5th Sunday of EASTER

Please keep the **SILENCE** and prepare your heart for Mass

Entrance Antiphon

Psalm 97: 1-2

O sing a new song to the Lord, for he has worked wonders; in the sight of the nations he has shown his deliverance, alleluia!

This is the day which the Lord has made; Let us be glad and rejoice, He is the maker of Heaven and earth, Praise Him with heart and with voice.

Refrain:

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

This is the day which the Lord has made; Rising, He conquered all strife. Having attended His banquet of Love, Rise in his newness of Life.

Refrain:

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

INTRODUCTORY RITES

Sign Of The Cross

Presider: In the name of the Father, and of the Son ■ and of the Holy Spirit

All: Amen.

Greeting

Presider: Peace be with you.

All: And with your spirit.

Penitential Rite

I confess to almighty God and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have greatly sinned, in my thoughts and in my words, in what I have done and in what I have failed to do,

Penitential Rite

(and, striking their breast, they say:) through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault; therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin, all the Angels and Saints, and you, my brothers and sisters, to pray for me to the Lord our God.

Penitential Rite

Presider: May Almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us our sins and bring us to everlasting life.

All: Amen.

Lord Have Mercy (Kýrie)

Cantor: Lord, have mercy.
All: Lord, have mercy.

Cantor: Christ, have mercy.
All: Christ, have mercy.

Cantor: Lord, have mercy.
All: Lord, have mercy.

Presider: Glory to God in the highest,

All: and on earth peace to people of good will.

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We praise you,
we bless you,
we adore you,
we glorify you,
we give you thanks for your great glory,
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Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father. Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us;

you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer; you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

Collect

Presider: Let us pray.

Almighty ever-living God, constantly accomplish the Paschal Mystery within us, that those you were please to make new in Holy Baptism may, under your protective care, bear much fruit

Collect

and come to the joys of life eternal. Through our lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

All:

Amen.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

Acts 6: 1-7

About this time, when the number of disciples was increasing, the Hellenists made a complaint against the Hebrews: in the daily distribution their own widows were being overlooked.

So the Twelve called a full meeting of the disciples and addressed them,

'It would not be right for us to neglect the word of God so as to give out food; you, brothers, must select from among yourselves seven men of good reputation, filled with the Spirit and with wisdom; we will hand over this duty to them,

and continue to devote ourselves to prayer and to the service of the word.' The whole assembly approved of this proposal and elected Stephen, a man full of faith and of the Holy Spirit,

together with Philip, Prochorus, Nicanor, Timon, Parmenas, and Nicolaus of Antioch, a convert to Judaism. They presented these to the apostles, who prayed and laid their hands on them.

The word of the Lord continued to spread: the number of disciples in Jerusalem was greatly increased, and a large group of priests made their submission to the faith.

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 32:1-2,4-5,18-19.

May your love be upon us, O Lord, as we place all our hope in you.

Ring out your joy to the Lord, O you just; for praise is fitting for loyal hearts.

Give thanks to the Lord upon the harp, with a ten-stringed lute sing him songs.

Response:

May your love be upon us, O Lord, as we place all our hope in you.

For the word of the Lord is faithful and all his works to be trusted.

The Lord loves justice and right and fills the earth with his love

Responsorial Psalm

Response:

May your love be upon us, O Lord, as we place all our hope in you.

Responsorial Psalm

The Lord looks on those who revere him, on those who hope in his love, to rescue their souls from death, to keep them alive in famine.

Responsorial Psalm

Response:

May your love be upon us, O Lord, as we place all our hope in you.

1 Peter 2:4-9

The Lord is the living stone, rejected by men but chosen by God and precious to him; set yourselves close to him so that you too, the holy priesthood that offers the spiritual sacrifices which Jesus Christ has made acceptable to God, may be living stones making a spiritual house.

