Easter Sunday



"For they did not yet understand the Scripture that he had to rise from the dead."

(Cycle C)

INTRODUCTORY RITES

Opening Hymn

Jesus Christ Is Risen Today



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.

RITE OF SPRINKLING HOLY WATER

V Dear friends, this water will be used to remind us of our baptism. Let us ask God to keep us faithful to the Spirit he has given us.

Pause for silent prayer.

Lord God almighty, hear the prayers of your people: we celebrate our creation and redemption. Hear our prayers over this water which gives fruitfulness to the fields. and refreshment and cleansing to mankind. You chose water to show your goodness when you led your people to freedom through the Red Sea and satisfied their thirst in the desert with water from the rock. Water was the symbol used by the prophets to fortell your new covenant with mankind. You made the water of baptism holy by Christ's baptism in the Jordan: by it you give us a new birth and renew us in holiness. May this water remind us of our baptism, and let us share the joy of all who have been baptized at Easter.

We ask this through Christ our Lord.

The celebrant sprinkles himself and the people.

Gloria



se-ré-re no-bis. Quó-ni- am tu so-lus sanctus. Tu so-lus



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

God our Father, creator of all, today is the day of Easter joy.

This is the morning on which the Lord appeared to men and women who had begun to lose hope

and opened their eyes to what the scriptures foretold:

that first he must die, and then he would rise

and ascend into his Father's glorious presence.

May the risen Lord breathe on our minds and open our eyes that we may know him in the breaking of bread, and follow him in his risen life.

Grant this through Christ our Lord.

R. Amen.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

Reading 1 (Acts 10:34a, 37-43)

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

Peter proceeded to speak and said: "You know what has happened all over Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John preached, how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and power. He went about doing good and healing all those oppressed by the devil, for God was with him.

We are witnesses of all that he did

both in the country of the Jews and in Jerusalem.

They put him to death by hanging him on a tree.

This man God raised on the third day and granted that he be visible, not to all the people, but to us,

the witnesses chosen by God in advance,

who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead.

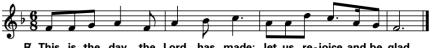
He commissioned us to preach to the people and testify that he is the one appointed by God as judge of the living and the dead.

To him all the prophets bear witness, that everyone who believes in him will receive forgiveness of sins through his name."

V. This is the Word of the Lord.

R. Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm (Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23.)



R. This is the day the Lord has made; let us re-joice and be glad.

Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good, for his mercy endures forever. Let the house of Israel say, "His mercy endures forever."

R. This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad.

"The right hand of the LORD has struck with power; the right hand of the LORD is exalted.

I shall not die, but live,
and declare the works of the LORD."

R. This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad.

The stone which the builders rejected has become the cornerstone. By the LORD has this been done; it is wonderful in our eyes.

R. This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad.

Reading 2 (Col 3:1-4)

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Collosians.

Brothers and sisters:

If then you were raised with Christ, seek what is above, where Christ is seated at the right hand of God. Think of what is above, not of what is on earth. For you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. When Christ your life appears, then you too will appear with him in glory.

V. This is the Word of the Lord.

R. Thanks be to God.

Sequence



Gospel Acclamation: Great Easter Alleluia



Christ, our paschal lamb, has been sacrificed; let us then feast with joy in the Lord.



Gospel (Jn 20:1-9)

V. The Lord be with you.

R. And also with you.

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

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.

On the first day of the week,

Mary of Magdala came to the tomb early in the morning, while it was still dark.

and saw the stone removed from the tomb.

So she ran and went to Simon Peter

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and to the other disciple whom Jesus loved, and told them,

"They have taken the Lord from the tomb,

and we don't know where they put him."

So Peter and the other disciple went out and came to the tomb.

They both ran, but the other disciple ran faster than Peter and arrived at the tomb first;

he bent down and saw the burial cloths there, but did not go in.

When Simon Peter arrived after him,

he went into the tomb and saw the burial cloths there,

and the cloth that had covered his head,

not with the burial cloths but rolled up in a separate place.

