

A reading from the prophet Isaiah (46:8:14-16)

Thus say the Lord: 'in a time of favour I have answered you, on a day of salvation I have helped you.'" But Zion said, 'The Lord has forsaken me, my Lord has forgotten me.'

'Can a woman forget her nursing child, or show no compassion for the child of her womb? Even these may forget, yet I will not forget you. See, I have inscribed you on the palms of my hands".

The word of the Lord.