

**ENTRANCE ANTIPHON** Cf. Is 48: 20

Proclaim a joyful sound and let it be heard; proclaim to the ends of the earth:  
The Lord has freed his people, alleluia.

**ENTRANCE HYMN**

I will never forget you my people;  
I have carved you  
on the palm of my hand.  
I will never forget you;  
I will not leave you orphaned.  
I will never forget my own.

Does a mother forget her baby?  
Or a woman  
the child within her womb?  
Yet even if these forget,  
Yes even if these forget,  
I will never forget my own.

I will never forget you, my people;  
I have carved you  
on the palm of my hand.  
I will never forget you;  
I will not leave you orphaned.  
I will never forget my own.

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

People: **Amen.**

Grace to you and peace from God our  
Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

**And with your spirit.**

**PENITENTIAL ACT**

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

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,

*Striking your breast as you 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 absolution by the priest follows:*

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

Lord have mercy. **Lord have mercy.**  
Christ have mercy. **Christ have mercy.**  
Lord have mercy. **Lord have mercy.**

# SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

25th May 2025

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**THE LITURGY OF THE WORD**

**FIRST READING**

15:1-2.22-29

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

Some men came down from Judaea and taught the brothers, "Unless you have yourselves circumcised in the tradition of Moses you cannot be saved." This led to disagreement, and after Paul and Barnabas had had a long argument with these men it was arranged that Paul and Barnabas and others of the church should go up to Jerusalem and discuss the problem with the apostles and elders.

Then the apostles and elders decided to choose delegates to send to Antioch with Paul and Barnabas; the whole church concurred with this. They chose Judas known as Barabbas and Silas, both leading men in the brotherhood and gave them this letter to take with them: "The apostles and elders, your brothers, send greetings to the brothers of pagan birth in Antioch, Syria and Cilicia. We hear that some of our members have disturbed you with their demands and have unsettled your minds. They acted without any authority from us, and so we have decided unanimously to elect delegates and to send them to you with Barnabas and Paul, men we highly respect who have dedicated their lives to the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. Accordingly we are sending you Judas and Silas, who will confirm by word of mouth what we have written in this letter. It has been decided by the Holy Spirit and by ourselves not to saddle you with any burden beyond these essentials: you are to abstain from food sacrificed to idols, from blood, from the meat of strangled animals and from fornication. Avoid these, and you will do what is right. Farewell."

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**



**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**

Grant, almighty God,  
that we may celebrate with heartfelt  
devotion these days of joy,  
which we keep in honour of the risen  
Lord, and that what we relive in  
remembrance we may always hold to  
in what we do.

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.**



**RESPONSORIAL PSALM***Ps 66:2-3.5-6.8.R.v.4*

**R.** Let the peoples praise you, O God;  
let all the peoples praise you.

*Or* **R.** Alleluia.

1. O God, be gracious and bless us  
and let your face shed its light upon us.  
So will your ways be known upon earth  
and all nations learn your saving help.
- R.**
2. Let the nations be glad and exult  
for you rule the world with justice.  
With fairness you rule the peoples,  
you guide the nations on earth. **R.**
3. Let the peoples praise you, O God;  
let all the peoples praise you.  
May God still give us his blessing  
till the ends of the earth revere him. **R.**

**SECOND READING***21:10-14.22-23***A reading from the book of the Apocalypse**

In the spirit, the angel took me to the top of an enormous high mountain and showed me Jerusalem, the holy city, coming down from God out of heaven. It had all the radiant glory of God and glittered like some precious jewel of crystal-clear diamond. The walls of it were of a great height, and had twelve gates; at each of the twelve gates there was an angel, and over the gates were written the names of the twelve tribes of Israel; on the east there were three gates, on the north three gates, on the south three gates, and on the west three gates. The city walls stood on twelve foundation stones, each one of which bore the name of one of the twelve apostles of the Lamb.

I saw that there was no temple in the city since the Lord God Almighty and the Lamb were themselves the temple, and the city did not need the sun or the moon for light, since it was lit by the radiant glory of God and the Lamb was a lighted torch for it.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

**ACCLAMATION***Jn 14:23*

Alleluia, alleluia!

Jesus said: "If anyone loves me  
he will keep my word,  
and my Father will love him,  
and we shall come to him."  
Alleluia

**GOSPEL***14:23-29*

The Lord be with you.

