

*A READING FROM THE FIRST LETTER OF ST PAUL TO THE
THESSALONIANS*

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We want you to be quite certain, brothers,
about those who have died,
to make sure that you do not grieve about them,
like the other people who have no hope.

We believe that Jesus died and rose again,
and that it will be the same for those who have died in Jesus:
God will bring them with him.

We can tell you this from the Lord's own teaching,
that any of us who are left alive until the Lord's coming
will not have any advantage over those who have died.

At the trumpet of God,
the voice of the archangel will call out the command
and the Lord himself will come down from heaven;
those who have died in Christ will be the first to rise,
and then those of us who are still alive will be taken up in the
clouds,

together with them, to meet the Lord in the air.

So we shall stay with the Lord for ever.

With such thoughts as these you should comfort one another.

The word of the Lord.

THE LORD'S MY SHEPHERD

The Lord's my Shepherd, I'll not want.
He maketh me down to lie
In pastures green; He leadeth me
The quiet waters by.

My soul He doth restore again;
And me to walk doth make
Within the paths of righteousness,
Even for His own Name's sake.

Yea, though I walk in death's dark vale,
Yet will I fear no ill;
For Thou art with me; and Thy rod
And staff my comfort still.

My table Thou hast furnishèd
In presence of my foes;
My head Thou dost with oil anoint,
And my cup overflows.

Goodness and mercy all my life
Shall surely follow me;
And in God's house forevermore
My dwelling place shall be.

READING FROM THE HOLY GOSPEL ACCORDING TO JOHN

Father Patrick

Jesus said to his disciples:

“Do not let your hearts be troubled.

You have faith in God; have faith also in me.

In my Father’s house there are many dwelling places.

If there were not, would I have told you
that I am going to prepare a place for you?

And if I go and prepare a place for you,
I will come back again and take you to myself,
so that where I am you also may be.

Where I am going you know the way.”

Thomas said to him,

“Master, we do not know where you are going;
how can we know the way?”

Jesus said to him,

“I am the way and the truth and the life.
No one comes to the Father except through me.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

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BIDDING PRAYERS

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THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name;
thy kingdom come;
thy will be done;
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation;
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
the power and the glory,
for ever and ever.
Amen.

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