

# EUCHARIST OF THE RESURRECTION



*For God so loved  
the world, that He gave  
His only begotten Son, that  
whosoever believeth in Him  
should not perish, but  
have everlasting life.  
~ John 3:16*

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## **THE GREAT FIFTY DAYS**

### **EASTER**

Easter Day (Easter Sunday) is both the third day of the Triduum and the first day of the season of Easter. The first eight days of the season, the octave of Easter, are celebrated as solemnities of the Lord. The Ascension is celebrated on the fortieth day of Easter (or the Seventh Sunday of Easter.) The fiftieth and last day is the feast of Pentecost. These fifty days are the unbroken celebration of the victory of the risen Lord; they are celebrated as one feast day, sometimes called ‘the Great Sunday.’

Throughout the Easter Season, Alleluias are sung and the Easter candle stands in the midst of the congregation. Christ is risen, reigns glorious with the father and is present through the gift of the Spirit. This is the Easter mystery that is celebrated in the symbolic period of Fifty Days.

The Book of the Acts of the Apostles and the Gospel according to John are at the heart of the liturgy of the Word throughout the Fifty Days of Easter. The Gospel of John offers the community of faith an opportunity to deepen its understanding of the central place that Christ’s dying and rising, the paschal mystery, occupies in its life. The Acts of the Apostles shows how the church derives its entire life from this mystery and its ultimate fruit, the gift of the Holy Spirit.

Special attention is given to the teaching of those who have been baptised, confirmed and renewed at the Easter Vigil. This is the time for the whole community together to deepen our grasp of the paschal mystery and make it part of our lives. We meditate upon the gospel message and upon the sacraments bestowed, with their symbols of water, oil, light and the new robe. The whole season is a special time for baptismal celebration.

The season’s liturgical colour is white, as we look forward to the climactic festival-within-a-festival, Pentecost.

# THE GATHERING OF THE PEOPLE OF GOD

*The Choir may sing an Introit*

**Entrance Hymn    280    Jesus Christ is risen**

**Sentence:**

Christ our Passover has been sacrificed for us; therefore let us keep the feast.

**The Lord is risen indeed, alleluia!**    1 Corinthians 5.7-8

**Priest:**    The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with you.  
**And also with you.**

Christ is risen. Alleluia! Alleluia!

**He is risen indeed. Alleluia! Alleluia!**

## **The Easter Anthems**

Hymn to the Risen Christ (Easter Anthem)

- 1 Christ our passover has been | sacri-ficed | for us:  
so let us | cele|brate the | feast,
- 2 not with the old leaven of cor|ruption and | wickedness:  
but with the unleavened | bread of. sin|cerity and | truth.
- 3 Christ once raised from the dead | dies no | more:  
death has no | more do|minion | over him.
- 4 In dying he died to sin | once for | all:  
in | living . he | lives to | God.
- 5 See yourselves therefore as | dead to | sin:  
and alive to God in | Jesus | Christ our | Lord.
- 6 Christ has been | raised . from the | dead:  
the | first fruits . of | those who | sleep.

- 7 For as by | man came | death:  
by man has come also resurrection | of the | dead;
- 8 For as in | Adam all | die:  
even so in Christ shall | all be | made a|live.

The Lord be with you.  
**And also with you.**

Let us pray

**Almighty God,  
to whom all hearts are open,  
all desires known  
and from whom no secrets are hidden:  
cleanse the thoughts of our heart,  
by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit,  
that we may perfectly love you,  
and worthy magnified your Holy name,  
through Christ our Lord  
Amen**

*The two great commandments*

Hear O Israel, the Lord our God, the Lord is one,  
you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart,  
and with all your soul, and with all your mind,  
and with all your strength.  
‘Jesus said: ‘this is the great and the first commandment.  
a second is like it: you shall love your neighbour as  
yourself.’

**Lord, have mercy on us: and write your law in our  
hearts by your Holy Spirit.**

*The introduction to the confession*

Priest

Christ our Passover Lamb has been offered for us, therefore we come to celebrate the festival.

