a gift of grace from God who gave it to me by his own power. I, who am less than the least of all the saints, have been entrusted with this special grace, not only of proclaiming to the pagans the infinite treasure of Christ but also of explaining how the mystery is to be dispensed. Through all the ages, this has been kept hidden in God, the creator of everything. Why? So that the Sovereignities and Powers should learn only now, through the Church, how comprehensive God's wisdom really is, exactly according to the plan which he had had from all eternity in Christ Jesus our Lord. This is why we are bold enough to approach God in complete confidence, through our faith in him.

The word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm: Is 12:2-6 (R.v.3)

Response: With joy you will draw water from the wells of salvation.

1. Truly, God is my salvation, I trust, I shall not fear. For the Lord is my strength, my song, he became my saviour. With joy you will draw water from the wells of salvation. (R.)

2. Give thanks to the Lord, give praise to his name! Make his mighty deeds known to the people! Declare the greatness of his name! (R.)

3. Sing a psalm to the Lord for he has done glorious deeds, make them known to all the earth! People of Zion, sing and shout for joy

Ihe Ogugu Nke Mbu

Ihe ogugu e wetara n'akwukwozi Pol di aso degaara ndi Efesus (3:2-12).

Odoro m anya na unu anula na Chineke, site n'amara ya, 'enyela' m oru ilekota ezinulo ya anya maka odimma unu; otu e siri mee ka m mata ihe omimi ahu site na mkpughe, dika m dere ya nwantinti. Mgbe unu guru nke a, unu ga-achoputa nghota m banyere ihe omimi nke Kristi, nke e meghe ka unu mmadu mara n'ogbo gara aga dika Mmuo Nso siri kpugheere ya umuazu na ndiamuma ya di aso ugbo a. Otu a ka ndi mba ozo si soro anyi buru ndi nketa, ndi otu ahu na ndi ga-eketa nkwa ahu n'ime Jesu Kristi, site n'ozio. N'ihia ozio a, e mere m onye ozi dika onyinye amara nke Chukwu siri di, nke e nyere m site n'oru nke ike ya. N'ebe m no, n'agbanyeghi na m kacha di nta n'etiti ndi nso niile, e nyere m ngozi nke a, ikwusara ndi mba ozo ozio banyere aku enweghi atu nke juru n'ime Kristi; mekwaa ka mmadu niile hu ihe bu atumaatu nke ihe omimi e zoro n'ime Chineke onye kere ihe niile, otutu afo. Site na nzuko ahu, a ga-eme ka amamie Chineke n'udi ya di ichieche buru ihe ochichi na ike niile nke di n'eluigwe ga-amata. Nke a bu n'usoro nke atumaatu ya di ebeebe, nke e mezuru n'ime Jesu Kristi Dinweny anyi; bu onyAe anyi nwere ntukwasio na obi siri ike ibiakwute site n'okwukwe anyi nwere na ya.

Okwu nke Oseburuwa.

Abuoma na Aziza: Aiz. 12:2-6. (Az.3)

Aziza: Unu ga-eji onu kuru mmiri n'umi nke nzoputa.

1. Lee, Chineke bu onye nzoputa m; enwere m nchekwube, egwu agaghi atu m; n'ihina Oseburuwa Chineke bu ike m na ukwe m, o bu onye nzoputa m. Unu ga-eji onu kuru mmiri n'umi nke nzoputa. (Az.)

2. "Nyenye Chineke ekele, kpokuonu aha ya, Meenu ka a mata aka oru ya n'ebe mba niile no, kwuputanu na aha ya di elu. Buoronu Chineke abu oma. (Az.)

3. N'ihina o ru ru otutu oru ebube; meenu ka nu ya n'awa niile. Tisieny mkpu ike,

for great in your midst is kweenu ukwe onu, unu ndi bi na Zayon, n'ihina onye no
the Holy One of Israel. (R.) n'etiti unu bu nnukwu onye di nso nke Izrel. (Az.)

Alleluia, alleluia! Mt.24:42.44

Stay awake and stand ready, because
you do not know the hour when the Son
of Man is coming. Alleluia!

Gospel

A reading from the holy Gospel according to
Luke (12:39-48).

Jesus said to his disciples: 'You may be quite
sure of this, that if the householder had
known at what hour the burglar would come, he
would not have let anyone break through the
wall of his house. You too must stand ready,
because the Son of Man is coming at an hour
you do not expect.'

Peter said, 'Lord, do you mean this parable for
us, or for everyone?' The Lord replied, 'What
sort of steward, then, is faithful and wise enough
for the master to place him over his household to
give them their allowance of food at the proper
time? Happy that servant if his master's arrival
finds him at this employment. I tell you truly, he
will place him over everything he owns. But as
for the servant who says to himself, "My master
is taking his time coming", and sets about
beating the menservants and the maids, and
eating and drinking and getting drunk, his master
will come on a day he does not expect and at the
hour he does not know. The master will cut him
off and send him to the same fate as the
unfaithful.'

'The servant who knows what his master
wants, but has not even started to carry out those
wishes, will receive very many strokes of the
lash. The one who did not know, but deserves to
be beaten for what he has done, will receive
fewer strokes. When a man has had a great deal
given to him, a great will be demanded of him;
when a man has had a great deal given him on
trust, even more will be expected of him.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

(For Prayer Over The Offerings, Communion Antiphon, and
Prayer After Communion, see pages 41 & 42)

24 October [Nkwo] Thursday of Week 29 (Green/White)

St Anthony Mary Claret, Bishop (Opt. Mem)

(For Entry Antiphon and Collect, see page 40)

First Reading

A reading from the letter of St. Paul to the
Ephesians (3:14-21).

This is what I pray, kneeling before the
Father, from whom every family, whether

Alaluya, alaluya! Mt.24:42.44

Na-echenu nche, n'ihina unu amaghi
n'ubochi Nwa nke Mmadu ga-abia.
Alaluya!

Ozioma

Ihe ogugu nke a si n'Ozioma di aso nke Luk dere
(12:39-48).

Jesu gwara ndi na-eso uzo ya si, 'Ma matanu
nke a, o buru na nna nwe ulo matararii oge
elekere onye ohi ga-abia, o ga na-eche nche, o
gaghi ahapu ulo ya ka onye ohi gwupuo ya. Unu
ga-adikwa njikere n'ihina Nwa nke Mmadu na-
abia n'oge unu atughi anya.'

Pita juru si, 'Dinwenu, o bu naani anyi ka i ji
ukabuilti a agwa okwu ka o bu maka onye
obula?' Ma Dinwenu zara si, "Onye bu nwodibo
ahu kwesiri ntukwasiohi, nwekwaa uche, onye
nke nna ya ukwu ga-enye ike ilekota ezinuulo ya
anya, ka o na-enye ha oke nri ha n'oge kwesiri
ekwesi? Ngozi na-adiri nwodibo ahu onye, mgbe
nna ya ukwu ga-abia, o ga-ahu ya ka o na-eme otu
a. N'ezie agwa m unu, nna ya ukwu ga-eme ya
onye ilekota nke ihe niile o nwere. Kama, o buru
na nwodibo ahu echee n'obi ya si, Nna m ukwu
anoola odu na mbata, wee bido iu umuodibo ndi
nwoke na ndi nwaanyi ihe, na-eri, na-anukwa,
mmanya ana-egbu ya, nna ya ukwu ga-abia
n'ubochi o na-atughi anya ya, n'oge elekere o na-
amaghi. O ga-ata ya ahuhu, tinyekwa ya n'ebe ndi
na-ekwesighi ntukwasiohi na-ano.'

'Odibo ahu nke maara ihe nna ya ukwu na-
acho, mana o dighi njikere ime ya, o
meghikwa dika ochicho nna ya ukwu si di, ga-
anata otutu utali. Ma nwodibo nke na-amaghi,
ma mee ihe kwesiri ipia utali, ga-enweta utali
olemaole. Onye obula nke e nyere ihe ukwu,
a ga-achokwa ihe ukwu n'aka ya; onye ndi
mmadu nyekwara ihe ukwu n'aka, n'aka ya
ka ha ga-acho ihe nke kanu.'

Ozioma nke Oseburuwa.

Ihe Ogugu Nke Mbu

Ihe ogugu e wetara n'akwukwozi Pol di aso
degaara ndi Efesus (3:14-21).

N'ihi nke a ka m ji gbuoro Nna ikpere m
abu o n'ala, onye ezinuulo niile di

spiritual or natural, takes its name: Out of his infinite glory, may he give you the power through his Spirit for your hidden self to grow strong, so that Christ may live in your hearts through faith, and then, planted in love and built on love, you will with all the saints have strength to grasp the breadth and the length, the height and the depth; until, knowing the love of Christ, which is beyond all knowledge, you are filled with the utter fullness of God.

Glory be to him whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine; glory be to him from generation to generation in the Church and in Christ Jesus for ever and ever. Amen.

The word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm: Ps. 32:1-2.4-5.11-12.18-19 (R. V.5)

Response: The Lord fills the earth with his love.

1. Ring out your joy to the Lord, O you just; for praise is fitting for loyal hearts. Give thanks to the Lord upon the harp, with a ten-stringed lute sing him songs. (R.)
2. For the word of the Lord is faithful and all his works to be trusted. The Lord loves justice and right and fills the earth with his love. (R.)
3. His own designs shall stand forever, the plans of his heart from age to age. They are happy, whose God is the Lord, the people he has chosen as his own. (R.)
4. The Lord looks on those who revere him, on those who hope in his love, to rescue their souls from death, to keep them alive in famine. (R.)

Alleluia, alleluia! Phil.3:8-9

I have accepted the loss of everything and I look on everything as so much rubbish if only I can have Christ and be given a place in him. Alleluia!

Gospel

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke (12:49-53).

Jesus said to his disciples: 'I have come to bring fire to the earth, and how I wish it were blazing already! There is a baptism I must still receive, and how great is my distress till it is over!

