

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON Cf. Ps 65: 1-2

Cry out with joy to God, all the earth;
O sing to the glory of his name.
O render him glorious praise, alleluia.

ENTRANCE HYMN

*R: God bids us welcome to His house
and He invites us to His feast
day of great joy and happiness - Alleluia*

**Great was my joy when I was told
Let us go forth to God's abode
That's in the City of the Lord. R.**

**Let us approach unto the Feast
To, which the Lord invites us all
And eat the Bread which gives us life. R.**

**Christ is the Sun which brings the dawn
He is the Light of all the world
Setting us free from death and sin. R.**

**Christ is alive with joy we sing
We celebrate the Risen Lord
Praising the glory of his name. R.**

Priest: In the name of the Father and
of the Son, and of the Holy
Spirit.

People: **Amen.**

The Lord be with you
And with your spirit.

PENITENTIAL ACT

Brethren (Brothers and sisters),
let us acknowledge our sins,
and so prepare ourselves to
celebrate the sacred mysteries.

Lord Jesus, you raise us to new life:

Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

Lord Jesus, you forgive us our sins:

Christ, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

Lord Jesus, you feed us with your
body and blood: Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

The absolution by the priest follows:

May almighty God have mercy on us,
forgive us our sins,
and bring us to everlasting life.

Amen.

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

19th April 2026

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

May your people exult for ever,
O God, in renewed youthfulness of
spirit, so that, rejoicing now in the
restored glory of our adoption,
we may look forward in confident
hope to the rejoicing of the day of
resurrection.

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.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD**FIRST READING 2:14.22-33**

**A reading from the Acts of the
Apostles**

On the day of Pentecost Peter stood
up with the Eleven and addressed the
crowd in a loud voice:

“Men of Israel, listen to what I am
going to say: Jesus the Nazarene was
a man commended to you by God by
the miracles and portents and signs
that God worked through him when he
was among you as you all know. This
man, who was put into your power by
the deliberate intention and fore-
knowledge of God, you took and had
crucified by men outside the Law. You
killed him, but God raised him to life,
freeing him from the pangs of Hades;
for it was impossible for him to be
held in its power since, as David says
of him:

‘I saw the Lord before me always,
for with him at my right hand
nothing can shake me.

So my heart was glad and my
tongue cried out with joy;
my body, too, will rest in the hope
that you will not abandon my soul to
Hades nor allow your holy one to
experience corruption.

You have made known the way of
life to me, you will fill me with
gladness through your presence.’

“Brothers, no one can deny that the
patriarch David himself is dead and
buried: his tomb is still with us. But
since he was a prophet, and knew
that God had sworn him an oath to
make one of his descendants
succeed him on the throne, what he
foresaw and spoke about was the
resurrection of the Christ: he is the
one who was not abandoned to
Hades, and whose body did not
experience corruption. God raised this
man Jesus to life, and all of us are
witnesses to that. Now raised to the
heights by God's right hand, he has
received from the Father the Holy
Spirit, who was promised, and what
you see and hear is the outpouring
of that Spirit.”

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM*Ps15:1-2.5.7-11.R.v.11***R. Show us, Lord, the path of life.
or Alleluia!**

- 1.** Preserve me, God, I take refuge in you.
I say to the Lord: "You are my God.
O Lord, it is you who are my portion
and cup;
it is you yourself who are my prize." **R.**
- 2.** I will bless the Lord who gives me
counsel,
who even at night directs my heart.
I keep the Lord ever in my sight:
since he is at my right hand, I shall
stand firm. **R.**
- 3.** And so my heart rejoices, my soul is glad;
even my body shall rest in safety.
For you will not leave my soul
among the dead,
nor let your beloved know decay. **R.**
- 4.** You will show me the path of life,
the fullness of joy in your presence,
at your right hand happiness for ever. **R.**

SECOND READING*1:17-21***A reading from the first letter of
St Peter**

If you are acknowledging as your Father one who has no favourites and judges everyone according to what he has done, you must be scrupulously careful as long as you are living away from your home. Remember, the ransom that was paid to free you from the useless way of life your ancestors handed down was not paid in anything corruptible, neither in silver nor gold, but in the precious blood of a lamb without spot or stain, namely Christ; who, though known since before the world was made, has been revealed only in our time, the end of the ages, for your sake. Through him you now have faith in God, who raised him from the dead and gave him glory for that very reason – so that you would have faith and hope in God.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.**ACCLAMATION Cf.Lk24:32****Alleluia, alleluia!****Lord Jesus, explain the
scriptures to us.****Make our hearts burn within us
as you talk to us.****Alleluia!****GOSPEL***24:13-35*

The Lord be with you.

