

## Form Mass 2023



## Greeting

The Lord be with you. – **R And with your spirit.**

## Penitential Act

*The Priest invites the faithful to the Penitential Act.*

You were sent to heal the contrite of heart:

Lord, have mercy.

**Lord, have mercy.**

You came to call sinners:

Christ, have mercy.

**Christ, have mercy.**

You are seated at the right hand of the Father to intercede for us:

Lord, have mercy.

**Lord, have mercy.**

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

**Amen.**

## 1<sup>st</sup> Reading – Revelation 7:2-4, 9-14

Then I saw another angel rising where the sun rises, carrying the seal of the living God; he called in a powerful voice to the four angels whose duty was to devastate land and sea,

'Wait before you do any damage on land or at sea or to the trees, until we have put the seal on the foreheads of the servants of our God.'

And I heard how many had been sealed: a hundred and forty-four thousand, out of all the tribes of Israel.

After that I saw that there was a huge number, impossible for anyone to count, of people from every nation, race, tribe and language; they were standing in front of the throne and in front of the Lamb, dressed in white robes and holding palms in their hands. They shouted in a loud voice,

'Salvation to our God, who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!'

And all the angels who were standing in a circle round the throne, surrounding the elders and the four living creatures, prostrated themselves before the throne, and touched the ground with their foreheads, worshipping God with these words: Amen. Praise and glory and wisdom, thanksgiving and honour and power and strength to our God for ever and ever. Amen.

One of the elders then spoke and asked me, 'Who are these people, dressed in white robes, and where have they come from?'

I answered him, 'You can tell me, sir.' Then he said, 'These are the people who have been through the great trial; they have washed their robes white again in the blood of the Lamb.'

The Word of the Lord

**R: Thanks be to God**

The response to the Psalm is – **Such are the men who seek your face, O Lord.**

**R. Such are the men who seek your face, O Lord.**

To Yahweh belong the earth and all it contains, the world and all who live there; it is he who laid its foundations on the seas, on the flowing waters fixed it firm.

**R. Such are the men who seek your face, O Lord.**

Who shall go up to the mountain of Yahweh? Who shall take a stand in his holy place? The clean of hands and pure of heart, whose heart is not set on vanities, who does not swear an oath in order to deceive.

**R. Such are the men who seek your face, O Lord.**

Such a one will receive blessing from Yahweh, saving justice from the God of his salvation. Such is the people that seeks him, that seeks your presence, God of Jacob.

**R. Such are the men who seek your face, O Lord.**

## **R. Alleluia, alleluia.**

Come to me, all you who labour and are overburdened,  
and I will give you rest, says the Lord.

## **R. Alleluia.**

A reading from the Gospel according to Luke

## **R: Glory to you O Lord**

Seeing the crowds, he went onto the mountain. And when he was seated his disciples came to him. Then he began to speak. This is what he taught them: How blessed are the poor in spirit: the kingdom of Heaven is theirs.

Blessed are the gentle: they shall have the earth as inheritance.

Blessed are those who mourn: they shall be comforted.

Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for uprightness: they shall have their fill.

Blessed are the merciful: they shall have mercy shown them.

Blessed are the pure in heart: they shall see God.

Blessed are the peacemakers: they shall be recognised as children of God.

Blessed are those who are persecuted in the cause of uprightness: the kingdom of Heaven is theirs.

'Blessed are you when people abuse you and persecute you and speak all kinds of calumny against you falsely on my account.

Rejoice and be glad, for your reward will be great in heaven; this is how they persecuted the prophets before you.

The Gospel of the Lord

**R: Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ**

Prayers of the faithful The response to each prayer is **Hear Our Prayer**

We pray for our school, parish, family and friends: that we may take the time to connect to others, no matter where in the world they are, and care for them as God cares for us.

**Lord in your mercy.....R**

We pray for world leaders: that they may make wise decisions for the good of all the members of our global family.

**Lord in your mercy.....R**

We pray for all children around the world; that they may have the chance to change their lives for the better and look to the future with hope and happiness.

**Lord in your mercy..... R**

God of Hope,

We pray in a moment of silence for ourselves. Fill us, Lord, with your peace and healing, restoring hope as you touch our hearts.

**Lord in your mercy.....R**



We ask Mary to guide and protect us as we say together the  
Hail Mary

**Hail Mary, full of grace.**

**The Lord is with thee.**

**Blessed art thou amongst women,**

**and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus.**

**Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners,**

**now and at the hour of our death,**

**Amen.**

*The Priest offers the prayers of blessing quietly at the altar. If the priest says the prayers aloud the assembly's acclamation each time is:*

**Blessed be God for ever.**

*The Priest completes additional personal preparatory rites, and he 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.**

*Then the Priest says the Prayer over the Offerings, at the end of which the people acclaim:*

**Amen.**

*The Eucharistic Prayer*

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.**

*The Priest concludes the Preface with the people, saying*

**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.**

*The Priest continues with the Eucharistic Prayer.  
After the words of Consecration the priest says:  
The mystery of faith.*

**When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup, we proclaim your Death, O Lord, until you come again.**

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.**

## The Lord's Prayer

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

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name;**

**thy kingdom come,**

**thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.**

**Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses,**

**as we forgive those who trespass against us;**

**and lead us not into temptation,**

**but deliver us from evil.**

Deliver us, Lord, we pray...and the coming of our Saviour, Jesus Christ.

**For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours now and for ever.**

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**And with your spirit.**

Let us offer each other the sign of peace.

*All offer one another the customary sign of peace.*

## Breaking of the Bread

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

*After his private prayers of preparation the Priest genuflects, takes the host and, holding it slightly raised above the paten or above the chalice says aloud:*

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

that you should enter under my roof,

but only say the word

and my soul shall be healed.

## Blessing

The Lord be with you.

**And with your spirit.**

May almighty God bless you, the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

**Amen.**

## Dismissal

Go in peace, glorifying the Lord by your life.

**Thanks be to God.**

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