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Holy Gospel Matthew 22:15-22

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the twenty-second chapter.



¹⁵Then the Pharisees went and plotted how to entangle [Jesus] in his talk. ¹⁶And they sent their disciples to him, along with the Herodians, saying, "Teacher, we know that you are true and teach the way of God truthfully, and you do not care about anyone's opinion, for you are not swayed by appearances. ¹⁷Tell us, then, what you think. Is it lawful to pay taxes to Caesar, or not?" ¹⁸But Jesus, aware of their malice, said, "Why put me to the test, you hypocrites? ¹⁹Show me the coin for the tax." And they brought him a denarius. ²⁰And Jesus said to them, "Whose likeness and inscription is this?" ²¹They said, "Caesar's." Then he said to them, "Therefore render to Caesar the things that are Caesar's, and to God the things that are God's." ²²When they heard it, they marveled. And they left him and went away.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.



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Introit

Psalm 121:1-4, 7-8; antiphon: v. 5



The LORD is your | keeper;* the LORD is your shade on your | right hand.

I lift up my eyes to the hills.*

From where does my | help come?

My help comes from the LORD,* who made | heaven and earth.

He will not let your | foot be moved;* he who keeps you will not | slumber.

Behold, he who keeps | Israel* will neither slum- ber nor sleep.

The LORD will keep you from all | evil;* he will | keep your life.

The LORD will keep your going out and your | coming in* from this time forth and for- | evermore.

Glory be to the Father and | to the Son* and to the Holy | Spirit; as it was in the be- | ginning,* is now, and will be forever. Amen.

The LORD is your | keeper;* the LORD is your shade on your right hand.

Collect of the Day

P Let us pray.

O God, the protector of all who trust in You, have mercy on us that with You as our ruler and guide we may so pass through things temporal that we lose not the things eternal; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

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Texas.

Old Testament ReadingIsaiah 45:1–7

¹Thus says the LORD to his anointed, to Cyrus, whose right hand I have grasped, to subdue nations before him and to loose the belts of kings, to open doors before him that gates may not be closed: ²"I will go before you and level the exalted places, I will break in pieces the doors of bronze and cut through the bars of iron, ³I will give you the treasures of darkness and the hoards in secret places, that you may know that it is I, the LORD, the God of Israel, who call you by your name. ⁴For the sake of my servant Jacob, and Israel my chosen, I call you by your name, I name you, though you do not know me. ⁵I am the LORD, and there is no other. besides me there is no God: I equip you, though you do not know me, ⁶that people may know, from the rising of the sun and from the west, that there is none besides me: I am the LORD, and there is no other. ⁷I form light and create darkness, I make well-being and create calamity, I am the LORD, who does all these things."

- A This is the Word of the Lord.
- Thanks be to God.



Gradual *Psalm* 91:11; 103:1



He will command his angels con- cerning you* to guard you in all your ways.

Bless the LORD, O my soul,*
and all that is within me, bless his holy name!

Epistle

1 Thessalonians 1:1–10

¹Paul, Silvanus, and Timothy,

To the church of the Thessalonians in God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ:

Grace to you and peace.

²We give thanks to God always for all of you, constantly mentioning you in our prayers, ³remembering before our God and Father your work of faith and labor of love and steadfastness of hope in our Lord Jesus Christ. ⁴For we know, brothers loved by God, that he has chosen you, ⁵because our gospel came to you not only in word, but also in power and in the Holy Spirit and with full conviction. You know what kind of men we proved to be among you for your sake. ⁶And you became imitators of us and of the Lord, for you received the word in much affliction, with the joy of the Holy Spirit, ⁷so that you became an example to all the believers in Macedonia and in Achaia. 8For not only has the word of the Lord sounded forth from you in Macedonia and Achaia, but your faith in God has gone forth everywhere, so that we need not say anything. ⁹For they themselves report concerning us the kind of reception we had among you, and how you turned to God from idols to serve the living and true God, ¹⁰and to wait for his Son from heaven, whom he raised from the dead. Jesus who delivers us from the wrath to come.

- A This is the Word of the Lord.
- Thanks be to God.



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