- As scripture says: See how I lay in Zion a precious cornerstone that I have chosen and the man who rests his trust on it will not be disappointed.
- That means that for you who are believers, it is precious; but for unbelievers,

the stone rejected by the builders has proved to be the keystone, a stone to stumble over, a rock to bring men down. They stumble over it because they do not believe in the word; it was the fate in store for them.

But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a consecrated nation, a people set apart to sing the praises of God who called you out of the darkness into his wonderful light.

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation

All: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Cantor: Jesus said: 'I am the Way, the Truth, and the Life. No one can come to the Father except through me.'

All: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Presider: The Lord be with you.

All: And with your spirit.

Presider: A reading from the Holy Gospel according to John.

All: Glory to you, O Lord.

John 14: 1-12

- Jesus said to his disciples:
- 'Do not let your hearts be troubled.
- Trust in God still, and trust in me.
- There are many rooms in
- my Father's house;
- if there were not, I should have told you.
- I am going now to prepare a place for you,

and after I have gone and prepared you a place, I shall return to take you with me; so that where I am you may be too. You know the way to the place where I am going.'

Thomas said, 'Lord, we do not know where you are going, so how can we know the way?' Jesus said: 'I am the Way, the Truth and the Life. No one can come to the Father except through me.

- If you know me, you know my Father too. From this moment you know him and have seen him.'
- Philip said, 'Lord, let us see the Father and then we shall be satisfied.'
- 'Have I been with you all this time, Philip,'

- said Jesus to him 'and you still do not know me?
- 'To have seen me is to have seen the Father, so how can you say,"Let us see the Father"?
- Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me?

The words I say to you I do not speak as from myself: it is the Father, living in me, who is doing this work. You must believe me when I say that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; believe it on the evidence of this work, if for no other reason.

I tell you most solemnly, whoever believes in me will perform the same works as I do myself, he will perform even greater works, because I am going to the Father.'

Presider: The Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to You, Lord Jesus Christ.

Homily

I believe in God, the Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, (all bow) who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary,

suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried; he descended into hell; on the third day he rose again from the dead;

he ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty; from there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting. Amen.

Presider: Heavenly Father, as we gather in Your Name, may You continue to send forth Your Holy Spirit to give us the wisdom to live Your Will, by following Your Son, who is the Way, the Truth and the Life, as we place our needs before You.

Lector: Let our response be: Lord, hear our prayer.

All: Lord, hear our prayer.

Lector: For our Pope Francis, our

Archbishop William: that they may continue to be strengthened in their faith, as they work tirelessly to build up the House of God, in the service of Her peoples.

Lector: Let us pray to the Lord.

All: Lord, hear our prayer.

Lector: For the Church: that we will always act with courage and compassion in the Light of the Holy Spirit, to follow Jesus, who is the Way, the Truth and the Life, for the salvation of all peoples.

Lector: Let us pray to the Lord.

All: Lord, hear our prayer.

Lector: For all baptized peoples: that we embrace our anointing as priests, prophets and kings, as we seek to serve others using the gifts and talents given to us by God.

Lector: Let us pray to the Lord.

All: Lord, hear our prayer.

Lector: For those struggling in their search for Faith: that they learn to trust God in all situations and cleave to Jesus' Way - to sustain them in dark and troubled times.

Lector: Let us pray to the Lord.

All: Lord, hear our prayer.

Lector: For all women and especially for Mothers: That the example of Mary, the Mother of Jesus, continue to be an inspiration to all mothers, in the love they have for their families, as we celebrate Mother's Day today.

Lector: Let us pray to the Lord.

All: Lord, hear our prayer.

Lector: For all of us gathered at this Eucharist: that we continue to live our faith, in Jesus who is the Way, the Truth and the Life, with greater fidelity.

Lector: Let us pray to the Lord.

All: Lord, hear our prayer.

Presider: Heavenly Father, You sent Your Son in service of Your people. May our words and actions testify to Jesus as the Way the Truth and the Life and invite others to know and follow Him.

We ask this through Christ, our Lord.

All: Amen.

