

Sexagesima Sunday, or the 2nd Sunday before Lent.

INTROIT. *Exsúrge. Ps. 43-b.*

UP, Lord, why sleepest thou? Arise, and reject us not before the end: † Wherefore hidest thou thy face? Dost thou forget our poverty and our affliction? * For our belly cleaveth unto the ground. | Arise, O Lord, help us, and deliver us. *Ps. 43.* O God, we have heard with our ears: * and our fathers have told us. *V.* Glory.

Glória in excélsis is not sung.

COLLECTS.

Of the Day. O GOD, who seest that we put not our trust in any dêed of our own: mercifully grânt; that by the protection of the Teacher of the Gentiles we may be defended against all adversity. Through.

Of the Saints. DEFEND us, O Lord, we beseech thee, from all dangers of mind and of body: and at the intercession of the blessèd and glorious Mother of God, Mary Ever-virgin, with blessèd Joseph, thy blessèd Apostles Peter and Paul, blessèd Edmund, and all the Saints, graciously grant us health and peâce; that all adversities and errors may be done away, and thy Church may serve thee in freedom and quietness.

To Beg the Grace of Charity. O GOD, who dost make all things work together for good to them that love thee: pour into our hearts, we beseech thee, the steadfast affection of charity; that as by thy holy inspiration thou dost put into our minds good desires, so we may not be turned aside from the same by any temptations. Through.

The LESSON from the Prophet Jeremiah. *Jer. 30:18-21.*

THUS saith the Lord; Behold, I will bring again the captivity of Jacob's tents, and have mercy on his dwelling places; and the city shall be builded upon her own heap, and the palace shall remain after the manner thereof. And out of them shall proceed thanksgiving and the voice of them that make merry: and I will multiply them, and they shall not be few; I will also glorify them, and they shall not be small. Their children also shall be as aforetime, and their congregation shall be established before me, and I will punish all that oppress them. And their nobles shall be of themselves, and their governor shall proceed from the midst of them; and I will cause him to draw near, and he shall approach unto me: for who is this that engaged his heart to approach unto me? saith the Lord.

GRADUAL. *Ps. 82.* And let them know that thy Name is LORD: * thou only art the Most High over all the earth. *V.* O my God, make them like unto a wheel: * as stubble before the face of the wind.

**The Lesson from the second EPISTLE of blessèd Paul the
Apostle to the Corinthians. *2 Cor. 11:19-23; 12:1-9.***

BRETHREN: Ye suffer fools gladly: seeing ye yourselves are wise. For ye suffer, if a man bring you into bondage, if a man devour you, if a man take of you, if a man exalt himself, if a man smite you on the face. I speak as concerning reproach, as though we had been weak. Howbeit whereinsoever any is bold (I speak foolishly), I am bold also. Are they Hebrews? so am I. Are they Israelites? so am I. Are they the seed of Abraham? so am I. Are they ministers of Christ? (I speak as a fool) I am more; in labours

more abundant, in stripes above measure, in prisons more frequent, in deaths oft. Of the Jews five times received I forty stripes save one. Thrice was I beaten with rods, once was I stoned, thrice I suffered shipwreck, a night and a day I have been in the deep; in journeyings often; in perils of waters; in perils of robbers; in perils by mine own countrymen; in perils by the heathen; in perils in the city; in perils in the wilderness; in perils in the sea; in perils among false brethren; in weariness and painfulness; in watchings often; in hunger and thirst; in fastings often; in cold and nakedness. Besides those things that are without, that which cometh upon me daily, the care of all the churches. Who is weak, and I am not weak? who is offended, and I burn not? If I must needs glory, I will glory of the things which concern mine infirmities. The God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, which is blessed for evermore, knoweth that I lie not. It is not expedient for me doubtless to glory. I will come to visions and revelations of the Lord. I knew a man in Christ above fourteen years ago, (whether in the body, I cannot tell; or whether out of the body, I cannot tell: God knoweth;) such an one caught up to the third heaven. And I knew such a man, (whether in the body, or out of the body, I cannot tell: God knoweth;) How that he was caught up into paradise, and heard unspeakable words, which it is not lawful for a man to utter. Of such an one will I glory: yet of myself I will not glory, but in mine infirmities. For though I would desire to glory, I shall not be a fool; for I will say the truth: but now I forbear, lest any man should think of me above that which he seeth me to be, or that he heareth of me. And lest I should be exalted above measure through the abundance of the revelations, there was given to me a thorn in the flesh, the messenger of Satan to buffet me, lest I should be exalted above measure. For this thing I besought the Lord thrice, that it might depart from me. And he said unto me,

My grace is sufficient for thee: for my strength is made perfect in weakness. Most gladly therefore will I rather glory in my infirmities, that the power of Christ may rest upon me.

