

Fifth Sunday of Lent



*“Let the one among you who is without sin
be the first to throw a stone at her.”*

(Cycle C)

Closing Hymn

Have Mercy, Lord, on Us



1. Have mer - cy, Lord, on us, For
 2. Lord, wash a - way our guilt, And
 3. A - gainst you, Lord, a - lone, And
 4. Blot out our man - y sins, Re -
 5. The joy your grace can give Let

you are ev - er kind; Though we have sinned be -
 cleanse us from our sin; For we con - fess our
 on - ly in your sight Have we trans-gressed; we
 move them from your view; Clean hearts cre - ate for
 us a - gain ob - tain, And may your Spir - it's

fore you, Lord, Your mer - cy let us find.
 wrongs, and see How great our guilt has been.
 stand con-demned: Your word is just and right.
 us, O God; Our spir - its now re - new.
 strong sup - port Our con - trite hearts sus - tain.

INTRODUCTORY RITES

Opening Hymn

Miserere: Prayer of Repentance



Refrain

Be mer - ci - ful to me, O Lord, for you

know that I have sinned. With your ten - der mer - cy,

wash me clean; cre - ate me a-new, O God.

Verses

1. For I ac-knowl - edge my of - fense, my__
 2. I come to you, my heart sin - cere, 7 your

1. sin is be - fore me al - ways. A - gainst you on - ly
 2. wis - dom place with - in me. Cleanse me, wash me

to Refrain

1. have I sinned, and done__ what is e - vil in your sight.
 2. free from sin; I am pur - i - fied bright-er than the snow.

Greeting

Ÿ. In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

R. Amen.

Ÿ. The grace and peace of our Lord, Jesus Christ,
the Love of God
and the Fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you always.

R. And also with you.

PENITENTIAL RITE (A VI)

Invitation to reflect on our faults and failings.

Ÿ To prepare ourselves to celebrate these sacred mysteries,
let us call to mind our faults and failings
and ask our heavenly Father in his mercy
for his healing and forgiveness.

Pause for silent reflection.

**I confess to almighty God
and to you, my brothers and sisters
that I have sinned
in my thoughts and in my words
in what I have done
and in what I have failed to do;
and I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin
all the Angels and Saints,
and you, my brothers and sisters,
to pray for me to the Lord our God.**

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

R. Amen.

Prayer after Communion

Ÿ. Let us pray.

Pause for silent prayer.

Almighty Father,
by this sacrifice
may we always remain one with your Son, Jesus Christ,
whose body and blood we share,
for he is Lord for ever and ever.

R. Amen.

CONCLUDING RITES

Prayer over the People (12)

Ÿ. The Lord be with you.

R. And also with you.

Ÿ. Bow your heads and pray for God's blessing.

Lord,
protect your people always,
that they may be free from every evil
and serve you with all their hearts.

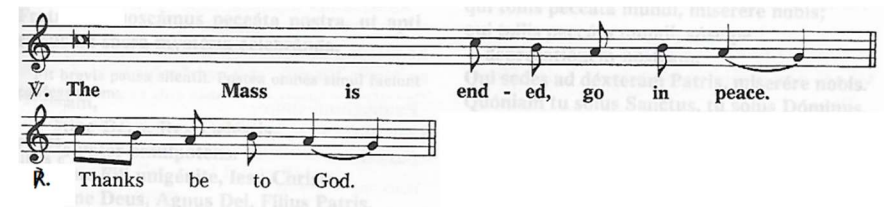
We ask this through Christ our Lord.

R. Amen.

Ÿ. And may the blessing of almighty God,
the Father, and the Son, + and the Holy Spirit,
come upon you and remain with you forever.

R. Amen.

Dismissal



Communion Meditation

Have Mercy, Gracious Lord, on Us



1. Have mer - cy, gra - cious Lord, on us who
2. To - geth - er, Lord, we sing your praise; our
3. You bid us love, as though our - selves, our
4. We watch you walk the nar - row way that
5. Have mer - cy, gra - cious Lord, on us who



fol - low from a - far. We hear your call but
tongues re - cite your name, but when you ask for
neigh - bors in their need; but of - ten good in -
leads you to a cross, while we pre - fer the
fol - low from a - far, and grant us strength of



turn a - way from threat of cost or scar.
bold - er speech, our si - lence is our shame.
tent stops short of self - less, lov - ing deed.
wid - er road more free from pain and loss.
heart and will to bear the cost, the scar.

(Kyrie Pro Defunctis)



Gloria

The Gloria is not said

Opening Prayer

Ÿ. Let us pray
to the Father and ask him
to form a new heart within us.

