

TODAY's READINGS

Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Myeongdong
Catholic Cathedral
Archdiocese
of Seoul

September 7th, 2025

1st Reading: WIS 9:13-18B

Reader: A reading from the book of Wisdom

Who can know God's counsel, or who can conceive what the LORD intends? For the deliberations of mortals are timid, and unsure are our plans. For the corruptible body burdens the soul and the earthen shelter weighs down the mind that has many concerns. And scarce do we guess the things on earth, and what is within our grasp we find with difficulty;

but when things are in heaven, who can search them out? Or who ever knew your counsel, except you had given wisdom and sent your holy spirit from on high? And thus were the paths of those on earth made straight.

Reader: The word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm: PS 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14, 17 R: In every age, O Lord, you have been our refuge.

- 1. You turn man back to dust, saying, "Return, O children of men." For a thousand years in your sight are as yesterday, now that it is past, or as a watch of the night. R.
- 2. You make an end of them in their sleep; the next morning they are like the changing grass, which at dawn springs up anew, but by evening wilts and fades. R.

- 3. Teach us to number our days aright, that we may gain wisdom of heart. Return, O LORD! How long? Have pity on your servants! R.
- 4. Fill us at daybreak with your kindness, that we may shout for joy and gladness all our days. And may the gracious care of the LORD our God be ours; prosper the work of our hands for us! Prosper the work of our hands! R.

2nd Reading: PHLM 9-10, 12-17 Reader: A reading from the Letter of St. Paul to the Philemon

I, Paul, an old man, and now also a prisoner for Christ Jesus, urge you on behalf of my child Onesimus, whose father I have become in my imprisonment; I am sending him, that is, my own heart, back to you.

I should have liked to retain him for myself, so that he might serve me on your behalf in my imprisonment for the gospel,

but I did not want to do anything without your consent, so that the good you do might not be forced but voluntary.

Perhaps this is why he was away from you for a while,

that you might have him back forever, no longer as a slave

but more than a slave, a brother, beloved especially to me, but even more so to you, as a man and in the Lord. So if you regard me as a partner, welcome him as you would me.

Reader: The word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Alleluia: PS 119:135

Let your face shine upon your servant; and teach me your laws.

Alleluia.

Gospel: LK 14:25-33

Priest: A reading from the holy Gospel

according to Luke

All: Glory to you, O Lord.

Great crowds were traveling with Jesus, and he turned and addressed them,

"If anyone comes to me without hating his father and mother.

wife and children, brothers and sisters, and even his own life,

he cannot be my disciple.

Whoever does not carry his own cross and come after me cannot be my disciple. Which of you wishing to construct a tower does not first sit down and calculate the cost to see if there is enough for its completion? Otherwise, after laying the foundation and finding himself unable to finish the work the onlookers should laugh at him and say, 'This one began to build but did not have the resources to finish.'

Or what king marching into battle would not first sit down and decide whether with ten thousand troops

he can successfully oppose another king advancing upon him with twenty thousand troops?

But if not, while he is still far away, he will send a delegation to ask for peace terms.

In the same way, anyone of you who does not renounce all his possessions cannot be my disciple." Priest: The Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

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☐ Confession for Internationals

is available in English, Spanish, Italian

Day	Time	Place
Saturday	16:00 - 17:00	GaeSung Girl's High school, 1 st Fl
Sunday	08:30 - 08:55	Front left side of the Church

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

☐ Today's Hymns

Entrance	591	LET ALL MORTAL FLESH KEEP SILENCE
Offertory	567	GOD, WE, PRAISE YOU
Communion	797	COME TO ME AND DRINK
	786	I RECEIVED THE LIVING GOD
Recessional	_	PILGRIMS OF HOPE Hymn for the Jubilee Year 2025

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Like a flame my hope is burning, may my song arise to you: Source of life that has no ending, on life's path I trust in you.

Ev' ry nation, tongue, and people find a light within your Word.

Scattered fragile sons and daughters find a home in your dear Son.

"Whoever does not carry his own cross and come after me cannot be my disciple."

LK 14:27