

## **Commentary on the Gospel for Mon, Apr 2nd 2018**

### **KEEP ME SAFE O GOD, YOU ARE MY HOPE**

This verse of the responsorial psalm is an ever-recurring petition in the psalms. The people of Israel had to undergo many trials and threats and even in their infidelities, making for themselves idols, they realized again and again that their surest security and the source of their hope was the God of their Fathers. In our lives too, we meet threats, physical or psychological. In our families, we experience insecurities regarding keeping our job, the sustenance of our families, protecting them from harm, being able to send our children to College, etc. It is of course understood that we try our best to work towards security but ultimately we have to rely on God. When everything seems to work against us, when our efforts seem to be fruitless, we need not despair because God has assured us of his love, care and compassion. We repeat with the Psalmist: KEEP ME SAFE O GOD, YOU ARE MY HOPE!

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