A reading from the first letter to St. John (I In. 3:I-3)

Think of the love that the Father has shown us by betting us be called God's children and that is what we are. Because the world refused to acknowledge him, therefore it does not acknowledge us.

My dear people, we are already the children of God but what we are to be in the future has not yet been revealed; all we know is, that when it is revealed, we shall be like him because we shall see him as he really is.

The word of the Lord.