

Opening Hymn : “Alleluia Sing to Jesus”

Alleluia! sing to Jesus! His the scepter, His the throne. Alleluia! His the triumph, His the victory alone. Hark! the songs of peaceful Zion thunder like a mighty flood. Jesus out of every nation has redeemed us by His blood.

Alleluia! not as orphans are we left in sorrow now; Alleluia! He is near us, faith believes, nor questions how; Though the cloud from sight received Him when the forty days were o'er. Shall our hearts forget His promise, "I am with you evermore"?

Alleluia! bread of angels, Here on earth our food, our stay; Alleluia! here the sinful flee to You from day to day: Intercessor, Friend of sinners, Earth's Redeemer, plead for me, Where the songs of all the sinless sweep across the crystal sea.

Alleluia! King eternal, You the Lord of lords we own; Alleluia! born of Mary, Earth Your footstool, Heav'n Your throne: You within the veil, have entered, robed in flesh our great High Priest; Here on earth both priest and victim in the Eucharistic feast.

INTRODUCTORY RITE

Celebrant: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. **Response: Amen.**

Celebrant: Lord, bless us with the wisdom to praise You in spirit and in truth, so that by following Your holy we will gain eternal salvation. **Response: Amen.**

THE PENITENTIAL RITE

C: My dear brothers and sisters let us confess our sins to God and prepare ourselves that we may worthily participate in this Holy Sacrifice. Please now make an examination of your conscience.

Confiteor

Almighty Father, You know my deepest secrets. I confess that I have, through my own fault, sinned against Your holy laws, *(striking the breast three times)* in my thoughts, in my words and in what I have done or failed to do. I sincerely regret my sins and I am truly sorry for offending You. I ask, Father, that in Your mercy You pardon my sins. I promise to change my way of living so that through a deeper holiness I may better serve You throughout the rest of my life. I ask the Blessed Virgin Mary, all the saints and you, my brothers and sisters, to pray for me to the Lord, our God.

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

C: May our Lord Jesus Christ absolve you and, with His authority vested in me, I absolve you from all your sins: in the name of the Father, + the Son and the Holy Spirit. **R: Amen.**

ENTRANCE HYMN

Psalm 37: 5-6; 130: 5

C: Commit your way to the Lord; trust that God will act and make your integrity shine like the dawn, your vindication like noonday. Alleluia.

R: I wait with longing for the Lord, my soul waits for His word.

Alleluia.

C: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.

R: As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

KYRIE

C: Lord, have mercy. **R:** Lord, have mercy.

C: Christ, have mercy. **R:** Christ, have mercy.

C: Lord, have mercy. **R:** Lord, have mercy.

GLORIA

Glory to God in the Highest, and peace to His people on earth.

Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father,

we worship You; we give You thanks, we praise You for Your glory. Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, You take away the sins of the world: have mercy on us.

You are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer. 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.

OPENING PRAYERS

Let us pray. [pause briefly] God our Father, at His Ascension Your Son promised to send us the Holy Spirit. Fill us with Your power from on high, so that through Your Holy Church we may be Your witnesses in the world. We ask this through the same Jesus Christ, Who lives and reigns with You and the same Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen**

LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Reading

Acts 1: 12-14

After Jesus had been taken up to heaven the apostles returned to Jerusalem from the mount called Olivet, which is near Jerusalem, a sabbath day's journey away. When they entered the city, they went to the upper room where they were staying, Peter and John and James and Andrew, Philip and Thomas, Bartholomew and Matthew, James son of Alphaeus, Simon the Zealot, and Judas son of James. All these devoted themselves with one accord to prayer, together with some women, and Mary the mother of Jesus, and his brothers. This is the word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 27

R: I believe that I shall see the good things of the Lord in the land of the living.

The LORD is my light and my salvation; whom should I fear? The LORD is my life's refuge; of whom should I be afraid? **R:**

One thing I ask of the LORD; this I seek: To dwell in the house of the LORD all the days of my life, That I may gaze on the loveliness of the LORD and contemplate his temple. **R:**

Hear, O Lord, the sound of my call; have pity on me and answer me. Of you my heart speaks; you my glance seeks. R:

Second Reading

1 Peter 4: 13-16

Beloved: Rejoice to the extent that you share in the sufferings of Christ, so that when his glory is revealed you may also rejoice exultantly. If you are insulted for the name of Christ, blessed are you, for the Spirit of glory and of God rests upon you. But let no one among you be made to suffer as a murderer, a thief, an evildoer, or as an intriguer. But whoever is made to suffer as a Christian should not be ashamed but glorify God because of the name. This is the word of the Lord.

