



**Archdiocese of St. Louis
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Lectio Divina**

Saint Callistus I, Pope and Martyr

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First Reading

1 Pt 5:1-4

Beloved:

I exhort the presbyters among you, as a fellow presbyter and witness to the sufferings of Christ and one who has a share in the glory to be revealed. Tend the flock of God in your midst, [overseeing] not by constraint but willingly, as God would have it, not for shameful profit but eagerly. Do not lord it over those assigned to you, but be examples to the flock. And when the chief Shepherd is revealed, you will receive the unfading crown of glory.



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Responsorial Psalm

Ps 40:2 and 4ab, 7-8a, 8b-9, 10, 11

R Here I am, Lord; I come to do your will.

I wait for the LORD; who bends down to me and hears my cry, And puts a new song in my mouth, a hymn to our God.

R Here I am, Lord; I come to do your will.

Sacrifice and offering you do not want; you opened my ears. Holocaust and sin-offering you do not request; so I said, "See; I come."

R Here I am, Lord; I come to do your will.

With an inscribed scroll written upon me. I delight to do your will, my God; your law is in my inner being!"

R Here I am, Lord; I come to do your will.

When I sing of your righteousness in a great assembly, See, I do not restrain my lips; as you, LORD, know.

R Here I am, Lord; I come to do your will.

I do not conceal your righteousness within my heart; I speak of your loyalty and your salvation. I do not hide your mercy or faithfulness from a great assembly.

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Alleluia

Jn 15:15b

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

I call you my friends, says the Lord, for I have made known to you all that the Father has told me.

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Gospel

Lk 22:24-30

An argument broke out among them about which of them should be regarded as the greatest. He said to them, "The kings of the Gentiles lord it over them and those in authority over them are addressed as 'Benefactors'; but among you it shall not be so. Rather, let the greatest among you be as the youngest, and the leader as the servant. For who is greater: the one seated at table or the one who serves? Is it not the one seated at table? I am among you as the one who serves. It is you who have stood by me in my trials; and I confer a kingdom on you, just as my Father has conferred one on me, that you may eat and drink at my table in my kingdom; and you will sit on thrones judging the twelve tribes of Israel.