

THE JERUSALEM MASS SHEET

2ND SUNDAY OF EASTER (B) (or of Divine Mercy) 7th April 2024

THE INTRODUCTORY RITES

Entrance Antiphon or a hymn.

Stand

4 Esdr 2:36-37

**Receive the joy of your glory, giving thanks to God,
who has called you into the heavenly kingdom, alleluia.**

All make the Sign of the Cross as the Priest says:
In the name of the Father, and of the Son,
and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

The Priest greets everyone present.

The people respond: **And with your spirit.**

The Mass of the day may be introduced.

Penitential Act

The Priest invites the people to repentance using one of the Penitential Acts. Alternatively, the Rite for the Blessing and Sprinkling of Water may be used.

**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,**

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.**

The Priest says the absolution. All reply: **Amen.**

Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

The Gloria

**Glory to God in the highest,
and on earth peace to people of good will.**

**We praise you,
we bless you,
we adore you,
we glorify you,
we give you thanks for your great glory,
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.**

The Collect

God of everlasting mercy,
who, in the very recurrence of the paschal feast
kindle the faith of the people you have made
your own,
increase, we pray, the grace you have bestowed,
that all may grasp and rightly understand
in what font they have been washed,
by whose Spirit they have been reborn,
by whose Blood they have been redeemed.
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of
the Holy Spirit,
God, for ever and ever.

Amen.

Sit

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Reading

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles 4:32-35

The whole group of believers was united, heart and soul; no one claimed for his own use anything that he had, as everything they owned was held in common.

The apostles continued to testify to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus with great power, and they were all given great respect.

None of their members was ever in want, as all those who owned land or houses would sell them, and bring the money from them, to present it to the apostles; it was then distributed to any members who might be in need.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm

Ps 117:2-4. 15-18. 22-24. R.v.1

**R) Give thanks to the Lord for he is Good,
for his love has no end.**

Let the sons of Israel say:

'His love has no end.'

Let the sons of Aaron say:

'His love has no end.'

Let those who fear the Lord say:

'His love has no end.' **(R)**

The Lord's right hand has triumphed;
his right hand raised me up.

I shall not die, I shall live
and recount his deeds.

I was punished, I was punished by the Lord,
but not doomed to die. **(R)**

The stone which the builders rejected
has become the corner stone.

This is the work of the Lord,
a marvel in our eyes.

This day was made by the Lord;
we rejoice and are glad. **(R)**

Second Reading

A reading from the first letter of St John 5:1-6

Whoever believes that Jesus is the Christ
has been begotten by God;
and whoever loves the Father that begot him
loves the child whom he begets.
We can be sure that we love God's children
if we love God himself and do what he has
commanded us;
this is what loving God is -
keeping his commandments;
and his commandments are not difficult,
because anyone who has been begotten by God
has already overcome the world;
this is the victory over the world -
our faith.

Who can overcome the world?

Only the man who believes that Jesus is the
Son of God;

Jesus Christ who came by water and blood,
not with water only,
but with water and blood;
with the Spirit as another witness -
since the Spirit is the truth.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

Jesus said:

'You believe because you can see me.

Happy are those who have not seen

and yet believe.'

Alleluia!

Gospel

John 20:19-31

The Lord be with you.

And with your spirit.

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John.

Glory to you, O Lord.

In the evening of that same day, the first day of
the week, the doors were closed in the room
where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews.
Jesus came and stood among them. He said to
them, 'Peace be with you,' and showed them his
hands and his side. The disciples were filled
with joy when they saw the Lord, and he said to
them again, 'Peace be with you.'

'As the Father sent me, so am I sending you.'

After saying this he breathed on them and said:
'Receive the Holy Spirit.

For those whose sins you forgive,
they are forgiven; for those whose sins
you retain, they are retained.'

Thomas, called the Twin, who was one of the
Twelve, was not with them when Jesus came.
When the disciples said, 'We have seen the
Lord,' he answered, 'Unless I see the holes that
the nails made in his hands and can put my finger
into the holes they made, and unless I can
put my hand into his side, I refuse to believe.'
Eight days later the disciples were in the house
again and Thomas was with them. The doors
were closed, but Jesus came in and stood
among them. 'Peace be with you,' he said.
Then he spoke to Thomas, 'Put your finger here;

look, here are my hands. Give me your hand;
put it into my side. Doubt no longer but believe.'

Thomas replied, 'My Lord and my God!' Jesus
said to him:

'You believe because you can see me.

Happy are those who have not seen
and yet believe.'

There were many other signs that Jesus worked
and the disciples saw, but they are not recorded
in this book. These are recorded so that you
may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of
God, and that believing this you may have life
through his name.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

The Homily

The Apostles' Creed

Sit

Stand

**I believe in God,
the Father almighty,
Creator of heaven and earth,
and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the**

All bow

**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.**

The Prayer of the Faithful

Response example: Lord, in your mercy.

Hear our prayer.

After the concluding prayer all say: **Amen.** *Sit*

THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

The offerings are brought to the altar.

A hymn may be sung.

*If the Priest says the two prayers of offering
aloud the response both times is:*

Blessed be God for ever.

*The Priest completes additional personal
preparatory rites, and the people rise as he says:*

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

The people reply:

**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

Accept, O Lord, we pray,
the oblations of your people
(and of those you have brought to new birth),
that, renewed by confession of your name
and by Baptism,
they may attain unending happiness.
Through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

The Eucharistic Prayer

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.

Preface 1 of Easter, The Paschal Mystery

It is truly right and just, our duty and our salvation,
at all times to acclaim you, O Lord,
but on this day above all
to laud you yet more gloriously,
when Christ our Passover has been sacrificed.
For he is the true Lamb
who has taken away the sins of the world;
by dying he has destroyed our death,
and by rising, restored our life.

