

First Sunday of Advent

Lectionary: 3

Reading I

Jer 33:14-16

The days are coming, says the LORD,
when I will fulfill the promise
I made to the house of Israel and
Judah.

In those days, in that time,

I will raise up for David a just shoot ;
he shall do what is right and just in
the land.

In those days Judah shall be safe
and Jerusalem shall dwell secure;
this is what they shall call her:
“The LORD our justice.”

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 25:4-5, 8-9, 10, 14

R. (1b) To you, O Lord, I lift my soul.

Your ways, O LORD, make known to me;
teach me your paths,

Guide me in your truth and teach me,
for you are God my savior,
and for you I wait all the day.

R. To you, O Lord, I lift my soul.

Good and upright is the LORD;
thus he shows sinners the way.

He guides the humble to justice,
and teaches the humble his way.

R. To you, O Lord, I lift my soul.

All the paths of the LORD are kindness
and constancy

toward those who keep his covenant
and his decrees.

The friendship of the LORD is with
those who fear him,

and his covenant, for their instruction.

R. To you, O Lord, I lift my soul.

Reading II

1 Thes 3:12–4:2

Brothers and sisters:

May the Lord make you increase and
abound in love

for one another and for all,

just as we have for you,

so as to strengthen your hearts,

to be blameless in holiness before our
God and Father

at the coming of our Lord Jesus with
all his holy ones. Amen.

Finally, brothers and sisters,

we earnestly ask and exhort you in the
Lord Jesus that,

as you received from us

how you should conduct yourselves to
please God

and as you are conducting yourselves
you do so even more.

For you know what instructions we
gave you through the Lord Jesus.

Alleluia

Ps 85:8

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

Show us, Lord, your love;
and grant us your salvation.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

Gospel

Lk 21:25-28, 34-36

Jesus said to his disciples:

“There will be signs in the sun, the
moon, and the stars,
and on earth nations will be in dismay,

perplexed by the roaring of the sea and
the waves.

People will die of fright

in anticipation of what is coming upon
the world,

for the powers of the heavens will be
shaken.

And then they will see the Son of Man
coming in a cloud with power and great
glory.

But when these signs begin to happen,
stand erect and raise your heads
because your redemption is at hand.

“Beware that your hearts do not
become drowsy

from carousing and drunkenness

and the anxieties of daily life,

and that day catch you by surprise like
a trap.

For that day will assault everyone

who lives on the face of the earth.

Be vigilant at all times

and pray that you have the strength

to escape the tribulations that are

imminent

and to stand before the Son of Man.”