

Reading II from the New Testament  
1 Corinthians 15:20-23

**A reading from the first Letter of Saint Paul to the Corinthians**

Brothers and sisters:

Christ has been raised from the dead,  
the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep.  
For since death came through a man,  
the resurrection of the dead came also through man.  
For just as in Adam all die,  
so too in Christ shall all be brought to life,  
but each one in proper order:  
Christ the firstfruits;  
then, at his coming, those who belong to Christ.

**The word of the Lord.**