**And with your Spirit.**

A reading from the holy  
Gospel according to John.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

Jesus said to his disciples:  
"If anyone loves me he will keep my  
word,  
and my Father will love him,  
and we shall come to him  
and make our home with him.  
Those who do not love me do not  
keep my words.

And my word is not my own:  
it is the word of the one who sent me.  
I have said these things to you  
while still with you;  
but the Advocate, the Holy Spirit,  
whom the Father will send in my name,  
will teach you everything  
and remind you of all I have said to you.  
Peace I bequeath to you,  
my own peace I give you,  
a peace the world cannot give,  
this is my gift to you.

Do not let your hearts be troubled or  
afraid.

You heard me say:  
I am going away, and shall return.  
If you loved me you would have been  
glad to know that I am going to the  
Father,  
for the Father is greater than I.  
I have told you this now before it  
happens,  
so that when it does happen you may  
believe."

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 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****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**

May our prayers rise up to you, O Lord,  
together with the sacrificial offerings,  
so that, purified by your graciousness,  
we may be conformed to the mysteries  
of your mighty love.  
Through Christ our Lord.  
**Amen.**

**EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER II**

*Preface V 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.

By the oblation of his Body,  
he brought the sacrifices of old to  
fulfilment

in the reality of the Cross and, by  
commending himself to you  
for our salvation,

showed himself the Priest, the Altar,  
and the Lamb of sacrifice.

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, giving you thanks, he said the  
blessing,  
and gave the chalice 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:**

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

*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 N. , 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 with 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.**

STAND

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 Jn 14: 15-16**

**If you love me, keep my  
commandments, says the Lord,  
and I will ask the Father and he will  
send you another Paraclete,  
to abide with you for ever, alleluia.**

### COMMUNION HYMN

*Refrain:*

*We have been told, we've seen his  
face, and heard his voice alive in our  
hearts;  
live in my love with all your heart,  
as the Father has loved me,  
so I have loved you.*

**I am the vine, you are the branches,  
and all who live in me will bear  
great fruit. R.**

**You are my friends, if you keep my  
commands, no longer slaves, I call  
you friends. R.**

**No greater love is there than this: to  
lay down one's life, for a friend. R.**

### PRIVATE PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Lord Jesus, I reverence you in my heart.

You sent the Holy Spirit to me at  
confirmation. May the Spirit of Truth help  
me to understand your words, and  
strengthen me in my daily life to follow  
your example. Come, Holy Spirit, fill the  
hearts of your faithful and enkindle in us  
the fire of your love. Welcome, Lord  
Jesus, into this soul of mine. You are the  
Word who was made flesh in the womb  
of the Virgin Mary, suffered and died on  
the cross to save me, and then went back  
to the Father, promising to return.

I know you will come again on the last  
day, the Lamb who is to be the light of  
the new Jerusalem. Yet you do not wait  
until that day of glory; in your great love  
you now come to me sacramentally.

You bring with you your gift of peace,  
so that my heart may not be troubled or  
afraid. The peace you give is not that of  
this world, but union with you and the  
Father in the Holy Spirit. I want to love  
you and keep your word, so that you and  
the Father may always make your home  
with me.

**—STAND—**

### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Almighty ever-living God, who restore us  
to eternal life in the Resurrection of  
Christ, increase in us, we pray, the fruits  
of this paschal Sacrament and pour into  
our hearts the strength of this saving  
food. Through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

### CONCLUDING RITES

**—STAND—**

The Lord be with you.

**And with your spirit.**

### 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 in peace glorifying the Lord by  
your life.

**Thanks be to God.**

### RECESSIONAL HYMN

**Praise, my soul, the king of heaven!  
To his feet thy tribute bring.  
Ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven,  
who like me his praise should sing?**

*Praise him! Praise him!*

*Praise him! Praise him!*

*Praise the everlasting king!*

**Praise him for his grace and favour  
to our fathers in distress;  
praise him still the same for ever,  
slow to chide and swift to bless.**

*Praise him! Praise him!*

*Praise him! Praise him!*

*Glorious in his faithfulness!*

**Father-like he tends and spares us;  
well our feeble frame he knows;  
in his hands he gently bears us,  
rescues us from all our foes.**

*Praise him! Praise him!*

*Praise him! Praise him!*

*Widely as his mercy flows!*