

# Graduation Resources.



## Scripture Readings.

**First Reading:** *A Reading from the prophet Isaiah 43:1-3*

But now, thus says Yahweh, who created you Jacob, and who formed you, Israel. 'Do not be afraid, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by your name, you are mine. Should you pass through the sea, I shall be with you, or through the rivers, they shall not swallow you up. Should you walk through fire you will not be scorched, and the flames will not burn you. You are precious in my eyes, and I love you. Do not be afraid for I am not with you.' This is the world of the Lord.

## Second Reading:

*A reading from the letter of St. Paul to the Philippians*

Every time I pray for you all of you, I pray with joy remembering how you have helped spread the good news from the day you first heard it right up to the present. I am quite certain that the one who began this good work in you will see that it is finished when the Day of Christ Jesus comes. My prayer is that your love for each other may increase more and more and never stop improving your knowledge and deepening your perception so that you can always recognise what is best. This is the word of the Lord.

## Gospel Reading:

*A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Luke 8:4-8*

With a large crowd gathering, as people from every town find their way to him, he used this parable: 'A sower went out to sow his seed. As he sowed some seeds fell on the edge of the path and were trampled on; and the birds of the air ate up. Some seeds fell on rock, and when it came up it withered away, having no moisture. Some seed fell amongst thorns and the thorns grew with it and choked it. And some seed fell into rich soil, and it grew and produced its crop a hundredfold. Saying this he cried, 'Listen, anyone who has ears to hear!'

The Gospel of the Lord.