

Form Mass September 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.

In the month of Nisan, in the twentieth year of King Artaxerxes, since I was in charge of the wine, I took the wine and offered it to the king. Now, he had never seen me looking depressed before. So the king said to me, 'Why are you looking depressed? You are not sick! This must be a sadness of the heart.'

Thoroughly alarmed by this, I said to the king, 'May the king live for ever! How can I not look depressed when the city where the tombs of my ancestors are lies in ruins and its gates have been burnt down?' The king then said to me, 'What would you like me to do?' Praying to the God of heaven, I said to the king, 'If the king approves and your servant enjoys your favour, send me to Judah, to the city of the tombs of my ancestors, so that I can rebuild it.' The king -- with the queen sitting beside him--said, 'How long will your journey take, and when will you come back?' Once I had given him a definite time, the king approved my mission.

I then said to the king, 'If the king approves, may I be given orders for the governors of Transeuphrates to let me pass through on my way to Judah? Also an order for Asaph, keeper of the king's forest, to supply me with timber for the beams of the gates of the citadel of the Temple, for the city walls and for the house which I am to occupy?' These the king granted me because the kindly hand of my God was over me.

The word of the Lord

R: Thanks be to God

The response to the Psalm is -

R. Let my tongue be silenced if I ever forget you!

Upon the rivers of Babylon, there we sat and wept: when we remembered Sion: On the willows in the midst thereof we hung up our instruments. **R.**

For there they that led us into captivity required of us the words of songs. And they that carried us away, said: Sing ye to us a hymn of the songs of Sion. **R.**

How shall we sing the song of the Lord in a strange land? If I forget thee, O Jerusalem, let my right hand be forgotten. **R.**

Let my tongue cleave to my jaws, if I do not remember thee: If I make not Jerusalem the beginning of my joy. **R.**

Alleluia, alleluia. I consider all things so much rubbish that I may gain Christ and be found in him. **R. Alleluia, alleluia**

The Gospel Luke 9: 57-62

As they travelled along they met a man on the road who said to him, 'I will follow you wherever you go.'

Jesus answered, 'Foxes have holes and the birds of the air have nests, but the Son of man has nowhere to lay his head.'

Another to whom he said, 'Follow me,' replied, 'Let me go and bury my father first.'

But he answered, 'Leave the dead to bury their dead; your duty is to go and spread the news of the kingdom of God.'

Another said, 'I will follow you, sir, but first let me go and say good -- bye to my people at home.'

Jesus said to him, 'Once the hand is laid on the plough, no one who looks back is fit for the kingdom of God.'

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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