

First Reading

1 In the past God spoke to our ancestors through the prophets at many times and in various ways, **2** but in these last days he has spoken to us by his Son, whom he appointed heir of all things, and through whom also he made the universe. **3** The Son is the radiance of God's glory and the exact representation of his being, sustaining all things by his powerful word. After he had provided purification for sins, he sat down at the right hand of the Majesty in heaven. **4** So he became as much superior to the angels as the name he has inherited is superior to theirs.

2nd Reading

Hebrews 2:5-12 New International Version **Jesus Made Fully Human**

5 It is not to angels that he has subjected the world to come, about which we are speaking. **6** But there is a place where someone has testified:

"What is mankind that you are mindful of them,
a son of man that you care for him?

7 You made them a little^[a] lower than the angels;
you crowned them with glory and honor
8 and put everything under their feet."^{[b][c]}

In putting everything under them,^[d] God left nothing that is not subject to them.^[e] Yet at present we do not see everything subject to them.^[f] **9** But we do see Jesus, who was made lower than the angels for a little while, now crowned with glory and honor because he suffered death, so that by the grace of God he might taste death for everyone.

10 In bringing many sons and daughters to glory, it was fitting that God, for whom and through whom everything exists, should make the pioneer of their salvation perfect through what he suffered. **11** Both the one who makes people holy and those who are made holy are of the same family. So Jesus is not ashamed to call them brothers and sisters.^[g] **12** He says,

"I will declare your name to my brothers and sisters;
in the assembly I will sing your praises."^[h]