'Do you suppose that I am here to bring peace on earth? No, I tell you, but rather division. For from now on, a household of five will be divided: three against two and

n'eluigwe na nke di n'uwa si nweta aha. Ka o wee buru na site n'uba nke otito ya, o ga-eme ka unu sie ike na Mmuo ya nke di unu n'ime; ka Kristi nwee ike biri n'obi unu site n'okwukwe, ka unu ndi gbanyere mgborogwu kwudosikwa ike n'ihunaanya, nwee ike isoro ndi nso niile ghotu, ihe bu obosara, ogologo, idi elu na idi omimi, na imatakwa ihunaanya nke Chineke nke kariri amamihe, ka unu juputakwa n'izu oke niile nke Chineke.

Ugbu a, onye nke zitere ike ahu di ire n'ime anyi, nwere ike ime n'uju karia ihe niile anyi rioro mobu chee n'uche. Ka otito diri ya n'ime nizuko na n'ime Kristi, ruo ogbo niile ebebe ebebe. Amen.

Okwu nke Oseburuwa.

Abuom na Aziza: Abu. 33:1-2.4-5.11-12.18-19 (Az.5)

Aziza: Ihunaanya Onyenweanyi juputara n'uwa.

1. Tierenu Chineke mkpu onu ndi eziumume, n'ihina otito kwesiri ndi obi ha kwu oto, werenu ubo akwara too Chineke; werenu une kporo ya egwu. (Az.)
2. N'ihina okwu nke Onyenweanyi bu eziokwu, O na-akwudosike n'oru ya niile. O huru eziumume na ikpe nkwmoto n'anya, ihunaanya ya juputara n'uwa. (Az.)
3. Atumaatu Chineke ga-adi okpu. Echiche obi ya niile ga-adi ebebe. Anuri na Ngozi na-adiri mba Chineke bu Chukwu ha, ndi nke o hoooro dika ndi nke ya. (Az.)
4. Ma lee ka Onyenweanyi si eleta ndi niile na-aturu ya egwu anya, ndi niile tukwasiriobi ha n'ihunaanya ya, ka O wee zoputa mkpuriobi ha n'onwu, ma chekwaba ha oge unwu. (Az.)

Alaluya, alaluya! Phil.3:8-9

Ewere m ihe niile ka ihe lara n'iyi, e werela m ihe niile dika ihe abaghi uru, ka m wee rite Kristi n'uru, ka e were hu m n'ime ya. Alaluya!

Ozioma

Ihe ogugu nke a si n'Ozioma di aso nke Luk dere (12:49-53).

Jesus gwara ndi na-eso uzo ya si, "Abiara m imunye oku n'elu uwa; ole otu obi ga-adi m ma a si na oku ahu enwurula ugbu a! Enwere m mmirichukwu nke a ga-eme m: O ga na-egbukwa m mgbu n'obi nke ukwu ruo mgbe m mezuru ya.

Unu chere na m biara iweta udo n'uwa? Mba, agwa m unu, kama abiara m iweta nkewa; n'ihina site ugbu a gaba, mmadu ise bi n'otu ulo ga-ekewa, ato ga-emegide abuo, abuo ga-

two against three; the father divided against the son, son against father, mother against daughter, daughter against mother, mother-in-law against daughter-in-law, daughter-in-law against mother-in-law.’

The Gospel of the Lord.

emegidekwa atọ; ha ga-ekewa, nna emegide nwa ya nwoke, nwa emegide nna ya, nne ga-emegide nwa ya nwaanyi, nwa ya nwaanyi emegide nne ya, nne di emegide nwunye nwa ya, nwunye nwa ya emegide nne di ya.

Ozioma nke Oseburuwa.

(For Prayer Over The Offerings, Communion Antiphon, and Prayer After Communion, see pages 41 & 42)

25 October [Eke] Friday of Week 29 (Green)

(For Entry Antiphon and Collect, see page 40)

First Reading

A reading from the letter of St. Paul to the Ephesians (4:1-6)

In the prisoner in the Lord, implore you to lead a life worthy of your vocation. Bear with one another charitably, in complete selflessness, gentleness and patience. Do all you can to preserve the unity of the Spirit by the peace that binds you together. There is one Body, one Spirit, just as you were all called into one and the same hope when you were called. There is one Lord, one faith, one baptism, and one God who is Father of all, over all, through all and within all.

The word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm: Ps. 23:1-6. (R.v.6)

Response: **Such are the men who seek your face, O Lord.**

1. The Lord's is the earth and its fullness, the world and all its peoples. It is he who set it on the seas; on the waters he made it firm.(R.)

2. Who shall climb the mountain of the Lord? Who shall stand in his holy place? The man with clean hands and pure heart, who desires not worthless things.(R.)

3. He shall receive blessings from the Lord and reward from the God who saves him. Such are the men who seek him, seek the face of the God of Jacob.(R.)

Alleluia, alleluia! Mt. 11:25

Blessed are you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, for revealing the mysteries of the kingdom to mere children. Alleluia!

Gospel

A reading the holy Gospel according to Luke (12:54-59).

Jesus said to the crowds, ‘When you see a cloud looming up in the west you say at once that rain is coming, and so it does. And

The Ogugu Nke Mbu

The ogugu e wetara n’akwukwozi Pol di aso degaara ndi Efesus (4:1-6)

Mu onwe m bu onye mkporo nke Dinwenụ, na-ario unu, ka unu bie ndu kwesiri okpukpo nke a kporo unu. Werekwanu idi umeala niile, idi nwayo na ndidi na-anaranu ibe unu n’ihunaanya. Nwekwaanu obi inu oku iji kwado idiko n’otu nke Mmuo Nso na-enye na njikota nke udo. E nwere otu ahụ, otu Mmuo, dika e siri kpo unu n’otu nchekwube nke diiri okpukpo a kporo unu. Otu Dinwenụ di, otu okwukwe na otu mmirichukwu, otu Chineke na Nna nke anyi niile, onye kacha ihe niile, onye ihe niile sitere na ya na onye noka n’ime ihe niile.

Okwu nke Oseburuwa.

Abuoma na Aziza: Abu.24:1-6 (Az.6)

Aziza: **O bu udi ndi di otu a na-achọ Onyenweanyi.**

1. Chineke nwe uwa na ihe niile di na ya, uwa na ndi niile bi n’ime ya; O bu ya wukwasara ya n’elu mmiri, O bu ya wuru ya n’elu osimiri. (Az.)

2. Onye nwere ike irigoro n’ugwu nke Onyenweanyi? Onye nwere ike ino n’ebe ya di nso? Onye aka ya na obi ya di ocha, onye anaghi etinye obi ya n’ihe efu, onye anaghi afu iyi asi. (Az.)

3. Onye di otu a ga-anata ngozi n’aka Onyenweanyi, O ga-anatakwa eziumume n’aka Chineke onye nzoputa ya. O bu udi ndi di otu a na-achọ Onyenweanyi, ndi na-achọ ihu Chineke nke Jekob! (Az.)

Aleluya, aleluya! Mt. 11:25

A na m ekele gi Nna Dinwenụ nke eluigwe na uwa, n’ihina i kpugheere umuntakiri ihe ndi a i zonahuru ndi amamihe na ndi okemmuta. Aleluya!

Ozioma

The Ogugu nke a si n’Ozioma di aso nke Luk dere (12:54-59).

Jesu gwakwara igwe mmadu ahụ si, “Mgbe obula unu huru urukpu ka o si n’odida anyanwu na-arigo, unu na-ekwu ozigbo si,

when the wind is from the south you say it will be hot, and it is. Hypocrites! You know how to interpret the face of the earth and the sky. How is it you do not know how to interpret these times?

‘Why not judge for yourselves what is right? For example: when you go to court with your opponent, try to settle with him on the way, or he may drag you before the judge and the judge hand you over to the bailiff and the bailiff have you thrown into prison. I tell you, you will not get out till you have paid the very last penny.’ The Gospel of the Lord.

(For Prayer Over The Offerings, Communion Antiphon, and Prayer After Communion, see pages 41 & 42)

26 October [Orie] Saturday of Week 29 (Green/White) Saturday Memorial of the Blessed Virgin Mary (Opt. Mem.) (For Entry Antiphon and Collect, see pages 37 & 38)

First Reading

A reading from the letter of St. Paul to the Ephesians (4:7-16)

Each one of us has been given his own share of grace, given as Christ allotted it. It was said that he would: When he ascended to the height, he captured prisoners, he gave gifts to men.

When it says, ‘he ascended’, what can it mean if not that he descended right down to the lower regions of the earth? The one who rose higher than all the heavens to fill all things is none other than the one who descended. And to some, his gift was that they should be apostles; to some, prophets; to some, evangelists; to some, pastors and teachers; so that the saints together make a unity in the work of service, building up the body of Christ. In this way we are all to come to unity in our faith and in our knowledge of the Son of God, until we become the perfect Man, fully mature with the fullness of Christ himself. **50**

Then we shall not be children any longer, or tossed one way and another and carried along by every wind of doctrine, at the mercy of all the tricks men play and their cleverness in practicing deceit. If we live by the truth and in love, we shall grow in all ways into Christ, who is the head by whom the whole body is fitted and joined together, every joint adding its own strength, for each separate part to work according to its function. So the body grows until it has built itself up, in love.

The word of the Lord.

‘Mmiri ozuzo na-abia; o na-emekwa otu ahụ unu siri kwuo. Mgbe unu hukwara ikuku si na ndida ugwu ka o na-eku, unu na-asi, ‘Oke ekpomoku ga-adi; o na-emekwa otu ahụ. Unu ndi ihu abuo! Unu maara otu e si akowa ihu uwa na ihu igwe, gini mere na unu amaghi otu e si akowa ihe na-eme n’oge a.’

