Old Testament Reading *Isaiah 64:1–9*

(God is the potter, and we are the clay.)

1Oh that you would rend the heavens and come down, that the mountains might
quake at your presence—2 as when fire kindles brushwood and the fire causes water
to boil—to make your name known to your adversaries, and that the nations might
tremble at your presence! 3When you did awesome things that we did not look for,
you came down, the mountains quaked at your presence. 4From of old no one has
heard or perceived by the ear, no eye has seen a God besides you, who acts for those
who wait for him. 5You meet him who joyfully works righteousness, those who
remember you in your ways. Behold, you were angry, and we sinned; in our sins we
have been a long time, and shall we be saved? 6We have all become like one who is
unclean, and all our righteous deeds are like a polluted garment. We all fade like a
leaf, and our iniquities, like the wind, take us away. 7There is no one who calls upon
your name, who rouses himself to take hold of you; for you have hidden your face
from us, and have made us melt in the hand of our iniquities. 8But now, O LORD, you
are our Father; we are the clay, and you are our potter; we are all the work of your
hand. 9Be not so terribly angry, O LORD, and remember not iniquity forever. Behold,
please look, we are all your people.

A This is the Word of the Lord.
C **Thanks be to God.**

Epistle Lesson *1 Corinthians 1:3–9*

(Paul is thankful for the Christians at Corinth.)

3Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. 4I
give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that was given
you in Christ Jesus, 5that in every way you were enriched in him in all speech and
all knowledge—6even as the testimony about Christ was confirmed among you—
7so that you are not lacking in any spiritual gift, as you wait for the revealing of
our Lord Jesus Christ, 8who will sustain you to the end, guiltless in the day of our
Lord Jesus Christ. 9God is faithful, by whom you were called into the fellowship of
his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

A This is the Word of the Lord.
C **Thanks be to God.**

Holy Gospel *Mark 11:1–10*

(Jesus enters Jerusalem in triumph.)

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the eleventh chapter.
C **Glory to You, O Lord.**

1When they drew near to Jerusalem, to Bethphage and Bethany, at the Mount
of Olives, Jesus sent two of his disciples 2and said to them, "Go into the village in
front of you, and immediately as you enter it you will find a colt tied, on which no
one has ever sat. Untie it and bring it. 3If anyone says to you, 'Why are you doing
this?' say, 'The Lord has need of it and will send it back here immediately.'" 4And
they went away and found a colt tied at a door outside in the street, and they
untied it. 5And some of those standing there said to them, "What are you doing,
untying the colt?" 6And they told them what Jesus had said, and they let them go.
7And they brought the colt to Jesus and threw their cloaks on it, and he sat on it.
8And many spread their cloaks on the road, and others spread leafy branches that
they had cut from the fields. 9And those who went before and those who followed
were shouting, "Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!
10Blessed is the coming kingdom of our father David! Hosanna in the highest!"

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.
C **Praise to You, O Christ.**