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SATURDAY 29TH AUGUST 2020 – THE BEHEADING OF
JOHN THE BAPTIST

COLLECT

God our Father,
who called your servant John
to be the herald in birth and death of Christ your Son:
strengthen us by your grace
that we may bear witness courageously
to your word and receive with him the unfading crown of glory;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

1 CORINTHIANS 1. 26-31

A reading from the first letter of Paul to the Corinthians.

Consider your own call, brothers and sisters: not many of you were wise by human standards, not many were powerful, not many were of noble birth. But God chose what is foolish in the world to shame the wise; God chose what is weak in the world to shame the strong; God chose what is low and despised in the world, things that are not, to reduce to nothing things that are, so that no one might boast in the presence of God. He is the source of your life in Christ Jesus, who became for us wisdom from God, and righteousness and sanctification and redemption, in order that, as it is written, ‘Let the one who boasts, boast in the Lord.’

For the word of the Lord
Thanks be to God.

PSALM 33. 12-22

R: By the word of the Lord were the heavens made .

Happy the nation whose God is the Lord
and the people he has chosen for his own.
The Lord looks down from heaven
and beholds all the children of earth.
From where he sits enthroned he turns his gaze
on all who dwell on the earth. **R:**

He fashions all the hearts of them
and understands all their works.
No king is saved by the might of his host;
no warrior delivered by his great strength.
A horse is a vain hope for deliverance;
for all its strength it cannot save. **R:**

Behold, the eye of the Lord
is upon those who fear him,
on those who wait in hope for his steadfast love,
To deliver their soul from death
and to feed them in time of famine. **R:**

Our soul waits longingly for the Lord;
he is our help and our shield.
Indeed, our heart rejoices in him;
in his holy name have we put our trust.
Let your loving-kindness, O Lord, be upon us,
as we have set our hope on you. **R:**

MATTHEW 25. 14-30

Alleluia. Alleluia.
Speak, Lord, for your servant is listening;
you have the words of eternal life.
Alleluia.

The Lord be with you
And also with you.

Listen to the Gospel of Christ according to Saint Matthew.

Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus said:

‘For it is as if a man, going on a journey, summoned his slaves and entrusted his property to them; to one he gave five talents, to another two, to another one, to each according to his ability. Then he went away. The one who had received the five talents went off at once and traded with them, and made five more talents. In the same way, the one who had the two talents made two more talents. But the one who had received the one talent went off and dug a hole in the ground and hid his master’s money. After a long time the master of those slaves came and settled accounts with them. Then the one who had received the five talents came forward, bringing five more talents, saying, “Master, you handed over to me five talents; see, I have made five more talents.”

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

O Lord our God,

by this holy sacrament save us from our adversary

and from the hand of all who hate us,

and guide us out of darkness and the shadow of death

into the way of peace, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

God our Father,

your servant John

died a martyr for justice and truth:

may we courageously bear witness to your word;

through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**