



TODAY'S READINGS

Fourth Sunday of Lent

Myeongdong
Catholic Cathedral
Archdiocese
of Seoul

March 10th, 2024

1st Reading: 2 CHR 36:14–16, 19–23

**Reader: A reading from the Second book
of Chronicles**

In those days, all the princes of Judah,
the priests, and the people
added infidelity to infidelity,
practicing all the abominations of the nations
and polluting the LORD's temple
which he had consecrated in Jerusalem.

Early and often did the LORD,
the God of their fathers,
send his messengers to them,
for he had compassion on his people
and his dwelling place.
But they mocked the messengers of God,
despised his warnings,
and scoffed at his prophets,
until the anger of the LORD
against his people was so inflamed
that there was no remedy.
Their enemies burnt the house of God,
tore down the walls of Jerusalem,
set all its palaces afire,
and destroyed all its precious objects.
Those who escaped the sword
were carried captive to Babylon,
where they became servants of the king
of the Chaldeans and his sons
until the kingdom of the Persians came to power.
All this was to fulfill the word of the LORD
spoken by Jeremiah:
"Until the land has retrieved its lost sabbaths,
during all the time it lies waste
it shall have rest
while seventy years are fulfilled."

In the first year of Cyrus, king of Persia,
in order to fulfill the word of the LORD
spoken by Jeremiah,
the LORD inspired King Cyrus of Persia
to issue this proclamation
throughout his kingdom,

both by word of mouth and in writing:

"Thus says Cyrus, king of Persia:

All the kingdoms of the earth
the LORD, the God of heaven, has given to me,
and he has also charged me to build him a house
in Jerusalem, which is in Judah.

Whoever, therefore, among you
belongs to any part of his people,
let him go up, and may his God be with him!"

Reader: The word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm: PS 137:1–2, 3, 4–5, 6

R: Let my tongue be silenced, if I ever forget you!

1. By the streams of Babylon
we sat and wept
when we remembered Zion.
On the aspens of that land
we hung up our harps. **R.**
2. For there our captors asked of us
the lyrics of our songs,
And our despoilers urged us to be joyous:
"Sing for us the songs of Zion!" **R.**
3. How could we sing a song of the LORD
in a foreign land?
If I forget you, Jerusalem,
may my right hand be forgotten! **R.**
4. May my tongue cleave to my palate
if I remember you not,
If I place not Jerusalem
ahead of my joy. **R.**

2nd Reading: EPH 2:4–10

**Reader: A reading from St. Paul's letter
to the Ephesians**

Brothers and sisters:
God, who is rich in mercy,
because of the great love he had for us,

even when we were dead in our transgressions,
 brought us to life with Christ
 - by grace you have been saved -,
 raised us up with him,
 and seated us with him
 in the heavens in Christ Jesus,
 that in the ages to come
 He might show the immeasurable riches of his grace
 in his kindness to us in Christ Jesus.
 For by grace you have been saved through faith,
 and this is not from you; it is the gift of God;
 it is not from works, so no one may boast.
 For we are his handiwork,
 created in Christ Jesus for the good works
 that God has prepared in advance,
 that we should live in them.

Reader: The word of the Lord.
All: Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation: JN 3:16

**Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ,
 King of endless glory!**

God so loved the world
 that he gave his only Son,
 so that everyone who believes in him
 might have eternal life.

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Gospel: JN 3:14-21

**Priest: A reading from the Holy Gospel
 according to John
 All: Glory to you, O Lord.**

Jesus said to Nicodemus:
 "Just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the desert,
 so must the Son of Man be lifted up,
 so that everyone who believes in him
 may have eternal life."

For God so loved the world
 that he gave his only Son,
 so that everyone who believes in him
 might not perish
 but might have eternal life.
 For God did not send his Son
 into the world to condemn the world,

but that the world might be saved through him.
 Whoever believes in him will not be condemned,
 but whoever does not believe
 has already been condemned,
 because he has not believed
 in the name of the only Son of God.
 And this is the verdict,
 that the light came into the world,
 but people preferred darkness to light,
 because their works were evil.
 For everyone who does wicked things hates the light
 and does not come toward the light,
 so that his works might not be exposed.
 But whoever lives the truth comes to the light,
 so that his works may be clearly seen as done in God.

Priest: The Gospel of the Lord.
All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Confession for Internationals
 is available in the following languages:
 English, Spanish, Italian

Day	Time	Place
Friday	16:00 - 18:00	GaeSung Girl's High school, 1 st floor
Saturday	15:00 - 17:00	Front left side of the Church
Sunday	08:30 - 08:50	Front left side of the Church

Those who need the sacrament of confession or other sacraments can contact Father Isaac directly at this email address: isaacseoul@gmail.com

Today's Hymns

Entrance	690	THE KING OF LOVE MY SHEPHERD IS
Offering	532	LOVING AND FORGIVING
Communion	808	SHEPHERD OF SOULS
	777	HERE AT THIS TABLE
Recessional	680	AMAZING GRACE

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 of his grace in his kindness to us
 in Christ Jesus."
 (EPH 2:4)**