Readings: St Gregory the Great, Pope, Doctor of the Church

First Reading: Col 1:15-20

Brothers and sisters:

Christ Jesus is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation.

For in him were created all things in heaven and on earth, the visible and the invisible, whether thrones or ofominions or principalities or powers; all things were created through him and for him. He is before all things, and in him all things hold together.

He is the head of the Body, the Church. He is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, that in all things he himself might be preeminent. For in him all the fullness was pleased to dwell, and through him to reconcile all things for him, making peace by the Blood of his cross

through him, whether those on earth or those in heaven.

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 4, 5

R (2b) Come with joy into the presence of the Lord.

Sing joyfully to the LORD, all you lands; serve the LORD with gladness; come before him with joyful song.

R./ Come with joy into the presence of the Lord.

Know that the LORD is God;

R./ Come with joy into the presence of the Lord.

Enter his gates with thanksgiving, his courts with praise; Give thanks to him; bless his name.

R./ Come with joy into the presence of the Lord.

For he is good, the LORD, whose kindness endures forever, and his faithfulness, to all generations.

R./ Come with joy into the presence of the Lord.

Gospel Reading: Lk 5:33-39

Some people asked him, "The disciples of John fast often and say long prayers, and so do the disciples of the Pharisses. Why is it that your disciples eat and drink?" Then Jesus said to them, "You can't make wedding guests fast while the bridegroom is with them. But later the bridegroom will be taken from them and they will fast in

those days.'

well. But new wine must be put into fresh skins. Yet no one who has tasted old wine is eager to get new wine, but says: The old is good."

