TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

I am the salvation of the people, savs the Lord. Should they cry to me in any distress. I will hear them, and I will be their Lord for ever.

STAND

ENTRANCE HYMN

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 see me. Christ ever be.

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.

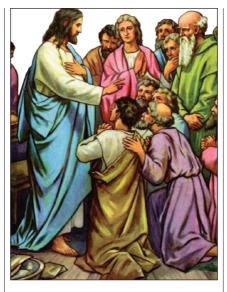
PENITENTIAL ACT

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

Lord Jesus, you came to reconcile us to one another and to the Father: Lord. have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

Lord Jesus, you heal the wounds of sin and division: Christ, have mercy. Christ, have mercy.



21st September 2025

Lord Jesus, you intercede for us with your Father: 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.

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

Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father. Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten

Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the

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 founded all the commands of your sacred Law upon love of you and of our neighbour,

grant that, by keeping your precepts, we may merit to attain eternal 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.

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■ THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING

A reading from the prophet Amos

Listen to this, you who trample on the needy and try to suppress the poor people of the country, you who say,

"When will New Moon

be over so that we can sell our corn, and sabbath, so that we can market our wheat?

Then by lowering the bushel, raising the shekel.

by swindling and tampering with the

we can buy up the poor for money. and the needy for a pair of sandals. and get a price even for the sweepings of the wheat."

The Lord swears it by the pride of Jacob.

"Never will I forget a single thing you have done."

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps112:1-2.4-8.R.vv.1.7

- R. Praise the Lord, who raises the poor.
- 1. Praise, O servants of the Lord, praise the name of the Lord! May the name of the Lord be blessed both now and for evermore! R.
- 2. High above all nations is the Lord, above the heavens his glory. Who is like the Lord, our God, who has risen on high to his throne yet stoops from the heights to look down, to look down upon heaven and earth? R.
- **3.** From the dust he lifts up the lowly, from the dungheap he raises the poor to set him in the company of princes, yes, with the princes of his people. R.

2:1-8

A reading from the first letter of St. Paul to Timothy

My advice is that, first of all, there should be prayers offered for everyone - petitions, intercessions and thanksgiving - and especially for kings and others in authority, so that we may be able to live religious and reverent lives in peace and quiet. To do this is right, and will please God our saviour: he wants everyone to be saved and reach full knowledge of the truth. For there is only one God, and there is only one mediator between God and mankind, himself a man, Christ Jesus, who sacrificed himself as a ransom for them all. He is the evidence of this, sent at the appointed time, and I have been named a herald and apostle of it and - I am telling the truth and no lie - a teacher of the faith and the truth to the pagans.

In every place, then, I want the men to lift their hands up reverently in prayer, with no anger or argument.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

■STAND>

ACCLAMATION

cf. Acts 16:14

Alleluia, Alleluia! Open our heart, O Lord, to accept the words of your Son, Alleluia!

GOSPEL

16:1-13

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



Jesus said to his disciples: "There was a rich man and he had a steward who was denounced to him for being wasteful with his property. He called for the man and said, 'What is this I hear about you? Draw me up an account of your stewardship because you are not to be my steward any longer.' Then the steward said to himself, 'Now that my master is taking the stewardship from me, what am I to do? Dig? I am not strong enough. Go begging? I should be too ashamed. Ah. I know what I will do to make sure that when I am dismissed from office there will be some to welcome me into their homes.'

"Then he called his master's debtors one by one. To the first he said, 'How much do you owe my master?' 'One hundred measures of oil,' was the reply. The steward said, 'Here, take your bond; sit down straight away and write fifty.' To another he said, 'And you, sir, how much do you owe?' 'One hundred measures of wheat,' was the reply. The steward said, 'Here, take your bond and write eighty.'

"The master praised the dishonest steward for his astuteness. For the children of this world are more astute in dealing with their own kind than are the children of light.

"And so I tell you this: use money, tainted as it is, to win you friends, and thus make sure that when it fails you, they will welcome you into the tents of eternity. The man who can be trusted in little things can be trusted in great; the man who is dishonest in little things will be dishonest in great. If then you cannot be trusted with money, that tainted thing, who will trust you with genuine riches? And if you cannot be trusted with what is not yours, who will give you what is your verv own?

"No servant can be the slave of two masters: he will either hate the first and love the second, or treat the first with respect and the second with scorn. You cannot be the slave both of God and of money."

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

STAND>

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

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 with favour, O Lord, we pray, the offerings of your people, that what they profess with devotion and faith may be theirs through these heavenly mysteries.