“Gini mere na unu anaghi ekpebiri n’onwe unu ihe di mma? Ka gi na onye gbara gi akwukwo na-aga n’uloikpe, gbaa mbo ka gi na ya kpezie n’uzo tupu okwu eruo na nti onye okaikpe, ka o ghara idokporu gi nye onye okaikpe, onye okaikpe arara gi nye onye nlekota ulo mkporo, onye nlekota ulo mkporo akwaba gi n’ulo mkporo. Agwa m gi, i gaghi esi n’ebe ahụ puta ruo mgbe i ga-akwughachi, o buladi ego nta ikpeazu i ji n’ugwo.”

Ozioma nke Oseburuwa.

Ihe Ogugu Nke Mbu

Ihe ogugu e wetara n’akwukwozi Pol di aso degaara ndi Efesus (4:7-16).

Ma e nyere onye obula amara dika oke Monyinye nke Kristi si di. E kwuru n’akwukwo nso si, “Mgbe o rigoro n’elu, O duuru igwe ndi e ji eji, Ma nyekwa umu mmadu onyinye.” N’ikwu, “O rigoro,” gini ka o putara ma o bughi na o buuru uzo zida n’ime ala mmuo? Onye ahụ nke zidarany bukwaa onye ahụ nke rigorony n’ebe kacha elu, ka o wee mejuo ihe niile. Onyinye ya bu na ufodu ga-abu umuazu ufodu ndiamuma, ufodu ndi nkwsa ozioma ufodu ndi ukochukwu na ndi nkuzi. Nke a bu maka ikwadobe ndi nso maka oru nke ije ozi, iji rulite ahụ nke Kristi, ruo mgbe anyi niile ga-eru idinootu nke okwukwe na imazu onye Nwa Chineke bu, wee toputa mmadu zuru oke n’ime Kristi. Ka anyi ghara ibuzi umuaka ndi ifufe nkuzi asi nke ndi aghugho na-efeghari ihu na azu, na-ebugharikwa. Kama site n’ikwu eziokwu n’ihunaanya, anyi ga-eto n’uzo obula n’ime Kristi, onye bu isi. Onye jikoro ahụ niile wee mee ka ha buru otu. Mgbe akuku ahụ obula na-arụ oru ya nke oma, o na-eme ka ahụ na-eto, na-arulitekwa onwe ya n’ihunaanya.

Okwu nke Oseburuwa.

Responsorial Psalm: Ps. 121:1-5 (R.v.1)

Response: I rejoiced when I heard them say: 'Let us go to God's house.'

1. I rejoiced when I heard them say: 'Let us go to God's house.' And now our feet are standing within your gates, O Jerusalem. (R.)
2. Jerusalem is built as a city strongly compact. It is there that the tribes go up, the tribes of the Lord. (R.)
3. For Israel's law it is, there to praise the Lord's name. There were set the thrones of judgement of the house of David. (R.)

Gospel

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke (13:1-9)

Some people arrived and told Jesus about the Galileans whose blood Pilate had mingled with that of their sacrifices. At this he said to them, 'Do you suppose these Galileans who suffered like that were greater sinners than any other Galileans? They were not, I tell you. No; but unless you repent you will all perish as they did. Or those eighteen on whom the tower at Siloam fell and killed them? Do you suppose that they were more guilty than all the other people living in Jerusalem? They were not, I tell you. No; but unless you repent you will all perish as they did.'

He told this parable: 'A man had a fig tree planted in his vineyard, and he came looking for fruit on it but found none. He said to the man who looked after the vineyard, "Look here, for three years now I have been coming to look for fruit on this fig tree and finding none. Cut it down: why should it be taking up the ground?"' "Sir," the man replied "leave it one more year and give me time to dig round it and manure it: it may bear fruit next year; if not, then you can cut it down."

The Gospel of the Lord.

(For Prayer Over The Offerings, Communion Antiphon, and Prayer After Communion, see page 39)

**30TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (B)
27 October 2024 [Afo] (Green)**

In the First Reading, God declares His salvation upon the remnant of Israel, promising to bring them back from exile and console them as a Father. The Responsorial Psalm joyously sings of the marvels of this liberation. The Second Reading acknowledges the divine origin of the priesthood of Jesus Christ - the basis of new dispensation of grace and mercy. In the Gospel

Abuoma na Aziza: Abu. 122:1-5. (Az.1)

Aziza: Añuri juru m obi mgbe m nuru ha kwuru si, "Ka anyi gaa n'ulo nke Chineke.

1. Añuri juru m obi mgbe m nuru ha kwuru si, "Ka anyi gaa n'ulo nke Chineke. Ugbu a, anyi kwuzi n'onuuzo ama gi, O Jerusalem (Az.)
2. Aruru Jerusalem dika obodo e jikotara onu nke oma. O bu na ya ka agburu niile na-aga, agburu nke Izrel. (Az.)
3. Inye Onyenweanyi ekele dika o siri nye n'iwu, ebe ahu ka e dobere oche ikpe eze, ocheeze nke ulo Devid. (Az)

Ozioma

Ihe ogugu nke a si n'Ozioma di aso nke Luk dere (13:1-9)

Onwere ufodu no ebe ahu n'oge ahu, ndi kooro Jesu maka ndi Galili ahu; Pailet gburu, were obara ha gwokota n'ihe aja ha. Jesu wee juo ha si, "Unu chere na ndi Galili ndi a nwuru n'uzo di otu a bu ndi mmehie karia ndi Galili ndi ozo? Agwa m unu, ha abughi; ma o buru na unu echegharighi, unu niile ga-anwu otu ha siri nwuo. Mobu, kedu maka mmadu iri na asato ahu ndi ulonche elu dakwasiri, tigbuo ha na Sailom, unu na-eche na ha bu ndiojoo karia ndi niile bi n'obodo Jerusalem. Agwa m unu, mba, beluso ma unu cheghariri, unu niile ga-anwu otu ha siri nwuo."

Jesu ji ukabuilu gwa ha si, "Otu nwoke nwere osisi fiig nke o kuru n'ubi ya, o bira choo mkpuru n'elu ya ma o hughi. O wee si onye na-elekota ubi ya, 'Lee, kamgbe afoto ka m na-abia na-achoo mkpuru n'osisi fiig a, ma ahughi m. Ya mere, gbudaa ya, gini mere o ga-eji na-eriko nri di n'ala ubi?' Ma o zara ya si, 'Nna m ukwu, hapukwa ya n'afoto a, ka m gwuo ala gburugburu ukwu ya, wunye ya agbugbo. O buru na o mia mkpuru n'afoto ozo, o di mma, ma o buru na o mighi, i nweziri ike gbudaa ya."

Ozioma nke Oseburuwa.

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Week 2**

story of the healing of the blind Bartimaeus, Jesus is shown to be the light of the world, with the action of Bartimaeus highlighted as way to welcome salvation, who, refusing to be silenced by the crowd, eagerly drew to his Saviour, Jesus Christ.

Entry Antiphon

Let the hearts that seek the Lord rejoice;
Turn to the Lord and his strength;
constantly seek his face.

Collect

Almighty ever-living God,
increase our faith, hope and
charity, and make us love what you
command, so that we may merit what
you promise. Through our Lord.

First Reading

A reading from the Prophet Jeremiah
(31:7-9)

The Lord says this: Shout with joy for
Jacob! Hail the chief of nations!
Proclaim! Praise! Shout: "The Lord
has saved his people, the remnant of
Israel!" See, I will bring them back from
the land of the North and gather them
from the far ends of earth; all of them: the
blind and the lame, women with child,
women in labour: a great company
returning here. They had left in tears, I
will comfort them as I lead them back; I
will guide them to streams of water, by a
smooth path where they will not stumble.
For I am a father to Israel, and Ephraim is
my first-born son.

The word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm: Ps.125. (R.v.3)

Response: **What marvels the Lord
worked for us! Indeed we were glad.**

1. When the Lord delivered Zion from
bondage, it seemed like a dream. Then was
our mouth filled with laughter, on our lips
there were songs. (R.)

2. The heathens themselves said: 'What
marvels the Lord worked for them!' What
marvels the Lord worked for us! Indeed we
were glad. (R.)

3. Deliver us, O Lord, from our bondage as
streams in dry land. Those who are sowing in
tears will sing when they reap. (R.)

4. They go out, they go out, full of tears,
carrying seed for the sowing: they come
back, they come back, full of song, carrying
their sheaves. (R.)

Ukwe Mbata

Ka obi ndi na-achọ Dinwenụ ñuriba.
Chobanu Dinwenụ, unu ga-enweta
agbamume. Chobanu ihu Ya mgbe niile.

Ekpere Mmeghe

Chineke puru ime ihe niile, Onye di ndu ebighi ebi,
mee ka okwukwe, nchekwube na ihunaanya
anyi na-abawanye; ka anyi were obi ihunaanya na-
eme ihe Igwara anyi, were tosi iketa oke na ndu nke I
kwere anyi na nkwa. Site n' Dinwenụ anyi.

Ihe Ogugu Nke Mbu

Ihe ogugu e wetaara n'akwukwo Onye Amuma
Jeremaya (31:7-9)

Dinwenu kwuru si, "Werenu onu na oke olu
buo abu maka Jekob, tiekwanu mkpu maka
eze mba niile, kwuputanu, nyenu ekele na-asi,
"Chineke azoputala ndi nke ya bu ndi foduru
n'Izrel." Lee aga m esi na mgbago ugwu nke
obodo ahụ kpota ha, aga m esi n'ebe niile di anya
n'akuku uwa niile wee kpokota ha onu, ma ndi
kpuru isi, ma ndi ngwuro, umunwaanyi di ime, na
ndi ime na-eme, ha niile ga-ezukota onu n'igwe
wee laghachi ebe a. Ikwa akwa ka ha ga-eji bia,
ma m ga-eji ntasiobi na afọ ojuju kpochighaa ha
azu. Aga m eme ka ha si n'ebe mmiri juru, ya na
okporo uzo kwu oto gafee ka ha ghara iso ngongo
n'ihina abu m nna nye Izrel, Ifrem bukwa okpara
m."

