

**Sunday 14 March 2027**

*Fifth Sunday of Lent (Year B)*

**First Reading - Jeremiah 31.31-34**

A reading from the book of the prophet Jeremiah.

The days are coming

when I will make a new covenant  
with the people of Israel,  
and the people of Judah,  
says the Lord.

It will not be like

the covenant that I made  
with their ancestors,  
when I led them out of Egypt -  
a covenant they have broken.

But this

is the new covenant  
that I will make with them,  
says the Lord:

I will put my law within them,  
and I will write it on their hearts.

I will be their God,  
and they will be my people;

and all

will know me,  
from the greatest

to the least;

and I will forgive their iniquity,  
and remember their transgressions no more.

This is the word of the Lord.

**Second Reading - Hebrews 5.7-10a**

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews.

In the days of his earthly life,

Jesus offered up prayers,  
with loud cries, and tears,

to the one who was

able to rescue him  
from death.

And his prayer was heard,

in his reverent submission  
to the will of the Father.

Even as the Son,

he grew  
in devotion  
through all  
he learned  
and endured.

And when

he had  
accomplished  
and completed  
all things,

he was declared by God

to be  
the eternal high priest,  
and has become  
the source  
of eternal salvation  
for all who trust in him.

This is the word of the Lord.

**Gospel - John 12.23-28a,31-32**

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

Jesus said,

'The hour has come  
for the Son of Man  
to be glorified.

A grain of wheat

remains  
a single grain,  
unless it falls

to the earth  
and dies;

but when  
a grain of wheat  
falls to the earth  
and dies,  
it produces  
a great harvest.

Those who love  
their life in this world

will lose it;

while those who hate  
their life in this world  
will gain  
eternal life.

Those who would serve me

must follow me,  
and will be with me;  
and the Father  
will honour them.

And now my soul is troubled,  
and I would long to pray, "Father,  
save me from this hour."

But it is for this hour  
that I came.

And so, I pray, "Father,  
glorify your name."

Now is the judgement  
of this world;

now the ruler of this world  
will be driven out.

And when I am

lifted up  
from the earth,

I will draw  
all people  
to myself.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.