

Collect

Lord God of Israel,
who bestowed such grace on
Anne and Joachim
that their daughter Mary grew up
obedient to your word
and made ready to be the
mother of your Son:
help us to commit ourselves in
all things to your keeping
and grant us the salvation you
promised to your people:
through Jesus Christ your Son
our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

Post Communion

Father,
from whom every family in heaven
and on earth takes its name,
your servants Anne and Joachim
revealed your goodness
in a life of tranquillity and service:
grant that we who have gathered in
faith around this table
may like them know the love of
Christ that surpasses knowledge
and be filled with all your fullness;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

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Old Testament Reading

Zephaniah 3.14-18a

¹⁴Sing aloud, O daughter Zion;
shout, O Israel!

Rejoice and exult with all your heart,
O daughter Jerusalem!

¹⁵The LORD has taken away the judgements against you,
he has turned away your enemies.

The king of Israel, the LORD, is in your midst;
you shall fear disaster no more.

¹⁶On that day it shall be said to Jerusalem:

Do not fear, O Zion;

do not let your hands grow weak.

¹⁷The LORD, your God, is in your midst,

a warrior who gives victory;

he will rejoice over you with gladness,

he will renew you in his love;

he will exult over you with loud singing

¹⁸as on a day of festival.

This is the word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

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New Testament Reading

Romans 8.28-30

²⁸We know that all things work together for good for those who love God, who are called according to his purpose. ²⁹For those whom he foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, in order that he might be the firstborn within a large family. ³⁰And those whom he predestined he also called; and those whom he called he also justified; and those whom he justified he also glorified.

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Gospel

Matthew 13.16-17

When the Gospel is announced the reader says

Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

All **Glory to you, O Lord.**

¹⁶Blessed are your eyes, for they see, and your ears, for they hear. ¹⁷Truly I tell you, many prophets and righteous people longed to see what you see, but did not see it, and to hear what you hear, but did not hear it.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All **Praise to you, O Christ.**