

# Thursday in the 4th Week of Easter

## Mass of the 4th Sunday of Easter

7 May 2020

### PREPARATION FOR MASS

The priest and ministers having entered, facing the altar and standing before the lowest altar step, and the faithful kneeling, make the Sign of the Cross.

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

**Ministers: Amen.**

**Priest:** I will go unto the altar of God.

**Ministers: Even unto the God of my joy and gladness.**

*Psalm 43. Iudica me, Deus*

**Priest:** Give sentence with me, O God, and defend my cause against the ungodly people : O deliver me from the deceitful and wicked man.

**Ministers: For thou art the God of my strength, why hast thou put me from thee : and why go I so heavily, while the enemy oppresseth me?**

**Priest:** O send out thy light and thy truth, that they may lead me : and bring me unto thy holy hill, and to thy dwelling.

**Ministers: And that I may go unto the altar of God, even unto the God of my joy and gladness : and upon the harp will I give thanks unto thee, O God, my God.**

**Priest:** Why art thou so heavy, O my soul : and why art thou so disquieted within me?

**Ministers: O put thy trust in God, for I will yet give him thanks, Which is the help of my countenance, and my God.**

**Priest:** Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and the Holy Ghost.

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

**Priest:** I will go unto the altar of God.

**Ministers: Even unto the God of my joy and gladness.**

**Priest:** Our help is in the ✠ Name of the Lord.

**Ministers: Who hath made heaven and earth.**

With hands joined, bowing profoundly, the priest says:

**Priest:** I confess to Almighty God, to blessed Mary the Virgin, to blessed Michael the Archangel, to blessed John the Baptist, to the holy Apostles Peter and Paul, to all the Saints, and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have sinned exceedingly in thought, word, and deed, (striking the breast three times, the priest continues:) through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault. Therefore I beg blessed Mary the Virgin, blessed Michael the Archangel, blessed John Baptist, the holy Apostles Peter and Paul, all the Saints, and you, my brothers and sisters, to pray for me to the Lord our God.

**Ministers: Almighty God have mercy upon thee, forgive thee thy sins, and bring thee to everlasting life.**

**Priest:** Amen.

The priest the stands upright, and the Ministers repeat:

**Ministers: I confess to Almighty God, to blessed Mary the Virgin, to blessed Michael the Archangel, to blessed John the Baptist, to the holy Apostles Peter and Paul, to all the Saints, and to thee, *Father*, that I have sinned exceedingly in thought, word, and deed, (all strike their breast three times, saying:) through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault. Therefore I beg blessed Mary the Virgin, blessed Michael the Archangel, blessed John Baptist, the holy Apostles Peter and Paul, all the Saints, and thee, *Father*, to pray for me to the Lord our God.**

**Priest:** Almighty God have mercy upon you, forgive you your sins and bring you to everlasting life.

**Ministers: Amen.**

**Priest:** May the Almighty and Merciful Lord grant unto us pardon, ✠ absolution and remission of all our sins.

**Ministers: Amen.**

**Priest:** Wilt thou not turn again and quicken us, O Lord?

**Ministers:** **That thy people may rejoice in thee.**

**Priest:** O Lord, show thy mercy upon us.

**Ministers:** **And grant us thy salvation.**

**Priest:** O Lord, hear my prayer.

**Ministers:** **And let my cry come unto thee.**

**Priest:** The Lord be with you.

**Ministers:** **And with thy spirit.**

**Priest:** Let us pray.

### THE INTRODUCTORY RITES

**A**Lmighty God, unto whom all hearts be open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy holy spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy name: through Christ our Lord. Amen.

#### INTROIT

**Introit. Ps. 66, 1-2.** O be joyful in God, all ye lands, alleluia: sing ye his praises unto the honour of his name, alleluia: make his praise to be exceeding glorious, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

**Ps. ibid. 2.** Say unto God, O how wonderful art thou in thy works, O Lord! through the greatness of thy power shall thine enemies be found liars unto thee. **V.** Glory be. As it was.

