

## SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (A)

### Collect

**Almighty ever-living God, who govern all things, both in heaven and on earth, mercifully hear the pleading of your people and bestow your peace on our times. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.**

### 1st. READING (Isaiah 49:3.5-6)

The Lord said to me, "You are my servant (Israel) in whom I shall be glorified"; I was honoured in the eyes of the Lord, my God was my strength. And now the Lord has spoken, he who formed me in the womb to be his servant, to bring Jacob back to him, to gather Israel to him: "It is not enough for you to be my servant, to restore the tribes of Jacob and bring back the survivors of Israel; I will make you the light of the nations so that my salvation may reach to the ends of the earth."

### RESPONSORIAL PSALM (Ps 39:2.4.7-10.(R.8.9))

Here I am Lord! I come to do your will./I waited, I waited for the Lord and he stooped down to me;/he heard my cry./He put a new song into my mouth,/praise of our God./You do not ask for sacrifice and offerings,/but an open ear./You do not ask for holocaust and victim./Instead, here am I./In the scroll of the book it stands written/that I should do your will./My God, I delight in your law in the depth of my heart./Your justice I have proclaimed/in the great assembly./My lips I have not sealed; you know it, O Lord.

### 2nd. READING (Corinthians 1:1-3)

I, Paul, appointed by God to be an apostle, together with brother Sosthenes, send greetings to the church of God in Corinth, to the holy people of Jesus Christ, who are called to take their place among all the saints everywhere who pray to our Lord Jesus Christ; for he is their

Lord no less than ours. May God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ send you grace and peace.

### GOSPEL (John 1:29-34)

Glory to you, Lord. Seeing Jesus coming towards him, John said, "Look, there is the lamb of God that takes away the sin of the world. This is the one I spoke of when I said: A man is coming after me who ranks before me because he existed before me. I did not know him myself, and yet it was to reveal him to Israel that I came baptising with water." John also declared, "I saw the Spirit coming down on him from heaven like a dove and resting on him. I did not know him myself, but he who sent me to baptise with water had said to me, 'The man on whom you see the Spirit come down and rest is the one who is going to baptise with the Holy Spirit.' Yes, I have seen and I am the witness that he is the Chosen One of God."

### Prayer over the Offerings

**Grant us, O Lord, we pray, that we may participate worthily in these mysteries, for whenever the memorial of this sacrifice is celebrated the work of our redemption is accomplished. Through Christ our Lord.**

### Prayer after Communion

**Pour on us, O Lord, the Spirit of your love, and in your kindness make those you have nourished by this one heavenly Bread one in mind and heart. Through Christ our Lord.**