

Sunday 7 June 2026

Tenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year A)

First Reading - Hosea 6.3b-6

A reading from the book of the prophet Hosea.

The presence of the Lord

is as certain
as the rising of the sun.

And the Lord will come to us
like the spring rains
that water the earth.

Yet the Lord says, 'What shall I do with you,
my people?

For your compassion disappears,
like the dew,
and like the morning mist.

I send you my words,
to cut you
to the heart.

I send you my judgements,
blazing
like the sun.

Then I see
your sacrifices,
and I see
your burnt-offerings.

But what I long to see
is compassion,
and for my people
to know their God.'

This is the word of the Lord.

Second Reading - Romans 2.13-16

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Romans.

Hearing God's law

will not
make you righteous,
unless

you also do
what the law demands.

When those who have not

heard God's law
do naturally
what the law demands,

they show

that they have the law
within themselves,

already written

on their hearts,
and in their

thoughts
and consciences.

And their own

thoughts and consciences

will both accuse them

and excuse them

on the day

when God judges
the secret thoughts
of us all.

This is the word of the Lord.

Gospel - Matthew 9.9-13

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ
according to Matthew.

As Jesus

was walking along,
he passed by the place where
the Roman taxes
were collected.

Jesus saw a man
called Matthew
working there.

Jesus said to Matthew,
'Follow me.'

And Matthew got up
and followed Jesus.

Jesus and his disciples
later
sat at dinner
with many
collectors of the Roman taxes,
and other
notorious sinners.

When the Pharisees saw this,
they said
to the disciples,
'Why does your teacher
eat with such people?'

When Jesus heard this, he said,
'It is the sick,
not the healthy, who
need a doctor;

I have come
to call sinners,
not
the righteous.

Go and learn
what the scripture means,
where it says,
"I look
not
for sacrifice,
but for compassion."

This is the Gospel of the Lord.