Gospel Acclamations.

John 14: 18

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

“I will not leave you orphans, says the Lord. I will come back to you, and your hearts will rejoice.”

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

Gospel

John 17: 1-11

Jesus raised his eyes to heaven and said, “Father, the hour has come. Give glory to your son, so that your son may glorify you,

just as you gave him authority over all people, so that your son may give eternal life to all you gave him. Now this is eternal life,

that they should know you, the only true God, and the one whom you sent, Jesus Christ. I glorified you on earth by accomplishing the work that you gave me to do. Now glorify me, Father, with you, with the glory that I had with you before the world began.

“I revealed your name to those whom you gave me out of the world. They belonged to you, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. Now they know that everything you gave me is from you, because the words you gave to me I have given to them, and they accepted them and truly understood that I came from you, and they have believed that you sent me. I pray for them.

I do not pray for the world but for the ones you have given me, because they are yours, and everything of mine is yours and everything of yours is mine, and I have been glorified in them. And now I will no longer be in the world, but they are in the world, while I am coming to you.” This is the Gospel of the Lord.

SACRAMENT OF THE WORD OF GOD

PROFESSION OF FAITH

I believe in One God, the Father, the Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, of all that is seen and unseen.

I believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten not made, of one being with the Father.

Through Him all things were made. For us and for our salvation He came down from heaven, by the power of the Holy Spirit. He was born of the Virgin Mary, **AND BECAME MAN.**

(genuflect)

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; He suffered death and was buried. On the third day He rose again in fulfillment of 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 and giver of life who proceeds from the Father. With the Father and the Son, He is worshipped and glorified. He has spoken through the prophets. I believe in One, Holy, Catholic, and Apostolic church. I acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. **Amen.**

GENERAL INTERCESSION

Celebrant: We gather in prayer waiting for the coming of the Holy Spirit. With the apostles and with Mary, the mother of Jesus, we come to the Father, through the Son who always prays for his own in this world.

L: Our response is "Lord hear our prayer"

L: That God's holy people may deepen the interior life of prayer; let us pray to the Lord.

L: That the nations may know the only true God and Jesus Christ, whom he has sent, let us pray to the Lord.

L: That all who suffers persecution for being Christians may see their sufferings as a grace and blessing; let us pray to the Lord.

L: That we may work and pray for the unity of all who bear the name of Christ, let us pray to the Lord.

L: For Thomas and Virginia Popovic, who are celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary, may they continue in their love to each other and their love in Christ, let us pray to the Lord.

L: That God the Son may give eternal life to the dead entrusted to him, especially N.; let us pray to the Lord.

Celebrant: Father, you glorified your Son, and in him we will be glorified. As we pray in this world, welcome our prayers because we belong to you. We ask this, through Christ our Lord.

OFFERTORY VERSE

My soul, be at rest in God alone, from Whom comes my hope. Alleluia.

Psalm 62: 6

PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

Almighty Father, send the promised Spirit upon these gifts and into our hearts to direct our faith, confirm our hope, and enliven our love. We ask this in the name of Your Son, Jesus Christ, Who lives and reigns with You and the same Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

PREFACE-THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

SANCTUS

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might, 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.