Then the other disciple also went in,

the one who had arrived at the tomb first,

and he saw and believed.

For they did not yet understand the Scripture

that he had to rise from the dead.

V. This is the Gospel of the Lord.

R. Praise to you, Lord, Jesus Christ.



Renewal of Baptismal Promises

V. Dear friends, through the paschal mystery we have been buried with Christ in baptism, so that we may rise with him to new life. Now tht we have completed our Lenten observance, let us renew the promises we made in baptism when we rejected Satan and his works, and promised to serve God faithfully in his holy catholic Church.

And so:

V. Do you renounce sin, so as to live in the freedom of the children of God?

R. I do.

 \hat{V} . Do you reject the lure of evil, so that sin may have no mastery over you?

R. I do.

V. Do you reject Satan, the author and prince of sin?

R. I do.

V. Do you believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth?

Ř. I do.

V. Do you believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was born of the Virgin Mary, suffered death and was buried, rose again from the dead, and is seated at the right hand of the Father?

Ř. I do.

V. Do you 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?

Ř. I do.

V. God, the all-powerful Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, has given us a new birth by water and the Holy Spirit, and forgiven all our sins.

May he also keep us faithful to our Lord Jesus Christ for ever and ever.

R. Amen.

The celebrant sprinkles the people with the blessed water.

General Intercessions

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

R. Risen Savior, hear our prayer!

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

R. Amen.

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.

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

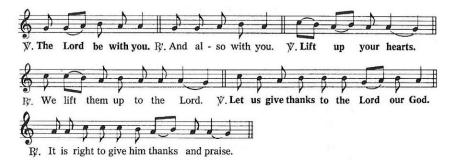
V. Pray, my brothers and sisters, that our sacrifice may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.

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.

Lord, with Easter joy we offer you the sacrifice by which your Church is reborn and nourished through Christ.

R. Amen.

Preface and Sanctus (Easter I)

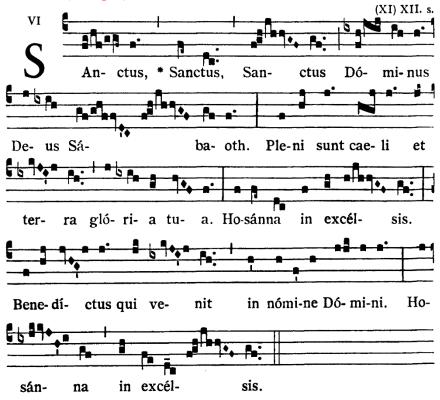


Father, all-powerful and ever-living God, we do well always and everywhere to give you thanks through Jesus Christ our Lord.

We praise you with greater joy than ever on this Easter night, when Christ became our paschal sacrifice.

He is the true Lamb who took away the sins of the world. By dying he stroyed our death; by rising he restored our life.

And so, with all the choirs of angels in heaven we proclaim your glory and join in their unending hymn of praise:



Eucharistic Prayer (I)

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.



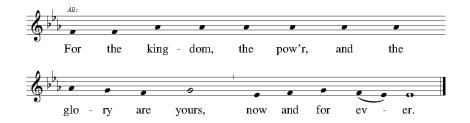
COMMUNION LITURGY

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.

 \tilde{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:





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.

R. Amen.

Communion Meditation

Ye Sons and Daughters



Prayer after Communion

Father of love, watch over your church and bring us to the glory of the resurrection promised by this Easter sacrament.

We ask this in the name of Jesus the Lord.

R. Amen.

CONCLUDING RITES

Solemn Blessing

V. The Lord be with you.

R. And also with you.

Bow your heads and pray for God's blessing.

May almighty God bless you on this solemn feast of Easter, and may he protect you against all sin.

R. Amen.

Through the resurrection of his Son God has granted us healing. May he fulfill his promises, and bless you with eternal life.

R. Amen.

You have mourned Christ's sufferings; now you celebrate the joy of his resurrection. May you come with joy to the feast which lasts for ever.

R. Amen.

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

R. Amen.





Closing Hymn

Psalm 150 Praise God in This Holy Dwelling

