

# **CANADA DAY**

(CANADA: JULY 1)



#### OPENING ACCLAMATION

Celebrant Blessed be God, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit.

People And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever. Amen.

#### COLLECT OF THE DAY

Almighty God, whose wisdom and love are over all: Accept the prayers we offer for Canada, and give integrity to its citizens and wisdom to those in authority, that harmony and justice may be secured in obedience to your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.** 

#### FIRST READING

## Deuteronomy 6:1-15

"Now this is the commandment—the statutes and the rules—that the LORD your God commanded me to teach you, that you may do them in the land to which you are going over, to possess it, <sup>2</sup> that you may fear the LORD your God, you and your son and your son's son, by keeping all his statutes and his commandments, which I command you, all the days of your life, and that your days may be long. <sup>3</sup> Hear therefore, O Israel, and be careful to do them, that it may go well with you, and that you may multiply greatly, as the LORD, the God of your fathers, has promised you, in a land flowing with milk and honey.

<sup>4</sup> "Hear, O Israel: The LORD our God, the LORD is one. <sup>5</sup> You shall love the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your might. <sup>6</sup> And these words that I command you today shall be on your heart. <sup>7</sup> You shall teach them diligently to your children, and shall talk of them when you sit in your house, and when you walk by the way, and when you lie down, and when you rise. <sup>8</sup> You shall bind them as a sign on your hand, and they shall be as frontlets between your eyes. <sup>9</sup> You shall write them on the doorposts of your house and on your gates.

10 "And when the LORD your God brings you into the land that he swore to your fathers, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, to give you—with great and good cities that you did not build, 11 and houses full of all good things that you did not fill, and cisterns that you did not dig, and vineyards and olive trees that you did not plant—and when you eat and are full, 12 then take care lest you forget the LORD, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery. 13 It is the LORD your God you shall fear. Him you shall serve and by his name you shall swear. 14 You shall not go after other gods, the gods of the peoples who are around you— 15 for the LORD your God be

kindled against you, and he destroy you from off the face of the earth.

Reader: The word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

### PSALTER VERSES

(In said services, the psalm verses may be placed between the Epistle and the Gospel, with the congregation standing in preparation for the Gospel. At services where there is a hymn or canticle before the Gospel, the psalm might be said between the Old Testament and Epistle, the people seated.)

#### Psalm 145

- <sup>1</sup> I will magnify you, O God my King, \* and I will praise your Name for ever and ever.
- <sup>2</sup> Every day will I give thanks to you, \* and praise your Name for ever and ever.
- <sup>3</sup> Great is the LORD, and most worthy to be praised; \* there is no end of his greatness.
- <sup>4</sup> One generation shall praise your works to another, \* and shall declare your power.
- <sup>5</sup> As for me, I will be talking of the glorious splendor of your majesty, \* and of all your wondrous works.
- 6 They shall speak of the might of your marvelous acts, \* and I also will tell of your greatness.
- <sup>7</sup> The remembrance of your abundant goodness shall they proclaim, \* and they shall sing of your righteousness.
- <sup>8</sup> The LORD is gracious and merciful, \* long-suffering, and of great kindness.
- 9 The LORD is loving to everyone, \* and his mercy is over all his works.
- <sup>10</sup> All your works praise you, O LORD, \* and your faithful servants give thanks to you.
- They speak of the glory of your kingdom \* and talk of your power,
- <sup>12</sup> That your power may be known to the children of men, \* even the glorious splendor of your kingdom.
- Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom, \* and your dominion endures throughout all ages.
- 14 The LORD upholds all those who fall \* and lifts up all those who are bowed down.
- 15 The eyes of all wait upon you, O Lord, \* and you give them their food in due season.
- <sup>16</sup> You open wide your hand, \*

and fill all things living with plenteousness.

