

## September 21, 2020 – Feast of Saint Matthew

### Reading 1 - EPH 4:1-7, 11-13

Brothers and sisters:

I, a prisoner for the Lord,  
urge you to live in a manner worthy of the call you have received,  
with all humility and gentleness, with patience,  
bearing with one another through love,  
striving to preserve the unity of the Spirit  
through the bond of peace:  
one Body and one Spirit,  
as you were also called to the one hope of your call;  
one Lord, one faith, one baptism;  
one God and Father of all,  
who is over all and through all and in all.

But grace was given to each of us  
according to the measure of Christ's gift.

And he gave some as Apostles, others as prophets,  
others as evangelists, others as pastors and teachers,  
to equip the holy ones for the work of ministry,  
for building up the Body of Christ,  
until we all attain to the unity of faith  
and knowledge of the Son of God, to mature manhood,  
to the extent of the full stature of Christ.

### Responsorial Psalm - PS 19:2-3, 4-5

*R. Their message goes out through all the earth.*

The heavens declare the glory of God;  
and the firmament proclaims his handiwork.  
Day pours out the word to day,  
and night to night imparts knowledge.

*R. Their message goes out through all the earth.*

Not a word nor a discourse  
whose voice is not heard;  
Through all the earth their voice resounds,  
and to the ends of the world, their message.

*R. Their message goes out through all the earth.*

## **Alleluia**

*R. Alleluia, alleluia.*

We praise you, O God,  
we acclaim you as Lord;  
the glorious company of Apostles praise you.

*R. Alleluia, alleluia.*

## **Gospel - MT 9:9-13**

As Jesus passed by,  
he saw a man named Matthew sitting at the customs post.  
He said to him, "Follow me."  
And he got up and followed him.  
While he was at table in his house,  
many tax collectors and sinners came  
and sat with Jesus and his disciples.  
The Pharisees saw this and said to his disciples,  
"Why does your teacher eat with tax collectors and sinners?"  
He heard this and said,  
"Those who are well do not need a physician, but the sick do.  
Go and learn the meaning of the words,  
I desire mercy, not sacrifice.  
I did not come to call the righteous but sinners."