

## Scripture for December 5th, 2021

### A reading from the Gospel of Luke

#### Luke 1: 68-79

‘Blessed be the Lord God of Israel,  
for he has looked favourably on his people and redeemed them.  
He has raised up a mighty saviour for us  
in the house of his servant David,  
as he spoke through the mouth of his holy prophets from of old,  
that we would be saved from our enemies and from the hand of all who  
hate us.  
Thus he has shown the mercy promised to our ancestors,  
and has remembered his holy covenant,  
the oath that he swore to our ancestor Abraham,  
to grant us that we, being rescued from the hands of our enemies,  
might serve him without fear, in holiness and righteousness  
before him all our days.  
And you, child, will be called the prophet of the Most High;  
for you will go before the Lord to prepare his ways,  
to give knowledge of salvation to his people  
by the forgiveness of their sins.  
By the tender mercy of our God,  
the dawn from on high will break upon us,  
to give light to those who sit in darkness and in the shadow of death,  
to guide our feet into the way of peace.’

In Spanish:

Bendito sea el Señor, Dios de Israel,  
porque ha venido a redimir<sup>[a]</sup> a su pueblo.  
69 Nos envió un poderoso Salvador<sup>[b]</sup>  
en la casa de David su siervo  
70 (como lo prometió en el pasado por medio de sus santos profetas),  
71 para librarnos de nuestros enemigos  
y del poder de todos los que nos aborrecen;  
72 para mostrar misericordia a nuestros padres  
al acordarse de su santo pacto.  
73 Así lo juró a Abraham nuestro padre:  
74 nos concedió que fuéramos libres del temor,  
al rescatarnos del poder de nuestros enemigos,  
para que le sirviéramos<sup>75</sup> con santidad y justicia,  
viviendo en su presencia todos nuestros días.  
76 »Y tú, hijito mío, serás llamado profeta del Altísimo,  
porque irás delante del Señor para prepararle el camino.  
77 Darás a conocer a su pueblo la salvación  
mediante el perdón de sus pecados,  
78 gracias a la entrañable misericordia de nuestro Dios.  
Así nos visitará desde el cielo el sol naciente,  
79 para dar luz a los que viven en tinieblas,  
en la más terrible oscuridad,<sup>[c]</sup>  
para guiar nuestros pasos por la senda de la paz».