And with your spirit.A reading from the holy
Gospel according to Luke.**Glorify to you, O Lord.**

Two of the disciples of Jesus were on their way to a village called Emmaus, seven miles from Jerusalem, and they were talking together about all that had happened. Now as they talked this over, Jesus himself came up and walked by their side; but something prevented them from recognising him. He said to them, "What matters are you discussing as you walk along?" They stopped short, their faces downcast.

Then one of them called Cleopas, answered him "You must be the only person staying in Jerusalem who does not know the things that have been happening there these few days." "What things?" he asked. "All about Jesus of Nazareth" they answered "who proved he was a great prophet by the things he said and did in the sight of God and of the whole people; and how our chief priests and our leaders handed him over to be sentenced to death, and had him crucified. Our own hope had been that he would be the one to set Israel free. And this is not all: two whole days have gone by since it all happened; and some women from our group have astounded us: they went to the tomb in the early morning, and when they did not find the body, they came back to tell us they had seen a vision of angels who declared he was alive. Some of our friends went to the tomb and found everything exactly as the women had reported, but of him they saw nothing."

Then he said to them, "You foolish men! So slow to believe the full message of the prophets! Was it not ordained that the Christ should suffer and so enter into his glory?" Then, starting with Moses and going through all the prophets, he explained to them the passages throughout the scriptures that were about himself.

When they drew near to the village to which they were going, he made as if to go on; but they pressed him to stay with them. "It is nearly evening" they said "and the day is almost over." So he went in to stay with them. Now while he was with them at table, he took the bread and said the blessing; then he broke it and handed it to

them. And their eyes were opened and they recognised him; but he had vanished from their sight. Then they said to each other, "Did not our hearts burn within us as he talked to us on the road and explained the scriptures to us?"

They set out that instant and returned to Jerusalem. There they found the Eleven assembled together with their companions, who said to them, "Yes, it is true. The Lord has risen and has appeared to Simon. Then they told their story of what had happened on the road and how they had recognised him at the breaking of bread.

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

**PROFESSION OF FAITH**

**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,
(All bow during the next three lines)
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.**

PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL

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LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

Raising the host, the priest says:

Blessed are you, Lord, God of all creation, for through your goodness we have received the bread we offer you: fruit of the earth and work of human hands, it will become for us the bread of life.

Blessed be God for ever.

The priest pours wine and a little water into the chalice, saying quietly:

By the mystery of this water and wine may we come to share in the divinity of Christ, who humbled himself to share in our humanity.

Raising the chalice, the priest says:

Blessed are you, Lord, God of all creation, for through your goodness we have received the wine we offer you: fruit of the vine and work of human hands, it will become our spiritual drink.

Blessed be God for ever.

Bowing the priest says quietly:

With humble spirit and contrite heart may we be accepted by you, O Lord, and may our sacrifice in your sight this day be pleasing to you, O Lord.

Then the priest washes his hands, saying quietly:

Wash me, O Lord, from my iniquity; and cleanse me from my sin.

STAND

Facing the people the priest says:

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

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

Receive, O Lord, we pray, these offerings of your exultant Church, and, as you have given her cause for such great gladness, grant also that the gifts we bring may bear fruit in perpetual happiness. Through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER II PREFACE II of Easter

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

It is truly right and just, our duty and our salvation, at all times to acclaim you, O Lord, but in this time above all to laud you yet more gloriously, when Christ our Passover has been sacrificed.

Through him the children of light rise to eternal life and the halls of the heavenly Kingdom are thrown open to the faithful; for his Death is our ransom from death, and in his rising the life of all has risen.

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

You are indeed Holy, O Lord, the fount of all holiness.

The Priest joins his hands and, holding them extended over the offerings, says:

Make holy, therefore, these gifts, we pray, by sending down your Spirit upon them like the dewfall, so that they may become for us the Body ✠ and Blood of our Lord, Jesus Christ.