*Silence may be kept.*

Let us confess our sins in penitence and faith, with a sincere and a true heart.

**Merciful God,  
Our maker and our judge,  
we have sinned against you in thought, words, and deed  
and in what we have failed to do:  
we have not loved you with our whole hearts,  
we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves;  
we repent and are sorry for all our sins, father forgive  
us,  
strengthen us to love and obey you in newness of life;  
through Jesus Christ our lord. Amen**

*The Absolution. Standing the priest says.*

Priest

Almighty God who has promised forgiveness to all who turn to him in faith: pardon you and set you free from all your sins, strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in eternal life, Through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

**Lord, have mercy.  
Christ, have mercy.  
Lord, have mercy.**

*All sings the Gloria*

**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**

### **The Collect (Prayer of the Day)**

Priest   Almighty God,  
    you have conquered death  
    through your dearly beloved Son Jesus Christ  
    and opened to us the gate of everlasting life:  
    grant us by your grace to set our mind on things above,  
    so that by your continual help  
    our whole life may be transformed;  
    through Jesus Christ our Lord,  
    who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit  
    in everlasting glory. **Amen.**

## **THE LITURGY OF THE WORD**

### **Readings from Scripture**

#### 1st Reading

#### **A reading from the Acts of the Apostles 10.34-43**

<sup>34</sup> Then Peter began to speak to them: ‘I truly understand that God shows no partiality, <sup>35</sup> but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. <sup>36</sup> You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ—he is Lord of all. <sup>37</sup> That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after

the baptism that John announced: <sup>38</sup> how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. <sup>39</sup> We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; <sup>40</sup> but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, <sup>41</sup> not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. <sup>42</sup> He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. <sup>43</sup> All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name.’

May your Word live in us, **and bear much fruit to your glory**

### **Psalm 118 : 1-2,14-24**

- 1 O give thanks to the Lord for | he is | good:  
his | mercy en|dures for | ever.
- 2 Let Israel | now proc|lain:  
that his | mercy . en|dures for | ever.
- 14 + The Lord is my | strength .and my | song:  
and has be|come | my sal|vation.
- 15 The sounds of | joy . and de|liverance:  
are | in the | tents . of the | righteous.
- 16 The right hand of the Lord does | mighty | things:  
the right hand of the | Lord | raises | up.
- 17 I shall not | die but | live:  
and pro|claim the | works . of the | Lord.
- 18 The Lord has | disciplined . me | hard:  
but he has not | given me | over . to | death.
- 19 Open me the | gates of | righteousness:  
and I will enter and give | thanks | to the | Lord.
- 20 This is the | gate . of the | Lord:  
the | righteous | shall | enter it.
- 21 I will praise you | for you | answered me:  
and have be|come | my sal|vation.
- 22 The stone that the | builders .re|jected:

- has be|come the | head . of the | corner.  
23 This is the | Lord's | doing:  
and it is | marvel .lous | in our | eyes.  
24 This is the day that the | Lord has | made:  
let us re|joice | and be | glad in it.

### Second Reading

#### A reading from the letters of Paul to the 1 Corinthians 15.1-11

<sup>1</sup> Now I should remind you, brothers and sisters, of the good news that I proclaimed to you, which you in turn received, in which also you stand, <sup>2</sup> through which also you are being saved, if you hold firmly to the message that I proclaimed to you— unless you have come to believe in vain. <sup>3</sup> For I handed on to you as of first importance what I in turn had received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the scriptures, <sup>4</sup> and that he was buried, and that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the scriptures, <sup>5</sup> and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. <sup>6</sup> Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers and sisters at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have died. <sup>7</sup> Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles. <sup>8</sup> Last of all, as to someone untimely born, he appeared also to me. <sup>9</sup> For I am the least of the apostles, unfit to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. <sup>10</sup> But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace towards me has not been in vain. On the contrary, I worked harder than any of them—though it was not I, but the grace of God that is with me. <sup>11</sup> Whether then it was I or they, so we proclaim and so you have come to believe.

