

# Daily Reading for Sunday, January 30th, 2022

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## Reading 1, *Jeremiah 1:4-5, 17-19*

<sup>4</sup> The word of Yahweh came to me, saying: <sup>5</sup> 'Before I formed you in the womb I knew you; before you came to birth I consecrated you; I appointed you as prophet to the nations.'  
<sup>17</sup> 'As for you, prepare yourself for action. Stand up and tell them all I command you. Have no fear of them and in their presence I will make you fearless. <sup>18</sup> For look, today I have made you into a fortified city, a pillar of iron, a wall of bronze to stand against the whole country: the kings of Judah, its princes, its priests and the people of the country. <sup>19</sup> They will fight against you but will not overcome you, for I am with you, Yahweh declares, to rescue you.'

## **Responsorial Psalm, *Psalms 71:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 15-17***

<sup>1</sup> In you, Yahweh, I take refuge, I shall never be put to shame.

<sup>2</sup> In your saving justice rescue me, deliver me, listen to me and save me.

<sup>3</sup> Be a sheltering rock for me, always accessible; you have determined to save me, for you are my rock, my fortress. <sup>4</sup> My God, rescue me from the clutches of the wicked, from the grasp of the rogue and the ruthless.

<sup>5</sup> For you are my hope, Lord, my trust, Yahweh, since boyhood.

<sup>6</sup> On you I have relied since my birth, since my mother's womb you have been my portion, the constant theme of my praise.

<sup>15</sup> My lips shall proclaim your saving justice, your saving power all day long. <sup>16</sup> I will come in the power of Yahweh to tell of your justice, yours alone. <sup>17</sup> God, you have taught me from boyhood, and I am still proclaiming your marvels.

## Reading 2, *First Corinthians 12:31-13:13*

<sup>31</sup> Set your mind on the higher gifts. And now I am going to put before you the best way of all. <sup>1</sup> Though I command languages both human and angelic -- if I speak without love, I am no more than a gong booming or a cymbal clashing. <sup>2</sup> And though I have the power of prophecy, to penetrate all mysteries and knowledge, and though I have all the faith necessary to move mountains -- if I am without love, I am nothing. <sup>3</sup> Though I should give away to the poor all that I possess, and even give up my body to be burned -- if I am without love, it will do me no good whatever. <sup>4</sup> Love is always patient and kind; love is never jealous; love is not boastful or conceited, <sup>5</sup> it is never rude and never seeks its own advantage, it does not take offence or store up grievances. <sup>6</sup> Love does not rejoice at wrongdoing, but finds its joy in the truth. <sup>7</sup> It is always ready to make allowances, to trust, to hope and to endure whatever comes. <sup>8</sup> Love never comes to an end. But if there are prophecies, they will be done away with; if tongues, they will fall silent; and if knowledge, it will be done away with. <sup>9</sup> For we know only imperfectly, and we prophesy imperfectly; <sup>10</sup> but once perfection comes, all imperfect things will be done away with. <sup>11</sup> When I was a child, I used to talk like a child, and see things as a child does, and think like a child; but now that I have become an adult, I have finished with all childish ways. <sup>12</sup> Now we see only reflections in a mirror, mere riddles, but then we shall be seeing face to face. Now I can know only imperfectly; but then I shall know just as fully as I am myself known. <sup>13</sup> As it is, these remain: faith, hope and love, the three of them; and the greatest of them is love.

## **Gospel, *Luke 4:21-30***

<sup>21</sup> Then he began to speak to them, 'This text is being fulfilled today even while you are listening.' <sup>22</sup> And he won the approval of all, and they were astonished by the gracious words that came from his lips. They said, 'This is Joseph's son, surely?' <sup>23</sup> But he replied, 'No doubt you will quote me the saying, "Physician, heal yourself," and tell me, "We have heard all that happened in Capernaum, do the same here in your own country." ' <sup>24</sup> And he went on, 'In truth I tell you, no prophet is ever accepted in his own country. <sup>25</sup> 'There were many widows in Israel, I can assure you, in Elijah's day, when heaven remained shut for three years and six months and a great famine raged throughout the land, <sup>26</sup> but Elijah was not sent to any one of these: he was sent to a widow at Zarephath, a town in Sidonia. <sup>27</sup> And in the prophet Elisha's time there were many suffering from virulent skin-diseases in Israel, but none of these was cured -- only Naaman the Syrian.' <sup>28</sup> When they heard this everyone in the synagogue was enraged. <sup>29</sup> They sprang to their feet and hustled him out of the town; and they took him up to the brow of the hill their town was built on, intending to throw him off the cliff, <sup>30</sup> but he passed straight through the crowd and walked away.