- <sup>17</sup> The LORD is righteous in all his ways \* and merciful in all his works.
- <sup>18</sup> The LORD is near to all those who call upon him, \* to all who call upon him faithfully.
- <sup>19</sup> He will fulfill the desire of those who fear him; \* he also will hear their cry and will help them.
- The LORD preserves all those who love him, \* but he will destroy all the ungodly.
- <sup>21</sup> My mouth shall speak the praise of the LORD; \* and let all flesh give thanks unto his holy Name for ever and ever.

#### EPISTLE READING

#### 1 Peter 2:1-6

So put away all malice and all deceit and hypocrisy and envy and all slander. <sup>2</sup> Like newborn infants, long for the pure spiritual milk, that by it you may grow up into salvation— <sup>3</sup> if indeed you have tasted that the Lord is good.

- <sup>4</sup> As you come to him, a living stone rejected by men but in the sight of God chosen and precious, <sup>5</sup> you yourselves like living stones are being built up as a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ. <sup>6</sup> For it stands in Scripture:
- "Behold, I am laying in Zion a stone, a cornerstone chosen and precious, and whoever believes in him will not be put to shame."

Reader: The word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

#### THE HOLY GOSPEL

Deacon: The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ, according to

St. Matthew.

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Matthew 22:16-21

And they sent their disciples to him, along with the Herodians, saying, "Teacher, we know that you are true and teach the way of God truthfully, and you do not care about anyone's opinion, for you are not swayed by appearances. <sup>17</sup> Tell us, then, what you think. Is it lawful to pay taxes to Caesar, or not?" <sup>18</sup> But Jesus, aware of their malice, said, "Why put me to the test, you hypocrites? <sup>19</sup> Show me the coin for the tax." And they brought him a denarius. <sup>20</sup> And Jesus said to them, "Whose likeness and inscription is this?" <sup>21</sup> They said, "Caesar's." Then he said to them, "Therefore render to Caesar the things that are Caesar's, and to God the things that are God's."

#### OR

Matthew 25:14-30

"For it will be like a man going on a journey, who called his servants[a] and entrusted to them his property. <sup>15</sup> To one he gave five talents, to another two, to another one, to each according to his ability. Then he went away. <sup>16</sup> He who had received the five talents went at once and traded with them, and he made five talents more. 17 So also he who had the two talents made two talents more. <sup>18</sup> But he who had received the one talent went and dug in the ground and hid his master's money. 19 Now after a long time the master of those servants came and settled accounts with them. <sup>20</sup> And he who had received the five talents came forward, bringing five talents more, saying, 'Master, you delivered to me five talents; here, I have made five talents more.' 21 His master said to him, 'Well done, good and faithful servant. You have been faithful over a little; I will set you over much. Enter into the joy of your master.' 22 And he also who had the two talents came forward, saying, 'Master, you delivered to me two talents; here, I have made two talents more. 23 His master said to him, Well done, good and faithful servant. You have been faithful over a little; I will set you over much. Enter into the joy of your master.' 24 He also who had received the one talent came forward, saying, 'Master, I knew you to be a hard man, reaping where you did not sow, and gathering where you scattered no seed, <sup>25</sup> so I was afraid, and I went and hid your talent in the ground. Here, you have what is yours.' 26 But his master answered him, 'You wicked and slothful servant! You knew that I reap where I have not sown and gather where I scattered no seed? <sup>27</sup> Then you ought to have invested my money with the bankers, and at my coming I should have received what was my own with interest. <sup>28</sup> So take the talent from him and give it to him who has the ten talents. <sup>29</sup> For to everyone who has will more be given, and he will have an abundance. But from the one who has not, even what he has will be taken away. 30 And cast the worthless servant into the outer darkness. In that place there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.'

Deacon: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

## Offertory and Post-Communion Sentences

(Drawn from verses of Holy Scripture, these sentences are chosen by the celebrant or preacher to reinforce the lessons or teaching of the day.)

## PROPER PREFACE

Trinity Sunday

Who, with your co-eternal Son and Holy Spirit, are one God, one Lord, in Trinity of Persons and in Unity of Substance. For that which we believe of your glory, O Father, we believe the same of your Son, and of the Holy Spirit, without any difference or inequality.

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