Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time



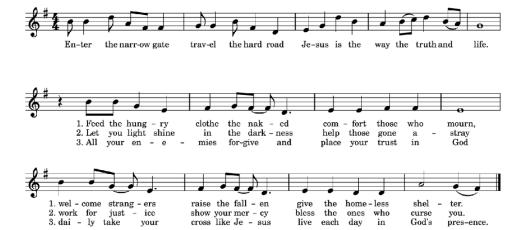
"'Strive to enter through the narrow gate.""

(Cycle C)

INTRODUCTORY RITES

Opening Hymn

Narrow Gate



Greeting

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

R. Amen.

V. 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 (C1)

Invitation to reflect on our faults and failings.

V 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.

V You were sent to heal the contrite:



V You came to call sinners:

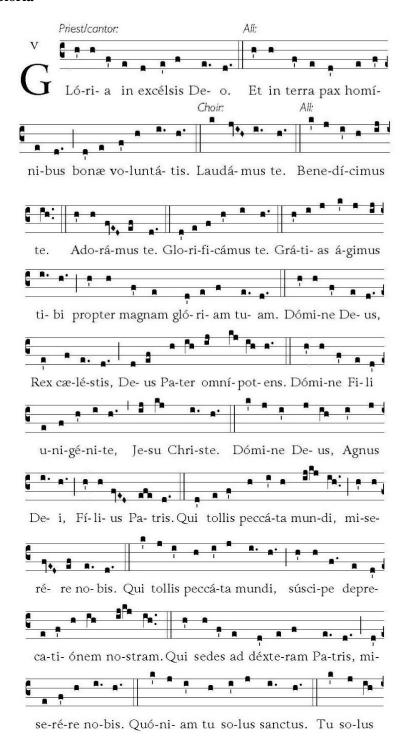


V You plead for us at the right hand of the Father:



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

Gloria





Dómi-nus. Tu so-lus Altíssimus, Je-su Chri-ste. Cum San-



cto Spí-ri-tu, in gló-ri- a De- i Pa-tris. A- men.

Glory to God in the highest,

and peace to his 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.

Opening Prayer

Lord our God, all truth is from you, and you alone bring oneness of heart. Give your people the joy of hearing your word in every sound and of longing for your presence more than for life itself. May all the attractions of a changing world serve only to bring us the peace of your kingdom which this world does not give.

Grant this through Christ our Lord.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

Reading 1 (*Is* 66:18-21)

A reading from the Book of the Prophet Isaiah.

Thus says the LORD:

I know their works and their thoughts,

and I come to gather nations of every language;

they shall come and see my glory.

I will set a sign among them;

from them I will send fugitives to the nations:

to Tarshish, Put and Lud, Mosoch, Tubal and Javan,

to the distant coastlands

that have never heard of my fame, or seen my glory;

and they shall proclaim my glory among the nations.

They shall bring all your brothers and sisters from all the nations as an offering to the LORD,

on horses and in chariots, in carts, upon mules and dromedaries, to Jerusalem, my holy mountain, says the LORD,

just as the Israelites bring their offering

to the house of the LORD in clean vessels.

Some of these I will take as priests and Levites, says the LORD.

V. This is the Word of the Lord.

R. Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm (Ps 117:1, 2)



Praise the LORD, all you nations; glorify him, all you peoples!

R. Go out to all the world and tell the Good News.

For steadfast is his kindness toward us, and the fidelity of the LORD endures forever.

R. Go out to all the world and tell the Good News.

Reading 2 (Heb 12:5-7, 11-13)

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews.

Brothers and sisters,

You have forgotten the exhortation addressed to you as children:

"My son, do not disdain the discipline of the Lord

or lose heart when reproved by him;

for whom the Lord loves, he disciplines;

he scourges every son he acknowledges."

Endure your trials as "discipline";

God treats you as sons.

For what "son" is there whom his father does not discipline? At the time.

all discipline seems a cause not for joy but for pain, yet later it brings the peaceful fruit of righteousness

to those who are trained by it.

So strengthen your drooping hands and your weak knees. Make straight paths for your feet, that what is lame may not be disjointed but healed.

V. This is the Word of the Lord.

R. Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation (*Jn 14:6*)



I am the way, the truth and the life, says the Lord; no one comes to the Father, except through me.



Gospel (Lk 13:22-30)

V. The Lord be with you.

R. And also with you.

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

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

R. Glory to you Lord.

Jesus passed through towns and villages, teaching as he went and making his way to Jerusalem. Someone asked him.

"Lord, will only a few people be saved?"

He answered them.

"Strive to enter through the narrow gate,

for many, I tell you, will attempt to enter

but will not be strong enough.

After the master of the house has arisen and locked the door,

then will you stand outside knocking and saying,

'Lord, open the door for us.'

He will say to you in reply,

I do not know where you are from.

And you will say,

'We ate and drank in your company and you taught in our streets.'

Then he will say to you,

I do not know where you are from.

