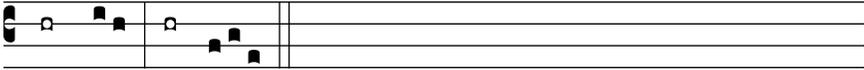---— THURSDAY —---

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 40 (39): 5a

Blessed are they who hope in the Lord.

Psalm 1: 1-2, 3, 4 and 6

1. Blessed indeed is *the* **man** *
     who follows not the counsel *of the* **wick**ed,

   nor stands in the path *with* **sin**ners, *
     nor abides in the compa*ny of* **scorn**ers,

   but whose delight is the law of *the* **LORD**, *
     and who ponders his law *day and* **night**.

2. He is like a tree that is planted †
     beside the flow*ing* **wa**ters, *
     that yields its fruit *in due* **sea**son,

   and whose leaves shall nev*er* **fade**; *
     and all that he *does shall* **pros**per.

3. Not so are the wicked, not so! †
     For they, like win*nowed* **chaff**, *
     shall be driven away *by the* **wind**.

   for the **LORD** knows the way of *the* **just**, *
     but the way of the wick*ed will* **per**ish.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 51 (50): 19b

A heart contrite and humbled, O God, you will

not spurn.

Psalm 51 (50): 3-4, 5-6ab, 18-19

1. Have mercy on me, *O* **God**, *
    according to your merci*ful* **love**;

    according to your great *com***pas**sion, *
    blot out my *trans***gres**sions.

    Wash me completely from my *in***iq**uity, *
    and cleanse me from *my* **sin**.

2. My transgressions, truly *I* **know** them; *
    my sin is always *be***fore** me.

    Against you, you alone, have *I* **sinned**; *
    what is evil in your sight I *have* **done**.

3. For in sacrifice you take no *de***light**; *
    burnt offering from me would *not* **please** you.

    My sacrifice to God, a broken spirit: †
    a broken and hum*bled* **heart**, *
    O God, you will *not* **spurn**.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Teach me your way, O Lord, that I may walk in your truth.

Psalm 86 (85): 1-2, 3-4, 5-6

1. Turn your ear, O Lᴏʀᴅ, *and* **an**swer me, *
    for I am *poor and* **need**y.

    Preserve my soul, for I *am* **faith**ful; *
    save the servant who trusts in *you, my* **God**.

2. Have mercy on me, *O* **Lᴏʀᴅ**, *
    for I cry to you all *the day* **long**.

    Gladden the soul of *your* **serv**ant, *
    for I lift up my soul to *you, O* **Lᴏʀᴅ**.

3. O Lᴏʀᴅ, you are good and *for*giving, *
    full of mercy to all who *call to* **you**.

    Give ear, O Lᴏʀᴅ, to *my* **prayer**, *
    and attend to my voice in *suppli*ca tion.

VERSE BEFORE THE GOSPEL

Glo-ry and praise to you, Lord Je-sus Christ.

Thursday   **Matthew 4**: 17

℣. Repent, says *the* **Lord**; *
    the Kingdom of heaven *is at* **hand**.

Friday   **Cf. Amos 5**: 14

℣. Seek good and not evil so that you *may* **live**, *
    and the Lord *will be* **with** you.

Saturday   **Ezekiel 33**: 11

℣. I take no pleasure in the death of the wicked man, says *the* **Lord**, *
    but rather in his conversion, that *he may* **live**.