Therefore, overcome with paschal joy,
every land, every people exults in your praise
and even the heavenly Powers, with the
angelic hosts,
sing together the unending hymn of your glory,
as they 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.

Kneel

Eucharistic Prayer I

(The Priest may use a different Eucharistic Prayer.)

To you, therefore, most merciful Father,
we make humble prayer and petition
through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord:
that you accept
and bless ✠ these gifts, these offerings,
these holy and unblemished sacrifices,
which we offer you firstly
for your holy catholic Church.
Be pleased to grant her peace,
to guard, unite and govern her
throughout the whole world,
together with your servant N. our Pope
and N. our Bishop,
and all those who, holding to the truth,
hand on the catholic and apostolic faith.
Remember, Lord, your servants N. and N.
and all gathered here,
whose faith and devotion are known to you.
For them, we offer you this sacrifice of praise
or they offer it for themselves
and all who are dear to them:
for the redemption of their souls,
in hope of health and well-being,
and paying their homage to you,
the eternal God, living and true.
Celebrating the most sacred day

of the Resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ
in the flesh,
and in communion with those whose memory
we venerate,
especially the glorious ever-Virgin Mary,
Mother of our God and Lord, Jesus Christ,
and blessed Joseph, her Spouse,
your blessed Apostles and Martyrs,
Peter and Paul, Andrew, [...] and all your Saints;
we ask that through their merits and prayers,
in all things we may be defended
by your protecting help.

Therefore, Lord, we pray:
graciously accept this oblation of our service,
that of your whole family;
which we make to you
also for those to whom you have been
pleased to give
the new birth of water and the Holy Spirit,
granting them forgiveness of all their sins;
order our days in your peace,
and command that we be delivered from
eternal damnation
and counted among the flock of those you
have chosen.

Be pleased, O God, we pray,
to bless, acknowledge,
and approve this offering in every respect;
make it spiritual and acceptable,
so that it may become for us
the Body and Blood of your most beloved Son,
our Lord Jesus Christ.

On the day before he was to suffer,
he took bread in his holy and venerable hands,
and with eyes raised to heaven
to you, O God, his almighty Father,
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.

In a similar way, when supper was ended,
he took this precious chalice
in his holy and venerable hands,
and once more giving you thanks, he said the
blessing

and gave the chalice 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.

The people continue, acclaiming:

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

Therefore, O Lord,
as we celebrate the memorial of the blessed
Passion,
the Resurrection from the dead,
and the glorious Ascension into heaven
of Christ, your Son, our Lord,
we, your servants and your holy people,

offer to your glorious majesty
 from the gifts that you have given us,
 this pure victim,
 this holy victim,
 this spotless victim,
 the holy Bread of eternal life
 and the Chalice of everlasting salvation.
 Be pleased to look upon these offerings
 with a serene and kindly countenance,
 and to accept them,
 as once you were pleased to accept
 the gifts of your servant Abel the just,
 the sacrifice of Abraham, our father in faith,
 and the offering of your high priest Melchizedek,
 a holy sacrifice, a spotless victim.
 In humble prayer we ask you, almighty God:
 command that these gifts be borne
 by the hands of your holy Angel
 to your altar on high
 in the sight of your divine majesty,
 so that all of us, who through this participation
 at the altar
 receive the most holy Body and Blood of your Son,
 may be filled with every grace and heavenly
 blessing.

Remember also, Lord, your servants N. and N.,
 who have gone before us with the sign of faith
 and rest in the sleep of peace.
 Grant them, O Lord, we pray,
 and all who sleep in Christ,
 a place of refreshment, light and peace.

To us, also, your servants, who, though sinners,
 hope in your abundant mercies,
 graciously grant some share
 and fellowship with your holy Apostles and Martyrs:
 with John the Baptist, Stephen,
 Matthias, Barnabas, [...]
 and all your Saints;
 admit us, we beseech you,
 into their company,
 not weighing our merits,
 but granting us your pardon,
 through Christ our Lord.

Through whom
 you continue to make all these good things,
 O Lord;

you sanctify them, fill them with life,
 bless them, and bestow them upon us.

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.

The people acclaim: **Amen.**

The Communion Rite

Stand

The Priest invites all to join in the Lord's Prayer:

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.

The Priest continues alone:

Deliver us, Lord, we pray, ...
 For the kingdom,
 the power and the glory are yours
 now and for ever.

The Priest says:

Lord Jesus Christ ... for ever and ever. Amen.
 The peace of the Lord be with you always.
 And with your spirit.

The Deacon, or the Priest adds:

Let us offer each other the sign of peace.
 All then make an appropriate sign of peace.
The Priest takes the host and breaks it.

Meanwhile the people say or sing:

**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 shows the host to the people and 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.

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

The Priest or other minister says to each communicant:

The Body [Blood] of Christ.

Each communicant answers: **Amen.**

Communion Antiphon

Cf. Jn 20:27

**Bring your hand and feel the place of the nails,
 and do not be unbelieving but believing, alleluia.**

*After the distribution of Holy Communion a
 sacred silence may be observed or a psalm,
 hymn or canticle of praise may be sung.*

Prayer after Communion

Grant, we pray, almighty God,
 that our reception of this paschal Sacrament
 may have a continuing effect
 in our minds and hearts.

Through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

THE CONCLUDING RITES

Announcements may be made.

Then:

Priest: The Lord be with you.

All: **And with your spirit.**

May almighty God bless you,
 the Father, and the Son, ✠ and the Holy Spirit.
Amen.

Then the Deacon, or the Priest, says:

Go forth, the Mass is ended, alleluia, alleluia. *Or:*
 Go in peace, alleluia, alleluia.

Thanks be to God, alleluia, alleluia.



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