

September 13, 2009

**Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Year B**

Reading 1
Is 50:5-9a

The Lord GOD opens my ear that I may hear;
and I have not rebelled,
have not turned back.
I gave my back to those who beat me,
my cheeks to those who plucked my beard;
my face I did not shield
from buffets and spitting.

The Lord GOD is my help,
therefore I am not disgraced;
I have set my face like flint,
knowing that I shall not be put to shame.
He is near who upholds my right;
if anyone wishes to oppose me,
let us appear together.
Who disputes my right?
Let that man confront me.
See, the Lord GOD is my help;
who will prove me wrong?

Responsorial Psalm
Ps 116:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9

**R. (9)I will walk before the Lord, in the land of
the living.**

I love the LORD because he has heard
my voice in supplication,
Because he has inclined his ear to me
the day I called.

**R. I will walk before the Lord, in the land of the
living.**

or:

Alleluia.

The cords of death encompassed me;
the snares of the netherworld seized upon me;
I fell into distress and sorrow,
And I called upon the name of the LORD,
“O LORD, save my life!”

**R. I will walk before the Lord, in the land of the
living.**

Gracious is the LORD and just;
yes, our God is merciful.

The LORD keeps the little ones;

I was brought low, and he saved me.

**R. I will walk before the Lord, in the land of the
living.**

For he has freed my soul from death,
my eyes from tears, my feet from stumbling.

I shall walk before the Lord
in the land of the living.

**R. I will walk before the Lord, in the land of the
living.**

Reading II
Jas 2:14-18

What good is it, my brothers and sisters,
if someone says he has faith but does not have
works?

Can that faith save him?

If a brother or sister has nothing to wear
and has no food for the day,

and one of you says to them,

“Go in peace, keep warm, and eat well, ”

but you do not give them the necessities of the body,
what good is it?

So also faith of itself,

if it does not have works, is dead.

Indeed someone might say,

“You have faith and I have works.”

Demonstrate your faith to me without works,
and I will demonstrate my faith to you from my
works.

Gospel
Mk 8:27-35

Jesus and his disciples set out
for the villages of Caesarea Philippi.

Along the way he asked his disciples,

“Who do people say that I am?”

They said in reply,

“John the Baptist, others Elijah,

still others one of the prophets.”

And he asked them,

“But who do you say that I am?”
Peter said to him in reply,
“You are the Christ.”
Then he warned them not to tell anyone about him.

He began to teach them
that the Son of Man must suffer greatly
and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests, and
the scribes,
and be killed, and rise after three days.
He spoke this openly.
Then Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him.
At this he turned around and, looking at his disciples,
rebuked Peter and said, “Get behind me, Satan.
You are thinking not as God does, but as human
beings do.”

He summoned the crowd with his disciples and said
to them,
“Whoever wishes to come after me must deny
himself,
take up his cross, and follow me.
For whoever wishes to save his life will lose it,
but whoever loses his life for my sake
and that of the gospel will save it.”

Sophomores:

LW 1.2: Due Friday, September 11, 2009. You must type your work on a separate sheet of paper. You must answer using complete sentences unless noted otherwise. RELAX.

1. What title has the Roman Catholic Church given September 13, 2009?
2. What are the four pericopes that will be proclaimed on the 24th Sunday of Ordinary Time Year B?
3. From which book of the Bible is Reading II taken on September 13, 2009? (Careful, be sure you know what form of writing this is!)
4. What is the “refrain” for the Responsorial Psalm for the Sunday, September 13, 2009?

5. Read the Second Reading for September 13, 2009. What does the author of this pericope say is “dead,” “if it does not have works?”
6. Read the text box in your CYB that corresponds with Jas 2:14-26. This text-box, entitled, “Faith and Works,” should help you understand the 2nd Reading for the 23rd Sunday of Ordinary Time B. Does it? Why or why not?
7. Read the Gospel pericope for September 13, 2009. Who is the main character of this pericope?
8. Who is Jesus speaking to in the Gospel pericope for 9/13/09? What does Jesus ask in this pericope?
9. Find the Gospel pericope for 9/13/09 in your CYB. What do you think and feel about Mk 9:33? Explain your answer.
10. Be sure to know the Gospel pericope, I will ask for volunteers to act this out in class.