Okwu nke Oseburuwa.

Abuoma na Aziza: Abu. 126 (Az. 3)

Aziza: **Lekene oru itunaanya Onyenweanyi
ruuru anyi, n'ezie anyi na-enwe anuri.**

1. Mgbe Oseburuwa gbatara Zayon n'ohu,
o di anyi ka nrọ. Oge ahụ ochi na ukwe juru
anyi onu. (Az.)

2. Obuladi ndi ogommuo na-ekwu n'onwe ha
na-asi; "Lee oru itunaanya! Chineke ruuru ha."
Lekene oru itunaanya Onyenweanyi ruuru anyi,
n'ezie anyi na-enwe anuri. (Az.)

3. Kpoghachi ndi nke anyi e ji eji azu O
Oseburuwa, dika mmiri si alaghachi na
Negeb! Ndi niile ji anya mmiri na-aku
mkpuru, ji mkpu onu ugbo a agho
mkpuru. (Az.)

4. Mgbe ha na-apu, ha bu mkpuru akuku na-
ebe akwa, mgbe ha na-alota, ha bu ukwu oka
na-ekwe ukwe anuri. (Az.)

Second Reading

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews (5:1-6)
Every high priest has been taken out of mankind and is appointed to act for men in their relations with God, to offer gifts and sacrifices for sins; and so he can sympathise with those who are ignorant or uncertain because he too lives in the limitations of weakness. That is why he has to make sin offerings for himself as well as for the people. No one takes this honour on himself, but each one is called by God, as Aaron was. Nor did Christ give himself the glory of becoming high priest, but he had it from the one who said to him: You are my son, today I have become your father, and in another text: You are a priest of the order of Melchizedek, and forever.
The word of the Lord.

Alleluia, alleluia! 2 Tim 1:10

Our Saviour Christ Jesus abolished death, and he has proclaimed life through the Good News. Alleluia!

Gospel

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Mark (10:46-52)

As Jesus left Jericho with his disciples and a large crowd, Bartimaeus (that is, the son of Timaeus), a blind beggar, was sitting at the side of the road. When he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to shout and to say, "Son of David, Jesus, have pity on me." And many of them scolded him and told him to keep quiet, but he only shouted all the louder, "Son of David, have pity on me." Jesus stopped and said, "call him here." So they called the blind man. "Courage," they said "get up; he is calling you." So throwing off his cloak, he jumped up and went to Jesus. Then Jesus spoke, "What do you want me to do for you?" "Rabbuni," the blind man said to him "Master, let me see again." Jesus said to him, "Go; your faith has saved you." And immediately his sight returned and he followed him along the road.
The Gospel of the Lord.

Prayer Over The Offerings

Look, we pray, O Lord, on the offerings we make to your majesty, that whatever is done by us in your service may be directed above all to your glory. Through Christ our Lord.

Communion Antiphon

We will ring out our joy at your saving help, and exalt in the name of our God.

The ogugu Nke Abuo

Ihe ogugu e wetaara n'akwukwo Hibru (5:1-6)
Ana-esi n'etiti ndi mmadu horo onyeisi Anchuaaja obula, ka o nochite anya ndi mmadu n'ihe banyere ife Chukwu, iji na-ehunye onyinye na ichu aja maka njo. Ebe o bu na ya onwe ya bu onye na-adighi ike, o puru ije nwayoo na-emeso ndi na-amaghi ihe na ndi na-ehie uzo omume. N'ili nke a, o ga-achuriri aja maka njo nke onwe ya na nke ndi mmadu. O nweghi onye na-ewere ugwu nke a n'onwe ya, kama o bu Chineke kporo ya dika o si kpo Eron. N'otu aka ahụ, Kristi ejighi aka ya bulie onwe ya elu ka e mee ya onyeisi nchuaaja, kama a hoputara ya site n'aka onye ahụ siri ya, "I bu nwa m, taa ka m mutara gi." Dika o si kwu n'ebe ozo si, "I bu ukochukwu ebebe n'usoro nke Melkizedek. Okwu nke Oseburuwa.

Alaluya, alaluya! 2 Tim. 1:10

Onye Nzoputa Kristi Jesu emeela ka onwu ghara idi ire, bia kwuputa ndu ohuru site n'Ozioma. Alaluya!

Ozioma

Ihe ogugu nke a si n'Ozioma di aso nke Mak dere (10:46-52)

Mgbe Jesu na ndi na-eso ya, na oke igwe mmadu so ha na-ahapu obodo Jeriko, Batimeus, onye aririo kpuru isi nwa Timeus nokwa n'akuku uzo. Mgbe o nuru na o bu Jesu onye Nazaret na-agafe, o malitere iti mkpu, si, "Jesu, Nwa Devid, meere m ebere!" Otutu bara ya mba, gwa ya ka o mechie onu ya. Kama o tisiri mkpu ike, si, "Nwa Devid, meere m ebere!" Jesu kwusiri si, "Kpoonu ya." Ha akpo onye isi ahu si ya, "Obi sie gi ike; kulie, o na-akpo gi." O wee chifuo uwe ya, zolie ije, biakwute Jesu. Jesu juru ya si, "Gini ka i na-achio ka m meere gi?" Onyeisi ahụ zara si ya, "Nna anyi, ka m hu uzo." Jesu si, "Gaba, okwukwe gi emeela ka ahụ di gi mma." Ozigbo ahụ o huri uzo, ma malitekwa iso Jesu n'ije ya.
Ozioma nke Oseburuwa.

Ekpere Nhunye

Dinwenu, biko, tugharia lee anya n'oninye anyi na-ehunye ebube eze Gi. Ka ihe a anyi na-ebutere Gi, iji gbaara Gi odibo, buru ihe ga-ewetara Gi otito. Site na Kristi Onyenweanyi.

Ukwe Oriri Nso

Anyi ga-anuri onu na nzoputa Gi, Abiakwa nweta otito n'aha Dinwenu
53Chineke anyi.

Prayer After Communion

May your Sacraments, O Lord, we pray, perfect in us what lies within them, that what we now celebrate in signs we may one day possess in truth. Through Christ our Lord.

Ekpere ANatachaa Oriri Nso

Onyenweanyi, biko mee ka ihe a di n'ime ogbugha ndu Gi zuo oke n'ime anyi. Meekwa ka Onye ahụ anyi bu onyinye Ya n'ụwa a, burukwa onye anyi ga-enweta n'ezie n'ụwa ozo. Site na Kristi Onyenweanyi.

TODAY ENDS IN ROME THE SYNOD ON SYNODALITY ON THE THEME, "COMMUNION, PARTICIPATION, AND MISSION." ROSARY PROCESSION IS RECOMMENDED FOR FRUITFUL RECEPTION OF THE THREE YEAR SYNODAL PROCESS!



St. Jude

28 October [Nkwo] Monday of Week 30 (Red) Ss. Simon & Jude, Apostles (Feast)

According to legend, Sts. Simon and Jude preached the Gospel in Mesopotamia and Persia. Simon was nicknamed the zealot because of his zeal for the Jewish law which he practised before his call. He became the Bishop of Jerusalem after preaching the Gospel in Samaria. He suffered martyrdom, being sawn in half at Suanir, Persia.

Jude Thaddaeus was son of Cleophas, the brother of St. James the Lesser and relative of Jesus. Jude was the one who asked Jesus at the Last Supper why He would not manifest Himself to the whole world after His resurrection. His epistle

was written for the Jewish converts, directed against Gnostic heresies.

St. Jude's epistle stresses that Christ's faithful should persevere in difficult circumstances. He was known for healing and exorcising pagan idols, which according to legend caused the demons to flee and the statues to crumble. He was beaten to death with a club, and then beheaded post-mortem.

Entry Antiphon

These are the holy men whom the Lord chose in his own sheer love; and he gave them eternal glory.

Collect

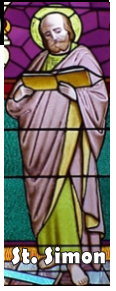
O God, who by the blessed Apostles have brought us to acknowledge your name, grant graciously, through the intercession of Saint Simon and Saint Jude, that the Church may constantly grow by increase of the peoples who believe in you. Through Our Lord.

First Reading

A reading from the letter of St. Paul to the Ephesians (2:19-22)

You are no longer aliens or foreign visitors: you are citizens like all the saints, and part of God's household. You are part of a building that has the apostles and prophets for its foundations, and Christ Jesus himself for its main cornerstone. As every structure is aligned on him, all grow into one holy temple in the Lord; and you too, in him, are being built into a house where God lives, in the spirit.

The word of the Lord.



St. Simon

Ukwe Mbata

Ikom ndi a bu ndi Dinwenụ hotara so In'ih i hunaanya ya; o nyere ha otito ebighiebi.

Ekpere Mmeghe

O Chineke, onye sitere na ndi Apostul di ngozi mee ka anyi mata aha gi, were ebere mee, site n'aririo nke ndi Nso Saimon na Jud, ka Nzuko na-eto mgbe niile n'onuogu ndi kwenyere na gi. Site na Dinwenụ anyi.

Ihe Ogugu Nke Mbụ

Ihe ogugu e wetara n'akwukwoozi Pol di aso degaara ndi Efesus (2:19-22)

Ya bu unu esorola ndi nso buru ndi a muru n'ala, n'ezinuulo Chineke; nke a rukwasara n'elu ntoala nke umazu na ndiamuma, nke Jesu Kristi n'onwe ya bu okwute ntoala ya. O bu n'ime ya ka ihe ndi a niile jikotara onu too, wee buru ulonso n'ime Dinwenu. N'ime ya ka a runyekwara unu dika ebe obibi nke Chineke n'ime mmuo.

54 Okwu nke Oseburuwa.

Responsorial Psalm: Ps. 18:2-5.(R.v.5)

Response: Their span goes forth through all the earth.

1. The heavens proclaim the glory of God and the firmament shows forth the work of his hands. Day unto day takes up the story and night unto night makes known the message. (R.)

