

## Daily Reading for January 1<sup>st</sup>

### **Reading 1, *Numbers 6:22-27***

<sup>22</sup> Yahweh spoke to Moses and said, <sup>23</sup> 'Speak to Aaron and his sons and say: "This is how you must bless the Israelites. You will say: <sup>24</sup> May Yahweh bless you and keep you. <sup>25</sup> May Yahweh let his face shine on you and be gracious to you. <sup>26</sup> May Yahweh show you his face and bring you peace." <sup>27</sup> This is how they must call down my name on the Israelites, and then I shall bless them.'

### **Responsorial Psalm, *Psalms 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8***

<sup>2</sup> Then the earth will acknowledge your ways, and all nations your power to save. <sup>3</sup> Let the nations praise you, God, let all the nations praise you.

<sup>5</sup> Let the nations praise you, God, let all the nations praise you.

<sup>6</sup> The earth has yielded its produce; God, our God has blessed us.

## **Reading 2, *Galatians 4:4-7***

<sup>4</sup> but when the completion of the time came, God sent his Son, born of a woman, born a subject of the Law, <sup>5</sup> to redeem the subjects of the Law, so that we could receive adoption as sons. <sup>6</sup> As you are sons, God has sent into our hearts the Spirit of his Son crying, 'Abba, Father'; <sup>7</sup> and so you are no longer a slave, but a son; and if a son, then an heir, by God's own act.

## **Gospel, *Luke 2:16-21***

<sup>16</sup> So they hurried away and found Mary and Joseph, and the baby lying in the manger. <sup>17</sup> When they saw the child they repeated what they had been told about him, <sup>18</sup> and everyone who heard it was astonished at what the shepherds said to them. <sup>19</sup> As for Mary, she treasured all these things and pondered them in her heart. <sup>20</sup> And the shepherds went back glorifying and praising God for all they had heard and seen, just as they had been told. <sup>21</sup> When the eighth day came and the child was to be circumcised, they gave him the name Jesus, the name the angel had given him before his conception.