

PALM SUNDAY OF THE LORD'S PASSION



10TH APRIL 2022

GOSPEL

19: 28-40

The Lord be with you.

And with your spirit.

A reading from the holy

Gospel according to Luke.

Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus went on ahead, going up to Jerusalem. Now when he was near Bethphage and Bethany, close by the Mount of Olives, as it is called, he sent two of the disciples, telling them, "Go off to the village opposite, and as you enter it you will find a tethered colt that no one has yet ridden. Untie it and bring it here. If anyone asks you, 'Why are you untying it?' you are to say this, 'The Master needs it'". The messengers went off and found everything just as he had told them. As they were untying the colt, its owner said, "Why are you untying that colt?" and they answered, "The Master needs it".

So they took the colt to Jesus, and throwing their garments over its back they helped Jesus on to it. As he moved off, people spread their cloaks in the road, and now, as he was approaching the downward slope of the Mount of Olives, the whole group of disciples joyfully began to praise God at the top of their voices for all the miracles they had seen. They cried out:

"Blessings on the King who comes, in the name of the Lord! Peace in heaven and glory in the highest heavens!"

Some Pharisees in the crowd said to him, "Master, check your disciples," but he answered, "I tell you, if these keep silence the stones will cry out."

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

The procession then begins:

Dear brethren (brothers and sisters), like the crowds who acclaimed Jesus in Jerusalem, let us go forth in peace.

During the procession all or some of the following are said or sung:

ANTIPHON 2

The children of the Hebrews spread their garments on the road, crying out and saying: Hosanna to the Son of David; blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.



PSALM 46

All peoples, clap your hands.*
Cry to God with shouts of joy!
For the Lord, the Most High, is awesome,*
the great king over all the earth.

(The antiphon is repeated)

He humbles peoples under us*
and nations under our feet.
Our heritage he chose for us,*
the pride of Jacob whom he loves.
God goes up with shouts of joy.*
The Lord goes up with trumpet blast.

(The antiphon is repeated)

Sing praise for God; sing praise!*
Sing praise to our king; sing praise!
God is king of all earth.*

Sing praise with all your skill.

(The antiphon is repeated)

God reigns over the nations.*
God sits upon his holy throne.

The princes of the peoples are assembled
with the people of the God of Abraham.
The rulers of the earth belong to God,*
who is greatly exalted.

(The antiphon is repeated)

HYMN TO CHRIST THE KING

Chorus: *Glory and honour and praise be to you,
Christ, King and Redeemer,
to whom young children cried out loving
Hosannas with joy.*

All repeat: *Glory and honour . . .*

Israel's King are you, King David's magnificent
offspring;
you are the ruler who come blest in the name of
the Lord.

All repeat: *Glory and honour . . .*

Heavenly hosts on high unite in singing your
praises;
men and women on earth and all creation join in.

All repeat: *Glory and honour . . .*

Bearing branches of palm, Hebrews came
crowding to greet you;
see how with prayers and hymns we come to pay
you our vows.

All repeat: *Glory and honour . . .*

They offered gifts of praise to you, so near to your
Passion;
see how we sing this song now to you reigning on
high.

All repeat: *Glory and honour . . .*

After the procession or Solemn Entrance the priest goes to the chair and says the Opening Prayer

If the procession and blessing of palms do not take place, the following antiphon is said or an entrance hymn may be sung. See page 2

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Six days before the Passover, when the Lord came into the city of Jerusalem, the children ran to meet him; in their hands they carried palm branches and with a loud voice cried out:

***Hosanna in the highest!
Blessed are you, who have come in your abundant mercy.**

**O gates, lift high your heads;
grow higher, ancient doors.
Let him enter, the king of glory!
Who is this king of glory?
He, the Lord of hosts, he is the king of glory.**

***Hosanna in the highest!
Blessed are you, who have come in your abundant mercy.**

Priest: ✠ In the name of the Father and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

The Lord be with you.
And with your spirit.