**Gradual:      Hymn 300      The Lord is risen indeed**

**The Holy Gospel** *in which we hear of the words and actions of Our Lord*

**Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ! King of endless glory.**

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to John

**Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ!**



<sup>1</sup> Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene came to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the tomb. <sup>2</sup> So she ran and went to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved, and said to them, ‘They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid him.’ <sup>3</sup> Then Peter and the other disciple set out and went towards the tomb. <sup>4</sup> The two were running together, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. <sup>5</sup> He bent down to look in and saw the linen wrappings lying there, but he did not go in. <sup>6</sup> Then Simon Peter came, following him, and went into the tomb. He saw the linen wrappings lying there, <sup>7</sup> and the cloth that had been on Jesus’ head, not lying with the linen wrappings but rolled up in a place by itself. <sup>8</sup> Then the other disciple, who reached the tomb first, also went in, and he saw and believed; <sup>9</sup> for as yet they did not understand the scripture, that he must rise from the dead. <sup>10</sup> Then the disciples returned to their homes. <sup>11</sup> But Mary stood weeping outside the tomb. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb; <sup>12</sup> and she saw two angels in white, sitting where the body of Jesus had been lying, one at the head and the other at the feet. <sup>13</sup> They said to her, ‘Woman, why are you weeping?’ She said to them, ‘They have taken away my Lord, and I do not know where they have laid him.’ <sup>14</sup> When she had said this, she turned round and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not know that it was Jesus. <sup>15</sup> Jesus said to her, ‘Woman, why are you weeping? For whom are you looking?’ Supposing him to be the gardener, she said to him, ‘Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have laid him, and I will take him away.’ <sup>16</sup> Jesus said to her, ‘Mary!’ She turned and said to him in Hebrew, ‘Rabbouni!’ (which means Teacher). <sup>17</sup> Jesus said to her, ‘Do not hold on to me, because I have not yet ascended to the Father. But go to my brothers and say to them, “I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God.”’ <sup>18</sup> Mary Magdalene went and announced to the disciples, ‘I have seen the Lord’; and she told them that he had said these things to her.

This is the Gospel of the Lord ...

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

## Sermon

*After the homily, all sit for a time of silent reflection*

### THE CREED OF NICEA

*We stand to profess the faith of the Church*

**We believe in one God,  
the Father, the almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all that is, seen and unseen.  
We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,  
the only Son of God,  
eternally begotten of the Father,  
God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God,  
begotten, not made,  
of one Being with the Father;  
through him all things were made.  
For us and for our salvation  
he came down from heaven,  
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit  
and the virgin Mary  
and became truly human.  
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;  
he suffered death and was buried.  
On the third day he rose again  
in accordance with the Scriptures;  
he ascended into heaven  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again in glory to judge  
the living and the dead,  
and his kingdom will have no end.  
We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
who with the Father and the Son**

is worshipped and glorified,  
who has spoken through the prophets.  
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.  
We acknowledge one baptism for the  
forgiveness of sins.  
We look for the resurrection of the dead,  
□ and the life of the world to come.      **Amen.**

## **THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

*Priest* :Let us pray for all people and for the church.

*The intercessor at the lectern voices the prayers of the faithful*

**Response:**      Lord, in your mercy  
                            **hear our prayer.**

*The Priest gathers up all these prayers saying:*

Almighty God, you have promised to hear our prayers.  
**Grant that what we have asked in faith**  
**we may by your grace receive,**  
**through Jesus Christ our Lord.                      Amen.**

## **THE RITE OF PENITENCE AND ABSOLUTION**

*Here notices are announce and after the notice finishes,  
the greeting of peace*

## **THE GREETING OF PEACE**

**Priest:**              The risen Christ came and stood among his disciples and  
                            said: ‘Peace be with you!’

