

Ash Wednesday - February 17, 2021



Reading I - Jl 2:12-18

Even now, says the LORD,
return to me with your whole heart,
with fasting, and weeping, and mourning;
Rend your hearts, not your garments,
and return to the LORD, your God.
For gracious and merciful is he,
slow to anger, rich in kindness,
and relenting in punishment.
Perhaps he will again relent
and leave behind him a blessing,
Offerings and libations
for the LORD, your God.
Blow the trumpet in Zion!
proclaim a fast,
call an assembly;
Gather the people,
notify the congregation;
Assemble the elders,
gather the children
and the infants at the breast;
Let the bridegroom quit his room
and the bride her chamber.
Between the porch and the altar
let the priests, the ministers of the LORD, weep,
And say, "Spare, O LORD, your people,
and make not your heritage a reproach,
with the nations ruling over them!
Why should they say among the peoples,
'Where is their God?'"
Then the LORD was stirred to concern for his land
and took pity on his people.

Responsorial Psalm

R. Be merciful, O Lord, for we have sinned.

Reading II - 2 Cor 5:20—6:2

Brothers and sisters:
We are ambassadors for Christ, as if God were
appealing through us. We implore you on behalf of
Christ, be reconciled to God. For our sake he made

him to be sin who did not know sin, so that we
might become the righteousness of God in him.
Working together, then, we appeal to you not to
receive the grace of God in vain.

For he says:

*In an acceptable time I heard you,
and on the day of salvation I helped you.*

Behold, now is a very acceptable time; behold, now
is the day of salvation.

Gospel - Mt 6:1-6, 16-18

Jesus said to his disciples:

"Take care not to perform righteous deeds in order
that people may see them; otherwise, you will have
no recompense from your heavenly Father. When
you give alms, do not blow a trumpet before you,
as the hypocrites do in the synagogues and in the
streets to win the praise of others. Amen, I say to
you, they have received their reward. But when you
give alms, do not let your left hand know what your
right is doing, so that your almsgiving may be
secret. And your Father who sees in secret will
repay you. "When you pray, do not be like the
hypocrites, who love to stand and pray in the
synagogues and on street corners so that others
may see them. Amen, I say to you, they have
received their reward. But when you pray, go to your
inner room, close the door, and pray to your Father
in secret. And your Father who sees in secret will
repay you. "When you fast, do not look gloomy like
the hypocrites. They neglect their appearance, so
that they may appear to others to be fasting. Amen,
I say to you, they have received their reward. But
when you fast, anoint your head and wash your
face, so that you may not appear to be fasting,
except to your Father who is hidden. And your
Father who sees what is hidden will repay you."

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Ash Distribution - Here's My Heart

Here's my heart Lord
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Speak what is true

'Cause I am found I am Yours
I am loved I'm made pure
I have life I can breathe
I am healed I am free

'Cause You are strong You are sure
You are life You endure
You are good always true
You are light breaking through

Here's my heart Lord
Here's my heart Lord
Here's my heart Lord
Speak what is true
Here's my life Lord

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Offertory Hymn - Lord, I Need You

Lord I come I confess
Bowling here I find my rest
And without You I fall apart
You're the one that guides my heart

Lord I need You oh I need You
Ev'ry hour I need You
My one defense my righteousness
Oh God how I need You

Where sin runs deep Your grace is more
Where grace is found is where You are
And where You are Lord I am free
Holiness is Christ in me
Where You are Lord I am free
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Communion Hymn - Nothing Else

I'm caught up in Your presence
I just want to sit here at Your feet
I'm caught up in this holy moment
I never want to leave
Oh I'm not here for blessings
Jesus You don't owe me anything
More than anything that You can do
I just want You

I'm sorry when I've just gone through the motions
I'm sorry when I just sang another song
Take me back to where we started
I open up my heart to You

I'm sorry when I've come with my agenda
I'm sorry when I forgot that You're enough
Take me back to where we started
I open up my heart to You

I just want You
Nothing else
Nothing else (Jesus)
Nothing else will do

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