

A reading from the Prophet Isaiah

43:1 - 4.

But now thus says the Lord, he who created you, O Jacob, he who formed you, O Israel: Do not fear, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by name, you are mine. When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; and through the rivers, they shall not overwhelm you; when you walk through fire you shall not be burned, and the flame shall not consume you. For I am the Lord your God, the Holy One of Israel. Because you are precious in my sight, and I love you, Do not fear, for I am with you.

[This is the word of the Lord.](#)

C. Thanks be to God.