

TODAY's **READINGS**

Third Sunday of Advent

Myeongdong Catholic Cathedral Archdiocese of Seoul

December 14th, 2025

1st Reading: IS 35:1-6a, 10

Reader: A reading from the book of the prophet Isaiah

The desert and the parched land will exult; the steppe will rejoice and bloom.

They will bloom with abundant flowers. and rejoice with joyful song.

The glory of Lebanon will be given to them, the splendor of Carmel and Sharon;

they will see the glory of the LORD,

the splendor of our God.

Strengthen the hands that are feeble, make firm the knees that are weak.

say to those whose hearts are frightened:

Be strong, fear not!

Here is your God,

he comes with vindication;

with divine recompense

he comes to save you.

Then will the eyes of the blind be opened,

the ears of the deaf be cleared;

then will the lame leap like a stag,

then the tongue of the mute will sing.

Those whom the LORD has ransomed will return

and enter Zion singing.

crowned with everlasting joy;

they will meet with joy and gladness,

sorrow and mourning will flee.

Reader: The word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm: PS 146:6-7, 8-9, 9-10 R: Lord, come and save us.

1. The LORD God keeps faith forever. secures justice for the oppressed, gives food to the hungry.

The LORD sets captives free. R.

2. The LORD gives sight to the blind; the LORD raises up those who were bowed down. The LORD loves the just; the LORD protects strangers. R.

3. The fatherless and the widow he sustains. but the way of the wicked he thwarts. The LORD shall reign forever; your God, O Zion, through all generations. R.

2nd Reading: JAS 5:7-10

Reader: A reading from the letter of St. James

Be patient, brothers and sisters, until the coming of the Lord. See how the farmer waits for the precious fruit of the earth, being patient with it until it receives the early and the late rains.

You too must be patient.

Make your hearts firm,

because the coming of the Lord is at hand. Do not complain, brothers and sisters, about one another,

that you may not be judged.

Behold, the Judge is standing before the gates.

Take as an example of hardship and

patience, brothers and sisters,

the prophets who spoke in the name of the Lord.

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

Alleluia: IS 61:1

The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring glad tidings to the poor.

Alleluia.

Gospel: MT 11:2-11

Priest: A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Matthew

All: Glory to you, O Lord.

When John the Baptist heard in prison of the works of the Christ,

he sent his disciples to Jesus with this question,

"Are you the one who is to come,

or should we look for another?"

Jesus said to them in reply,

"Go and tell John what you hear and see:

the blind regain their sight,

the lame walk.

lepers are cleansed,

the deaf hear,

the dead are raised,

and the poor have the good news

proclaimed to them.

And blessed is the one who takes no

offense at me."

As they were going off,

Jesus began to speak to the crowds about John,

"What did you go out to the desert to see?

A reed swayed by the wind?

Then what did you go out to see?

Someone dressed in fine clothing?

Those who wear fine clothing are in royal palaces.

Then why did you go out? To see a prophet?

Yes, I tell you, and more than a prophet.

This is the one about whom it is written:

Behold, I am sending my messenger ahead of you;

he will prepare your way before you.

Amen, I say to you,

among those born of women

there has been none greater than John the Baptist;

yet the least in the kingdom of heaven

is greater than he."

Priest: The Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

☐ Second Collections for the Needy

There will be second collections for the Needy this Sunday. Let us share our love.

☐ Advent Confessions (Nov 30 - Dec 23)

Confessions heard from the First Sunday of Advent will be regarded as Advent Confessions.

☐ 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

☐ Hymnbooks

- a) Order of Mass in number 140
- b) Please return the hymnbooks to the volunteers after mass
- c) You may purchase hymnbooks online: http://ocp.org

☐ Today's Hymns

Entrance	277	PATIENCE, PEOPLE
Offertory	773	THE GOD OF ALL GRACE
Communion	798	SPIRIT AND GRACE
	799	BREAD OF LIFE
Recessional	288	READY THE WAY

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JAS 5:8