At the time he was betrayed and entered willingly into his Passion, he took bread and, giving thanks, broke it, 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 the chalice and, once more giving thanks, he gave it 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

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

Then the Priest, with hands extended, says:

Therefore, as we celebrate the memorial of his Death and Resurrection, we offer you, Lord, the Bread of life and the Chalice of salvation, giving thanks that you have held us worthy to be in your presence and minister to you.

Humbly we pray that, partaking of the Body and Blood of Christ, we may be gathered into one by the Holy Spirit.

Remember, Lord, your Church, spread throughout the world, and bring her to the fullness of charity, together with Leo, our Pope, **N**. our Bishop, his assistant Bishop(s), and all the clergy.

Remember also our brothers and sisters who have fallen asleep in the hope of the resurrection, and all who have died in your mercy: welcome them into the light of your face.

Have mercy on us all, we pray, that with the Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of God, with blessed Joseph, her Spouse, with the blessed Apostles, and all the Saints who have pleased you throughout the ages, we may merit to be coheirs to eternal life, and may praise and glorify you through your Son, Jesus Christ.

The Priest takes the chalice and the paten with the host and, elevating both, he says:

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.

Amen.



COMMUNION RITE

At the Saviour's command and formed by divine teaching, we dare to say:

Our Father, who art in heaven . . .
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.

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 priest may add these or similar words.
Let us offer each other the sign of peace.

The priest places a small piece of the host in the chalice saying quietly:

May this mingling of the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ bring eternal life to us who receive it.

Meanwhile the people sing or say:

**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.**

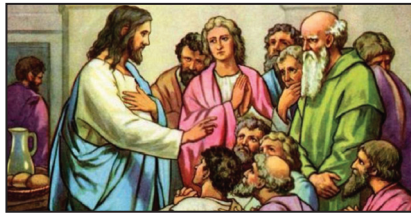
◆◆◆**KNEEL**◆◆◆

The priest says quietly:

May the receiving of your Body and Blood, Lord Jesus Christ, not bring me to judgement and condemnation, but through your loving mercy be for me protection in mind and body, and a healing remedy.

Raising the host the priest 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.



And together with the people he says once:

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

May the Body of Christ keep me safe for eternal life.

The Priest reverently consumes the Body of Christ.

Then he takes the chalice and says quietly:

May the Blood of Christ keep me safe for eternal life.

The Priest raises a host slightly and shows it to each of the communicants, saying:

The Body of Christ.

Amen.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON Lk 24: 35

The disciples recognised the Lord Jesus in the breaking of the bread, alleluia.

COMMUNION HYMN

**Stay with us Lord we pray you,
Alleluia.**

**You are the bread come down from heaven;
You are the food of life eternal.**

**You are the light which illuminates the world.
Brightening our way, dispelling our darkness.**

**You are the Christ, the divine Son of God,
You are the pledge of life eternal.**

PRIVATE PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Lamb of God, your precious blood was our ransom.
May we understand you had to suffer and so enter into your glory.
Stay with us, Lord.
It is nearly evening and the day is almost over.
May our hearts burn within us when you speak to us in the Scriptures, may we recognise you in the breaking of bread.

◆◆◆**STAND**◆◆◆

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Look with kindness upon your people, O Lord, and grant, we pray, that those you were pleased to renew by eternal mysteries may attain in their flesh the incorruptible glory of the resurrection. Through Christ our Lord.
Amen.

CONCLUDING RITES

◆◆◆**STAND**◆◆◆

Solemn Blessing No6 Easter Time

May God, who by the Resurrection of his only Begotten son was pleased to confer on you the gift of redemption and of adoption, give you gladness by his blessing.

Amen.

May he, by whose redeeming work you have received the gift of everlasting freedom, make you heirs to an eternal inheritance.

Amen.

And may you, who have already risen with Christ in Baptism through faith, by living in a right manner on this earth, be united with him in the homeland of heaven.

Amen.

And may the blessing of almighty God, the Father, and the Son, ✠ and the Holy Spirit, come down on you and remain with you for ever.

Amen.

Go and announce the Gospel of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

RECESSIONAL HYMN

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

**Come Christians all, rejoice and sing,
With thankful hearts your praises bring.**

**Risen is now our Lord and King.
Alleluia.**

**On Sunday morn, at break of day,
the sad disciples made their way,
Seeking the place where Jesus lay.**

**Now let us thank the Lord most high,
And with our praises fill the sky,
For Christ is risen, no more to die.**