

TODAY's READINGS

Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Myeongdong Catholic Cathedral Archdiocese of Seoul Sep 8th, 2024

1st Reading: IS 35:4-7a

Reader: A reading from the prophet Isaiah

Thus says the LORD:

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.

Streams will burst forth in the desert,

and rivers in the steppe.

The burning sands will become pools, and the thirsty ground, springs of water.

Reader: The word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm: PS 146:6-7, 8-9, 9-10 R: Praise the Lord, my soul!

1. The God of Jacob 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 the LORD sustains, but the way of the wicked he thwarts. The LORD shall reign forever; your God, O Zion, through all generations. Alleluia. **R.**

2nd Reading: JAS 2:1-5

Reader: A reading from the letter to the James

My brothers and sisters, show no partiality as you adhere to the faith in our glorious Lord Jesus Christ.

For if a man with gold rings and fine clothes comes into your assembly,

and a poor person in shabby clothes also comes in, and you pay attention to the one wearing the fine clothes

and say, "Sit here, please,"

while you say to the poor one,

"Stand there," or "Sit at my feet,"

have you not made distinctions among yourselves and become judges with evil designs?

Listen, my beloved brothers and sisters. Did not God choose those who are poor in the world to be rich in faith and heirs of the kingdom that he promised to those who love him?

Reader: The word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God

Alleluia: Cf. MT 4:23

Jesus proclaimed the Gospel of the kingdom and cured every disease among the people.

Alleluia.

Gospel: MK 7:31-37

Priest: A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Mark

All: Glory to you, O Lord.

Again Jesus left the district of Tyre and went by way of Sidon to the Sea of Galilee, into the district of the Decapolis.

And people brought to him a deaf man who had a speech impediment and begged him to lay his hand on him.

He took him off by himself away from the crowd.
He put his finger into the man's ears
and, spitting, touched his tongue;

then he looked up to heaven and groaned, and said to him,

"Ephphatha!" — that is, "Be opened!" — And immediately the man's ears were opened, his speech impediment was removed, and he spoke plainly.

He ordered them not to tell anyone. But the more he ordered them not to, the more they proclaimed it.

They were exceedingly astonished and they said, "He has done all things well.

He makes the deaf hear and the mute speak."

Priest: The Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ

☐ Please note that there will be no confessions from Sep 6th to 8th since Father Isaac is temporarily away for a retreat.

☐ Announcement for Chuseok Holidays

There will be no confessions from Sep 16th to 18th. The whole office will be also closed during this period, while all the masses will be held as scheduled.

☐ New Classes Open for First Communion/Confirmation

First Communion	Sep 22nd	The first class (tentative)
Confirmation	Sep 15th	The first class
	Oct 27th	The sacrament of confirmation

All registration forms can be downloaded on our website: www.mdsd.or.kr (Change the language setting into English \rightarrow Click "News" on the left)

After you fill out the form, you can hand it in on Sunday or send it through email: isaacseoul@gmail.com

☐ Confession for Internationals

is available in the following languages: English, Spanish, Italian

Day	Time	Place
Friday	16:00 - 18:00	GaeSung Girl's
Saturday	15:00 - 17:00	High school, 1 st floor
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 via email: isaacseoul@gmail.com

☐ Today's Hymns

Entrance	842	BEAUTIFUL SAVIOR
Offertory	567	GOD, WE PRAISE YOU
Communion	794	I AM THE LIVING BREAD
	796	TASTE AND SEE
Recessional	589	O GOD, BEYOND ALL PRAISING

"Be strong, fear not!"

(IS 35:4)