2. No speech, no word, no voice is heard yet their span goes forth through all the earth, their words to the utmost bounds of the world. (R.)

Alleluia, alleluia!

We praise you, O God, we acknowledge you to be the Lord. The glorious company of the apostles praise you, O Lord. Alleluia!

Gospel

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke (6:12-16)

Jesus went out into the hills to pray; and he spent the whole night in prayer to God. When day came he summoned his disciples and picked out twelve of them; he called them 'apostles': Simon whom he called Peter, and his brother Andrew; James, John, Philip, Bartholomew, Matthew, Thomas, James son of Alphaeus, Simon called the Zealot, Judas son of James and Judas Iscariot who became a traitor. The Gospel of the Lord.

Prayer Over The Offerings

As we venerate the perpetual glory of the holy Apostles Simon and Jude, O Lord, we ask that you receive our prayers and lead us to worthy celebration of the sacred mysteries. Through Christ our Lord.

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Communion Antiphon

Whoever loves me will keep my word, says the Lord; and my Father will love him, and we will come to him, and make our home with him.

Communion Antiphon

Whoever loves me will keep my word, says the Lord; and my Father will love him, and we will come to him, and make our home with him.

Prayer After Communion

Having received this Sacrament, O Lord, we humbly implore you in the Holy Spirit, that what we do to honour the

Abuoma na Aziza: Abu. 19:1-4. (Az.4)

Aziza: Olu ha na-agazu uwa niile.

1. Eluigwe na-ekwuputa ebube Chineke. Ihe niile di na mbara Eluigwe na-ekwuputa oru aka ya. Ubochi niile na-ekwuputa ya, Abali obula na-egosiputa amamihe nke Chineke. (Az.)

2. Ha anaghi ekwu okwu nke ha na-eme uzu nke mmadu ga-anu, mana olu ha na-agazu uwa niile. Ozi ha na-eru nsotu uwa niile. O wuoro anyanwu ulo obibi n'elu. (Az.)

Aleluya, Aleluya!

Anyị etoo gi, O Chukwu, anyị ekwuputa na Ibu Onyenweanyi. Otu ndi ozi di ebube na-eto gi, Onyenweanyi. Aleluya!

Ozioma

Ihe ogugu nke a si n'Ozioma di aso nke Luk dere (6:12-16)

N'ubochi ndi a, Jesu rigoro n'elu ugwu ikpe Ekpere n'abali niile, O nogidere n'ikpere Chineke. Mgbe chi boro, o kporo ndi na-eso uzo ya sikwa n'ime ha hoputa mmadu iri na abuo ndi O kporo umazu. Saimon onye o kporo Pita na Andru nwanne ya, na Jemis na Jon na Filip na Batolomiu, na Matiu na Tomos, na Jemis nwa Alfeus, na Saimon onye a na-akpo Zilot, na Judas nwa Jemis, na Judas Iskariot onye raara ya nye. Ozioma nke Oseburuwa.

Ekpere Nhunye

Ka anyi na-asopuru ebube di okpu nke ndi Apostul di nso Saimon na Jud, O Dinwenu, anyi na-arjo ka i nuru arirjo anyiga ma duga anyi na ime mmemme n'uzo kwesiri ekwesị iheomimi di nso. Site na Kristi Onyenweanyi.

Ukwe Oriri Nso

Onye obula na-ahu m n'anya ga-edobe okwu m, Dinwenu na-ekwu; Nna m ga-ahukwa ya n'anya, anyi abiakwute ya, were mee ebe obibi n'ime ya.

Ukwe Oriri Nso

Onye obula na-ahu m n'anya ga-edobe okwu m, Dinwenu na-ekwu; Nna m ga-ahukwa ya n'anya, anyi abiakwute ya, were mee ebe obibi n'ime ya.

Ekpere A Natachaa Oriri Nso

Ebe anyi natarala Sakramenti a, O Dinwenu, anyi ji umeala arjo gi na Mmuo Nso, ka ihe anyi na-eme iji sopuru

glorious passion of the Apostles ahuhu di otito nke ndi Apostul Saimon na Jud, Simon and Jude, may keep us ever in chékwaba anyi ebighiebi n' ihunaanya gi. Site na your love. Through Christ our Lord. Kristi Onyenweanyi.

Solemn Blessing

V./ May God, who has granted you to stand firm on apostolic foundations, graciously bless you through the glorious merits of the holy Apostles. **R./ Amen.**

V./ And may he, who endowed you with the teaching and example of the Apostles, make you, under their protection, witnesses to the truth before all. **R./ Amen.**

V./ So that through the intercession of the Apostles, you may inherit the eternal homeland, for by their teaching you possess firmness of faith. **R./ Amen.**

V./ And may the blessing of almighty God, the Father, and the Son, + and the Holy Spirit, come down on you and remain with you for ever. **R./ Amen.**

Ngozi Puru Iche

Uko/ Ka Chineke, onye merela ka unu kwudo n'elu ntoala ndi Apostul, were obioma ya gozie unu site n'ukpuru di otito nke ndi Apostul di aso. **Qha/ Amen.**

Uko/ Ka onye ahụ merela ka unu nweta nkuzi na ezi ukpuru nke ndi Apostul, mee unu sitena nchedo ha, ndi akaebe eziokwu n'ihu mmadu niile. **Qha/ Amen.**

Uko/ Ka o ga-abu site n'ariri nke ndi Apostul ga, unu erute n'ulo di ebighiebi, n'ihina site na nkuzi ha unu kwuru chim n'okwukwe. **Qha/ Amen.**

Uko/ Ka ngozi nke Chukwu ji ike niile, Nna, na Nwa, + na Mmuo Nso dakwasa unu ma nonyere unu oge niile.

Qha/ Amen.

29 October [Eke] Tuesday of Week 30 (Green)

(For Entry Antiphon and Collect, see page 52)

First Reading

A reading from the letter of St. Paul to the Ephesians (5:21-33)

Give way to one another in obedience to Christ. Wives should regard their husbands as they regard the Lord, since as Christ is head of the Church and saves the whole body, so is a husband the head of his wife; and as the Church submits to Christ, so should wives to their husbands, in everything. Husbands should love their wives just as Christ loved the Church and sacrificed himself for her to make her holy. He made her clean by washing her in water with a form of words, so that when he took her to himself she would be glorious, with no speck or wrinkle or anything like that, but holy and faultless. In the same way, husbands must love their wives as they love their own bodies; for a man to love his wife is for him to love himself. A man never hates his own body, but he feeds it and looks after it; and that is the way Christ treats the Church, because it is his body - and we are its living parts. For this reason, a man must leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, and the two will become one body. This mystery has many implications; but I am saying it applies to Christ and the Church. To sum up; you too, each one of you, must love his wife as he loves himself; and let every wife respect her husband.

The word of the Lord.

Ihe Ogugu Nke Mbu

Ihe ogugu e wetara n'akwukwozi Pol di aso degaara ndi Efesus (5:21-33)

Na-aso-puritaranu onwe unu n'ihu nkwanye ugwu diiri Kristi. Ndi bu nwunye, na-asopuru di unu, dika o kwesiri Dinweni. Di bu isi nwunye ya, dika Kristi si buru isi nke nzuko bu ahụ ya ma burukwa n'onwe ya, onye nzoputa ya. Ya bu, ka ndi bu nwunye sopuru di ha n'ihe niile dika nzuko Kristi si na-asopuru ya n'ihe niile. Ndi bu di, hunu nwunye unu n'anya, dika Kristi siri bu nzuko ya, werekwa ndu ya nye n'ihu ya, o siri otu a doo ya nso, ebe o jiri okwu ahụ dika mmiri, sachaa ya. Ka o wee chee nzuko ahụ n'ihu onwe ya dika ihe di ebube, nke enweghi ntupo, ihu ndoli, mabu ihe di otu ahụ, ka o wee di nso n'enweghi ntupo. N'uzo di otu a, ndi bu di kwesiri ihu nwunye ha n'anya dika ahụ nke ha. Onye na-ahụ nwunye ya n'anya bu onwe ya ka o na-ahụ n'anya. N'ihina o nweghi nwoke obula na-akpo anuahu ya si, kama, o na-azu ya, ma na-ehekwa ya dika Kristi si eme nzuko ya; n'ihina anyi bu akuku ahụ ya. "O bu n'ihu nke a ka nwoke ga-eji hapu nne na nna ya, ya na nwunye ya ejikoo. Ha abuo aburu otu ahụ." Nke a bu nnukwu ihe omimi nke na-arutu aka n'ebe Kristi na nzuko ya no. Otu o sila di, ka onye obula n'ime unu hu nwunye ya n'anya dika onwe ya, ka nwunye hukwa na o na-asopuru di ya.

56 Okwu nke Oseburuwa.

Responsorial Psalm Ps 127:1-5 (R.v. 1)

Response: **O blessed are those who fear the Lord!**

1. O blessed are those who fear the Lord and walk in his ways! By the labour of your hands you shall eat. (R)

2. You will be happy and prosper; your wife like a fruitful vine in the heart of your house; your children like shoots of the olive, around your table. (R)

3. Indeed thus shall be blessed the man who fears the Lord. May the Lord bless you from Zion all the days of your life! (R)

Alleluia, alleluia! Jn 15: 15

I call you friends, says the Lord, because I have made known to you everything I have learnt from my Father. Alleluia!

Gospel

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke (13:18-21)

Jesus said, 'what is the kingdom of God like? What shall I compare it with? It is like a mustard seed which a man took and threw into his garden: it grew and became a tree, and the birds of the air sheltered in its branches.'

Another thing he said, 'what shall I compare the kingdom of God with? It is like the yeast a woman took and mixed with three measures of flour till it was leavened all through.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

(For Prayer Over The Offerings, Communion Antiphon, and Post-Communion, see pages 53 & 54)

30 October [Orie] Wednesday of Week 30 (Green)

(For Entry Antiphon and Collect, see page 52)

First Reading

A reading from the letter of St. Paul to the Ephesians (6:1-9)

Children, be obedient to your parents in the Lord—that is your duty. The first commandment that has a promise attached to it is: Honour your father and mother; and the promise is: and you will prosper and have a long life in the land. And parents, never drive your children to resentment but in bringing them up correct them and guide them as the Lord does.