TRACT. *Ps. 59.* Thou hast shaken the earth: * and troubled it. *V.* Heal the distress thereof: * for it hath been stirred up. *V.* That thy beloved may be delivered: * help me with thy right hand, and hear me.

✠ **The Continuation of the HOLY GOSPEL** accôrding to
Luke. *St. Luke 8:4-15.*

AT that time: When much people were gathered together, and were come to Jesus out of every city, he spake by a parable: A sower went out to sow his seed: and as he sowed, some fell by the way side; and it was trodden down, and the fowls of the air dêvoured it. And some fell upon a rock; and as soon as it was sprung up, it withered away, because it lâckèd moisture. And some fell among thorns; and the thorns sprang up with it, ând chokèd it. And other fell on good ground, and sprang up, and bare fruit ân hundredfold. And when he had said these things, he cried: He that hath ears to hêar, let him hear. And his disciples asked him, saying: ‡ What might this parable be? And he said: Unto you it is given to know the mysteries of the kingdom of God: but to others in parables; that seeing they might not see, and hearing they might nôt understand. Now the parable is this: The seed is thê word of God. Those by the way side âre they that hear; then cometh the devil, and taketh away the word out of their hearts, lest they should believe ând be savèd. They on the rock are they, which, when they hear, receive thê word with joy; and these have no root, which for a while

believe, and in time of temptation fall away. And that which fell among thorns are they, which, when they have heard, go forth, and are choked with cares and riches and pleasures of this life, and bring no fruit to perfection. But that on the good ground are they, which in an honest and good heart, having heard the word, keep it, and bring forth fruit with patience.

OFFERTORY. *Ps. 16.* O hold thou up my goings in thy paths, that my footsteps slip not: * incline thine ear to me, and hearken unto my words. *V.* Make thy mercies marvelous: * thou that art the Saviour of them which put their trust in thee.

SECRET PRAYERS.

Of the Day. MAY the sacrifice which we offer unto thee, O Lord: evermore quicken and defend us. Through.

Of the Saints. HEAR us, O God our Saviour: and by the power of this Sacrament defend us from all enemies of body and of soul; granting us grace in this life, and glory in that which is to come.

To Beg the Grace of Charity. O GOD, who by thy holy sacraments and commandments dost renew us after the fashion of thy likeness: we beseech thee to stablish our goings in thy paths; that like as thou hast vouchsafed unto us the hope of obtaining thy gift of charity, so this oblation of our sacrifice may make us effectually to be partakers of the same. Through.

PREFACE. *Of the Most Holy Trinity*

IT is truly meet and right, | our joy and salvation, | that we should always, and in all places, | give thanks unto thee, | O

holy Lord, Father Almighty, | everlasting God: | Who, with
thine only-begotten Son, and the Holy Ghost, | art One God,
One Lord; | in Trinity of Persons, | and in Unity of Substance;
| for that which by thy revelation we believe of thy glory, | the
same we believe of thy Son, | and of the Holy Ghost, | without
any difference or inequality in thy Godhead; | whom | with
Angels and Archangels, | with Cherubim and Seraphim, / we
cease not daily to praise thee, with one voice, saying: (*And the
Sanctus is sung or said.*)

COMMUNION. *Ps. 42.* And I will go unto the altar of God: *
even unto the God who giveth joy to my youth.

POSTCOMMUNION PRAYERS.

Of the Day. WE humbly beseech thee, Almighty God: that as
thou dost refresh us with thy Sacraments; so thou wouldest
vouchsafe unto us to do thee worthy and acceptable service.
Through.

Of the Saints. WE beseech thee, O Lord, that the gift now offered
in this divine Sacrament may cleanse and defend us: that at the
intercession of the blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of God, of
blessed Joseph, of thy blessed Apostles Peter and Paul, of blessed
Edmund, and of all the Saints; it may set us free from every
perversity, and deliver us from all adversities.

To Beg the Grace of Charity. WE beseech thee, O Lord, that the
grace of thy Holy Ghost may enlighten our hearts: that, being
renewed in the sweetness of perfect charity, they may abundantly
bring forth the fruits of the same. Through ... in the unity of the
same Spirit.