

# THE PARISH OF CATHAYS

August 14<sup>th</sup> 2010

Trinity 8

Pentecost 9

Year A

*Collect of the day:*

Almighty Lord and everlasting God, we beseech you to direct, sanctify and govern both our hearts and bodies in the ways of your laws and the works of your commandments; that through your most mighty protection, both here and ever, we may be preserved in body and soul; through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. **AMEN.**

*THE OLD TESTAMENT LESSON.*

*SIT*

*The reader says: A reading from the Book of the Prophet Isaiah*

**Isaiah 56:1,6-8**

Thus says the Lord: Maintain justice, and do what is right, for soon my salvation will come, and my deliverance be revealed. And the foreigners who join themselves to the Lord, to minister to him, to love the name of the Lord, and to be his servants, all who keep the sabbath, and do not profane it, and hold fast my covenant – these I will bring to my holy mountain, and make them joyful in my house of prayer; their burnt offerings and their sacrifices will be accepted on my altar; for my house shall be called a house of prayer for all peoples. Thus says the Lord God, who gathers the outcasts of Israel, I will gather others to them besides those already gathered.

*Silence*

*Reader:* This is the word of the Lord

*Response:* **Thanks be to God.**

*THE EPISTLE.*

*SIT*

*The reader says: A reading from the Letter of Paul to the Romans*

**Romans 11:1-2a,29-32**

I ask, then, has God rejected his people? By no means! I myself am an Israelite, a descendant of Abraham, a member of the tribe of Benjamin. God has not rejected his people whom he foreknew. For the gifts and the calling of God are irrevocable. Just as you were once disobedient to God but have now received mercy because of their disobedience, so they have now been disobedient in order that, by the mercy shown to you, they too may now receive mercy. For God has imprisoned all in disobedience so that he may be merciful to all.

*Silence*

*Reader:* This is the word of the Lord

*Response:* **Thanks be to God.**

**Psalm 67**

*STAND*

God be gracious to / us and / bless us: and make his / face to / shine up- / on us,

That your way may be / known upon / earth: your saving / power a- / mong all / nations.

† Let the peoples / praise • you, O / God: let / all the / peoples / praise you.

O let the nations re- / jice • and be / glad: for you will judge the peoples righteously \* and govern the / nations / upon / earth.

Let the peoples / praise • you, O / God: let / all the / peoples / praise you.

Then shall the earth bring / forth her / increase: and God, \* our / own / God, will / bless us.

God / will / bless us: and all the / ends • of the / earth shall / fear him.

Listen to the Gospel of Christ according to Saint Matthew

*Response:* **Glory to you O Lord.**

**Matthew 15:21-28**

Jesus left that place and went away to the district of Tyre and Sidon. Just then a Canaanite woman from that region came out and started shouting, "Have mercy on me, Lord, Son of David; my daughter is tormented by a demon." But he did not answer her at all. And his disciples came and urged him, saying, "Send her away, for she keeps shouting after us." He answered, "I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel." But she came and knelt before him, saying, "Lord, help me." He answered, "It is not fair to take the children's food and throw it to the dogs." She said, "Yes, Lord, yet even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their masters table." Then Jesus answered her, "Woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish." And her daughter was healed instantly.

*After the Gospel:* This is the Gospel of the Lord.  
*Response:* **Praise to you O Christ.**

*POST COMMUNION PRAYER*

Strengthen for service, Lord, the hands that have taken holy things; may the ears which have heard your word be deaf to clamour and dispute; may the tongues which have sung your praise be free from deceit; may the eyes which have seen the tokens of your love shine with the light of hope; and may the bodies which have been fed with your body be refreshed with the fullness of your life; glory to you for ever. **AMEN.**

*Readings for next Sunday, Trinity 9/ Pentecost 10, are:  
 Isaiah 51:1-6; Romans 12:1-8; Psalm 138; Matthew 16:13-20*

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