EUCHRISTIC PRAYER V

Blessed are You, God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, Father of mercy and God of all consolation. For You so loved the world that You gave Your only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life. He then established a lasting memorial of Your salvation. On the evening in which He willingly surrendered Himself, He took bread, gave You thanks, blessed it and broke it saying, Take this, all of you, and eat it: **FOR THIS IS MY BODY WHICH IS GIVEN FOR YOU.** When supper had ended, He took the cup. In the same way He gave You thanks, blessed it, Take this, all of you, and drink from it: **FOR THIS IS THE CUP OF MY BLOOD, THE BLOOD OF THE NEW AND EVERLASTING COVENANT, WHICH SHALL BE SHED FOR YOU AND FOR MANY FOR THE FORGIVENESS OF SINS.** As often as you do this, do it in remembrance of Me. So, we recall before You, Father, the Incarnation of Your Son, His words and deeds, how He humbled Himself and obediently accepted death, even death on the cross. Therefore, You have raised Him up and given Him a Name which is above every name, so that in heaven and under the earth every knee shall bow, and every tongue proclaim to the glory of God the Father: Jesus Christ is Lord. We offer this Sacrifice of Your Son before You, Father, with praise and thanksgiving and ask that You accept this oblation. Send Your Holy Spirit and fill these Gifts with His life-giving power that they may be for us the Body and Blood of Your dearly beloved Son. Grant that the Bread which we break may be the Body of our Lord and the Cup over which we give thanks may be one with the Blood of our Lord, Jesus Christ. In the company of Mary, the mother of God, with Your apostles and martyrs, with holy Willibrord and all the saints, together with Anthony, our Prime Bishop, and John, our Bishop, and with all bishops, priests and deacons, as well as Your whole Church, we praise and glorify You and look forward to the coming of Your beloved Son, our Lord, Jesus Christ. (*Lifting the Host and Chalice the priest sings*) Through Him, with Him, in Him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honor and glory are Yours, almighty Father, for ever and ever. **R.** Amen.

COMMUNION RITE

C: *Let us pray with confidence to the Father in the words our Savior gave us:*

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.

C: Deliver us Lord, from every evil, and grant us peace in our day. In Your mercy keep us free from sin and protect us from all anxiety as we wait in joyful hope for the coming of our Savior, Jesus Christ.

R: For the kingdom, the power and the glory are Yours, now and forever.

Breaking of the Bread

C: The Cup of Blessing which we bless, is it not a participation in the Blood of Christ?

C: The Bread which we break, is it not a participation in the Body of Christ?

R: Because there is one Bread, we who are many, are one body,

for we all partake of the one Bread.

C: May the union of divinity and humanity in Jesus Christ bring us sanctification and eternal life.

R: Amen.

C: Lord Jesus Christ, You said to Your apostles: I leave you peace, My peace I give you. Do not look at our sins, but on the faith of Your Church, and grant us the peace and unity of Your kingdom where You live for ever and ever. Amen.

C: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

R: And also, with you.

C: Let us offer each other a sign of peace.

AGNUS DEI

Lamb of God, You take away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us.

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have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, You take away the sins of the world,
grant us peace.

COMMUNION PRAYER

Lord Jesus Christ, Son of the Living God, by the will of the Father and the work of the Holy Spirit, Your death brought life to the world. By Your holy Body and Blood free me from all my sins and from every evil. Keep me faithful to Your teaching and never let me be parted from You.

C: I will take the Bread of Heaven and call upon the name of the Lord.

(The celebrant and congregation together say only once)

Lord, I am not worthy to receive You, but only say the word and I shall be healed.

C: May the Body of Christ bring me to everlasting life.

THE COMMUNION OF THE FAITHFUL

This is the Lamb of God Who takes away the sins of the world.

Happy are those who are called to the table of the Lord.

C: Lord, may I possess with a pure heart that which I have taken as food, and may the Gift I have received bring me healing and strength now and forever.

COMMUNION VERSE

And now, Lord, what future do I have? You are my only hope. Alleluia.

Psalm 62: 6

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray. [pause briefly] Heavenly Father, through this Holy Eucharist breathe Your Spirit once more upon the world that we may experience a new spiritual rebirth. We ask this in the name of Your Son, Jesus Christ, Who lives and reigns with You, and the same Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

CONCLUDING RITE

C: The Lord be with you.

R: **And also, with you.**

C: The blessing of almighty God: the Father, + the Son and
the Holy Spirit come upon you and remain with you forever.

C: Lo the sacrifice is offered, Alleluia, Alleluia

R: **Thanks be to God, Alleluia, Alleluia.**

Closing Hymn: "Christ Be Beside Me."

Christ be beside me, Christ be before me,
Christ be behind me, King of my heart.
Christ be within me, Christ be below me,
Christ be above me, never to part.

Christ on my right hand, Christ on my left hand,
Christ all around me, shield in the strife.
Christ in my sleeping, Christ in my sitting,
Christ in my rising, light of my life..

Christ be in all hearts thinking about me,
Christ be on all tongues telling of me.
Christ be the vision in eyes that see me,
In ears that hear me Christ ever be.