PENITENTIAL ACT

The priest addresses the people with these or similar words.

Brethren (brothers and sisters), let us acknowledge our sins, and so prepare ourselves to celebrate the sacred mysteries.

A pause follows.

Lord Jesus, you came to reconcile us to one another and to the Father:

Lord, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy.

Lord Jesus, you heal the wounds of sin and division:

Christ, have mercy.
Christ, have mercy.

Lord Jesus, you intercede for us with your Father:

Lord, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy.

May almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us our sins, and bring us to everlasting life. **Amen.**

The procession ends with the following prayer, which is also the Opening Prayer of the Mass.

COLLECT

Almighty ever-living God, who as an example of humility for the human race to follow caused our Saviour to take flesh and submit to the Cross, graciously grant that we may heed his lesson of patient suffering and so merit a share in his Resurrection. Who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

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THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING

50:4-7

A reading from the prophet Isaiah.

The Lord God has given me a disciple's tongue.
So that I may know how to reply to the wearied he provides me with speech.
Each morning he wakes me to hear, to listen like a disciple.
The Lord has opened my ear.
For my part, I made no resistance, neither did I turn away.
I offered my back to those who struck me, my cheeks to those who tore at my beard; I did not cover my face against insult and spittle.
The Lord comes to my help, so that I am untouched by the insults.
So, too, I set my face like flint; I know I shall not be shamed.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.



RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 21, 8-9, 17-20, 23-24. R.v.2

R. My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?

1. All who see me deride me.
They curl their lips; they toss their heads.
'He trusted in the Lord, let him save him;
let him release him if this is his friend.' **R.**
2. Many dogs have surrounded me,
a band of the wicked beset me.
They tear holes in my hands and my feet.
I can count every one of my bones. **R.**
3. They divide my clothing among them.
They cast lots for my robe.
O Lord, do not leave me alone,
my strength, make haste to help me! **R.**
4. I will tell of your name to my brethren
and praise you where they are assembled.
'You who fear the Lord give him praise;
all sons of Jacob, give him glory –
Revere him, Israel's sons.' **R.**

SECOND READING

2:6-11

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Philippians

His state was divine, yet Christ did not cling to his equality with God but emptied himself to assume the condition of a slave, and became as men are; and being as all men are, he was humbler yet, even to accepting death, death on a cross. But God raised him high and gave him the name which is above all other names so that all beings in the heavens, on earth and in the underworld, should bend the knee at the name of Jesus and that every tongue should acclaim Jesus Christ as Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

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ACCLAMATION

Ph.2, 8-9

Praise to you, O Christ, king of eternal glory: Christ was humbler yet, even to accepting death, death on a cross. But God raised him high and gave him the name which is above all names. Praise to you, O Christ, king of eternal glory.

THE PASSION

The Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke. *22: 14-23: 56*

J. Jesus **S.** Other Speakers
N. Narrator **P.** People/Crowd

N. When the hour came Jesus took his place at table, and the apostles with him. And he said to them,

J. I have longed to eat this passover with you before I suffer; because, I tell you, I shall not eat it again until it is fulfilled in the kingdom of God.

N. Then, taking a cup, he gave thanks and said,

J. Take this and share it among you, because from now on, I tell you, I shall not drink wine until the kingdom of God comes.

N. Then he took some bread, and when he had given thanks, broke it and gave it to them, saying,

J. This is my body which will be given for you; do this as a memorial of me.

N. He did the same with the cup after supper, and said,

J. This cup is the new covenant in my blood which will be poured out for you.

THE TREACHERY OF JUDAS FORETOLD

J. And yet, here with me on the table is the hand of the man who betrays me. The Son of Man does indeed go to his fate even as it has been decreed, but alas for that man by whom he is betrayed!

N. And they began to ask one another which of them it could be who was to do this thing.

WHO IS THE GREATEST?

