## A reading from the book of the prophet Isaiah

You, Israel, my servant, b

Jacob, whom I have chosen,

offspring of Abraham my friend-

You whom I have taken from the ends of the earth and summoned from its far-off places,

To whom I have said, You are my servant;

I chose you, I have not rejected you—

Do not fear: I am with you;

do not be anxious: I am your God.

I will strengthen you, I will help you,

I will uphold you with my victorious right hand.

For I am the LORD, your God,

who grasp your right hand;

It is I who say to you, Do not fear,

I will help you.

The Word of the Lord