**All**                      Then they were glad when they saw the Lord,  
**Alleluia!**

**Priest**                The peace of the risen Christ be always with you.  
**And also with you.**

## THE OFFERTORY

### Offertory Hymn 276.

**Light's glittering morn bedecks the sky;  
heaven thunders forth its victor cry;  
the glad earth shouts her triumph high,  
and groaning hell makes wild reply.**

**While he, the King, the mighty King,  
despoiling death of all its sting,  
and, trampling down the powers of night,  
brings forth his ransomed saints to light.**

**His tomb of late the threefold guard  
of watch and stone and seal had barred;  
but now, in pomp and triumph high,  
he comes from death to victory.**

**The pains of hell are loosed at last;  
the days of mourning now are past;  
an angel robed in light hath said,  
"The Lord is risen from the dead."**

*Response to the offertory prayers:*

Priest        Blessed are you, Lord, God of all creation.  
                  Through your goodness we have these gifts to share.  
                  Accept and use our offerings for your glory  
                  and for the service of your king

All            **Blessed be God for ever.**

## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

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 our thanks and praise.**

All glory and honour, be yours now and always,  
mighty Creator, everliving God.

We give you thanks and praise for your Son,  
our Saviour Jesus Christ,  
who by the power of your Spirit was born of Mary  
and lived as one of us.

By his death on the cross,  
he offered the one true sacrifice for sin,  
and obtained an eternal deliverance for his people.  
And now we give you thanks that you raised him to life  
triumphant, and exalted him in glory.

By his victory over death, the reign of sin is ended,  
a new day has dawned, a broken world is restored  
and we are made whole once more.

Therefore with angels and archangels,  
and with all the company of heaven,  
we proclaim your great and glorious name,  
for ever praising you and saying:

**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.**

Merciful God, we thank you  
for these gifts of your creation,  
this bread and wine,  
and we pray that by your Word and Holy Spirit,  
we who eat and drink them  
may be partakers of Christ's body and blood.

On the night he was betrayed Jesus took bread;  
and when he had given you thanks  
he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying,  
‘Take, eat. This is my body given for you.  
Do this in remembrance of me.’  
After supper, he took the cup,  
and again giving thanks  
he gave it to his disciples, saying,  
‘Drink from this, all of you.  
This is my blood of the new covenant  
shed for you and for many  
for the forgiveness of sins.  
Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.’

(Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:)

**Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

Father, we this bread and this cup,  
we do as our Saviour has commanded;  
we celebrate the redemption he has won for us;  
we proclaim his perfect sacrifice made once for all upon the cross,  
his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension;  
and we look for his coming  
to fulfil all things according to your will.

□ Renew us by your Holy Spirit  
unite us in the body of your Son,  
and bring us with all your people  
into the joy of your eternal kingdom;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord,  
with whom, and in whom,  
in the fellowship of the Holy Spirit,  
we worship you, Father,  
in songs of never-ending praise:

**Blessing and honour and glory and power  
are yours for ever and ever. Amen.**

As our Saviour Christ has taught us, we are confident to pray,

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

### **THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD**

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

**Jesus, Lamb of God, have mercy on us.  
Jesus, bearer of our sins, have mercy on us.  
Jesus, redeemer of the world, grant us your peace.**

### **INVITATION TO COMMUNION**

Behold the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world.  
Happy are those who are called to his supper.

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

Come!

## AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray:

Eternal God, giver of life,  
in the breaking of the bread we know the risen Lord.  
May we who celebrate this holy feast walk in his risen light  
and bring new life to all creation.

Most loving God,  
**you send us into the world you love.**  
**Give us grace to go thankfully and with courage**  
**in the power of your Spirit.**

Final Hymn: **294 Jesus lives.**

## THE BLESSING

The God of peace,  
who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus,  
the great shepherd of the sheep,  
through the blood of the everlasting covenant,  
make you perfect in every good work to do his will,  
working in you what is pleasing in his sight;  
and the ☩ blessing of God almighty,  
the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit,  
be amongst you and remain with you always.  
**Amen.**

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord, Alleluia, alleluia!  
**In the name of Christ. Alleluia, alleluia!**