Pause for silent prayer.

Father in heaven,
the love of your Son led him to accept the suffering of the cross
that his brothers and sisters might glory in new life.
Change our selfishness into self-giving.
Help us to embrace the world you have given us,
that we may transform the darkness of its pain
into the life and joy of Easter.

Grant this through Christ our Lord.

R. Amen.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

Reading 1 (*Is 43:16-21*)

A reading from the Book of the Prophet Isaiah

Thus says the LORD,
who opens a way in the sea
and a path in the mighty waters,
who leads out chariots and horsemen,
a powerful army,
till they lie prostrate together, never to rise,
snuffed out and quenched like a wick.
Remember not the events of the past,
the things of long ago consider not;
see, I am doing something new!
Now it springs forth, do you not perceive it?
In the desert I make a way,
in the wasteland, rivers.
Wild beasts honor me,
jackals and ostriches,
for I put water in the desert
and rivers in the wasteland
for my chosen people to drink,
the people whom I formed for myself,
that they might announce my praise.

℣. This is the Word of the Lord.

℟. Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm (*Ps 126:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 6.*)



When the LORD brought back the captives of Zion,
we were like men dreaming.
Then our mouth was filled with laughter,
and our tongue with rejoicing.

℟. The Lord has done great things for us; we are filled with joy.

Exchange of Peace

℣. The Peace of the Lord be with you always.

℟. And also with you.

℣. Let us offer each other a sign of peace.

Breaking of the Bread

(Agnus Dei XVIII Deus Genitor Alme)

As the bread is broken, we sing or say:



℣. This is the Lamb of God who takes away the sins 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.

To those receiving Communion, the celebrant says:

℣. The body of Christ.

℟. Amen.

COMMUNION LITURGY

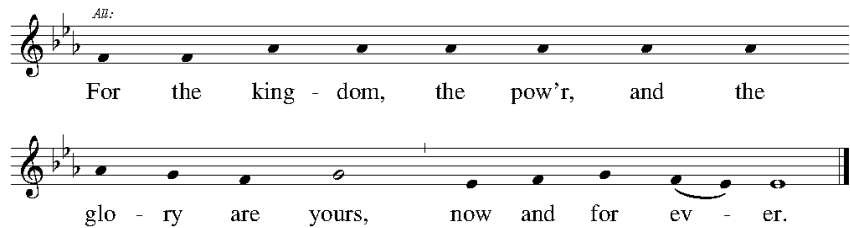
The Lord's Prayer

℣. We pray confidently in the words our Savior taught us:



Our Fa - ther, who art in heav - en, hal - lowed be thy name;
thy king - dom come; thy will be done on earth as it
is in heav - en. Give us this day our dai - ly bread;
and for - give us our tres - pass - es as we for - give
those who tres - pass a - gainst us; and lead us not
in - to temp - ta - tion, but de - liv - er us from e - vil.

℣. Deliver us, Lord, from every evil, and grant us peace in our day. In your mercy keep us free from sin and protect us from all anxiety as we wait in joyful hope for the coming of our Savior, Jesus Christ.



All:
For the king - dom, the pow'r, and the
glo - ry are yours, now and for ev - er.

℣. Lord Jesus Christ, you said to your apostles: I leave you peace, my peace I give you. Look not on our sins, but on the faith of your Church, and grant us the peace and unity of your kingdom where you live for ever and ever.

℣. Amen.

Then they said among the nations,
“The LORD has done great things for them.”
The LORD has done great things for us;
we are glad indeed.

℣. The Lord has done great things for us; we are filled with joy.

Restore our fortunes, O LORD,
like the torrents in the southern desert.
Those that sow in tears
shall reap rejoicing.

℣. The Lord has done great things for us; we are filled with joy.

Although they go forth weeping,
carrying the seed to be sown,
They shall come back rejoicing,
carrying their sheaves.

℣. The Lord has done great things for us; we are filled with joy.

Reading 2 (*Phil 3:8-14*)

A reading from the second letter of Saint Paul to the Philippeans

Brothers and sisters:
I consider everything as a loss
because of the supreme good of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord.
For his sake I have accepted the loss of all things
and I consider them so much rubbish,
that I may gain Christ and be found in him,
not having any righteousness of my own based on the law
but that which comes through faith in Christ,
the righteousness from God,
depending on faith to know him and the power of his resurrection
and the sharing of his sufferings by being conformed to his death,
if somehow I may attain the resurrection from the dead.

It is not that I have already taken hold of it
or have already attained perfect maturity,
but I continue my pursuit in hope that I may possess it,
since I have indeed been taken possession of by Christ Jesus.

Brothers and sisters, I for my part
do not consider myself to have taken possession.

Just one thing: forgetting what lies behind
but straining forward to what lies ahead,
I continue my pursuit toward the goal,
the prize of God's upward calling, in Christ Jesus.

Ÿ. This is the Word of the Lord.

℞. Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation (Jl 2:12-13)



Glo-ry and praise to you, Lord Je-sus Christ.

Even now, says the Lord,
return to me with your whole heart;
for I am gracious and merciful.



Glo-ry and praise to you, Lord Je-sus Christ.

Gospel (Jn 8:1-11)

Ÿ. The Lord be with you.

℞. And also with you.

Ÿ. A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Luke.

*The celebrant and the people trace the cross on their foreheads (mind),
their lips (speech) and over their hearts, asking the Lord to open them
to his Word.*

℞. Glory to you Lord.

(Sanctus XVIII Deus Genitor Alme)



Eucharistic Prayer (I)

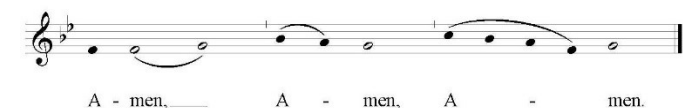
*The celebrant prays the Eucharistic Prayer. After the consecration, the
celebrant sings:*

Ÿ. Let us proclaim the mystery of faith.



The celebrant concludes the Eucharistic Prayer.

Through him, with him and in him
in the unity of the Holy Spirit
all glory and honor are yours, Almighty Father
Forever and ever.



Preface and *Sanctus* (Lent I)

V. The Lord be with you. R. And al - so with you. V. Lift up your hearts.

R. We lift them up to the Lord. V. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

R. It is right to give him thanks and praise.

Father, all-powerful and ever-living God,
we do well always and everywhere to give you thanks.

In you we live and move and have our being.
Each day you show us a Father's love;
your Holy Spirit, dwelling within us,
gives us on earth the hope of unending joy.

Your gift of the Spirit,
who raised Jesus from the dead,
is the foretaste and promise
of the paschal feast of heaven.

With thankful praise,
in company with the angels
we glorify the wonders of your power:

Jesus went to the Mount of Olives.

But early in the morning he arrived again in the temple area,
and all the people started coming to him,
and he sat down and taught them.

Then the scribes and the Pharisees brought a woman
who had been caught in adultery
and made her stand in the middle.

They said to him,

“Teacher, this woman was caught
in the very act of committing adultery.

Now in the law, Moses commanded us to stone such women.

So what do you say?”

They said this to test him,

so that they could have some charge to bring against him.

Jesus bent down and began to write on the ground with his finger.

But when they continued asking him,

he straightened up and said to them,

“Let the one among you who is without sin
be the first to throw a stone at her.”

Again he bent down and wrote on the ground.

And in response, they went away one by one,
beginning with the elders.

So he was left alone with the woman before him.

Then Jesus straightened up and said to her,

“Woman, where are they?

Has no one condemned you?”

She replied, “No one, sir.”

Then Jesus said, “Neither do I condemn you.

Go, and from now on do not sin any more.”

.V. This is the Gospel of the Lord.

R. Praise to you, Lord, Jesus Christ.

Glo - ry and praise to you, Lord Je - sus Christ.

Homily

Nicene Creed

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, one in Being with the Father.
Through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven:
All bow at these two lines
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he was born of the Virgin Mary, and became man.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered, died, and was buried.
On the third day he rose again in fulfillment of 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.
With the Father and the Son he is worshipped and glorified.
He 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.

General Intercessions

*The celebrant invites the congregation to pray and offers several
prayer intentions. Each concludes, "We pray to the Lord."*



*The celebrant concludes the intercessions with a final short prayer
ending with "... through Christ, our Lord."*

℟. Amen.

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

Offering of the Gifts

If an Offertory Hymn is played or sung, omit the following.

℣. Blessed are you, Lord, God of all creation. Through your goodness
we have this bread to offer, which earth has given and human hands
have made. It will become for us the bread of life.

℟. Blessed be God for ever.

℣. Blessed are you, Lord, God of all creation. Through your goodness
we have this wine to offer, fruit of the vine and work of human hands.
It will become our spiritual drink.

℟. Blessed be God for ever.

Prayer over the Gifts

℣. Pray, my brothers and sisters, that our sacrifice
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 Church.**

Almighty God,
may the sacrifice we offer
take away the sins of those
whom you enlighten with the Christian faith.

We ask this in the name of Jesus the Lord.

℟. Amen.