N. A dispute arose also between them about which should be reckoned the greatest, but he said to them,

J. Among pagans it is the kings who lord it over them, and those who have authority over them are given the title Benefactor. This must not happen with you. No; the greatest among you must behave as if he were the youngest, the leader as if he were the one who serves. For who is the greater: the one at table or the one who serves? The one at table, surely? Yet here am I among you as one who serves!

THE REWARD PROMISED TO THE APOSTLES

J. You are the men who have stood by me faithfully in my trials; and now I confer a kingdom on you, just as my Father conferred one on me: you will eat and drink at my table in my kingdom, and you will sit on thrones to judge the twelve tribes of Israel.

Simon, Simon! Satan, you must know, has got his wish to sift you all like wheat; but I have prayed for you, Simon, that your faith may not fail, and once you have recovered, you in turn must strengthen your brothers.

N. He answered,

S. Lord, I would be ready to go to prison with you, and to death.

N. Jesus replied,

J. I tell you, Peter, by the time the cock crows today you will have denied three times that you know me.

A TIME OF CRISIS

N. He said to them,

J. When I sent you out without purse or haversack or sandals, were you short of anything?

N. They answered,

S. No.

N. He said to them,

J. But now if you have a purse, take it: if you have a haversack, do the same; if you have no sword, sell your cloak and buy one, because I

tell you these words of scripture have to be fulfilled in me: He let himself be taken for a criminal. Yes, what scripture says about me is even now reaching its fulfilment.

N. They said,

S. Lord, there are two swords here now.

N. He said to them,

J. That is enough!

THE MOUNT OF OLIVES

N. He then left the upper room to make his way as usual to the Mount of Olives, with the disciples following. When they reached the place he said to them,

J. Pray not to be put to the test.

N. Then he withdrew from them, about a stone's throw away, and knelt down and prayed, saying,

J. Father, if you are willing, take this cup away from me. Nevertheless, let your will be done, not mine.

N. Then an angel appeared to him coming from heaven to give him strength. In his anguish he prayed even more earnestly, and his sweat fell to the ground like great drops of blood. When he rose from prayer he went to the disciples and found them sleeping for sheer grief. He said to them,

J. Why are you asleep? Get up and pray not to be put to the test.

THE ARREST

N. He was still speaking when a number of men appeared, and at the head of them the man called Judas, one of the Twelve, who went up to Jesus to kiss him. Jesus said,

J. Judas, are you betraying the Son of Man with a kiss?

N. His followers, seeing what was happening, said,

S. Lord, shall we use our swords?

N. And one of them struck out at the high priest's servant, and cut off his right ear. But at this Jesus spoke,

J. Leave off! That will do!

N. And touching the man's ear he healed him. Then Jesus spoke to the chief priests and captains of the Temple guard and elders who had come for him.
He said,

J. Am I a brigand that you had to set out with swords and clubs? When I was among you in the Temple day after day you never moved to lay hands on me. But this is your hour; this is the reign of darkness.

PETER'S DENIALS

N. They seized him then and led him away, and they took him to the high priest's house. Peter followed at a distance. They had lit a fire in the middle of the courtyard and Peter sat down among them, and as he was sitting there by the blaze a servant-girl saw him, peered at him and said,

S. This person was with him too.

N. But he denied it, saying,

S. Woman, I do not know him.

N. Shortly afterwards, someone else saw him and said,

S. You are another of them.

N. But Peter replied,

S. I am not, my friend.

N. About an hour later another man insisted saying,

S. This fellow was certainly with him. Why, he is a Galilean.

N. Peter said,

S. My friend, I do not know what you are talking about.

N. At that instant, while he was still speaking, the cock crew, and the Lord turned and looked straight at Peter, and Peter remembered what the Lord had said to him, 'Before the cock crows today, you will have disowned me three times'. And he went outside and wept bitterly.