Slaves, be obedient to the men who are called your masters in this world, with deep respect and sincere loyalty, as you are obedient to Christ: not only when you are under their eyes, as if you had only to please men, but because you are slaves of

Abụoma na Aziza Abụ.128:1-5. (Az.1)

Aziza: **Ngozi na-adiri ndi na-aturu Chineke egwu.**

1. Ngozi na-adiri ndi na-aturu Chineke egwu, na-eso ụzọ ya. Ihe aka gi kutara ka i ga-eri. (Az.)

2. Añuri na oganiihu ga-abu nke gi, nwunye gi ga-adi ka osisi vain, na-amị mkpuru n'ime ulo gi, umu gi ga-adi ka osisi oliv, gbaa oche nri gi gburugburu. (Az.)

3. Lee, otu ahụ ka a ga-esi gozie onye ahụ, nke na-aturu Chineke egwu. Ka Onyenweanyi si na Zayon gozie gi, ubochi ndu gi niile. (Az.)

Aleluya, aleluya! Jon 15: 15

Dinwenu kwuru si: A na m akpozi unu ndi enyi, n'ihina agwala m unu ihe niile m nuru n'onu Nna m. Aleluya!

Ozioma

Ihe ogugu nke a si n'Ozioma di aso nke Luk dere (13:18-21)

Jesu juru ozo si, "Gini ka alaeze Chineke dika ya? Gini ka m ga-eji tunyere ya? O dika mkpuru osisi Mostad nke otu onye weere kuo n'ubi. O toro, buru nnukwu osisi, umunnunu abia ruo akwu n'alaka ya."

Jesu jukwara ozo si, "Gini ka m ga-eji tunyere alaeze Chineke? O dika ihe na-eko achicha nke nwaanyi weere gwakoo ya na akpa ntuka ato, ruo mgbe ha koro."

Ozioma nke Oseburuwa.

Ihe Ogugu Nke Mbụ

Ihe ogugu e wetara n'akwukwozi Pol di aso degaara ndi Efesus (6:1-9)

Umu, na-eruberenu ndi muru unu isi n'ime Dinwenu, n'ihina nke a ziri ezi. "Sopuru nna gi na nne gi", n'ihina nke a bu iwu nke mbu nwere nkwa, "Ka ihe wee gaara gi nke oma, ka i werekwa bie ogologo ndu n'elu uwa." Ndi bu nna, unu akpasula umu unu iwe, kama zulitenu ha n'uzo ziri ezi na ntuzi aka nke Dinwenu.

Ndi bu ohu, werenu egwu na oma jijiji n'otu obi na-eruberenu ndi bu nnaukwu unu n'uwa isi dika ha bu Kristi. Unu emela ihe di mma naani mgbe mmadu na-ele unu anya, kama dika umuodibo Kristi, ndi na-

Christ and wholeheartedly do the will of God. Work hard and willingly, but do it for the sake of the Lord and not for the sake of men. You can be sure that everyone, whether a slave or a free man, will be properly rewarded by the Lord for whatever work he has done well. And those of you who are employers, treat your slaves in the same spirit; do without threats; remembering that they and you have the same Master in heaven and he is not impressed by one person more than by another. The word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm: Ps. 144:10-14 (R.v.13)

Response: The Lord is faithful in all his words.

1. All your creatures shall thank you, O Lord, and your friends shall repeat their blessing. They shall speak of the glory of your reign and declare your might, O God, to make known to men your mighty deeds and the glorious splendour of your reign. (R.)

2. Yours is an everlasting kingdom; your rule lasts from age to age. (R.)

3. The Lord is faithful in all his words and loving in all his deeds. The Lord supports all who fall and raises all who are bowed down. (R.)

Alleluia, alleluia! 2Thess. 2:14

Through the Good News God called us to share the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ. Alleluia!

Gospel

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke (13:22-30)

Through towns and villages Jesus went teaching, making his way to Jerusalem. Someone said to him, 'sir, will there be only a few saved?' He said to them, 'Try your best to enter by the narrow door, because, I tell you, many will try to enter and will not succeed.

'Once the master of the house has got up and locked the door, you may find yourself knocking on the door saying, "Lord, open to us" but he will answer, "I do not know where you come from." Then you will find yourself saying, "We once ate and drank in your company; you taught in our streets" but he will reply, "I do not know where you come from. Away from me, all you wicked men!"

'Then there will be weeping and grinding of teeth, when you see Abraham and Isaac and Jacob and all the prophets in the kingdom of

eme uche Chineke site n'obi ha. Werenụ obioma na-arụ ọrụ dika ọ bụ nke Dinwenu, na-abughị nke mmadu; ebe unu maara na ihe obula mmadu mere ka ọ ga-anatakwa n'aka Dinwenu, mobu onu mobu onye nwe onwe ya. Ndi nnaukwu, marakwanu ha otu ahụ, kwusinu iyi ha egwu; ebe unu maara na onye bu nna ha ukwu na nke unu no n'eluigwe. O naghị ele mmadu anya n'ihu mgbe o na-ekpe ikpe.

Okwu nke Oseburuwa.

Abuoma na Aziza: Abu. 145:10-14. (Az.13)

Aziza: Onyenweanyi di ntukwasiohi n'okwu ya niile.

1. Onyenweanyi, ihe niile i kere ga-ekele gi, ndi kwere na gi ga-agozi gi. Ha ga-ekwuputa ebube nke alaeze gi, ma kwuputakwa idi ike gi. Ka mmadu niile mata ọrụ itunaanya gi niile, na ebube di elu nke alaeze gi. (Az.)

2. Alaeze gi ga-adi ebebe, ochichi gi na-adi na ndudugandu niile. (Az.)

3. Onyenweanyi di ntukwasiohi n'okwu ya niile, omume ya niile juputara n'obi ebere. Onyenweanyi na-azo ndi na-ada ada, O nakulite ndi a kudara n'ala. (Az.)

Alaluya, alaluya! 2Thess. 2:14

Site n'Ozioma, Chineke kporo unu ka unu wee nweta otito nke Dinwenu anyi Jesu Kristi. Alaluya!

Ozioma

Ihe Ogugu nke a si n'Ozioma di aso nke Luk dere (13:22-30)

Jesu na-agaghari n'obodo ukwu na n'obodo nta, na-akuzi nkuzi: Ka o na-aga Jerusalem, otu onye juru ya si, "Onyenweanyi o bu naani mmadu olemaole ka a ga-azoputa?" O wee gwa ha si, "Gbaanu mbo ka unu si n'uzo di warawara banye, n'ihina agwa m unu otutu mmadu ga-acho ka ha banye ma ha agaghị enwe ike. Oge obula onye nwe ulo biliri gbachie onuzo ya, unu ga-amalite iguzo n'ezi na-aku aka n'uzo, na-asi, "Dinwenu, megheere anyi uzo." O ga-aza unu si, "Amaghi m ebe unu si bia." Mgbe ahụ unu ga-ebido na-asi, Anyi na gi rin, nkwaa, ikuzikwara nkuzi n'ogbe anyi. Ma o ga-asi, Agwa m unu, amaghi m ebe unu siri bia; Sinu n'ebe m no puo, unu niile bu ndi omenjo!

N'ebe ahụ, unu ga-akwa akwa, na-ata ikikere eze; mgbe unu huru Abraham, Aizik na Jekob na ndi amuma niile ka ha na n'alaeze

God, and yourselves turned outside. And men from east and west, from north and south, will come to take their places at the feast in the kingdom of God.

‘Yes, there are those now last who will be first, and those now first who will be last.’
The Gospel of the Lord.

(For Prayer Over The Offerings, Communion Antiphon, and
Prayer After Communion, see pages 53 & 54)

31 October [Afo] Thursday of Week 30 (Green)

(For Entry Antiphon and Collect, see page 52)

First Reading

A reading from the letter of St. Paul to the Ephesians (6:10-20)

Grow strong in the Lord, with the strength of his power. Put God's armour on so as to be able to resist the devil's tactics. For it is not against human enemies that we have to struggle, but against the sovereignties and the Powers who originate the darkness of this world, the spiritual army of evil in the heavens. That is why you must rely on God's armour, or you will not be able to put up any resistance when the worst happens, or have enough resources to hold your ground.

So stand your ground, with truth buckled round your waist, and integrity for a breastplate, wearing for shoes on your feet the eagerness to spread the gospel of peace and always carrying the shield of faith so that you can use it to put out the burning arrows of the evil one. And then you must accept salvation from God to be your helmet and receive the word of God from the Spirit to use as a sword.

Pray all the time, asking for what you need, praying in the Spirit on every possible occasion. Never get tired of staying awake to pray for all the saints; and pray for me to be given an opportunity to open my mouth and speak without fear and give out the mystery of the gospel of which I am an ambassador in chains; pray that in proclaiming it I may speak as boldly as I ought to.

The word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm: Ps. 143:1-2-9-10 (R.v.1)

Response: Blessed be the Lord, my rock.

1. Blessed be the Lord, my rock who trains my arms for battle, who prepares my hands for war. (R.)

2. He is my love, my fortress; he is my stronghold, my saviour, my shield, my place of

Chineke. Ma unu onwe unu ga-abu ndi a chupuru n'ezi. Ndi mmadu ga-esi n'owuwa anyanwu na odida anyanwu, sikwa n'ugwu na ndida bia nodu n'uche nri n'Alaeze Chineke.

Ma lee, ufodu ndi ikpeazu ga-ebu uzo, ufodu ndi bu uzo ga-ekpeazu.

Ozioma nke Oseburuwa.

