# THIRTIETH SUNDAY

# **IN ORDINARY TIME**



Special Lectionary Readings

READING I Lev 24:1-9

## A Reading from the Book of Leviticus

The LORD said to Moses:
Order the Israelites to bring you clear oil
of crushed olives for the light,
so that you may keep the lamp burning regularly.

In the tent of meeting, outside the veil that hangs in front of the covenant, Aaron shall set up the lamp to burn before the LORD regularly, from evening till morning, by a perpetual statute throughout your generations. He shall set up the lamps on the pure gold menorah to burn regularly before the LORD.

You shall take bran flour and bake it into twelve cakes, using two tenths of an ephah of flour for each cake. These you shall place in two piles, six in each pile, on the pure gold table before the LORD.

With each pile put some pure frankincense, which shall serve as an oblation to the LORD, a token of the bread offering.

Regularly on each sabbath day
the bread shall be set out before the LORD
on behalf of the Israelites by an everlasting covenant.
It shall belong to Aaron and his sons,
who must eat it in a sacred place, since it is most sacred,
his as a perpetual due from the oblations to the LORD.
The Word of the Lord

#### **RESPONSORIAL PSALM**

PS 117:1bc, 2

R. (Mark 16:15) Go out to all the world and tell the Good News.

Praise the LORD, all you nations; glorify him, all you peoples!

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For steadfast is his kindness toward us, and the fidelity of the LORD endures forever.

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Reading II 1 John 4:7-16

## A Reading from the First Letter of Saint John

Beloved, let us love one another, because love is of God; everyone who loves is begotten by God and knows God.

Whoever is without love does not know God, for God is love.

In this way the love of God was revealed to us: God sent his only-begotten Son into the world so that we might have life through him.

In this is love:

not that we have loved God, but that he loved us and sent his Son as expiation for our sins.

Beloved, if God so loved us, we also must love one another.

No one has ever seen God.

Yet, if we love one another, God remains in us, and his love is brought to perfection in us.

This is how we know that we remain in him and he in us, that he has given us of his Spirit.

Moreover, we have seen and testify that the Father sent his Son as savior of the world.

Whoever acknowledges that Jesus is the Son of God, God remains in him and he in God.

We have come to know and to believe in the love God has for us.

God is love, and whoever remains in love remains in God and God in him.

In this is love brought to perfection among us, that we have confidence on the day of judgment because as he is, so are we in this world. >>>>

There is no fear in love, but perfect love drives out fear because fear has to do with punishment, and so one who fears is not yet perfect in love.

The Word of the Lord

Gospel: Matt. 28:16-20

# **♣** A Reading from the Holy Gospel According to Matthew

The eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had ordered them. When they saw him, they worshiped, but they doubted.

Then Jesus approached and said to them, "All power in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, until the end of the age."

# The Gospel of the Lord