**Repeat** O be joyful **as far as the Psalm**

#### KYRIE

Kyrie, eleison.	<b>Kyrie, eleison.</b>
Christe, eleison.	<b>Christe, eleison.</b>
Kyrie, eleison.	<b>Kyrie, eleison.</b>

#### GLORIA

**G**LORY be to God on high, and in earth peace, goodwill towards men. We praise thee, we bless thee, we worship thee, we glorify thee, we give thanks to thee for thy great glory, Lord God, heavenly King, God

the Father Almighty. O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesu Christ; O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us. Thou that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us. Thou that takest away the sins of the world, receive our prayer. Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us. For thou only art holy; thou only art the Lord; thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost, **✠** art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

#### COLLECT

The Lord be with you.

**And with thy spirit.**

Let us pray.

Almighty God, who shewest to them that be in error the light of thy truth, to the intent that they may return into the way of righteousness: grant unto all them that are admitted into the fellowship of Christ's religion, that they may eschew those things that are contrary to their profession; and follow all such things as are agreeable to the same; through the same thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord: who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the Holy Ghost, God, throughout all ages, world without end. Amen.

## THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

### EPISTLE

The Lesson from the Epistle  
of blessed Peter the Apostle.

**I Peter 2, 11-19.**

Dearly beloved: I beseech you as strangers and pilgrims, abstain from fleshly lusts, which war against the soul; Having your conversation honest among the Gentiles: that, whereas they speak against you as evildoers, they may by your good works, which they shall behold, glorify God in the day of visitation. Submit yourselves to every ordinance of man for the Lord's sake: whether it be to the king, as supreme; Or unto governors, as unto them that are sent by him for the punishment of evildoers, and for the praise of them that do well. For so is the will of God, that with well doing ye may put to silence the ignorance of foolish men: As free, and not using your liberty for a cloke of maliciousness, but as the servants of God. Honour all men. Love the brotherhood. Fear God. Honour the king. Servants, be subject to your masters with all fear; not only to the good and gentle, but also to the froward. For this is thankworthy: in Christ Jesus our Lord.

**℣.** The Word of the Lord.

**℟.** Thanks be to God.

Alleluia, alleluia. **℣.** Ps. 111, 9. The Lord hath sent redemption unto his people. Alleluia. **℣.** Luke 24, 46. It behoveth Christ to suffer, and to rise from the dead: and so to enter into his glory. Alleluia.

### GOSPEL

The Lord be with you.

**And with thy spirit.**

The continuation of the Holy Gospel according to John.

**Glory be to thee, O Lord.**

**John 16, 16-22.**

At that time: Jesus said to his disciples: A little while, and ye shall not see me: and again, a little while, and ye shall see me, because I go to the Father. Then said some of his disciples among themselves, What is this that he saith unto us, A little while, and ye shall not see me: and again, a little while, and ye shall see me: and, Because I go to the Father? They said therefore, What is this that he saith, A little while? we cannot tell

what he saith. Now Jesus knew that they were desirous to ask him, and said unto them, Do ye enquire among yourselves of that I said, A little while, and ye shall not see me: and again, a little while, and ye shall see me? Verily, verily, I say unto you, That ye shall weep and lament, but the world shall rejoice: and ye shall be sorrowful, but your sorrow shall be turned into joy. A woman when she is in travail hath sorrow, because her hour is come: but as soon as she is delivered of the child, she remembereth no more the anguish, for joy that a man is born into the world. And ye now therefore have sorrow: but I will see you again, and your heart shall rejoice, and your joy no man taketh from you.

**℣.** The Gospel of the Lord.

**℟.** Praise be to thee, O Christ.

**A homily may be preached, or a pause for silent reflection observed.**

### THE INTERCESSION

**The priest says.**

Let us pray for the whole state of Christ's Church.

**A**Lmighty and everliving God, who by thy holy Apostle hast taught us to make prayers, and supplications, and to give thanks, for all people: We humbly beseech thee most mercifully to accept our (alms and) oblations, and to receive these our prayers, which we offer unto thy Divine Majesty; beseeching thee to inspire continually the universal Church with the spirit of truth, unity, and concord: and grant, that all they that do confess thy holy name may agree in the truth of thy holy Word, and live in unity, and godly love.

We beseech thee also to lead all nations in the way of righteousness and peace; and so to direct all kings and rulers, that under them thy people may be Godly and quietly governed. And grant unto thy servant *Elizabeth* our *Queen*, and to all that are put in authority under *her*, that they may truly and impartially minister justice, to the punishment of wickedness and vice, and to the maintenance of thy true religion, and virtue.

Give grace, O heavenly Father, to all Bishops, Priests, and Deacons, especially to thy servant Geoffrey our bishop and Denise our assistant bishop, that they may both by their life and

doctrine set forth thy true and living Word and rightly and duly administer thy Holy Sacraments.

Guide and prosper, we pray thee, those who are labouring for the spread of thy Gospel among the nations, and enlighten with thy Spirit all places of education and learning; that the whole world may be filled with the knowledge of thy truth.

And to all thy people give thy heavenly grace; and specially to this congregation here present; that, with meek heart and due reverence, they may hear, and receive thy holy Word; truly serving thee in holiness and righteousness all the days of their life.

And we most humbly beseech thee of thy goodness, O Lord, to comfort and succour (N. and) all them, who in this transitory life are in

trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity.

And we commend to thy gracious keeping, O Lord, all thy servants departed this life in thy faith and fear (especially N.), beseeching thee to grant them everlasting light and peace.

And here we give thee most high praise and hearty thanks for (N. and) all thy Saints who have been the chosen vessels of thy grace, and lights of the world in their several generations; and we pray, that rejoicing in their fellowship, and following their good examples, we may be partakers with them of thy heavenly kingdom.

Grant this, O Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our only Mediator and Advocate; who liveth and reigneth with thee in the unity of the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end. Amen.

## THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

### OFFERTORY

The Lord be with you.  
**And with thy spirit.**

Let us pray.

**Offertory. Ps. 146, 1.** Praise the Lord, O my soul: while I live will I praise the Lord: yea, as long as I have any being, I will sing praises unto my God, alleluia.

### PREPARATION OF THE GIFTS

*After the Priest has prepared the bread and wine for the Communion, the people are invited to enter spiritually into the celebration,*

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

**The Lord receive the sacrifice at thy hands,  
to the praise and glory of his name,  
to our benefit, and that of all his holy Church.**

### PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

Grant to us, O Lord, that through these mysteries we may so assuage our earthly desires, that we may learn to love things heavenly; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

### THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

**℣.** The Lord be with you.

**℟.** **And with thy spirit.**

**℣.** Lift up your hearts.

**℟.** **We lift them up unto the Lord.**

**℣.** Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

**℟.** **It is meet and right so to do.**

## PREFACE

It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God;

But chiefly are we bound to praise thee for the glorious Resurrection of thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord: for he is the very Paschal Lamb, which was offered for us, and hath taken away the sin of the world: who by his death hath destroyed death, and by his rising to life again hath restored to us everlasting life.

Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious name, evermore praising thee, and saying:

**Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God of hosts, Heaven and earth are full of thy glory. Glory be to thee, O Lord most high. ✠ Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

All glory be to thee, Almighty God, our heavenly Father, for that thou of thy tender mercy didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to suffer death upon the Cross for our redemption; who made there (by his one oblation of himself once offered) a full, perfect, and sufficient sacrifice, oblation, and satisfaction for the sins of the whole world; and did institute, and in his Holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death until his coming again;

Hear us, O merciful Father, we most humbly beseech thee, and with thy Holy and Life-giving Spirit vouchsafe to bless and sanctify both us and these thy gifts of Bread and Wine, that they may be unto us the Body and Blood of thy Son, our Saviour, Jesus Christ, to the end that we, receiving the same, may be strengthened and refreshed both in body and soul;

Who, in the same night that he was betrayed, took Bread; and when he had given thanks, he brake it, and gave it to his disciples, saying,

Take, eat, this is my Body which is given for you;  
do this in remembrance of me.

Likewise after supper he took the Cup; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying,

Drink ye all of this;  
for this is my Blood of the New Covenant,  
which is shed for you and for many for the remission of sins;  
Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me.

Wherefore, O Lord and heavenly Father, we thy humble servants, having in remembrance the precious death and passion of thy dear Son, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension, according to his holy institution, do celebrate, and set forth before thy Divine Majesty with these thy holy gifts, the memorial which he hath willed us to make, rendering unto thee most hearty thanks for the innumerable benefits which he hath procured unto us.

And we entirely desire thy fatherly goodness mercifully to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving; most humbly beseeching thee to grant, that by the merits and death of thy Son Jesus Christ, and through faith in his blood, we and all thy whole Church may obtain remission of our sins, and all other benefits of his passion.

And here we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, ourselves, our souls and bodies, to be a reasonable, holy, and living sacrifice unto thee; humbly beseeching thee that all we, who are partakers of this holy Communion, may be fulfilled with thy grace and heavenly benediction.

And although we be unworthy, through our manifold sins, to offer unto thee any sacrifice, yet we beseech thee to accept this our bounden duty and service; not weighing our merits, but pardoning our offences; Through Jesus Christ our Lord, by whom, and with whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost, all honour and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end. **Amen.**



## THE LORD'S PRAYER

Let us pray: As our Saviour Christ hath commanded and taught us, we are bold to say:

**Our Father, which art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name: Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done, in earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread: And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation. But deliver us from evil.**

Deliver us, O Lord, we beseech thee, from all evils, past, present, and to come: and at the intercession of the blessed and glorious Virgin Mary, Mother of God, with thy blessed Apostles Peter and Paul, and with Andrew, and all the Saints, favourably grant peace in our days: that by the help of thine availing mercy we may ever both be free from sin and safe from all distress.

**For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.**

**O** LORD Jesus Christ, who saidst to thine Apostles, Peace I leave with you; my peace I give unto you: regard not our sins, but the faith of thy Christ; and grant to her peace and unity according to thy will; who livest and reignest with the Father and the Holy Spirit, ever one God, world without end. **Amen.**

**V.** The peace of the Lord be always with you.

**R.** And with thy spirit.

The people may offer one another a sign of peace.

Taking the Host, the Priest says:

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

**Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

## AGNUS DEI

**O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world: have mercy upon us.**

**O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world: have mercy upon us.**

**O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world: grant us thy peace.**

Then the priest, bowing profoundly, says with all who shall receive Communion:

## PRAYER OF HUMBLE ACCESS

**W**E do not presume to come to this thy Table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy Table. But thou art the same Lord whose property is always to have mercy. Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his Blood, that our sinful bodies may be made clean by his Body, and our souls washed through his most precious Blood, and that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. **Amen.**

## INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Behold the Lamb of God, behold him that taketh away the sins of the world.

**Lord, I am not worthy that thou shouldst come under my roof:  
but speak the word only and my soul shall be healed.**

The response is said three times, all striking their breast.

When the bell rings, all those who are to receive Holy Communion come forward. All communicant members of the Christian Church are invited to receive the Sacrament.

## POSTCOMMUNION

**Communion. John 16, 16.** A little while, and ye shall not see me, alleluia; and again, a little while and ye shall see me, because I go to the Father, alleluia, alleluia.

After Communion, silence may be kept.

Then the priest standing and the people kneeling, the priest says:

**A**LMIGHTY and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee, for that thou dost vouchsafe to feed us, who have duly received these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favour and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, which is the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs through hope of thy everlasting kingdom, by the merits of the most precious death and passion of thy dear Son. And we most humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honour and glory, world without end. **Amen.**

#### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray.

O Lord our God, who hast made us partakers of this holy Sacrament: grant that we may thereby inwardly be satisfied with heavenly food, and outwardly be defended against all adversities; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

#### THE CONCLUDING RITES

##### BLESSING

**Ÿ.** The Lord be with you.

**Ŕ.** And with thy spirit.

The peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord: and the blessing of God Almighty, ✠ the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be amongst you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

##### DISMISSAL

**Ÿ.** Go forth in peace.

**Ŕ.** Thanks be to God.

##### LAST GOSPEL

**Ÿ.** The Lord be with you.

**Ŕ.** And with thy spirit.

**Ÿ.** The beginning of the holy Gospel according to John.

**Ŕ.** ✠ **Glory be to thee, O Lord.**

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. The same was in the beginning with God. All things were made by him: and without him was not any thing made that was made: in him was life, and the life was the light of men: and the light shineth in darkness, and the darkness comprehended it not. There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. The same came for a witness, to bear witness of the light, that all men through him might believe. He was not that light, but was sent to bear witness of that light. That was the true light that lighteth every man that cometh into the world. He was in the world, and the world was made by him, and the world knew him not. He came unto his own, and his own received him not. But as many as received him, to them gave he power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on his name: which were born, not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God. **(genuflect)** And the Word was made flesh, **(rise)** and dwelt among us: and we beheld his glory, the glory as of the Only-begotten of the Father, full of grace and truth.

**Ŕ.** Thanks be to God.