

# THE CATHOLIC MASS SHEET

ENGLISH STANDARD VERSION

Easter Sunday

5th April 2026

## THE INTRODUCTORY RITES

Entrance Antiphon or a hymn *Stand*

Cf. Ps 138: 18, 5-6

**I have risen, and I am with you still, alleluia.  
You have laid your hand upon me, alleluia.  
Too wonderful for me, this knowledge,  
alleluia, 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. *Or:* Kyrie, eleison.  
**Lord, have mercy. Or: Kyrie, eleison.**

You shouldered the cross, to bear our  
sufferings and sinfulness:  
Christ, have mercy. *Or:* Christe, eleison.  
**Christ, have mercy. Or: Christe, eleison.**

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

Lord, have mercy. *Or:* Kyrie, eleison.  
**Lord, have mercy. Or: Kyrie, eleison.**

*The Priest says the absolution:*  
May almighty God have mercy on us,  
forgive us our sins,  
and bring us to everlasting life. **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

O God, who on this day,  
through your Only Begotten Son,  
have conquered death  
and unlocked for us the path to eternity,  
grant, we pray, that we who keep  
the solemnity of the Lord's Resurrection  
may, through the renewal brought by your Spirit,  
rise up in the light of life.

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 10:34a, 37-43

In those days: Peter opened his mouth and  
said: 'You yourselves know what happened  
throughout all Judea, beginning from Galilee  
after the baptism that John proclaimed: how  
God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy  
Spirit and with power. He went about doing  
good and healing all who were oppressed by  
the devil, for God was with him. And we are  
witnesses of all that he did both in the country  
of the Jews and in Jerusalem. They put him  
to death by hanging him on a tree, but God  
raised him on the third day and caused him  
to appear, not to all the people but to us who  
had been chosen by God as witnesses, who  
ate and drank with him after he rose from  
the dead. And he commanded us to preach  
to the people and to testify that he is the one  
appointed by God to be judge of the living and  
the dead. To him all the prophets bear witness  
that everyone who believes in him receives  
forgiveness of sins through his name.'

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

Psalm

Psalm 118(117):1-2. 16-17. 22-23. R.24

**R. This is the day the LORD has made;  
let us rejoice in it and be glad.**

Give praise to the LORD, for he is good;  
his mercy endures for ever.  
Let the house of Israel say,  
'His mercy endures for ever.'

The LORD's right hand is exalted.  
The LORD's right hand has done mighty deeds.  
I shall not die, I shall live  
and recount the deeds of the LORD.

The stone that the builders rejected  
has become the cornerstone.  
By the LORD has this been done,  
a marvel in our eyes.

Second Reading

A reading from the Letter of Saint Paul to the  
Colossians. Colossians 3:1-4

Brothers and sisters: If you have been raised  
with Christ, seek the things that are above,  
where Christ is, seated at the right hand of  
God. Set your minds on things that are above,  
not on things that are on earth. For you have  
died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God.  
When Christ who is your life appears, then  
you also will appear with him in glory.

The word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

Sequence

Christians, to the Paschal Victim offer sacrifice  
and praise.

The sheep are ransomed by the Lamb;  
and Christ, the undefiled,  
hath sinners to his Father reconciled.

Death with life contended: combat strangely  
ended!

Life's own Champion, slain, yet lives to reign.  
Tell us, Mary: say what thou didst see upon  
the way.

The tomb the Living did enclose;  
I saw Christ's glory as he rose!

The angels there attesting;  
shroud with grave-clothes resting.

Christ, my hope, has risen: he goes before  
you into Galilee.

That Christ is truly risen from the dead we know.  
Victorious king, thy mercy show!

Acclamation before the Gospel *Stand*

**Alleluia, alleluia.** 1 Corinthians 5:7b-8a  
**Christ, our Passover lamb, has been sacrificed;  
let us therefore celebrate the festival in the Lord.  
Alleluia.**

Gospel *John 20:1-9*

**R.** The Lord be with you.  
**And with your spirit.**  
A reading from the holy Gospel according to John.  
**Glory to you, O Lord.**

**R.** On the first day of the week Mary Magdalene  
came to the tomb early, while it was still dark,  
and saw that the stone had been taken away  
from the tomb. So she ran and went to Simon  
Peter and the other disciple, the one whom  
Jesus loved, and said to them, 'They have  
taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we do  
not know where they have laid him.' So Peter  
went out with the other disciple, and they  
were going towards the tomb. Both of them  
were running together, but the other disciple  
outran Peter and reached the tomb first. And  
stooping to look in, he saw the linen cloths  
lying there, but he did not go in. Then Simon  
Peter came, following him, and went into the  
tomb. He saw the linen cloths lying there, and  
the face cloth, which had been on the head of  
Jesus, not lying with the linen cloths but folded  
up in a place by itself. Then the other disciple,  
who had reached the tomb first, also went in,  
and he saw and believed; for as yet they did  
not understand the Scripture, that he must rise  
from the dead.

The Gospel of the Lord.  
**Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

The Homily *Sit*

Renewal of Baptismal Promises *Stand*  
*The priest addresses the faithful in these or  
similar words:*

Dear brethren (brothers and sisters), through  
the Paschal Mystery  
we have been buried with Christ in Baptism,  
so that we may walk with him in newness of life.  
And so, now that our Lenten observance is  
concluded,

let us renew the promises of Holy Baptism,  
by which we once renounced Satan and his works  
and promised to serve God in the holy  
Catholic Church.

And so I ask you:

*Priest:* Do you renounce Satan?

*All:* **I do.**

*Priest:* And all his works?

*All:* **I do.**

*Priest:* And all his empty show?

*All:* **I do.**

*Or:*

*Priest:* Do you renounce sin,  
so as to live in the freedom of the  
children of God?

*All:* **I do.**

*Priest:* Do you renounce the lure of evil,  
so that sin may have no mastery  
over you?

*All:* **I do.**

*Priest:* Do you renounce Satan,  
the author and prince of sin?

*All:* **I do.**

*Then the Priest continues:*

*Priest:* Do you believe in God,  
the Father almighty,  
Creator of heaven and earth?

*All:* **I do.**

*Priest:* Do you believe in Jesus Christ,  
his only Son, our Lord,  
who was born of the Virgin Mary,  
suffered death and was buried,  
rose again from the dead  
and is seated at the right hand of  
the Father?

*All:* **I do.**

*Priest:* Do you 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?

*All:* **I do.**

*And the Priest concludes:*

And may almighty God, the Father of our Lord  
Jesus Christ,  
who has given us new birth by water and the  
Holy Spirit  
and bestowed on us forgiveness of our sins,  
keep us by his grace,  
in Christ Jesus our Lord,  
for eternal life.

*All:* **Amen.**

*The priest sprinkles the people with the  
blessed water.*

*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*

Exultant with the paschal gladness, O Lord,  
we offer the sacrifice  
by which your Church  
is wondrously reborn and nourished.  
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, 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.**

*The Priest says:*

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 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*

1 Cor 5:7-8

**Christ our Passover has been sacrificed,  
alleluia;  
therefore let us keep the feast with the  
unleavened bread  
of purity and truth, alleluia, 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*

Look upon your Church, O God,  
with unfailing love and favour,  
so that, renewed by the paschal mysteries,  
she may come to the glory of the resurrection.  
Through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

**THE CONCLUDING RITES**

*Announcements may be made.*

*Then:*

**Blessing and Dismissal**

*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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