

Gospel

Luke 23:33. 39–43

*Today you will be with me in paradise.*

✠ A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke.

When the soldiers reached the place called The Skull, they crucified Jesus there and the two criminals also, one on the right, the other on the left.

One of the criminals hanging there abused him. ‘

Are you not the Christ?’ he said. ‘Save yourself and us as well.’

But the other spoke up and rebuked him.

‘Have you no fear of God at all?’ he said.

‘You got the same sentence as he did,

but in our case we deserved it: we are paying for what we did.

But this man has done nothing wrong.

Jesus,’ he said, ‘remember me when you come into your kingdom.’

‘Indeed, I promise you,’ he replied,

‘today you will be with me in paradise.’

The Gospel of the Lord.