5th Sunday in Ordinary Time—Cycle B—February 7, 2021

There's a Wideness in God's Mercy



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Psalm 147: Praise the Lord Who heals the Brokenhearted



Gospel

Mark 1: 29-39

Job spoke, saying:

Is not man's life on earth a drudgery?

Are not his days those of hirelings?

He is a slave who longs for the shade,

a hireling who waits for his wages.

So I have been assigned months of misery,

and troubled nights have been allotted to me.

If in bed I say, "When shall I arise?"

then the night drags on;

I am filled with restlessness until the dawn.

My days are swifter than a weaver's shuttle;

they come to an end without hope.

Remember that my life is like the wind;

I shall not see happiness again.

Reading 2

1 Cor 9: 16-19, 22-23

Brothers and sisters:

If I preach the gospel, this is no reason for me to boast,

for an obligation has been imposed on me,

and woe to me if I do not preach it!

If I do so willingly, I have a recompense,

but if unwillingly, then I have been entrusted with a stewardship.

What then is my recompense?

That, when I preach,

I offer the gospel free of charge

so as not to make full use of my right in the gospel.

Although I am free in regard to all,

I have made myself a slave to all

so as to win over as many as possible.

To the weak I became weak, to win over the weak.

I have become all things to all, to save at least some.

All this I do for the sake of the gospel,

so that I too may have a share in it.

On leaving the synagogue

Jesus entered the house of Simon and Andrew with James and John.

Simon's mother-in-law lay sick with a fever.

They immediately told him about her.

He approached, grasped her hand, and helped her up.

Then the fever left her and she waited on them.

When it was evening, after sunset,

they brought to him all who were ill or possessed by demons.

The whole town was gathered at the door.

He cured many who were sick with various diseases,

and he drove out many demons,

not permitting them to speak because they knew him.

Rising very early before dawn, he left

and went off to a deserted place, where he prayed.

Simon and those who were with him pursued him

and on finding him said, "Everyone is looking for you." He told them, "Let us go on to the nearby villages

that I may preach there also.

For this purpose have I come."

So he went into their synagogues,

preaching and driving out demons throughout the whole of Galilee.



Today's response will be: Lord hear our prayer

We pray for the Church...
for her healing mission in this community and in the world...
for our priests, parish staff, pastoral care ministers,
and all counselors and spiritual directors
who walk with those in need...

We pray to the Lord:

R: Lord, hear our prayer

We pray for the defeat of the demons that prowl the earth provoking hatred, violence and spiritual death ... and for all men and women who serve to keep us healthy, safe and secure...

We pray to the Lord:

R: Lord, hear our prayer

We pray for leaders of nations...

For servant hearts that seek the common good above financial gain...

for good stewardship of the world's resources...

We pray to the Lord:

R: Lord, hear our prayer

We pray for a generous response to the Annual Catholic Appeal next weekend... For God's grace as we follow Jesus and bring hope to the world...

We pray to the Lord:

R: Lord, hear our prayer

For those reaching out for Jesus' healing touch,

especially all the sick who are named in the parish bulletin and on our parish website...

and for all doctors, nurses, healthcare workers and all who lift up those in need of healing...

We pray to the Lord:

R: Lord, hear our prayer

For those who have died, those who continue to die from the coronavirus each day, and for all listed on our website and in our bulletin...

for Christ's comfort for all who mourn...

We pray to the Lord:

R: Lord, hear our prayer

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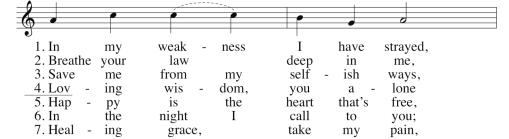
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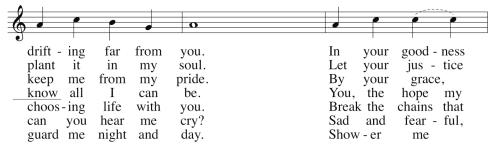
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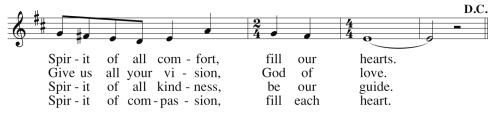
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