Proper for March 20, 2022, the Third Sunday in Lent

Theme: “Love Builds Our Repentance”

Collect of the Day:

Almighty God, You know that we have no power in ourselves to help ourselves: Keep us both outwardly in our bodies and inwardly in our souls, that we may be defended from all adversities which may happen to the body, and from all evil thoughts which may assault and hurt the soul; through Jesus Christ our Lord, Who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever. ***Amen.***

Old Testament Proclamation: Isaiah 55: 1-9

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 103: 1-7; 11-13

New Testament Proclamation: 1 Corinthians 10: 1-12

Gospel Proclamation: Luke 13: 1-9

Gradual Verse:

You are righteous, O Lord, and upright  are Your judgments;  You have commanded Your testimonies in  righteousness and exceeding faithfulness.

Prayers of the People:

You may use Form 1, (ICCEC Lectionary) *or the following:*

Deacon: Beloved in the Lord, our heavenly Father is compassionate and gracious, and ever ready to hear our prayers. So let us lift up to Him those who stand in need of His help and succor.

Minister: Almighty Lord, make all Your children fruitful in their daily life and work;

*People: Make them aware of Your eternal and universal presence.*

Minister: Make every Church member fruitful in fulfilling their calling;

*People: Making them rich in hope and joy.*

Minister: Make Your Church fruitful in reaching out with Your compassion to the needy and afflicted;

*People: Making them rich in gladness and praise.*

Minister: Make the leaders of Your Church fruitful in truth;

*People: Making them abound in faith and endurance.*

Minister: Make Your Church fruitful in living Your ways;

*People: Producing repentance in ourselves and others.*

Minister: Make us faithful to plant in our Project of Love;

*People: That we might reap the fruit proclaimed in our Corporate Petition.*

# The Concluding Collect:

Presider: Grant to this world, Sovereign Lord, the fruits of righteousness, peace, and joy, that all might live together unto You; through Jesus Christ the Lord. ***Amen.***

# Proper Preface:

It is truly right and just, our duty and our salvation, always and everywhere to give thanks, Lord, holy Father, almighty and eternal God.

For You will that our self-denial should give You thanks, humble our sinful pride, contribute to the feeding of the poor, and so help us imitate You in Your kindness.

And so we glorify You with countless angels, as with one voice of praise we acclaim:

Benediction:

The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep Your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of His Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty: ✠ the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be with you always. ***Amen.***

*Or, if the Presider is a bishop, the Lake George Benediction may be used.*