JESUS MOCKED BY THE GUARDS

N. Meanwhile the men who guarded Jesus were mocking and beating him. They blindfolded him and questioned him, saying,

P. Play the prophet. Who hit you then?

N. And they continued heaping insults on him.

JESUS BEFORE THE SANHEDRIN

N. When day broke there was a meeting of the elders of the people, attended by the chief priests and scribes. He was brought before the council, and they said to him,

S. If you are the Christ, tell us.

N. He replied,

J. If I tell you, you will not believe me, and if I question you, you will not answer. But from now on, the Son of Man will be seated at the right hand of the Power of God.

N. Then they all said,

S. So you are the Son of God then?

N. He answered,

J. It is you who say I am.

N. They said,

S. What need of witnesses have we now? We have heard it for ourselves from his own lips.

N. The whole assembly then rose, and they brought him before Pilate.

JESUS BEFORE PILATE

N. They began their accusation by saying,

S. We found this man inciting our people to revolt, opposing payment of tribute to Caesar, and claiming to be Christ, a king.

N. Pilate put to him this question,

S. Are you the king of the Jews?

N. He replied,

J. It is you who say it.

N. Pilate then said to the chief priests and the crowd,

S. I find no case against this man.

N. But they persisted,

S. He is inflaming the people with his teaching all over Judaea; it has come all the way from Galilee, where he started, down to here.

N. When Pilate heard this, he asked if the man were a Galilean; and finding that he came under Herod's jurisdiction he passed him over to Herod who was also in Jerusalem at that time.

JESUS BEFORE HEROD

N. Herod was delighted to see Jesus; he had heard about him and had been wanting for a long time to set eyes on him; moreover, he was hoping to see some miracle worked by him. So he questioned him at some length; but without getting any reply. Meanwhile the chief priests and the scribes were there, violently pressing their accusations. Then Herod, together with his guards, treated him with contempt and made fun of him; he put a rich cloak on him and sent him back to Pilate. And though Herod and Pilate had been enemies before, they were reconciled that same day.

JESUS BEFORE PILATE AGAIN

N. Pilate then summoned the chief priests and the leading men and the people. He said,

S. You brought this man before me as a political agitator. Now I have gone into the matter myself in your presence and found no case against him. Nor has Herod either, since he has sent him back to us. As you can see, the man has done nothing that deserves death, so I shall have him flogged and then let him go.

N. But as one man they howled,

P. **Away with him! Give us Barabbas!**

N. This man had been thrown into prison for causing a riot in the city and for murder. Pilate was anxious to set Jesus free and addressed them again, but they shouted back.

P. **Crucify him! Crucify him!**

N. And for the third time he spoke to them.

S. Why? What harm has this man done? I have found no case against him that deserves death, so I shall have him punished and then let him go.

N. But they kept on shouting at the top of their voices, demanding that he should be crucified. And their shouts were growing louder. Pilate then gave his verdict: their demand was to be granted. He released the man they asked for, who had been imprisoned for rioting and murder, and handed Jesus over to them to deal with as they pleased.

THE WAY TO CALVARY

N. As they were leading him away they seized on a man, Simon from Cyrene, who was coming in from the country, and made him shoulder the cross and carry it behind Jesus. Large numbers of people followed him, and of women too, who mourned and lamented for him. But Jesus turned to them and said,

J. Daughters of Jerusalem, do not weep for me; weep rather for yourselves and for your

children. For the days will surely come when people will say, 'Happy are those who are barren, the wombs that have never borne, the breasts that have never suckled!' Then they will begin to say to the mountains, 'Fall on us!'; to the hills, 'Cover us!' For if men use the green wood like this, what will happen when it is dry?

N. Now with him they were also leading out two other criminals to be executed.

THE CRUCIFIXION

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

J. Father, forgive them; they do not know what they are doing.

N. Then they cast lots to share out his clothing.

THE CRUCIFIED CHRIST IS MOCKED

N. The people stayed there watching him. As for the leaders they jeered at him, saying,

P. He saved others; let him save himself if he is the Christ of God, the Chosen One.

N. The soldiers mocked him too, and when they approached to offer him vinegar they said,

P. If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself.

N. Above him there was an inscription: 'This is the King of the Jews'.

THE GOOD THIEF

N. One of the criminals hanging there abused him, saying,

S. Are you not the Christ? Save yourself and us as well.

N. But the other spoke up and rebuked him.

S. Have you no fear of God at all? 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,

remember me when you come into your kingdom.

