

# Readings

## **FIRST READING - A reading from the Book of the Apostles**

Brothers, I will show you a better path. I speak the language of all men and Angels. I have nothing if I don't have love and companionship in my life. I have the gift to predict and know all secrets and the power to move mountains, but without love then I am nothing at all.

I could share in alms all that I have and still be alive, but if I am without love, it is all worthless to me. Love is compassionate; love serves a purpose and contains no envy. Love contains no deceit or irritation or badness or injustice. Apologies without limits, believe without limits, wait without limits. Love lasts forever.

This is the word of the Lord

**All: Thanks be to God.**

## **SECOND READING - Responsorial Psalm**

For the love of the Lord is faithful, And all His works to be trusted  
The Lord loves justice and right, And fills the earth with His love

**All: May your love be upon us, O Lord, as we place all our hope in you.**

Our soul is waiting for the Lord, The Lord is our help and shield.  
In Him do our hearts find joy. We trust in His Holy name.

**All: May your love be upon us, O Lord, as we place all our hope in you.**

May the glory of the Lord last forever, May the Lord rejoice in His works  
May my thoughts be pleasing to Him. I find my love in the Lord.

**All: May your love be upon us, O Lord, as we place all our hope in you.**

## **THIRD READING - Prayers of the faithful**

We pray for BRIDE AND GROOM that the Lord who brought them to this happy day will keep them forever in fidelity and love. Lord hear us.

**All: Lord graciously hear us**

We pray for the faithful departed, family and friends that God will one day unite us again in the joys of our eternal home. Lord hear us.

**All: Lord graciously hear us**

We pray for all who are present here today that we may be blessed with health and happiness.  
Lord hear us.

**All: Lord graciously hear us**

We pray for those who are suffering as we are rejoicing for the victims of injustice of war and of famine.  
Lord hear us.

**All: Lord graciously hear us**