The Congregation at Prayer

*A Guide for Daily Meditation and Prayer*

*for Propers 12C July 24, 2022*

*Pray and confess aloud as much from the order of meditation and prayer, as you are able, or as your family size and ages dictate. Learn by heart the verse, catechism, and hymn of the week.*

Catechesis Notes for Week – Psalm 5 – Our Psalm this morning is against false teachings. God despises the wicked because they hide the truth of His Word. Psalm 5 is a congregational prayer for God to remove the ungodly from their midst. This removal is not done because of vindictiveness or because the Psalmist is ruled by his emotions. Rather, the Psalmist is praying that God fulfills His perfect will, which includes the removal of impenitence and wickedness from the congregation. This is part of what it means when we pray, “Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven,” in the Lord’s Prayer.

***Invocation*** -In the name of the Father and of the T Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

**Verse:** **Luke 11:13 –** If you then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!

***Apostle’s Creed***

**Psalm of the Week: Psalm 5**

**New Testament Stories Year III: Gospel of Luke**

**Bible Readings for the Week**

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| Sunday | Propers 12C – Luke 11:1-13 |
| Monday | **St. James the Elder, Apostle – Mark 10:35-45** |
| Tuesday | Jesus Heals Blind Bartimaeus – Luke 18:35-43 |
| Wednesday | Jesus Comes to Zacchaeus’s House – Luke 19:1-10 |
| Thursday | The Parable of the Minas – Luke 19:11-28 |
| Friday | The Parable of the Wicked Vinedresser – Luke 20:1-19 |
| Saturday | Render to Caesar the Things That Are Caesar’s –  Luke 20:20-26 |

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| **Catechism: Holy Baptism** | **Grades** |
| *What is Baptism?*  Baptism is not just plain water, but it is the water included in God’s command and combined with God’s word. | 3rd+ |
| *Which is that word of God?*  Christ our Lord says in the last chapter of Matthew: | 1st+ |
| “Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.” (Matt. 28:19) | K+ |
| *What benefits does Baptism give?*  It works forgiveness of sins, rescues from death and the devil, and gives eternal salvation to all who believe this, as the words and promises of God declare. | 3rd+ |
| *Which are these words and promises of God?*  Christ our Lord says in the last chapter of Mark: “Whoever believes and is baptized will be saved, but whoever does not believe will be condemned.” (Mark 16:16) | 2nd+ |