N. He replied

J. Indeed, I promise you, today you will be with me in paradise.

THE DEATH OF JESUS

N. It was now about the sixth hour and, with the sun eclipsed, a darkness came over the whole land until the ninth hour. The veil of the Temple was torn right down the middle; and when Jesus had cried out in a loud voice, he said,

J. Father, into your hands I commit my spirit.

N. With these words he breathed his last.

AFTER THE DEATH

N. When the centurion saw what had taken place, he gave praise to God and said,

S. This was a great and good man.

N. And when all the people who had gathered for the spectacle saw what had happened, they went home beating their breasts. All his friends stood at a distance; so also did the women who had accompanied him from Galilee, and they saw all this happen.

THE BURIAL

N. Then a member of the council arrived, an upright and virtuous man named Joseph. He had not consented to what the others had planned and carried out. He came from Arimathaea, a Jewish town, and he lived in the hope of seeing the kingdom of God. This man went to Pilate and asked for the body of Jesus. He then took it down, wrapped it in a shroud and put him in a tomb which was hewn in stone in which no one had yet been laid. It was Preparation Day and the sabbath was imminent.

Meanwhile the women who had come from Galilee with Jesus were following behind. They took note of the tomb and of the position of the body. Then they returned and prepared spices and ointments. And on the sabbath day they rested, as the Law required.

HOMILY

PROFESSION OF FAITH

I believe in one God,
the Father almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all things visible and invisible.
I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the Only Begotten Son of God,
born of the Father before all ages.
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made, consubstantial
with the Father;
through him all things were made.
For us men and for our salvation
he came down from heaven,
(All bow during the next three lines)
and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of
the Virgin Mary,
and became man.
For our sake he was crucified under
Pontius Pilate,
he suffered death and was buried,
and rose again on the third day
in accordance with the Scriptures.
He ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the
Father.
He will come again in glory
to judge the living and the dead
and his kingdom will have no end.
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the
giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the
Son,
who with the Father and the Son is
adored and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.
I believe in one, holy, catholic and
apostolic Church.
I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness
of sins and I look forward to the
resurrection of the dead
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL

*The priest presides at the prayer.
With a brief introduction, he invites the people to
pray: after the intentions he says the concluding
prayer.*

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

PREPARATION OF THE ALTAR AND THE GIFTS

Instrumental / Organ Accompaniment or Hymn

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1. Lord, accept the gifts we offer
at this Eucharistic feast,
bread and wine to be transformed now
through the action of thy priest.
Take us too, Lord, and transform us,
be thy grace in us increased.
2. May our souls be pure and spotless
as the host of wheat so fine;
may all stain of sin be crushed out,
like the grape that forms the wine,
as we, too, become partakers,
in the sacrifice divine.
3. Take our gifts, almighty Father,
living God, eternal, true,
which we give through Christ
our Saviour,
pleading here for us anew.
Grant salvation to all present,
and our faith and love renew.

Raising the host, the priest says:

Blessed are you, Lord, God of all creation,
for through your goodness we have received
the bread we offer you:
fruit of the earth and work of human hands,
it will become for us the bread of life.
Blessed be God for ever.

The priest pours wine and a little water into the chalice, saying quietly:

By the mystery of this water and wine
may we come to share in the divinity
of Christ,
who humbled himself to share in our
humanity.





Raising the chalice, the priest says:

Blessed are you, Lord, God of all creation, for through your goodness we have received the wine we offer you: fruit of the vine and work of human hands, it will become our spiritual drink.

Blessed be God for ever.

Bowing the priest says quietly:

With humble spirit and contrite heart may we be accepted by you, O Lord, and may our sacrifice in your sight this day be pleasing to you, O Lord.

