



# THE LORD'S DAY IN CHURCH

FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (A)  
 Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> July 2020

**THIS SHEET IS SINGLE USE ONLY.  
 PLEASE DO NOT LEAVE IT IN CHURCH AFTER MASS**

Please remember social distancing, remaining at least two metres away from each other person at all times. There will be no singing at Mass and certain other elements are omitted, in order to minimise the amount of time spent inside.

## THE INTRODUCTORY RITES

*All stand. The Priest approaches the altar and venerates it while the Entrance Antiphon is recited:*

### Entrance Antiphon

**As for me, in justice I shall behold your face; I shall be filled with the vision of your glory.**

### Sign of the Cross and Greeting

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

**A: Amen.**

P: The Lord be with you.

**A: And with your spirit.**

### Penitential Act

P: Brothers and sisters, let us acknowledge our sins, and so prepare ourselves to celebrate the sacred mysteries.

P: You were sent to heal the contrite of heart: Lord, have mercy.

**A: Lord, have mercy.**

P: You came to call sinners: Christ, have mercy.

**A: Christ, have mercy.**

P: You are seated at the right hand of the Father to intercede for us: Lord, have mercy.

**A: Lord, have mercy.**

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

**A: Amen.**

### The Gloria

**A: 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 glory, Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father. Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, 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.**

### The Collect

P: Let us pray.

O God, who show the light of your truth to those who go astray, so that they may return to the right path, give all who for the faith they profess are accounted Christians the grace to reject whatever is contrary to the name of Christ and to strive after all that does it honour. 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.

**A: Amen.**

*All sit for the readings*

## THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

### First Reading

A Reading from the prophet Isaiah.  
 (55:10-11: *The rain makes the earth give growth.*)

The word of the Lord.

**A: Thanks be to God.**

### Responsorial Psalm

64(65):10-14

R. **Some seed fell into rich soil and produced its crop.**

You care for the earth, give it water, you fill it with riches.

Your river in heaven brims over to provide its grain. R.

And thus you provide for the earth; you drench its furrows; you level it, soften it with showers; you bless its growth. R.

You crown the year with your goodness.

Abundance flows in your steps, in the pastures of the wilderness it flows. R.

The hills are girded with joy, the meadows covered with flocks, the valleys are decked with wheat. They shout for joy, yes, they sing. R.

### Second Reading

A reading from the letter of Saint Paul to the Romans  
 (8:18-23: *The whole creation is eagerly waiting for God to reveal his sons.*)

The word of the Lord.

**A: Thanks be to God.**

*All stand to acclaim the Gospel:*

### Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

**Speak, Lord, your servant is**

**listening: you have the message of eternal life.  
 Alleluia!**

### The Gospel

P: The Lord be with you.

**A: And with your spirit.**

P: A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew.

**A: Glory to you, O Lord.**

(*Matthew 13:1-23: A sower went out to sow.*)



P: The Gospel of the Lord.

**A: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

### The Homily

*All sit*

*The priest may offer a short reflection or leave a few moments silence.*

### The Creed (The Apostles' Creed)

*All Stand*

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried; he descended into hell; on the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty from there he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting. Amen.**

*The Prayer of the Faithful (Intercessions) are omitted, so you may wish to use the time while the priest prepares the gifts at the altar to think of your prayers for the Church and the world, and for your own particular intentions for this Mass.*

**THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST**

*There will be no procession of gifts or collection at Mass today: your donations to Church may be made online, or placed in the boxes by the doors.*

*All stand when the priest says:*

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

**A:** **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 Gifts**

**P:** Look upon the offerings of the Church, O Lord, as she makes her prayer to you, and grant that, when consumed by those who believe, they may bring ever greater holiness. Through Christ our Lord.

**A: Amen.**

**The Eucharistic Prayer**

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

**A: And with your spirit.**

**P:** Lift up your hearts.

**A: We lift them up to the Lord.**

**P:** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**A: It is right and just.**

*The priest says the Preface, praising God and leading to the song of the host of heaven, in which we join:*

**A: 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.**

*Please sit rather than kneel for the consecration*

*The priest says the Eucharistic Prayer, remembering the words of Jesus at the Last Supper. Bread and Wine become the Body and Blood of Jesus for us.*

*The mystery of faith.*

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

*The Eucharistic Prayer continues, as we pray for the Church and the World, and ask that this holy sacrifice may help us be an offering to God. The prayer concludes:*

**P:** 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.

**A: Amen.**

*All stand*

**THE COMMUNIONRITE**

**The Lord's Prayer**

**P:** At the Saviour's command and

formed by divine teaching, we dare to say:

**A: 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.**

**P:** 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.

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

**P:** 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.

**A: Amen.**

**P:** The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**A: And with your spirit.**

**Sign of Peace:** *As a sign of peace we acknowledge each other with a bow with hands joined, a wave or a smile and we pause for a moment to fill our minds and hearts with thoughts of peace for our families, our neighbours, our enemies, our friends and our world.*

**Breaking of the Bread**

**A: 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.**

*Please sit rather than kneel as we prepare for communion*

**Invitation to Communion**

**P:** 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.

**A: Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.**

**P:** We will not say the words we usually say when receiving communion today. Instead, as I receive communion, I will hold up the host and chalice, and we will acclaim the presence of Jesus by saying "Amen" all together.

*The priest holds up the Host to the Congregation and says "The Body of Christ" to which the people respond "Amen." In the same way, he elevates the chalice and says, "The Blood of Christ" and again the people respond "Amen."*

**Holy Communion**

*Please wait in your place until invited to move forward for Holy Communion by the Stewards; be aware of social distancing and remaining at least two metres away from the person in front of you. See the "queue" as a procession and an act of reverence to the Blessed Sacrament.*

*When you approach the priest or minister, do so with arms at "full stretch" so that there is a good distance between you. Your hands, palms upwards, one of top of the other, should be extended as flatly as possible. Having received Holy Communion, return to your place in an orderly manner as directed.*

**Act of Thanksgiving After Communion**

*From the depths of my heart I thank You, Dear Lord, for Your infinite kindness in coming to me. How good You are to me! With Your most holy Mother and all the angels, I praise Your mercy and generosity toward me, a poor sinner. I thank You for nourishing my soul with Your Sacred Body and Precious Blood. I will try to show my gratitude to You in the Sacrament of Your love, by obedience to Your holy commandments, by fidelity to my duties, by kindness to my neighbour and by an earnest endeavour to become like You in my daily conduct.*

**Prayer after Communion**

*Let us pray. All stand*  
Grant, we pray, O Lord, that, having been replenished by such great gifts, we may gain the prize of salvation and never cease to praise you. Through Christ our Lord.

**A: Amen.**

**THE CONCLUDING RITES**

**Blessing and Dismissal**

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

**A: And with your spirit.**

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

**A: Amen.**

**P:** Go forth, the Mass is ended.

**A: Thanks be to God.**

*Please leave church promptly, so that stewards can thoroughly clean the church after Mass. Any conversations should be held at safe distance once you are outside the Church. The priest may greet the people outside once he has removed his vestments*