The Ogugu Nke Mbu

Ihe ogugu e wetara n'akwukwozi Pol di aso degaara Ndi Efesus (6:10-20)

N'ikpeazu kwusienue ike n'ime Onyenweanyi nakwa n'ike nke idi ukwu ya. Yikwasinu ngwaagha nke Chineke niile ka unu wee nwee ike imegide aghugho niile nke ekwensu. N'ihina o bughi mmadu nkiti ka anyi na ya na-agba mgba, kama anyi na-alu ogu megide ochichi niile, na ike niile, megide ndi na-achi uwa nke ochichiri a, megidekwa ajo mmuo di ichiche, ndi na-achi ihu eluigwe. Werenu ihe ize ndu niile nke Chineke, ka unu wee nwee ike ikwudosiike mgbe ubochi ojoj biara. Ka unu wee kwuru mgbe unu mezuu ihe niile. Ya bu, kwurunu chim, jirinu eziokwu kee n'ukwu unu, yikwasinu eziokwu dika uwe agha mgbochi obi. Yirinu ngwa nke ozioma nke udo dika akpukpo ukwu. Ma nke kachanu, jidenu ota nke okwukwe nke unu ga-eji emenyu aku (uta) niile, bu oku nke onyeiro ga-agba. Werekwanu okpu agha nke nzoputa, ya na mma agha nke mmuo, nke bu okwu nke Chineke. Na-ekpenu ekpere n'ime mmuo, noronu n'ekpere na aririo mgbe niile. Iji mezuu nke a, murunu anya, kwudosikwanu ike, na-arioronu ndi nso niile aririo. Na-echetakwanu m n'ekpere ka e nye m ike nke okwu, m ga-eji na-ekwuputa ihe omimi nke ozioma n'atughi egwu obula; nke m ji maka ya buru onye nnochite anya no na mkporo. Ka m kwuputa ya n'atughi egwu obula, dika m kwesiri ikwu. Okwu nke Oseburuwa.

Abuoma na Aziza: Abu. 144:1-2-9-10. (Az.1)

Aziza: Ngozi diri Oseburuwa, nkume m.

1. Ngozi diri Oseburuwa, nkume m, onye na-azu aka m maka ilu ogu, mkpisi aka m maka ibu agha. (Az.)

2. O bu ya bu ihunaanya m, na onye nkwo m, na onye nzoputa m, o bu

refuge. He brings peoples under my rule. (R.)
3. To you, O God, will I sing a new song; I will play on the ten-stringed lute to you who give kings their victory, who set David your servant free. (R.)

Alleluia, alleluia! Lk. 19:38,2:14

Blessings on Kings who comes in the name of the Lord! Peace in heaven and glory in the highest heavens Alleluia!

Gospel

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke (13:31-35)

Some Pharisees came up to Jesus. 'Go away' they said. 'Leave this place, because Herod means to kill you.' He replied, 'You may go and give that fox this message: Learn that today and tomorrow I cast out devils and on the third day attain my end. But for today and tomorrow and the next day I must go on, since it would not be right for a prophet to die outside Jerusalem.'

'Jerusalem, Jerusalem, you that kill the prophets and stone those who are sent to you! How often have I longed to gather your children, as a hen gathers her brood under her wings, and you refused! So be it! Your house will be left to you. Yes, I promise you, you shall not see me till the time comes when you say: Blessings on him who comes in the name of the Lord!'

The Gospel of the Lord

**(For Prayer Over The Offerings, Communion Antiphon, and
Prayer After Communion, see pages 53 & 54)**

THE JUBILEE PRAYER

Father in heaven, may the faith you have given us in your son, Jesus Christ, our brother, and the flame of charity enkindled in our hearts by the Holy Spirit, reawaken in us the blessed hope for the coming of your Kingdom.

May your grace transform us into tireless cultivators of the seeds of the Gospel. May those seeds transform from within both humanity and the whole cosmos in the sure expectation of a new heaven and a new earth, when with the powers of Evil vanquished, your glory will shine eternally.

May the grace of the Jubilee reawaken in us, Pilgrims of Hope, a yearning for the treasures of heaven.

May that same grace spread the joy and peace of our Redeemer throughout the earth. To you our God, eternally blessed, be glory and praise for ever. Amen

na ya ka m na-ezo onwe m, ekpeke m, o na-eme ka mba niile rubere m isi. (Az.)

3. Onyenweanyi, aga m ekwere gi ukwe. O bu gi na-enye ndieze mmeri, nakwa azoputa David nwodibo gi. (Az.)

Aléluya, aléluya! Lk. 19:38,2:14

Ngozi diri eze ahu onye na-abia n'aha Onyenweanyi. Udo n'eluigwe, otito n'elu kacha elu! Aléluya!

Ozioma

Ihe Ogugu nke a si n'Ozioma di aso nke Luk dere (13:31-35)

Ufodu ndi Farisii biakwutere Jesu si ya, "Si n'ebe a puo n'ihina Herod na-acho igbu gi." Ogwara ha, "Gaanu gwa nkita ohia ahu, Lee, ana m achupu ndi mmuo ojoo, na-agwokwa nriaria di ichiche taa na echi, ma ubochi nke ato aga m aruzu oru m. Otu o si na-di, aghaghi m iga ebe m na-aga taa na echi na ubochi na-esota ya, n'ihina o kwesighi ka e gbuo onye amuma ebe ozo na-abughi na Jerusalem"

O Jerusalem, Jerusalem, ndi na-egbu ndi amuma, na-ejikwa okwute atugbusi ndi Chineke ziteere ya! Ugboro ole ka m choro ichikota umu gi dika nnekwu okuko si achikota umu ya n'okpuru nku ya abuo, ma umu ekweghi! Lee, a na-ahapu ulo unu! Ma agwa m unu, unu agaghi ahu m anya ozo ruo mgbe unu ga-asi, 'Ngozi na-adiri onye biara n'aha Dinweni.

Ozioma nke Oseburuwa.

EKPERE JUBILII

Nna no n'eluigwe, ka okwukwe nke I nyere anyi n'ime Nwa gi, Jesu Kristi, nwanne anyi, na oku nke ihunanya Muo nsọ mụnyere n'obi anyi, kpolitekwa n'ime anyi, nchekwube di nsọ maka obibia nke alaeze gi. Ka amara gi gbanwoo anyi ka anyi buru ndi ike anaghi agwu iku mkpuru nke ozioma.

Meekwa ka siten'olileanya nke eluigwe ohuru na uwa ohuru, ka mkpuru nke ozioma ndi ahu si n'ime gbanwoo ndi mmadu, gbanwokwazi ihe niile ekere eke, merie ike nke ihe ojoo niile ka otito gi wee chawaputa ebebe.

Ka amara nke Jubili kpolitekwa n'ime anyi bu ndi Njem nke nchekwube, aguu maka aku nke eluigwe.

Ka otu amara ahu gbasaa anuri na udo nke onye Nzoputa anyi n'uwa niile. Ka otito na mbulielu diri gi Chineke anyi Onye di ngozi

60mgbe niile. Amen.

SUNDAY EVENING INSTRUCTION

28th Sunday in Ordinary Time (B)

13 October 2024 [Eke]

Jesus, the Wisdom of God, Calls to Perfection

Knowledge refers to the acquisition of information and facts, while wisdom entails the application of knowledge along with experience, insight, and good judgment. The wise sees clearly and deeply into things, including the will and mysteries of God. In His wise and loving plan of salvation, God sent His Son and Incarnate Word, Jesus Christ, to make His purpose and Will known. Jesus invites all to follow his pathway to perfection.

THE HOLY SCRIPTURES

Jesus invites to perfection:

Matthew 5:48 You therefore must be perfect, as your heavenly Father is perfect.

Jesus is the Wisdom of God incarnate, often rejected:

Matthew 11:19 The Son of Man came eating and drinking, and they say, 'Look at him! A glutton and a drunkard, a friend of tax collectors and sinners!' Yet wisdom is justified by her deeds.

1 Corinthians 1:18-25 For the word of the cross is folly to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God... but we preach Christ crucified, a stumbling block to Jews and folly to Gentiles, but to those who are called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. For the foolishness of God is wiser than men, and the weakness of God is stronger than men.

1 Corinthians 1:30 ... Christ Jesus, who became to us wisdom from God, righteousness and sanctification and redemption.

St Paul labours to make known the wisdom of God in Christ:

Colossians 2:2-3 My goal is that they may be encouraged in heart and united in love, so that they may have the full riches of complete understanding, in order that they may know the mystery of God, namely, Christ,³ in whom are hidden all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge.

Christians are to seek and pray for wisdom:

Colossians 1:9 And so, from the day we heard, we have not ceased to pray for you, asking that you may be filled with the knowledge of his will in all spiritual wisdom and understanding.

Possession of wisdom and knowledge of God manifests in keeping the commandment:

1 John 2:29 Whoever says "I know him" but does not keep his commandments is a liar, and the truth is not in him, but whoever keeps his word, in him truly the love of God is perfected. By this we may know that we are in him.

James 3:13 Who is wise and understanding among you? By his good conduct let him show his works in the meekness of wisdom.

Divine wisdom is opposed to worldliness:

Romans 12:2 Do not conform to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is—his good, pleasing and perfect will.

1 Corinthians 2:1-5 And I, when I came to you, brothers, did not come proclaiming to you the testimony of God with lofty speech or wisdom. For I decided to know nothing among you except Jesus Christ and him crucified. And I was with you in weakness and in fear and much trembling, and my speech and my message were not in plausible words of wisdom, but in demonstration of the Spirit and of power, so that your faith might not rest in the wisdom of men but in the power of God.

1 Corinthians 2:6-7 We do, however, speak a message of wisdom among the mature, but not the wisdom of this age or of the rulers of this age, who are coming to

nothing. No, we declare God's wisdom, a mystery that has been hidden and that God destined for our glory before time began.