Then the priest washes his hands, saying quietly:

Wash me, O Lord, from my iniquity; and cleanse me from my sin.



Facing the people the priest says:

Pray, brethren (brothers and sisters), that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.

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

Through the Passion of your Only Begotten Son, O Lord, may our reconciliation with you be near at hand, so that, though we do not merit it by our own deeds, yet by this sacrifice made once for all, we may feel already the effects of your mercy. Through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER II

The celebrant in the name of all the people of God offers praise and thanksgiving to God the Father. Preface of The Passion of The Lord

The Lord be with you.

And with your Spirit.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right and just

It is truly right and just, our duty and our salvation, always and everywhere to give you thanks, Lord, holy Father, almighty and eternal God, through Christ our Lord.

For, though innocent, he suffered willingly for sinners and accepted unjust condemnation to save the guilty.

His Death has washed away our sins, and his Resurrection has purchased our justification.

And so, with all the Angels, we praise you, as in joyful celebration we acclaim:

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.



You are indeed Holy, O Lord, the fount of all holiness.

The Priest joins his hands and, holding them extended over the offerings, says:

Make holy, therefore, these gifts, we pray, by sending down your Spirit upon them like the dewfall,

so that they may become for us the Body ✕ and Blood of our Lord, Jesus Christ.



At the time he was betrayed and entered willingly into his Passion, he took bread and, giving thanks, broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:

TAKE THIS, ALL OF YOU, AND EAT OF IT, FOR THIS IS MY BODY, WHICH WILL BE GIVEN UP FOR YOU.

In a similar way, when supper was ended, he took the chalice and, once more giving thanks, he gave it to his disciples, saying:

TAKE THIS, ALL OF YOU, AND DRINK FROM IT, FOR THIS IS THE CHALICE OF MY BLOOD, THE BLOOD OF THE NEW AND ETERNAL COVENANT, WHICH WILL BE Poured OUT FOR YOU AND FOR MANY FOR THE FORGIVENESS OF SINS.

DO THIS IN MEMORY OF ME.

The mystery of faith:

Save us, Saviour of the world, for by your Cross and Resurrection you have set us free.

Then the Priest, with hands extended, says:

Therefore, as we celebrate the memorial of his Death and Resurrection, we offer you, Lord, the Bread of life and the Chalice of salvation, giving thanks that you have held us worthy to be in your presence and minister to you. Humbly we pray that, partaking of the Body and Blood of Christ, we may be gathered into one by the Holy Spirit.

Remember, Lord, your Church, spread throughout the world, and bring her to the fullness of charity, together with Francis our Pope, **N.** our Bishop, his assistant Bishop(s), and all the clergy.



Remember also our brothers and sisters who have fallen asleep in the hope of the resurrection, and all who have died in your mercy: welcome them into the light of your face.

Have mercy on us all, we pray, that with the Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of God, with blessed Joseph her Spouse, with the blessed Apostles, and all the Saints who have pleased you throughout the ages, we may merit to be coheirs to eternal life, and may praise and glorify you through your Son, Jesus Christ.

The Priest takes the chalice and the paten with the host and, elevating both, he says:

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.

Amen.

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ALTERNATIVE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER III

You are indeed Holy, O Lord, and all you have created rightly gives you praise, for through your Son our Lord Jesus Christ, by the power and working of the Holy Spirit, you give life to all things and make them holy, and you never cease to gather a people to yourself, so that from the rising of the sun to its setting a pure sacrifice may be offered to your name.

Therefore, O Lord, we humbly implore you: by the same Spirit graciously make holy these gifts we have brought to you for consecration, that they may become the Body and + Blood of your Son our Lord Jesus Christ, at whose command we celebrate these mysteries.

For on the night he was betrayed he himself took bread, and, giving you thanks, he said the blessing, broke the bread and gave it to his disciples, saying:

TAKE THIS, ALL OF YOU, AND EAT OF IT,
FOR THIS IS MY BODY,
WHICH WILL BE GIVEN UP FOR YOU.

