

LECTIONARY READING - MARCH 13, 2022

Psalm 27 New Revised Standard Version

Triumphant Song of Confidence Of David.

¹ The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear?
The Lord is the stronghold of my life; of whom shall I be afraid?

² When evildoers assail me to devour my flesh—
my adversaries and foes— they shall stumble and fall.

³ Though an army encamp against me, my heart shall not fear;
though war rise up against me, yet I will be confident.

⁴ One thing I asked of the Lord, that will I seek after:
to live in the house of the Lord all the days of my life,
to behold the beauty of the Lord, and to inquire in his temple.

⁵ For he will hide me in his shelter in the day of trouble;
he will conceal me under the cover of his tent; he will set me high on a rock.

⁶ Now my head is lifted up above my enemies all around me,
and I will offer in his tent sacrifices with shouts of joy;
I will sing and make melody to the Lord.

⁷ Hear, O Lord, when I cry aloud, be gracious to me and answer me!

⁸ “Come,” my heart says, “seek his face!” Your face, Lord, do I seek.

⁹ Do not hide your face from me.

Do not turn your servant away in anger, you who have been my help.
Do not cast me off, do not forsake me, O God of my salvation!

¹⁰ If my father and mother forsake me, the Lord will take me up.

¹¹ Teach me your way, O Lord, and lead me on a level path
because of my enemies.

¹² Do not give me up to the will of my adversaries,
for false witnesses have risen against me,
and they are breathing out violence.

¹³ I believe that I shall see the goodness of the Lord in the land of the living.

¹⁴ Wait for the Lord; be strong, and let your heart take courage;
wait for the Lord!

Luke 13:31-35

The Lament over Jerusalem

³¹ At that very hour some Pharisees came and said to him (Jesus), “Get away from here, for Herod wants to kill you.”

³² He said to them, “Go and tell that fox for me, ‘Listen, I am casting out demons and performing cures today and tomorrow, and on the third day I finish my work.

³³ Yet today, tomorrow, and the next day I must be on my way, because it is impossible for a prophet to be killed outside of Jerusalem.’”

³⁴ Jerusalem, Jerusalem, the city that kills the prophets and stones those who are sent to it! How often have I desired to gather your children together as a hen gathers her brood under her wings, and you were not willing!

³⁵ See, your house is left to you. And I tell you, you will not see me until the time comes when you say, ‘Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.’”