

MONDAY MAY 11

EASTER WEEKDAY

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

The Good Shepherd has risen, who laid down his life for his sheep and willingly died for his flock, alleluia.

COLLECT

May your right hand, O Lord,
we pray,
encompass your family with
perpetual help,
so that, defended from all
wickedness
by the Resurrection of your
Only Begotten Son,
we may make our way by
means of your heavenly gifts.
Through our Lord Jesus
Christ, your Son,
who lives and reigns with
you in the unity of the
Holy Spirit,
one God, for ever and ever.
Amen.

READING *(Acts 14:5-18)*

There was an attempt in Iconium by both the Gentiles and the Jews, together with their leaders, to attack and stone Paul and Barnabas. They realized it, and fled to the Lycaonian cities of Lystra and Derbe and to the surrounding countryside, where they continued to proclaim the Good News.

At Lystra there was a crippled man, lame from birth, who had never walked. He listened to Paul speaking, who looked intently at him, saw that he had the faith to be healed, and called out in a loud voice, “Stand up straight on your feet.” He jumped up and began to walk about. When the crowds saw what Paul had done, they cried out in Lycaonian, “The gods have come down to us in human form.” They called Barnabas “Zeus” and Paul “Hermes,”

because he was the chief speaker. And the priest of Zeus, whose temple was at the entrance to the city, brought oxen and garlands to the gates, for he together with the people intended to offer sacrifice.

The Apostles Barnabas and Paul tore their garments when they heard this and rushed out into the crowd, shouting, “Men, why are you doing this? We are of the same nature as you, human beings. We proclaim to you good news that you should turn from these idols to the living God, *who made heaven and earth and sea and all that is in them*. In past generations he allowed all Gentiles to go their own ways; yet, in bestowing his goodness, he did not leave himself without witness, for he gave you rains from heaven and fruitful seasons, and filled you with nourishment and gladness for your hearts.” Even with these

words, they scarcely restrained the crowds from offering sacrifice to them.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

(Psalm 115:1-2, 3-4, 15-16)

**R: Not to us, O Lord, but to
your name give the glory.**

OR Alleluia.

Not to us, O LORD, not to us
but to your name

give glory

because of your mercy,

because of your truth.

Why should the pagans say,

“Where is their God?” **R**

Our God is in heaven;

whatever he wills, he does.

Their idols are silver

and gold,

the handiwork of men. **R**

May you be blessed

by the LORD,

who made heaven and earth.

Heaven is the heaven

of the LORD,

but the earth he has given

to the children of men. **R**

ALLELUIA (*John 14:26*)

Alleluia, alleluia. The Holy Spirit will teach you everything and remind you of all I told you. **Alleluia, alleluia.**

GOSPEL (*John 14:21-26*)

Jesus said to his disciples: “Whoever has my commandments and observes them is the one who loves

me. Whoever loves me will be loved by my Father, and I will love him and reveal myself to him.” Judas, not the Iscariot, said to him, “Master, then what happened that you will reveal yourself to us and not to the world?” Jesus answered and said to him, “Whoever loves me will keep my word, and my Father will love him,

Today's Good News

“Not to us, O Lord, not to us but to your name give glory” (Psalm 115:1). » At Lystra, Paul and Barnabas cure a lame man. One moment he’s sitting immobile; the next he’s strutting around on his newly restored legs. As a result of the cure, the crowds think that Paul and Barnabas are gods “come down in human form.” Paul frantically tries to explain to them that they are not gods but mere mortals. And the cure came not from them but from the “living God, who made heaven and earth.” At times we are like the people of Lystra. We tend to worship “idols,” mere mortals who possess talents we revere: the ability to sing, act, play a certain sport, create incredible inventions or just make a lot of money. Even in our Church we sometimes idolize a certain pope, pastor, popular speaker, or spiritual writer. Although it’s fine to admire individuals, we must never substitute a “mere mortal” for the one, true, living God. **SR. MELANNIE SVOBODA, SND**

and we will come to him and make our dwelling with him. Whoever does not love me does not keep my words; yet the word you hear is not mine but that of the Father who sent me.

“I have told you this while I am with you. The Advocate, the Holy Spirit whom the Father will send in my name—he will teach you everything and remind you of all that I told you.”

PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

May our prayers rise up
to you, O Lord,
together with the sacrificial
offerings,
so that, purified
by your graciousness,
we may be conformed to the
mysteries of your mighty
love.
Through Christ our Lord.
Amen.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

(John 14:27)

Peace I leave with you; my
peace I give to you. Not as
the world gives do I give it to
you, says the Lord, alleluia.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Almighty ever-living God,
who restore us to eternal life
in the Resurrection of Christ,
increase in us, we pray,
the fruits of this paschal
Sacrament
and pour into our hearts
the strength of this saving
food.
Through Christ our Lord.
Amen.



RESPONDING TO THE WORD

Jesus promises to reveal himself to those who love him.

● **Who has most helped me to
discover Jesus in my life?**

Jesus, show yourself to me so that...