[42] THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER C

FIRST READING

We are witnesses of these words and so is the Holy Spirit.

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

5:27b-32, 40b-41

The high priest said to the apostles, "We told you plainly not to teach in the name of Jesus. But look what you have done! You have been teaching all over Jerusalem, and you are trying to blame us for his death."

Peter and the apostles replied:

"We don't obey people. We obey God.

You killed Jesus by nailing him to a cross.

But the God our ancestors worshiped raised him to life and made him our Leader and Savior.

Then God gave him a place at his right side,

- so that the people of Israel would turn back to him and be forgiven.
- We are here to tell you about all this, and so is the Holy Spirit, who is God's gift to everyone who obeys God."

They had the apostles beaten with a whip and warned them not to speak in the name of Jesus. Then they let them go. The apostles left the council and were happy,

because God had considered them worthy to suffer for the sake of Jesus.

The word of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

30:1ab and 2 and 4, 10-11ab and 12bcd

R. (2a) I will praise you, Lord, for you have rescued me. or: R. Alleluia.

I will praise you, Lord! You saved me from the grave. I prayed to you, Lord God, and you healed me. Your faithful people, Lord, will praise you with songs and honor your holy name.

> R. I will praise you, Lord, for you have rescued me. or: R. Alleluia.

Have pity, Lord! Help! You have turned my sorrow into joyful dancing. I will never stop singing your praises, my Lord and my God.

> R. I will praise you, Lord, for you have rescued me. or: R. Alleluia.

ALLELUIA

See Luke 24:32

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

Lord Jesus, make your word plain to us; make our hearts burn with love when you speak.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

GOSPEL

Jesus came and took the bread and gave it to them, and did the same with the fish.

† A reading from the holy gospel according to John

21:1-14

Jesus later appeared to his disciples along the shore of Lake Tiberias. Simon Peter, Thomas the Twin, Nathanael from Cana in Galilee, and the two sons of Zebedee, were there, together with two other disciples. Simon Peter said, "I'm going fishing!" The others said, "We'll go with you." They went out in their boat. But they didn't catch a thing that night.

Early the next morning Jesus stood on the shore,

but the disciples did not realize who he was. Jesus shouted, "Friends, have you caught anything?"

"No!" they answered.

So he told them,

"Let your net down on the right side of your boat,

and you will catch some fish."

They did,

and the net was so full of fish that they could not drag it up into the boat.

Jesus' favorite disciple told Peter, "It's the Lord!" When Simon heard that it was the Lord,

he put on the clothes that he had taken off while he was working. Then he jumped into the water. The boat was only about a hundred yards from shore. So the other disciples stayed in the boat and dragged in the net full of fish.

When the disciples got out of the boat, they saw some bread and a charcoal fire with fish on it.
Jesus told his disciples, "Bring some of the fish you just caught."
Simon Peter got back into the boat and dragged the net to shore.
In it were one hundred fifty-three large fish, but still the net did not rip.

Jesus said, "Come and eat!" But none of the disciples dared ask who he was. They knew he was the Lord. Jesus took the bread in his hands and gave some of it to his disciples. he did the same with the fish.

This was the third time that Jesus appeared to his disciples after he was raised from the dead.

The gospel of the Lord.