

THE CATHOLIC MASS SHEET

ENGLISH STANDARD VERSION

Second Sunday of Easter (C) (or of Divine Mercy) 27th April 2025

THE INTRODUCTORY RITES

Entrance Antiphon or a hymn

Stand

1 Pt 2: 2

**Like newborn infants, you must long for
the pure, spiritual milk,
that in him you may grow to salvation,
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.**

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

**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.

Acts 5:12-16

Many signs and wonders were regularly
done among the people by the hands of
the Apostles. And they were all together in
Solomon's Portico. None of the rest dared join
them, but the people held them in high esteem.
And more than ever believers were added to
the Lord, multitudes of both men and women,
so that they even carried out the sick into the
streets and laid them on cots and mats, that as
Peter came by at least his shadow might fall
on some of them. The people also gathered
from the towns round Jerusalem, bringing the
sick and those afflicted with unclean spirits,
and they were all healed.

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

Psalm

Psalm 118(117):2-4. 22-24. 25-27a. R.1

**R. Give praise to the LORD for he is good,
his mercy endures for ever.**

or: Alleluia.

Let the house of Israel say,
'His mercy endures for ever.'
Let the house of Aaron say,
'His mercy endures for ever.'
Let those who fear the LORD say,
'His mercy endures for ever.'

The stone that the builders rejected
has become the cornerstone.
By the LORD has this been done,
a marvel in our eyes.
This is the day the LORD has made;
let us rejoice in it and be glad.

We beseech you, O LORD, grant salvation;
we beseech you, O LORD, grant success.
Blest is he who comes
in the name of the LORD.
We bless you from the house of the Lord;
the LORD is God, and has given us light.

Second Reading

A reading from the Book of Revelation.

Revelation 1:9-11a, 12-13, 17-19

I, John, your brother and partner in the
tribulation and the kingdom and the patient
endurance that are in Jesus, was on the island
called Patmos on account of the word of God
and the testimony of Jesus. I was in the Spirit
on the Lord's day, and I heard behind me a
loud voice like a trumpet saying, 'Write what
you see in a book and send it to the seven
churches.'

Then I turned to see the voice that was
speaking to me, and on turning I saw seven
golden lampstands, and in the midst of the
lampstands one like a son of man, clothed
with a long robe and with a golden sash round
his chest. When I saw him, I fell at his feet
as though dead. But he laid his right hand on
me, saying, 'Fear not, I am the first and the
last, and the living one. I died, and behold I
am alive for evermore, and I have the keys of
Death and Hades. Write therefore the things
that you have seen, those that are and those
that are to take place after this.'

The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Acclamation before the Gospel

Stand

Alleluia, alleluia.

John 20:29

**You believed, Thomas, because you have
seen me, says the Lord.**

**Blessed are those who have not seen and
yet have believed.**

Alleluia.

Gospel

John 20:19-31

The Lord be with you.

And with your spirit.

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

R. On the evening of that day, the first day of
the week, the doors being locked where the
disciples were for fear of the Jews, Jesus
came and stood among them and said to
them, 'Peace be with you.' When he had said
this, he showed them his hands and his side.
Then the disciples were glad when they saw
the Lord. Jesus said to them again, 'Peace
be with you. As the Father has sent me, even
so I am sending you.' And when he had said
this, he breathed on them and said to them,
'Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins
of any, they are forgiven them; if you withhold
forgiveness from any, it is withheld.'

Now Thomas, one of the Twelve, called the
Twin, was not with them when Jesus came.
So the other disciples told him, 'We have seen
the Lord'. But he said to them, 'Unless I see in
his hands the mark of the nails, and place my
finger into the mark of the nails, and place my
hand into his side, I will never believe.'

Eight days later, his disciples were inside again,
and Thomas was with them. Although the doors
were locked, Jesus came and stood among
them and said, 'Peace be with you.' Then he
said to Thomas, 'Put your finger here, and see
my hands; and put out your hand, and place it in
my side. Do not disbelieve, but believe.' Thomas
answered him, 'My Lord and my God!' Jesus
said to him, 'Have you believed because you
have seen me? Blessed are those who have not
seen and yet have believed.'

Now Jesus did many other signs in the
presence of the disciples, which are not
written in this book; but these are written so
that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ,
the Son of God, and that by believing you may
have life in his name.

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

Homily

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.**

**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;**

Sit

Stand

**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.**

Prayer of the Faithful

Response example: Lord, in your mercy.
Hear our prayer.

All bow

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

*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.**

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 but deliver us from evil.

The Priest continues alone:

Deliver us ... 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

Cf. Jn 20:27

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

Prayer after Communion

Stand

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:

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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