



**Archdiocese of St. Louis**  
**Office of Sacred Worship**  
**Lectio Divina**  
*Memorial of St Gregory the Great, Pope and Doctor of the Church*  
**Friday of the Twenty-second Week in Ordinary Time Year I**  
**Lectionary: 435**

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Read the following passage four times.

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- The second reading, look for a key word or phrase that draws your attention.  
Notice if any phrase, sentence or word stands out and gently begin to repeat it to yourself, allowing it to touch you deeply. No elaboration. In a group setting, you can share that word/phrase or simply pass.
- The third reading, pause for 2-3 minutes reflecting on "*Where does the content of this reading touch my life today?*"  
Notice what thoughts, feelings, and reflections arise within you. Let the words resound in your heart. What might God be asking of you through the scripture? In a group setting, you can share your reflection or simply pass.
- The fourth reading, pause for 2-3 minutes reflecting on "*I believe that God wants me to . . . . . today/this week.*"  
Notice any prayerful response that arises within you, for example a small prayer of gratitude or praise. In a group setting, you can share your reflection or simply pass.

**Reading**

*Col 1:15-20*

Brothers and sisters: Christ Jesus is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation. For in him were created all things in heaven and on earth, the visible and the invisible, whether thrones or dominions or principalities or powers; all things were created through him and for him. He is before all things, and in him all things hold together. He is the head of the Body, the Church. He is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, that in all things he himself might be preeminent. For in him all the fullness was pleased to dwell, and through him to reconcile all things for him, making peace by the Blood of his cross through him, whether those on earth or those in heaven.

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**Responsorial Psalm**

*Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 4, 5*

**R. (2b) Come with joy into the presence of the Lord.**

Sing joyfully to the LORD, all you lands; serve the LORD with gladness; come before him with joyful song.

**R. Come with joy into the presence of the Lord.**

Know that the LORD is God; he made us, his we are; his people, the flock he tends.

**R. Come with joy into the presence of the Lord.**

Enter his gates with thanksgiving, his courts with praise; Give thanks to him; bless his name.

**R. Come with joy into the presence of the Lord.**

For he is good, the LORD, whose kindness endures forever, and his faithfulness, to all generations.

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**Alleluia**

*Jn 8:12*

**R. Alleluia, alleluia.**

I am the light of the world, says the Lord; whoever follows me will have the light of life.

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**Gospel**

*Lk 5:33-39*

The scribes and Pharisees said to Jesus, "The disciples of John the Baptist fast often and offer prayers, and the disciples of the Pharisees do the same; but yours eat and drink." Jesus answered them, "Can you make the wedding guests fast while the bridegroom is with them? But the days will come, and when the bridegroom is taken away from them, then they will fast in those days." And he also told them a parable. "No one tears a piece from a new cloak to patch an old one. Otherwise, he will tear the new and the piece from it will not match the old cloak. Likewise, no one pours new wine into old wineskins. Otherwise, the new wine will burst the skins, and it will be spilled, and the skins will be ruined. Rather, new wine must be poured into fresh wineskins. And no one who has been drinking old wine desires new, for he says, 'The old is good.'"