

# THE CATHOLIC MASS SHEET

ENGLISH STANDARD VERSION

5th Sunday of Easter (C)

18th May 2025

## THE INTRODUCTORY RITES

Entrance Antiphon or a hymn

*Stand*

*Cf. Ps 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.**

*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.*

Lord Jesus, you were lifted up to draw all  
people to yourself:

Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**

You shouldered the cross, to bear our suffering  
and sinfulness:

Christ, have mercy. **Christ, have mercy.**

You open for your people the way from death  
into life:

Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**

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

*Or:*

*Rite for the Blessing and Sprinkling of Water  
(May be used in place of the Penitential Act)*

*The Priest says:*

Dear brethren (brothers and sisters),  
let us humbly beseech the Lord our God  
to bless this water he has created,  
which will be sprinkled on us  
as a memorial of our Baptism.  
May he help us by his grace  
to remain faithful to the Spirit we have received.

*After a brief pause, the Priest continues:*

Lord our God,  
in your mercy be present to your people's prayers,  
and, for us who recall the wondrous work of our  
creation  
and the still greater work of our redemption,  
graciously ✠ bless this water.

For you created water to make the fields fruitful  
and to refresh and cleanse our bodies.

You also made water the instrument of your mercy:

for through water you freed your people from slavery  
and quenched their thirst in the desert;  
through water the Prophets proclaimed the new  
covenant

you were to enter upon with the human race;  
and last of all,  
through water, which Christ made holy in the Jordan,  
you have renewed our corrupted nature  
in the bath of regeneration.

Therefore, may this water be for us  
a memorial of the Baptism we have received,  
and grant that we may share  
in the gladness of our brothers and sisters  
who at Easter have received their Baptism.

Through Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

*As the Priest sprinkles all present an  
appropriate chant is sung, such as:*

*Cf. Dan 3:77, 79*

**You springs and all that moves in the waters,  
sing a hymn to God, alleluia.**

*When the singing is over, the Priest says:*

May almighty God cleanse us of our sins,  
and through the celebration of this Eucharist  
make us worthy to share at the table of his  
Kingdom. **Amen.**

## 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.**

## Collect

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

**Amen.**

*Sit*

## THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

### First Reading

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

Acts 14:21b-27

In those days: Paul and Barnabas returned  
to Lystra and to Iconium and to Antioch,  
strengthening the souls of the disciples,  
encouraging them to continue in the faith, and  
saying that through many tribulations we must  
enter the kingdom of God. And when they had  
appointed elders for them in every church, with  
prayer and fasting they committed them to the  
Lord in whom they had believed.

Then they passed through Pisidia and came  
to Pamphylia. And when they had spoken the  
word in Perga, they went down to Attalia, and  
from there they sailed to Antioch, where they  
had been commended to the grace of God  
for the work that they had fulfilled. And when  
they arrived and gathered the church together,  
they declared all that God had done with them,  
and how he had opened a door of faith to the  
Gentiles.

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

### Psalms

Psalms 145(144):8-9. 10-11. 12-13b. R. cf. 1

**R. I will bless your name for ever, my God  
and king.**

*or:*

**Alleluia.**

The LORD is kind and full of compassion,  
slow to anger, abounding in mercy.  
How good is the LORD to all,  
compassionate to all his creatures.

**R.**

All your works shall thank you, O LORD,  
and all your faithful ones bless you.  
They shall speak of the glory of your reign,  
and declare your mighty deeds.

**R.**

To make known your might to the whole human race,  
and the glorious splendour of your reign.  
Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom;  
your rule endures for all generations.

**R.**

### Second Reading

A reading from the Book of Revelation.

Revelation 21:1-5a

I, John, saw a new heaven and a new earth,  
for the first heaven and the first earth had  
passed away, and the sea was no more. And  
I saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming  
down out of heaven from God, prepared as a  
bride adorned for her husband. And I heard a  
loud voice from the throne saying, 'Behold, the  
dwelling place of God is with man. He will dwell  
with them, and they will be his people, and  
God himself will be with them as their God. He  
will wipe away every tear from their eyes, and  
death shall be no more, neither shall there be  
mourning, nor crying, nor pain any more,  
for the former things have passed away.'

And he who was seated on the throne said,  
'Behold, I am making all things new.'

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

### Acclamation before the Gospel

*Stand*

**Alleluia, alleluia.**

John 13:34

**A new commandment I give to you, says the Lord,  
that you love one another, just as I have  
loved you.**

**Alleluia.**

### Gospel

John 13:31-33a, 34-35

The Lord be with you.

**And with your spirit.**

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John.  
**Glory to you, O Lord.**

When Judas had gone out from the upper  
room, Jesus said, 'Now is the Son of Man  
glorified, and God is glorified in him.  
If God is glorified in him, God will also glorify  
him in himself, and glorify him at once.  
Little children, yet a little while I am with you.

'A new commandment I give to you, that you  
love one another: just as I have loved you, you  
also are to love one another. By this all people  
will know that you are my disciples, if you  
have love for one another.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

Homily

Sit

**The Nicene Creed**

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,  
*and by the Holy Spirit*  
*was incarnate of the Virgin Mary,*  
*and became man.*

Stand

All bow

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.

Or:

**The Apostles' Creed**

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*  
*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.

All bow

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.

**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 people rise as the Priest 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**

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

*The Priest continues with the Preface and  
concludes with the people, singing or saying aloud:*

**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*

*The Eucharistic Prayer continues until the priest says:  
The mystery of faith.*

*And the people continue, acclaiming one of the following:*

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

*Or:*

**When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup,  
we proclaim your Death, O Lord,  
until you come again.**

*Or:*

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

*The Priest concludes the Eucharistic Prayer  
saying alone:*

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... **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.

*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 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 fruit in plenty, 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*

*Stand*

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.  
**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.

*Or:*

Go and announce the Gospel of the Lord.

*Or:*

Go in peace, glorifying the Lord by your life.

*Or:*

Go in peace.

**Thanks be to God.**



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