Prayer of Generosity

Lord, teach me to be generous Teach me to serve you as you deserve To give and not to count the cost To fight and not to heed the wounds To toil and not to seek for rest To labour and not to ask for reward Save that of knowing that I do your most Holy Will. Amen

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

Offertory Hymn Take My Life and Let It Be

Take my life, and let it be Consecrated, Lord, to Thee. Take my moments and my days; Let them flow in ceaseless praise, Let them flow in ceaseless praise.

Preparatory Prayers

Presider: Pray, brothers and sisters, that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.

Preparatory Prayers

All:

May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands for the praise and glory of his name, for our good and the good of all his holy Church.

Prayer over the Offerings

Presider: O God, who by the wonderful exchange effected in this sacrifice have made us partakers of the one supreme Godhead, grant, we pray, that, as we have come to know your truth,

Prayer over the Offerings

we may make it ours by a worthy way of life.

Through Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.

The Eucharistic Prayer

Presider: The Lord be with you.

All: And with your spirit.

Presider: Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them up to the Lord.

The Eucharistic Prayer

Presider: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: It is right and just.

Preface of Easter

Sanctus

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts. Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Acclamation of Faith

Presider: The mystery of faith.

All:

We proclaim your Death, O Lord, and profess your Resurrection until you come again.

Eucharistic Prayer (Cont'd)

Eucharistic Prayer - Doxology

Presider: Through him, and with him, and in him, O God, almighty Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honour is yours, for ever and ever.

All:

Amen.

THE COMMUNION RITE

The Lord's Prayer (Pater Noster)

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.

The Lord's Prayer (Pater Noster)

Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

The Lord's Prayer (Pater Noster)

For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours now and for ever.

Sign of Peace

Presider: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

All: And with your spirit.

Presider: Let us offer each other the sign of peace.

BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Lamb of God (Agnus Dei)

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us. (x2)

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, grant us peace.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Invitation to Communion

Presider: Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who takes away the sins of the world. Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.

Invitation to Communion

All: Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.

Communion Antiphon

John 15:1-5

I am the true vine and you are the branches, says the Lord. Whoever remains in me, and I in him, bears fruits in plenty, alleluia.

Spiritual Communion

Communion Hymn I Am the Bread of Life

I am the Bread of life.
You who come to me shall not hunger;
And who believe in me shall not thirst.
No one can come to me
unless the Father draw him.

Communion Hymn I Am the Bread of Life

Refrain:

And I will raise you up, And I will raise you up, And I will raise you up on the last day.

Communion Hymn I Am the Bread of Life

I am the Resurrection,
I am the life.
If you believe in me,
even though you die,
you shall live for ever.

Communion Hymn I Am the Bread of Life

Refrain:

And I will raise you up, And I will raise you up, And I will raise you up on the last day.

Prayer after Communion

- Graciously be present to your people, we pray, O Lord.
- And lead those you have imbued with heavenly mysteries
- to pass from former ways to newness of life.
- Through Christ our Lord.

THE CONCLUDING RITES

Blessing

Presider: The Lord be with you.

All: And with your spirit.

Presider: May almighty God bless you, the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

All: Amen.

Regina Caeli

Regina caeli, laetare, alleluia. Quia quem meruisti portare, alleluia.

Queen of Heaven, rejoice, alleluia. For he whom you merited to bear, alleluia,

Regina Caeli

Resurrexit, sicut dixit, alleluia. Ora pro nobis Deum, alleluia.

Has risen as he said, alleluia. Pray for us to God, alleluia.

Recessional Hymn Christ the Lord is Risen Today

Christ the Lord is risen today! Alleluia!
Sons of men and angels say, Alleluia!
Raise your joys and triumphs high! Alleluia!
Sing, ye heavens, and earth reply, Alleluia!



Recessional Hymn Christ the Lord is Risen Today

Lives again our glorious King! Alleluia!
Where, O death, is now thy sting? Alleluia!
Once He died our souls to save; Alleluia!
Where's thy victory, O grave? Alleluia!





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