Divine wisdom leads to obedience of faith:

Romans 16:25-27 Now to him who is able to strengthen you according to my gospel and the preaching of Jesus Christ, according to the revelation of the mystery that was kept secret for long ages but has now been disclosed and through the prophetic writings has been made known to all nations, according to the command of the eternal God, to bring about the obedience of faith—to the only wise God be glory forevermore through Jesus Christ! Amen.

FATHERS OF THE CHURCH

Ignatius of Antioch (30–107) teaches that Jesus is the Incarnate Wisdom of God who shares in His essence.

If any one says there is one God, and also confesses Christ Jesus, but thinks the Lord to be a mere man, and not the only-begotten God, and Wisdom, and the Word of God, and deems Him to consist merely of a soul and body, such an one is a serpent, that preaches deceit and error for the destruction of men. And such a man is poor in understanding, even as by name he is an Ebionite.

St Augustine of Hippo (354–430) affirms the same:

And since Christ is God from God, and God's Word, Wisdom, Son, and Power, therefore but One God is declared in the divine Scriptures.

CATECHISM OF THE CATHOLIC CHURCH

The Catechism of the Catholic Church teaches that God from eternity chose to reveal His wisdom through His Son, Jesus Christ:

CCC 51 "It pleased God, in his goodness and wisdom, to reveal himself and to make known the mystery of his will. His will was that men should have access to the Father, through Christ, the Word made flesh, in the Holy Spirit, and thus become sharers in the divine nature" (cf. Jn 14:6).

Jesus is the Incarnate wisdom of God who becomes the way to divine glory:

CCC 459 The Word became flesh *to be our model of holiness*: "Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me." "I am the way, and the truth, and the life; no one comes to the Father, but by me" (Mt 11:29; Jn 14:6). On the mountain of the Transfiguration, the Father commands: "Listen to him!" (Mk 9:7; cf. Dt 6:4–5).

Divine wisdom for man's salvation is revealed in the commandment:

CCC 2822 Our Father "desires all men to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth" (1 Tim 2:3–4). He "is forbearing toward you, not wishing that any should perish" (2 Pet 3:9; cf. Mt 18:14). His commandment is "that you love one another; even as I have loved you, that you also love one another" (Jn 13:34; cf. 1 Jn 3:4; Lk 10:25–37). This commandment summarizes all the others and expresses his entire will.

Jesus invites to heavenly wisdom which entails the renunciation of earthly vanities:

CCC 2544 Jesus enjoins his disciples to prefer him to everything and everyone, and bids them "renounce all that [they have]" for his sake and that of the Gospel (Lk 14:33; cf. Mk 8:35). Shortly before his passion he gave them the example of the poor widow of Jerusalem who, out of her poverty, gave all that she had to live on (cf. Lk 21:4). The precept of detachment from riches is obligatory for entrance into the Kingdom of heaven.

GROUP DISCUSSIONS

1. Divine wisdom constantly battles with earthly wisdom that is treasured as heritage that shape a people's psyche and behavior, a reason to constantly proclaim the Word of God for conversion and transformation. Discuss?
2. Wisdom is one of the gifts of the Holy Spirit who enlightens the mind and prepares the heart for interior conversion and union with the Incarnate Word. Discuss?

Go and invite everyone to the banquet (cf. Mt 22:9)

Message of the Holy Father Francis for the 98th World Mission Day

The theme I have chosen for this year's World Mission Day is taken from the Gospel parable of the wedding banquet (cf. *Mtt* 22:1-14). After the guests refused his invitation, the king, the main character in the story, tells his servants: "Go therefore to the thoroughfares, and invite to the marriage feast as many as you find" (v. 9)...

1. "Go and invite!" Mission as a tireless going out to invite others to the Lord's banquet

In the king's command to his servants we find two words that express the heart of the mission: the verbs "to go out" and "to invite".

As for the first, we need to remember that the servants had previously been sent to deliver the king's invitation to the guests (cf. vv. 3-4). Mission, we see, is a tireless going out to all men and women, in order to invite them to encounter God and enter into communion with him... Jesus Christ, the Good Shepherd and messenger of the Father, went out in search of the lost sheep of the people of Israel and desired to go even further, in order to reach even the most distant sheep (cf. *Jn* 10:16). Both before and after his resurrection, he told his disciples, "Go!", thus involving them in his own mission (cf. *Lk* 10:3; *Mk* 16:15). The Church, for her part, in fidelity to the mission she has received from the Lord, will continue to go to the ends of the earth, to set out over and over again, without ever growing weary or losing heart in the face of difficulties and obstacles.

Let us not forget that every Christian is called to take part in this universal mission by offering his or her own witness to the Gospel in every context, so that the whole Church can continually go forth with her Lord and Master to the "crossroads" of today's world....

... In the same way, the mission of bringing the Gospel to every creature must necessarily imitate the same "style" of the One who is being preached... Not by pressuring, coercing or proselytizing, but with closeness, compassion and tenderness, and in this way reflecting God's own way of being and acting.

2. "To the marriage feast". The eschatological and Eucharistic dimension of the mission of Christ and the Church.

In the parable, the king asks the servants to bring the invitation to his son's wedding banquet. That banquet is a reflection of the eschatological banquet. It is an image of ultimate salvation in the Kingdom of God, fulfilled even now by the coming of Jesus, the Messiah and Son of God, who has given us life in abundance (cf. *Jn* 10:10),...

Christ's mission has to do with the fullness of time, as he declared at the beginning of his preaching: "The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand" (*Mk* 1:15). Christ's disciples are called to continue this mission of their Lord and Master....

We know that among the first Christians missionary zeal had a powerful eschatological dimension. They sensed the urgency of the preaching of the Gospel. Today too it is important to maintain this perspective, since it helps us to evangelize with the joy of those who know that "the Lord is near" and with the hope of those who are pressing forward towards the goal, when all of us will be with Christ at his wedding feast in the kingdom of God. While the world sets before us the various "banquets" of consumerism, selfish comfort, the accumulation of wealth and individualism, the Gospel calls everyone to the divine banquet, marked by joy, sharing, justice and fraternity in communion with God and with others.

This fullness of life, which is Christ's gift, is anticipated even now in the banquet of the Eucharist, which the Church celebrates at the Lord's command in memory of him. The invitation to the eschatological banquet that we bring to everyone in our mission of evangelization is intrinsically linked to the invitation to the Eucharistic table, where the Lord feeds us with his word and with his Body and Blood....

Consequently, all of us are called to experience more intensely every Eucharist, in all its dimensions, and particularly its eschatological and missionary dimensions....

In this year devoted to prayer in preparation for the Jubilee of 2025, I wish to encourage all to deepen their commitment above all to take part in the celebration of Mass and to pray for the Church's mission of evangelization. In obedience to the Saviour's command, she does not cease to pray, at every Eucharistic and liturgical celebration, the "Our Father", with its petition, "Thy kingdom come". In this way, daily prayer and the Eucharist in particular make us pilgrims and missionaries of hope, journeying towards everlasting life in God, towards the nuptial banquet that God has prepared for all his children.

3. "Everyone". The universal mission of Christ's disciples in the fully synodal and missionary Church

The third and last reflection concerns the recipients of the King's invitation: "everyone". As I emphasized, "This is the heart of mission: that 'all', excluding no one. Every mission of ours, then, is born from the heart of Christ in order that he may draw all to himself". Today, in a world torn apart by divisions and conflicts, Christ's Gospel remains the gentle yet firm voice that calls individuals to encounter one another, to recognize that they are brothers and sisters, and to rejoice in harmony amid diversity. "God our Saviour desires everyone to be saved and come to the knowledge of the truth" (*1 Tim 2:4*). Let us never forget, then, that in our missionary activities we are asked to preach the Gospel to all: "Instead of seeming to impose new obligations, [we] should appear as people who wish to share their joy, who point to a horizon of beauty and who invite others to a delicious banquet" (*Evangelii Gaudium*, 14).

Christ's missionary disciples have always had a heartfelt concern for all persons, whatever their social or even moral status. The parable of the banquet tells us that, at the king's orders, the servants gathered "all whom they found, both good and bad" (*Mt 22:10*). What is more, "the poor, the crippled, the blind and the lame" (*Lk 14:21*), in a word, the least of our brothers and sisters, those marginalized by society, are the special guests of the king. The wedding feast of his Son that God has prepared remains always open to all, since his love for each of us is immense and unconditional. "God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that *everyone* who believes in him may not perish but may have life eternal" (*Jn 3:16*). Everyone, every man and every woman, is invited by God to partake of his grace, which transforms and saves. One need simply say "yes" to this gratuitous divine gift, accepting it and allowing oneself be transformed by it, putting it on like a "wedding robe" (cf. *Mt 22:12*).

The mission *for* all requires the commitment *of* all. We need to continue our journey towards a fully synodal and missionary Church in the service of the Gospel. Synodality is essentially missionary and, vice versa, mission is always synodal. Consequently, close missionary cooperation is today all the more urgent and necessary, both in the universal Church and in the particular Churches. In the footsteps of the Second Vatican Council and my Predecessors, I recommend to all dioceses throughout the world the service of the Pontifical Mission Societies. They represent the primary means "by which Catholics are imbued from infancy with a truly universal and missionary outlook and [are] also a means for instituting an effective collecting of funds for all the missions, each according to its needs" (*Ad Gentes*, 38). For this reason, the collections of World Mission Day in all the local Churches are entirely destined to the universal fund of solidarity that the Pontifical Society of the Propagation of the Faith then distributes in the Pope's name for the needs of all the Church's missions....

Finally, let us lift our gaze to Mary, who asked Jesus to perform his first miracle precisely at a wedding feast, in Cana of Galilee (cf. *Jn 2:1-12*)... Let us implore her maternal intercession for the evangelizing mission of Christ's disciples in our own time. With the joy and loving concern of our Mother, with the strength born of tenderness and affection (cf. *Evangelii Gaudium*, 288), let us go forth to bring to everyone the invitation of the King, our Saviour. Holy Mary, Star of Evangelization, pray for us!

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