

**18b. Responsorial Psalm**

Also: I Lent A

*R. cf. Psalm 51 (50): 3a*

Be mer-ci - ful, O Lord, for we have sinned.

*V. Psalm 51 (50): 3-4. 5-6. 12-13. 14, 17.*

1. Have mercy on me, O God, in your good - ness; in the greatness of your com -  
 2. For I acknowledge my of - fense, and my  
 3. A clean heart create for me, O God; and a steadfast  
 4. Give me back the joy of your sal - va - tion, and a willing

1. pas - sion wipe out my of - fense. Thoroughly wash me from my guilt,  
 2. sin is al - ways be - fore me. "Against you on - ly have I sinned;  
 3. spir - it re - new with - in me. Cast me not out from your presence,  
 4. spir - it sus - tain in me. O Lord, o - pen my lips,

1. and of my sin cleanse me. *R.*  
 2. and done what is evil in your sight." *R.*  
 3. and your Holy Spirit take not from me. *R.*  
 4. and my mouth shall pro - claim your praise. *R.*

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