Scripture Readings for THE 23ND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST (OS 33) 13th November, 2022

The Sentence

May the Lord of peace himself give you peace at all times in all ways.

2 Thessalonians 3, 16

The Collect of the Day

Let us pray

A period of silent prayer is kept

Lord God of all the ages, the One who is, who was, and who is to come: stir up within us a longing for your kingdom, keep our hearts steady in times of trial, and grant us patient endurance until the Sun of justice dawns. We make our prayer through your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Readings for 20th November (OS 34) [CHRIST THE KING]

Jeremiah 23. 1–6. Luke 1. 68–79 (page 384) or Psalm 46 Colossians 1. 11–20. Luke 23. 33–43.

one God, now and for ever. Amen.

Readings for 27th November {FIRST SUNDAY IN ADVENT Year A}

Isaiah 2. 1-5. Psalm 122. Romans 13. 9-14 (15-21). Matthew 24. 36-44.

Prayer of the week

Almighty God, whose sovereign purpose none can make void: give us faith to be steadfast amid the tumults of this world, knowing that your kingdom shall come and your will be done, to your eternal glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,

A Reading from the prophecy of Malachi [4. 1-2a.]

See, the day is coming, burning like an oven, when all the arrogant and all evildoers will be stubble; the day that comes shall burn them up, says the Lord of hosts, so that it will leave them neither root nor branch. But for you who revere my name the sun of righteousness shall rise, with healing in its wings. You shall go out leaping like calves from the stall.

Hear the word of the Lord.

THANKS BE TO GOD

Psalm 98

- Sing to the Lord a new song, for he has done marvellous things.
- 2. His own right hand and his holy arm have won for him the victory.
- 3. The Lord has made known his salvation; his deliverance has he openly shown in the sight of the nations.
- 4. He has remembered his mercy and faithfulness towards the house of Israel, and all the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God.
- 5. Sound praises to the Lord, all the earth; break into singing and make music.
- Make music to the Lord with the lyre, with the lyre and the voice of melody.
- 7. With trumpets and the sound of the horn sound praises before the Lord, the King.
- 8. Let the sea thunder and all that fills it, the world and all that dwell upon it.
- Let the rivers clap their hands and let the hills ring out together before the Lord, for he comes to judge the earth.
- 10. In righteousness shall he judge the world and the peoples with equity.

A Reading from the Second Letter of Paul to the Thessalonians [3. 6-13]

Now we command you, beloved, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, to keep away from believers who are living in idleness and not according to the tradition that they received from us. For you yourselves know how you ought to imitate us; we were not idle when we were with you, and we did not eat anyone's bread without paying for it; but with toil and labour we worked night and day, so that we might not burden any of you. This was not because we do not have that right, but in order to give you an example to imitate. For even when we were with you, we gave you this command: Anyone unwilling to work should not eat. For we hear that some of you are living in idleness, mere busybodies, not doing any work. Now such persons we command and exhort in the Lord Jesus Christ to do their work quietly and to earn their own living. Brothers and sisters, do not be weary in doing what is right.

Hear the word of the Lord.

THANKS BE TO GOD

Alleluia! Alleluia! [If sung: Alleluia! Alleluia!]

Lift up your heads and see; your redemption is near at hand.

Alleluia! [If sung: Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!]



The Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke [21. 5-19] **Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

When some were speaking about the temple, how it was adorned with beautiful stones and gifts dedicated to God, he said, 'As for these things that you see, the days will come when not one stone will be left upon another; all will be thrown down.'

They asked him, 'Teacher, when will this be, and what will be the sign that this is about to take place?' And he said, 'Beware that you are not led astray; for many will come in my name and say, "I am he!" and, "The time is near!" Do not go after them.

'When you hear of wars and insurrections, do not be terrified; for these things must take place first, but the end will not follow immediately.' Then he said to them, 'Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; there will be great earthquakes, and in various places famines and plagues; and there will be dreadful portents and great signs from heaven.

'But before all this occurs, they will arrest you and persecute you; they will hand you over to synagogues and prisons, and you will be brought before kings and governors because of my name. This will give you an opportunity to testify. So make up your minds not to prepare your defence in advance; for I will give you words and a wisdom that none of your opponents will be able to withstand or contradict. You will be betrayed even by parents and brothers, by relatives and friends; and they will put some of you to death. You will be hated by all because of my name. But not a hair of your head will perish. By your endurance you will gain your souls.

For the Gospel of the Lord **Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ**