

Tuesday in the 7th Week of Easter

26 May 2020

REGINA CÆLI AT NOON

Joy to thee, O Queen of heaven, *alleluia!*
He whom thou was meet to bear, *alleluia!*
As he promised hath arisen, *alleluia!*
Pour for us to God thy prayer, *alleluia!*

Rejoice and be glad, O Virgin Mary, *alleluia.*

For the Lord is risen indeed, alleluia.

Let us pray.

O God,
who gave joy to the world
through the resurrection of your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ,
grant we pray, that with his mother, the Virgin Mary,
we may obtain the joys of everlasting life.
Through the same Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

MASS AT 12.10

THE INTRODUCTORY RITES

Entrance Antiphon

Rev 1.17-18

I am the first and the last,
I was dead and am now alive.
Behold, I am alive for ever and ever, *alleluia.*

Greeting

✠ In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
Amen.

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

Christ is risen, *alleluia.*
He is risen indeed, alleluia.

Penitential Act

Let us acknowledge our sins,
and so prepare to celebrate the sacred mysteries.

A brief pause for silence follows.

Lord Jesus, you raise the dead to life in the Spirit:
Lord, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy.

Lord Jesus, you bring pardon and peace to the sinner:
Christ, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

Lord Jesus, you bring light to those in darkness:
Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

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

Hymn of Praise

**Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to God's 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 sin 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.**

Collect

Let us pray.

Grant, we pray, almighty and merciful God,
that the Holy Spirit, coming near
and dwelling graciously within us,
may make of us a perfect temple of his glory.
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Reading

Acts 20.17-27

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

From Miletus Paul had the presbyters of the Church at Ephesus summoned. When they came to him, he addressed them,

“You know how I lived among you the whole time from the day I first came to the province of Asia. I served the Lord with all humility and with the tears and trials that came to me because of the plots of the Jews, and I did not at all shrink from telling you what was for your benefit, or from teaching you in public or in your homes. I earnestly bore witness for both Jews and Greeks to repentance before God and to faith in our Lord Jesus. But now, compelled by the Spirit, I am going to Jerusalem. What will happen to me there I do not know, except that in one city after another the Holy Spirit has been warning me that imprisonment and hardships await me. Yet I consider life of no importance to me, if only I may finish my course and the ministry that I received from the Lord Jesus, to bear witness to the Gospel of God’s grace.

“But now I know that none of you to whom I preached the kingdom during my travels will ever see my face again. And so I solemnly declare to you this day that I am not responsible for the blood of any of you, for I did not shrink from proclaiming to you the entire plan of God.”

For the word of the Lord,
thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 68, 10-11, 20-21

℟. Kingdoms of earth, sing to God.

A bountiful rain you showered down, O God, upon your inheritance;
you restored the land when it languished;
Your flock settled in it;
in your goodness, O God, you provided it for the needy. **℟.**

Blessed day by day be the Lord,
who bears our burdens; God, who is our salvation.
God is a saving God for us;
the LORD, my Lord, controls the passageways of death. **℟.**

Gospel Acclamation

Jn 16.7, 13

Alleluia, alleluia!
I shall ask the Father,
and he will give you another Advocate,
to be with you for ever.
Alleluia!

Gospel

John 17.1-11

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

✠ A reading from the holy Gospel according to John.
Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

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.”

For the Gospel of the Lord,
praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Pause to reflect on the Word.

Prayers of the People

Pray for the world and the church.

Greeting of Peace

We are the body of Christ.
God’s Spirit is with us.

The peace of the Lord be always with you.
And also with you.

THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

When all is prepared, the Priest says,

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

**May the Lord accept our sacrifice
for the praise and glory of God’s name,
for our good, and the good of all God’s holy Church.**

Prayer over the Offerings

Accept, O Lord, the prayers of your faithful
with the sacrificial offerings,
that through these acts of devotedness
we may pass over to the glory of heaven.
Through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Eucharistic Prayer

God, the Earth and Ourselves

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give him thanks and praise.

God of majesty,

Lord of life,

Jesus Christ our Lord has ascended to heaven,
uniting us in the destiny we share.

Today we sing a song for all nations,
a new song, the equal music
that you promise in your kingdom.

Today we preach the good news,
inspired and inspiring, boldly declared,
a living witness to our Redeemer.

Today we dance with joy and thanksgiving,
a way we find, through neither speech nor language,
to realise the Spirit's power.

And so we follow Christ our Light,
advancing with all the host of heaven
beyond the height of the heavenly powers,
and joined by ranks of angels,
as we celebrate the wonder of your power:

**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.

Lord, you are holy indeed;
you enlighten our path with the light of Christ,
who has scattered the darkness of heart and mind.

Send your Spirit of truth,
the Advocate who pleads our cause,
that these gifts, which earth has given
and human hands have made,
may become for us the body and blood of Jesus Christ,
truly human, truly risen,
our companion on the road.

On the night he was betrayed,
Jesus took a loaf of bread,
and when he had given thanks, he broke it and said,
“This is my body that is for you.
Do this in remembrance of me.”

In the same way he took the cup, after supper, saying,
“This cup is the new covenant in my blood.
Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.”

And so, God of loving-kindness,
we gather together,
sharing in your passion and resurrection,
clothed with the power promised us from on high,
our eyes opened in the breaking of the bread.

Great is the mystery of faith:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

God of earth and all creation,
Breath of life and Fire of love,
increase your gifts of grace within us
that we may imitate your compassion
and build up the body of Christ.

Give us a constant faith and a firm hope,
that we may walk with the disciples
as heralds and witnesses
of justice and peace,
enlightened with the flame of faith
and inspired by the life you give to the world.

Call us in hope to the glory of heaven,
where, with all who praise your name
whose records bear witness,
and whose art is their prayer,
we praise you,
many members,
one body,
in Jesus Christ our Lord;
through whom, and with whom, and in whom,
O God, almighty Father
in the unity of the Holy Spirit
all glory and honour is yours
for ever and ever. **Amen.**

THE COMMUNION RITE

The Lord's Prayer

Let us pray with confidence to the Father
in the words our Saviour against us:

**Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done, on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins,
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil.**

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. Amen.**

The Priest breaks the bread, saying –

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.
We who are many are one body,
for we all share in the one bread.

While the bread is broken Agnus Dei is said –

**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.**

Invitation to Communion

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.

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

All receive Holy Communion.

Communion will be administered in one kind only.

Communicants are asked to approach the celebrant in single file, maintaining physical distance, returning to their places by the side aisles.

Those who are not able to receive the Blessed Sacrament are invited to unite themselves with Jesus by making a Spiritual Communion.

Act of Spiritual Communion

St Alphonsus Liguori

My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the most Blessed Sacrament. I love You above all things and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot now receive You sacramentally, come spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there, and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

Communion Antiphon

John 14.26

The Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you all things and remind you of all I have told you, says the Lord, alleluia.

Prayer after Communion

We have partaken of the gifts of this sacred mystery, humbly imploring, O Lord, that what your Son commanded us to do in memory of him may bring us growth in charity. Through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

THE CONCLUDING RITES

Blessing and Dismissal

Christ our exalted king
pour upon you his abundant gifts
and bring you to reign with him in glory;
and the blessing of God almighty,
the Father, the Son, ✠ and the Holy Spirit,
be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Go in peace.

Thanks be to God.