

## **GOSPEL READING**

### **A Reading from the Holy Gospel according to John**

Jesus said to his disciples:

“As the Father has loved me,  
so I have loved you.  
Live on in my love.  
You will live in my love  
if you keep my commandments,  
even as I have kept my Father’s commandments,  
and live in his love.  
All this I tell you  
that my joy may be yours  
and your joy may be complete.  
“This is my commandment:  
love one another  
as I have loved you.”  
There is no greater love than this:  
to lay down one’s life for one’s friends.  
You are my friends  
if you do what I command you.  
I no longer speak to you as slaves,  
for a slave does not know what his master is about.  
Instead, I call you friends,  
since I have made known to you all that  
I heard from my Father.  
It was not you who chose me,  
it was I who chose you  
to go forth and bear fruit.  
Your fruit must endure,  
so that all you ask the Father in my name  
he will give you.”

**The Gospel of the Lord.**

(John 15:9-16)