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Therefore, O Lord, as we celebrate the memorial of the saving Passion of your Son, his wondrous Resurrection and Ascension

into heaven, and as we look forward to his second coming, we offer you in thanksgiving this holy and living sacrifice.

Look, we pray, upon the oblation of your Church and, recognising the sacrificial Victim by whose death you willed to reconcile us to yourself, grant that we, who are nourished by the Body and Blood of your Son and filled with his Holy Spirit, may become one body, one spirit in Christ.

May he make of us an eternal offering to you, so that we may obtain an inheritance with your elect, especially with the most Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of God, with blessed Joseph her spouse, with your blessed Apostles and glorious Martyrs (with Saint N.: the Saint of the day or Patron Saint) and with all the Saints, on whose constant intercession in your presence we rely for unfailing help.

May this Sacrifice of our reconciliation, we pray, O Lord, advance the peace and salvation of all the world. Be pleased to confirm in faith and charity your pilgrim Church on earth, with your servant Francis our Pope, N. our Bishop, his assistant Bishop(s) the Order of Bishops, all the clergy, and the entire people you have gained for your own.

Listen graciously to the prayers of this family, whom you have summoned before you: in your compassion, O merciful Father, gather to yourself all your children scattered throughout the world.

To our departed brothers and sisters and to all who were pleasing to you at their passing from this life, give kind admittance to your kingdom.

There we hope to enjoy for ever the fullness of your glory through Christ our Lord, through whom you bestow on the world all that is good.

The Priest takes the chalice and the paten with the host and, elevating both, he says:

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.

Amen.

COMMUNION RITE

◀ (STAND) ▶

The priest says:

At the Saviour's command
and formed by divine teaching,
we dare to say:

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

Deliver us, Lord, we pray, from every evil,
graciously grant peace in our days,
that, by the help of your mercy,
we may be always free from sin
and safe from all distress,
as we await the blessed hope
and the coming of our Saviour, Jesus Christ.

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

Lord Jesus Christ,
who said to your Apostles:
Peace I leave you, my peace I give you, look
not on our sins,
but on the faith of your Church,
and graciously grant her peace and unity in
accordance with your will.
Who live and reign for ever and ever.
Amen.

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

And with your Spirit.

The priest may add:

Let us offer each other the sign of peace.

*The priest places a small piece of the host in
the chalice saying quietly:*

May this mingling of the body and
blood of our Lord Jesus Christ
bring eternal life to us who receive it.

Meanwhile the people sing or say:

**Lamb of God, you take away the
sins of the world: have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the
sins of the world: have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the
sins of the world: grant us peace.**

◀ (KNEEL) ▶

The priest says quietly:

May the receiving of your Body and Blood,
Lord Jesus Christ,
not bring me to judgement and
condemnation, but through your loving
mercy be for me protection in mind and
body, and a healing remedy.

Raising the host the priest says:

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.

And together with the people he says once:

**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

Mt 26:42

**Father, if this chalice cannot pass without
my drinking it, your will be done.**

COMMUNION HYMN

**Nearer my God to thee, nearer to thee.
E'en though it be a cross that raiseth me:
Still all my song shall be, nearer my God to thee,
Nearer my God the thee, nearer to thee.**

**Though like the wanderer, the sun gone down,
Darkness be over me, my rest a stone:
Yet in my dreams I'd be near my God to thee,
Nearer my God to thee, nearer to thee.**

**There let the way appear steps unto heav'n:
All that thou sendest me in mercy giv'n:
Angels to beckon me nearer my God to thee,
Nearer my God to thee, nearer to thee.**

**Deep in thy sacred heart let me abide
Thou who has come for me, suffered and died.
Sweet shall my weeping be, grief surely leading me,
Nearer my God to thee, nearer to thee.**

PRIVATE PRAYERS AFTER COMMUNION

Use these thoughts prayerfully and then continue with your own.

