



## 5th SUNDAY OF LENT 17th of March - Cycle B



### I AM YOUR GIFT



### SETTING

We advance on the path towards Easter, time intensifies, and the words fruit of experience anticipate the path, His path, in which He goes first. The rest of us can intuit, be close and in some way experience too. Only the Father and Him.

Let's prepare today for that tomorrow that is already there, the after, the after.

It is always a good time to be with you, placing myself from that interior that unifies souls, moments and dreams.

We travel the path of Lent, a pedagogical opportunity that guides us and instructs us. We put our strengths in your hands so that they are the tool that brings us closer to the reality to which you send us and also our limitations so that you can help us overcome them.

**SONG. I have decided to follow Jesus**

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=L7XHeCZB5KU>

**GOSPEL. John 12, 20-33**

«There were some Greeks who came up to worship at the festival. These went to Philip, from Bethsaida in Galilee, and begged him: "Lord, we want to see Jesus." Felipe went to tell Andrés; Andrew and Philip went to tell Jesus. Jesus answered them: "The time has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. Truly, truly, I say to you: unless a grain of wheat falls to the ground and dies, it remains alone; but if it dies, it bears much fruit. He, who loves his life, loses it; and he who hates his life in this world will keep it for eternal life. If anyone serves me, let him follow me, and where I am, there my servant will also be. If anyone serves me, the Father will honour him. Now my soul is troubled. And what am I going to say? Father, deliver me from this hour! But I have arrived at this time for this! Father, glorify your Name. Then a voice came from heaven: "I have glorified him and I will glorify him again." The people who were there and heard it said it was thunder. Others said: "An angel has spoken to him." Jesus answered: "This voice has not come for me, but for you. Now is the judgment of this world; now the Prince of this world will be cast out. And when I rise from the earth, I will draw everyone to me. He said this to signify what death he was going to die.

**To deepen the Word (*Marie-Noëlle THABUT*)**

"Days are coming..." The entire Bible tends toward the future, with that unwavering certainty that the days, promised by God, will come. The characteristic of prophets knows how to see, before anyone else, the blossoming of the buds. "Behold, the days are coming in which I will conclude with the House of Israel and with that of Judah a New Covenant": we find the word Covenant. How beautiful is faith! And prophets, as we all know, are not lacking. When everything goes wrong, they do not say that "all is lost", on the contrary, prophets

find new reasons to hope. This is exactly what happens in this text of Jeremiah and in every step of the Bible. It is the great particularity of the Jewish faith and, later, of the Christian faith!

The last phrase of Jeremiah, in the first reading of this Sunday, was: "I will forgive their faults; I will not remember their sins." The people have heard this promise perfectly. What shows it is the magnificent Psalm 50/51 that follows that reading. Whoever speaks through this psalm says: "Have mercy on me, my God, according to your great mercy; blot out my sin" The letter to the Hebrews is addressed to Christians of Jewish origin. The author seeks to clarify his completely new Christian faith, based on his Jewish faith and his knowledge of the Old Testament. The objective is to show that human history has crossed a decisive stage with Christ: the regime of the Old Covenant had existed until now and, from now on, the New Covenant, announced by Jeremiah, has already arrived. This Alliance is made in the person of Christ.

We are in the last days before the Passover festival in Jerusalem. There are reasons for the authorities to be concerned: In these days Jesus makes a triumphal entry into the city, the people have shouted: "Hosanna" as he passes by, as was done in the great ceremonies to acclaim the Messiah. And Saint John tells that the Pharisees said to each other: "You see, you will achieve nothing: behold, the whole world follows him." When Jesus prays "Father, glorify your name," Saint John tells us that a voice was heard in heaven saying: "I have already glorified it (my Name) and I will continue to glorify it." This means that the Hour has arrived in which, looking at the crucified; you will discover how far that unfathomable love of the Trinity goes. Indeed, in all this pedagogy of revelation, there is only one objective: for humanity to hear the Good News of the Love of God: "This voice that has been heard, says Jesus, is for you." sin."

### **Tips for prayer**

- In the darkest moment God is present in the life of Jesus, we contemplate this text in silence and pray.
- How have you experienced that presence in the darkness in your life?

- How do we accompany and transmit the Good News to people in moments of darkness?



**AMBIENTAL MUSIC.  
MARGARET'S LULLABY**

[https://youtu.be/9jAy0YeB2cw?si=\\_7X5NaIG7m1dIuty](https://youtu.be/9jAy0YeB2cw?si=_7X5NaIG7m1dIuty)

**BE JESUS**

Watch you,  
see you around us,  
put up the sign  
and take on the mission.  
Raise those kneeling.  
Let love free.  
Only the little ones  
They are able to see.  
You have to want to see!  
Fall to the ground, bear fruit.  
Evangelize with your eyes

that provokes us.  
Evangelize with gestures  
with which we can  
we transform.  
Let us Evangelize  
for the poor.  
Evangelizing is being Jesus,  
incarnate on earth.  
Life, the roads,  
people throw us  
help messages.  
Listen, want to see

**SONG. TO FOLLOW THE LORD AND FING FREEDOM**

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bOnZ2reGsr>

**ADÉNTRATE - RUAH**

<https://youtu.be/aWqgzEHIBvs?si=8g4E3DIDH9eU7qJY>



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