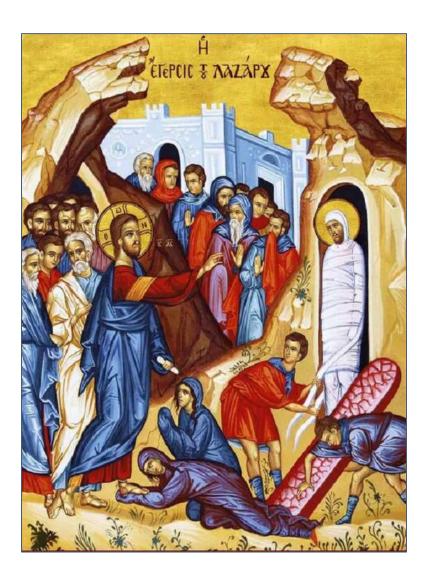
## Fifth Sunday of Lent



"I am the resurrection and the life; whoever believes in me, even if he dies, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die."

(Cycle A)

#### INTRODUCTORY RITES

## **Opening Hymn**

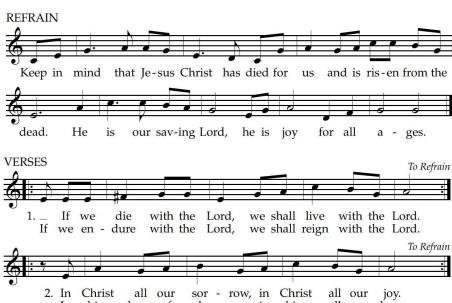
## From the Depths of Sin and Sadness



- Hope, O people, in your Savior, He will save you from your sins. Jesus from his cross is praying, "Father forgive them, they know not what they do."
- 5. We give glory to our Father, We give glory through his Son, In the Spirit, we give glory: Holy God, immortal One.

#### **Closing Hymn**

## **Keep in Mind**



- him hope of all our In glo - ry, in him love.
- 3. In Christ our re - demp - tion, in Christ all our grace. our sal - va - tion, in all our peace. him

## **Prayer after Communion**

#### V. 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)

V. The Lord be with you.

## R. And also with you.

V. 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.

V. 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**



#### 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 (A VI)

#### Invitation to reflect on our faults and failings.

 $\tilde{V}$  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.

I confess to almighty God
and to you, my brothers and sisters
that I have sinned through my own fault
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.

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

#### R Amen.



#### Gloria

The Gloria is not said

## **Opening Prayer**

V. 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.

#### **Communion Meditation**

## I Am the Bread of Life



## **Exchange of Peace**

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**

(Agnus Dei XVIII Deus Genitor Alme)

As the bread is broken, we sing or say:



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

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, the celebrant says:

. The body of Christ.

## R. Amen.

#### LITURGY OF THE WORD

#### **Reading 1** (Ez 37:12-14)

A reading from the Book of the Prophet Ezechiel

Thus says the Lord GOD:
O my people, I will open your graves and have you rise from them, and bring you back to the land of Israel.
Then you shall know that I am the LORD, when I open your graves and have you rise from them, O my people!
I will put my spirit in you that you may live, and I will settle you upon your land; thus you shall know that I am the LORD.
I have promised, and I will do it, says the LORD.

V. This is the Word of the Lord.

#### **R**. Thanks be to God.

## **Responsorial Psalm** (130:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8.)



Out of the depths I cry to you, O LORD; LORD, hear my voice! Let your ears be attentive to my voice in supplication.

## **R**. With the Lord there is mercy and fullness of redemption.

If you, O LORD, mark iniquities, LORD, who can stand? But with you is forgiveness, that you may be revered.

## R. With the Lord there is mercy and fullness of redemption.

I trust in the LORD; my soul trusts in his word. More than sentinels wait for the dawn, let Israel wait for the LORD.

## R. With the Lord there is mercy and fullness of redemption.

For with the LORD is kindness and with him is plenteous redemption; And he will redeem Israel from all their iniquities.

## R. With the Lord there is mercy and fullness of redemption.

#### **Reading 2** (Rom 8:8-11)

A reading from the letter of Saint Paul to the Romans

Brothers and sisters:

Those who are in the flesh cannot please God.

But you are not in the flesh;

on the contrary, you are in the spirit,

if only the Spirit of God dwells in you.

Whoever does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him.

But if Christ is in you,

although the body is dead because of sin,

the spirit is alive because of righteousness.

If the Spirit of the one who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you,

the one who raised Christ from the dead

will give life to your mortal bodies also,

through his Spirit dwelling in you.

#### V. This is the Word of the Lord.

#### **R**. Thanks be to God.

## Gospel Acclamation (Jn 11:25a, 26)



I am the resurrection and the life, says the Lord; whoever believes in me, even if he dies, will never die.



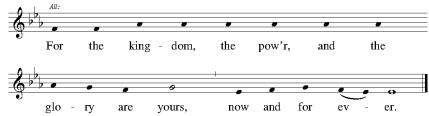
#### COMMUNION LITURGY

## The Lord's Prayer

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



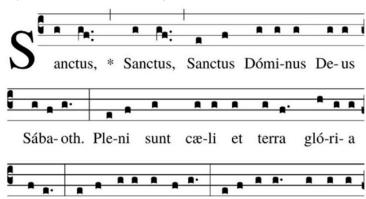
V. Deliver us, Lord, from every evil, and grant us peace in our day. In your mercy keep us free from sin and protect us from all anxiety as we wait in joyful hope for the coming of our Savior, Jesus Christ.