Lord,
I believe in you: increase my faith.
I trust in you: strengthen my trust.
I love you: let me love you more and more.
I am sorry for my sins deepen my sorrow.

I worship you as my first beginning,
I long for you as my last end,
I praise you as my constant helper,
and call on you as my loving protector.

(Pope Clement XI)

Welcome, O Saviour, offered on the Cross
for me and for all people.

Welcome, O Lord Jesus Christ,
and remember your creature,
whom you redeemed with your precious
blood.

Welcome, precious blood
that flowed from the wounds of my
crucified Lord,
to wash away the sins of the whole world.

Welcome, Sacred Heart,
that was opened for me by the spear.
Welcome, my great High Priest,
offering the love of your death on the Cross
to your Father for me in this Mass.
Welcome, welcome, welcome.

Lord I am not worthy,
yet you have come to me
so that my poor heart may speak to you.
Jesus, meek and humble of heart,
make my heart like yours.

Lord Jesus, I have shared in the meal of
the Last Supper:
welcome, my King. Hosanna in the highest,
blessed is he who comes in the name
of the Lord.

During this Holy Week, of fellowship with
the Church,

I will accompany you along the Via Dolorosa
and as I ponder your endurance of the
passion draw me to yourself so that it may
be "with Christ I hang upon the cross
and yet I am alive;
or rather, not I; it is Christ that lives in me."

Lord Jesus, true God and man,
let your great love for men and women
which shone forth in your passion
draw me to greater love of you.

God our Father,
you exalted the crucified Jesus
by a triumphant resurrection;
help us to understand more deeply his
sufferings and more courageously pass
through our own.

PRAYER TO OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST CRUCIFIED



Behold, O good and loving Jesus,
that I cast myself on my knees before you
and, with the greatest fervour of spirit,
I pray and beseech you to instill into my heart
ardent sentiments of faith, hope and charity,
with true repentance for my sins
and a most firm purpose of amendment.
With deep affection and sorrow
I ponder intimately
and contemplate in my mind your five wounds,
having before my eyes what the prophet David
had already put in your mouth about yourself,
O good Jesus:
They have pierced my hands and my feet;
they have numbered all my bones.



◀ **STAND** ▶

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Nourished with these sacred gifts,
we humbly beseech you, O Lord,
that, just as through the death of your Son
you have brought us to hope for what we
believe, so by his Resurrection
you may lead us to where you call.
Through Christ our Lord.
Amen.

CONCLUDING RITES

The Lord be with you.
And with your spirit.

PRAYER OVER THE PEOPLE

Look, we pray, O Lord, on this your family,
for whom our Lord Jesus Christ
did not hesitate to be delivered into the
hands of the wicked
and submit to the agony of the Cross.
Who lives and reigns for ever and ever.
Amen.

And may the blessing of almighty God,
the Father, and the Son, ✠ and the Holy
Spirit, come down on you and remain
with you for ever.
Amen.

Go in peace, glorifying the Lord by your life.
Thanks be to God.

RECESSIONAL HYMNS

Abide with me; fast falls the eventide:
The darkness deepens; Lord, with me abide!
When other helpers fail, and comforts flee,
Help of the helpless, O abide with me.

Swift to it close ebbs out life's little day;
Earth's joys grow dim, its glories pass away;
Change and decay in all around I see;
O thou who changest not, abide with me.

Hold thou thy Cross before my closing eyes;
Shine through the gloom, and point me
to the skies:
Heaven's morning breaks, and earth's vain
shadows flee;
In life, in death, O Lord, abide with me.

Now thank we all our God
With heart and hands and voices,
Who wondrous things have done,
In whom this world rejoices;
Who from our mother's arms
Hath bless'd us on our way
With countless gifts of love,
And still is ours today.

All praise and thanks to God
The Father now be given,
The Son, and him who reigns
With them in highest heaven,
The one eternal God,
Whom earth and heaven adore;
For thus it was, is now,
And shall be evermore.



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