Depart from me, all you evildoers!'

And there will be wailing and grinding of teeth

when you see Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob

and all the prophets in the kingdom of God

and you yourselves cast out.

And people will come from the east and the west

and from the north and the south

and will recline at table in the kingdom of God.

For behold, some are last who will be first, and some are first who will be last."

V. This is the Gospel of the Lord.

R. Praise to you, Lord, Jesus 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."

R. Lord, hear our prayer.

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

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

Offering of the Gifts

V. 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.

R. Blessed be God for ever.

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Prayer over the Gifts

V. Pray, my brothers and sisters, that our sacrifice may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.

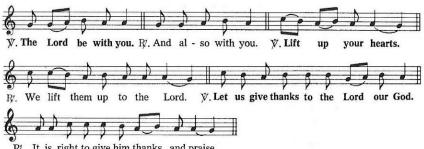
R. May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands, for the praise and glory of his name, for our good, and the good of all his Church.

Merciful God, the perfect sacrifice of Jesus Christ made us your people. In your love, grant peace and unity to your Church.

We ask this through Christ our Lord.

Preface and *Sanctus* (Sundays in Ordinary Time V)

Creation



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

The celebrant recites or sings the Preface:

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

All things are of your making, all times and seasons obey your laws, but you chose to create us in your own image, setting us over the whole world in all its wonder. You made us the stewards of creation, to praise you day by day for the marvels of your wisdom and power, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

We praise you, Lord, with all the angels in their song of joy:



tu-a. Ho-sánna in excélsis. Bene-díctus qui ve-nit



in nómi-ne Dómi-ni. Ho-sánna in excél-sis.

Eucharistic Prayer (IV)

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

V. Let us proclaim the mystery of faith.



The celebrant concludes the Eucharistic Prayer.

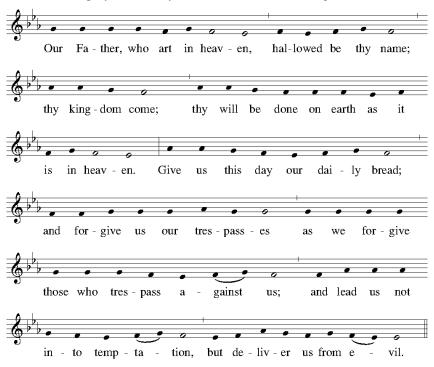
Through him, with him and in him in the unity of the Holy Spirit all glory and honor are yours, Almighty Father Forever and ever.



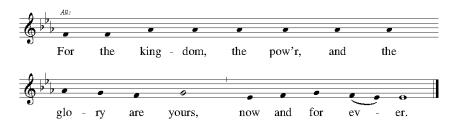
COMMUNION LITURGY

The Lord's Prayer

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



V. 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.



Exchange of Peace

V. 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.

R. Amen.

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

R. And also with you.

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

Breaking of the Bread

As the bread is broken, we sing or say:

(Agnus Dei XVIII Deus Genitor Alme)



di: do-na no-bis pa-cem.

 \dot{V} . This is the Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world. Happy are those who are called to his supper.

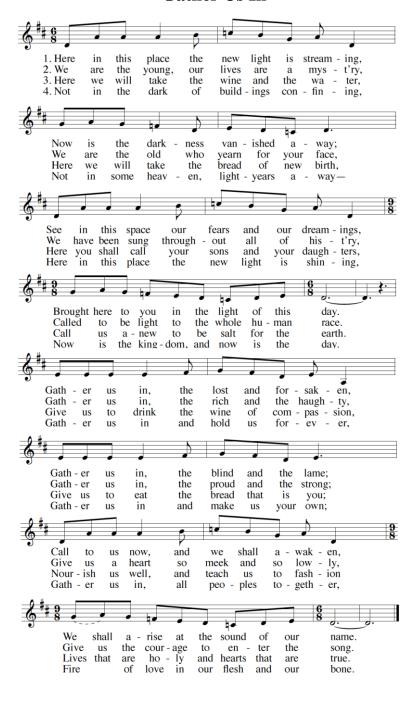
R. Lord, I am not worthy to receive you, but only say the word and I shall be healed.

To those receiving Communion (by intinction), the celebrant says:

V. The body and blood of Christ.

Communion Meditation

Gather Us In



Prayer after Communion

Lord, may this eucharist increase within us the healing power of your love. May it guide and direct our efforts to please you in all things.

We ask this in the name of Jesus the Lord.

R. Amen.

CONCLUDING RITES

Solemn Blessing (13)

R. And also with you.

Bow your heads and pray for God's blessing.

May the God of all consolation bless you in every way and grant you peace all the days of your life.

R. Amen.

May he free you from all anxiety and strengthen your hearts in his love.

R. Amen.

May he enrich you with his gifts of faith, hope, and love, so that what you do in this life may bring you to the happiness of everlasting life.

R. Amen.

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

Concluding Hymn

From North and South, From East to West