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.

#### (Sanctus XVIII Deus Genitor Alme)



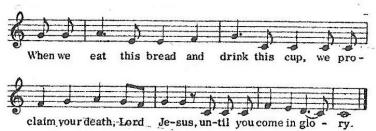
tu-a. Ho-sánna in excélsis. Bene-díctus qui ve-nit



## **Eucharistic Prayer** (I)

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

 $\dot{V}$ . 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.



## Gospel (Jn 11:1-45)

V. The Lord be with you.

#### R. And also with you.

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

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.

#### R. Glory to you Lord.

Now a man was ill, Lazarus from Bethany,

the village of Mary and her sister Martha.

Mary was the one who had anointed the Lord with perfumed oil

and dried his feet with her hair;

it was her brother Lazarus who was ill.

So the sisters sent word to him saying,

"Master, the one you love is ill."

When Jesus heard this he said,

"This illness is not to end in death,

but is for the glory of God,

that the Son of God may be glorified through it."

Now Jesus loved Martha and her sister and Lazarus.

So when he heard that he was ill,

he remained for two days in the place where he was.

Then after this he said to his disciples,

"Let us go back to Judea."

The disciples said to him,

"Rabbi, the Jews were just trying to stone you,

and you want to go back there?"

Jesus answered,

"Are there not twelve hours in a day?

If one walks during the day, he does not stumble,

because he sees the light of this world.

But if one walks at night, he stumbles,

because the light is not in him."

He said this, and then told them,

"Our friend Lazarus is asleep,

but I am going to awaken him."

So the disciples said to him,

"Master, if he is asleep, he will be saved."

But Jesus was talking about his death,

while they thought that he meant ordinary sleep.

So then Jesus said to them clearly,

"Lazarus has died.

And I am glad for you that I was not there,

that you may believe.

Let us go to him."

So Thomas, called Didymus, said to his fellow disciples,

"Let us also go to die with him."

When Jesus arrived, he found that Lazarus

had already been in the tomb for four days.

Now Bethany was near Jerusalem, only about two miles away.

And many of the Jews had come to Martha and Mary

to comfort them about their brother.

When Martha heard that Jesus was coming,

she went to meet him;

but Mary sat at home.

Martha said to Jesus,

"Lord, if you had been here,

my brother would not have died.

But even now I know that whatever you ask of God,

God will give you."

Jesus said to her,

"Your brother will rise."

Martha said to him,

"I know he will rise.

in the resurrection on the last day."

Jesus told her,

"I am the resurrection and the life;

whoever believes in me, even if he dies, will live,

and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die.

Do you believe this?"

She said to him, "Yes, Lord.

I have come to believe that you are the Christ, the Son of God,

the one who is coming into the world."

When she had said this,

she went and called her sister Mary secretly, saying,

"The teacher is here and is asking for you."

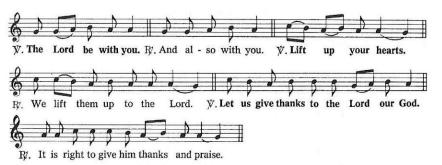
As soon as she heard this.

she rose quickly and went to him.

For Jesus had not yet come into the village,

but was still where Martha had met him.

## Preface and Sanctus (Lazarus)



Father, all-powerful and ever-living God, we do well always and everywhere to give you thanks through Jesus Christ our Lord.

As a man like us, Jesus wept for Lazarus his friend. As the eternal God, he raised Lazarus from the dead. In his love for us all, Christ gives us the sacraments to lift us up to everlasting life.

Through him the angels of heaven offer their prayer of adoration as they rejoice in your presence for ever.

May our voices be one with theirs in their triumphant hymn of praise:

#### LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

#### Offering of the Gifts

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

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.

V. 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.

#### R. Blessed be God for ever.

#### **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.

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.

#### R. Amen.

So when the Jews who were with her in the house comforting her saw Mary get up quickly and go out,

they followed her,

presuming that she was going to the tomb to weep there.

When Mary came to where Jesus was and saw him,

she fell at his feet and said to him,

"Lord, if you had been here,

my brother would not have died."

When Jesus saw her weeping and the Jews who had come with her weeping,

he became perturbed and deeply troubled, and said,

"Where have you laid him?"

They said to him, "Sir, come and see."

And Jesus wept.

So the Jews said, "See how he loved him."

But some of them said,

"Could not the one who opened the eyes of the blind man have done something so that this man would not have died?"

So Jesus, perturbed again, came to the tomb.

It was a cave, and a stone lay across it.

Jesus said, "Take away the stone."

Martha, the dead man's sister, said to him,

"Lord, by now there will be a stench;

he has been dead for four days."

Jesus said to her,

"Did I not tell you that if you believe

you will see the glory of God?"

So they took away the stone.

And Jesus raised his eyes and said,

"Father, I thank you for hearing me.

I know that you always hear me;

but because of the crowd here I have said this,

that they may believe that you sent me."

And when he had said this,

He cried out in a loud voice,

"Lazarus, come out!"

The dead man came out.

tied hand and foot with burial bands,

and his face was wrapped in a cloth.

So Jesus said to them,

"Untie him and let him go."

Now many of the Jews who had come to Mary and seen what he had done began to believe in him.

- . 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."



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

#### R. Amen.