Through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

EUCHARISTIC PRAYER III PREFACE IV Ordinary Time

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, always and everywhere to give you thanks, Lord, holy Father, almighty and eternal God, through Christ our Lord.

For by his birth he brought renewal to humanity's fallen state, and by his suffering, cancelled out our sins; by his rising from the dead he has opened the way to eternal life, and by ascending to you, O Father, he has unlocked the gates of heaven. And so, with the company of Angels and Saints,

we sing the hymn of your praise, as without end we 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, and all you have created rightly gives you praise, for through your Son our Lord Jesus Christ, by the power and working of the Holy Spirit,

you give life to all things and make them holy, and you never cease to gather a people to yourself, so that from the rising of the sun to its setting a pure sacrifice may be offered to your name.

Therefore, O Lord, we humbly implore you: by the same Spirit graciously make holy these gifts we have brought to you for consecration, that they may become the Body and * Blood of your Son our Lord Jesus Christ, at whose command we celebrate these mysteries.

For on the night he was betrayed

he himself took bread and, giving you thanks, he said the blessing, broke the bread 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:

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

Then the Priest, with hands extended, says:

Therefore, O Lord, as we celebrate the memorial of the saving Passion of your Son, his wondrous Resurrection and Ascension into heaven, and as we look forward to his second coming, we offer you in thanksgiving this holy and living sacrifice.

Look, we pray, upon the oblation of your Church and, recognising the sacrificial Victim by whose death you willed to reconcile us to yourself, grant that we, who are nourished by the Body and Blood of your Son and filled with his Holy Spirit, may become one body, one spirit in Christ. May he make of us an eternal offering to you, so that we may obtain an inheritance with your elect, especially with the most Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of God, with blessed Joseph, her Spouse, with the blessed Apostles and glorious Martyrs (with Saint N., the Saint of the day or Patron Saint) and with all the Saints, on whose constant intercession in your presence we rely for unfailing help.

May this Sacrifice of our reconciliation, we pray, O Lord, advance the peace and salvation of all the world. Be pleased to confirm in faith and charity your pilgrim Church on earth, with your servant Leo, our Pope, and N. our Bishop, his assistant Bishop(s) the Order of Bishops, all the clergy, and the entire people you have gained for your own.

Listen graciously to the prayers of this family, whom you have summoned before you: in your compassion, O merciful Father, gather to yourself all your children scattered throughout the world. To our departed brothers and sisters and to all who were pleasing to you at their passing from this life, give kind admittance to your kingdom. There we hope to enjoy for ever the fullness of your glory

The Priest joins his hands.

through Christ our Lord, through whom you bestow on the world all that is good.

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

STAND

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.



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 Ps 118: 4-5

You have laid down your precepts to be carefully kept; may my ways be firm in keeping your statutes.

COMMUNION HYMN

Love is his word, love is his way, feasting with all, fasting alone, living and dying, rising again, love, only love, is his way.

Richer than gold is the love of my Lord: better than splendour and wealth.

Love is his way, love is his mark, sharing his last Passover feast, Christ at the table, host to the Twelve, love, only love, is his mark.

Love is his mark, love is his sign, bread for our strength, wine for our joy, 'This is my body, this is my blood.' Love, only love is his sign.

Love is his sign, love is his news, 'Do this,' he said, 'lest you forget all my deep sorrow, all my dear blood.' Love, only love is his news.

PRIVATE PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Lord Jesus Christ.

the one mediator between God and mankind, through you God wills that all people should be saved and come to the knowledge of the truth. God intended the earth and all it contains for the use of every human being and people.

But many in our society lack the minimum essentials for life while others are morally crippled by selfishness. Some have too much wealth; many have not enough to eat and drink.

In my own life, I will try to be honest and generous.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Amen.

Graciously raise up, O Lord, those you renew with this Sacrament, that we may come to possess your redemption both in mystery and in the manner of our life.

Through Christ our Lord.

STAND

CONCLUDING RITES

Bow head for the blessing – Ordinary Time No.9 May the Lord bless you and keep you. Amen.

May he let his face shine upon you and show you his mercy. **Amen.**

May he turn his countenance towards you and give you his peace. **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 forth, the Mass is ended, **Thanks be to God.**

RECESSIONAL HYMN

O Lord, my God,
when I in awesome wonder,
consider all the worlds
thy hand has made,
I see the stars,
I hear the rolling thunder,
thy pow'r throughout
the universe displayed.

Then sings my soul, my Saviour God, to thee: How great thou art, how great thou art. (x2)

When Christ shall come with shout and acclamation and take me home, what joy shall fill my heart; when I shall bow in humble adoration, and there proclaim: my God, how great thou art.

