

Liturgy Alive of Wednesday 15th Week in Ordinary Time Year 1

Opening Prayer

Lord our God,
we are often blind and insensitive
to the wonderful things you do among us
and to the love that people show us.
Open our minds and hearts
to see the signs of your presence
in the good that people do to one another and to us.
Make us also see the presence of our crucified Lord
in people who suffer.
We ask this through Christ, our Lord.

Liturgy of the Word

First Reading Introduction: She called him Moses for she said, “I drew him out of the water.” After Moses had grown up, he visited his people.

Moses had to be saved from the waters so that he could share the same experience as his people when they were to be saved by passing through the waters.

Gospel Reading Introduction: It will be more tolerable for Tyre and Sidon and for the land of Sodom on the day of judgment than for you.

The poor and the oppressed are often more open to salvation than the self-satisfied, sophisticated city dwellers; the latter are often the image of rationalistic and corrupt people in the Bible, also among the Jews. As they are more individualistic, they do not easily form a community of salvation. In the noise and bustle of a busy life, they do not see the signs of God’s presence.

General Intercessions

- For men and women, who have lowly and depressing jobs, that we may appreciate them, we pray:
- For all who have been baptized in the saving waters of baptism, that they may remain faithful to their baptismal promises, we pray:
- For all those who see the good deeds done by believing people, that they may discover the Lord Jesus who inspires these good people, we pray:

Prayer over the Gifts

Lord our God,
let this bread and wine we bring before you
become to us clear signs
of how you make yourself near to us
in Jesus Christ, your Son.
Give us a deep faith to discover
the love you constantly show us in him
and to respond eagerly to it
with deeds of compassion and service

for all those who need us.
Grant us this through Christ, our Lord.

Prayer after Communion

Lord God,
we deserve the harsh words
which Jesus spoke to us today
to prompt us to seek conversion.
Make us accept these words
spoken out of deep concern
for those he loves.
Give us an open attitude
that makes us see how you care for us
and how you are near to us in everyday life.
Help us to respond to your loving care
through Christ, our Lord.

Blessing

Repent! Perhaps, we think that these words of the Lord do not apply to us. If we are open-minded, we will probably notice that there are many things in us that we wish to change. Perfection is not of this world. May Almighty God bless you, the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit.