

Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time



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and puts forth large branches,
so that the birds of the sky can dwell in its shade."*

(Cycle B)

INTRODUCTORY RITES

Opening Hymn

Seek Ye First the Kingdom of God

1. Seek ye first the king - dom of God and his
2. Ask and it shall be giv - en un - to you; seek, and
3. You do not live by bread a - lone, but by

1. righ - teous - ness, And all these things shall be
2. ye shall find; Knock, and it shall be
3. ev - 'ry word That pro - ceeds from the

1. add - ed un - to you. } Al - le - lu, al - le - lu - ia.
2. o - pened un - to you.
3. mouth of God. }

Greeting

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

℟. Amen.

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

℟. And also with you.

PENITENTIAL RITE (C4 *Kyrie XVI in Feriis*)

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.

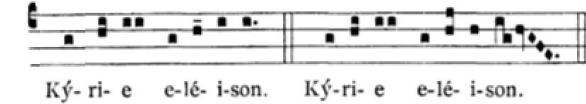
Ÿ Lord Jesus, you came to reconcile us to one another and to the
Father:



Ÿ Lord Jesus, you heal the wounds of sin and division:



Ÿ Lord Jesus, you intercede for us with your Father:



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

Ź Amen.

Gloria

Priest/cantor: *All:*

G Ló-ri-a in excélsis De-o. Et in terra pax homí-
Choir: *All:*
 ni-bus bonæ vo-luntá-tis. Laudá-mus te. Bene-dí-cimus
 te. Ado-rá-mus te. Glo-ri-fi-cá-mus te. Grá-ti-as á-gimus
 ti-bi propter magnam gló-ri-am tu-am. Dó-mi-ne De-us,
 Rex cæ-lé-stis, De-us Pa-ter omní-pot-ens. Dó-mi-ne Fi-li
 u-ni-gé-ni-te, Je-su Chri-ste. Dó-mi-ne De-us, Agnus
 De-i, Fí-li-us Pa-tris. Qui tollis peccá-ta mun-di, mi-se-
 ré-re no-bis. Qui tollis peccá-ta mundi, sú-sci-pe de-pre-
 ca-ti-ónem no-stram. Qui sedes ad dexte-ram Pa-tris, mi-
 se-ré-re no-bis. Quó-ni-am tu so-lus sanctus. Tu so-lus

Concluding Hymn

All Good Gifts

We plow the fields and scat-ter the good seed on the land, but
 You on-ly are the mak-er of all things near and far, you
 We thank you, then, dear Fa-ther, for all things bright and good, the

5
 it is fed and wa-tered by God's al-might-y hand. God
 paint the way-side flow-er, you light the eve-ning star. The
 seed-time and the har-vest, our life, our health, our food. And

9
 sends the snow in win-ter, the warmth to swell the grain, the
 winds and waves o-bey you, by you the birds are fed; much
 all that we can of-fer, your bound-less love im-parts; the

13
 breez-es and the sun-shine, and soft, re-fresh-ing rain.
 more, to us, your chil-dren, you give our dai-ly bread.
 gifts to you most pleas-ing are hum-ble, thank-ful hearts.

17
 All good gifts a-round us are sent from hea-ven a-bove; so

23
 thank you Lord, O thank you Lord for all your love.

Prayer after Communion

Lord,
may this eucharist
accomplish in your Church
the unity and peace it signifies.

Grant this through Christ our Lord.

R. Amen.

CONCLUDING RITES

Prayer over the People (11)

Y. The Lord be with you.

R. And also with you.

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

Lord,
bless us with your heavenly gifts,
and in your mercy make us ready to do your will.

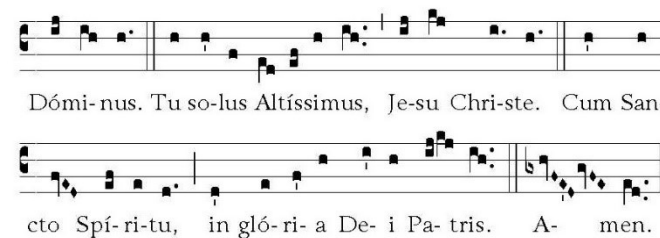
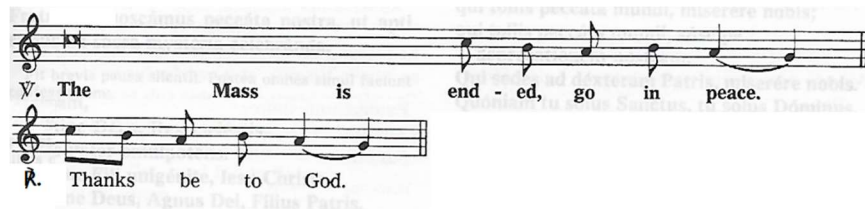
We ask this through Christ our Lord.

R. Amen.

Y. 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



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,

we rejoice in the faith that draws us together,

aware that selfishness can drive us apart.

Let your encouragement be our constant strength.

Keep us one in the love that has sealed our lives,

help us to live as one family

the gospel we profess.

We ask this through Christ our Lord.

R. Amen.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

Reading 1 (Ez 17:22-24)

A reading from the Book of the Prophet Ezechiel

Thus says the Lord GOD:

I, too, will take from the crest of the cedar,
from its topmost branches tear off a tender shoot,
and plant it on a high and lofty mountain;
on the mountain heights of Israel I will plant it.

It shall put forth branches and bear fruit,
and become a majestic cedar.

Birds of every kind shall dwell beneath it,
every winged thing in the shade of its boughs.

And all the trees of the field shall know
that I, the LORD,

bring low the high tree,

lift high the lowly tree,

wither up the green tree,

and make the withered tree bloom.

As I, the LORD, have spoken, so will I do.

℣. This is the Word of the Lord.

℟. Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm (Ps 92:2-3, 13-14, 15-16)



Lord, it is good to give thanks to you.

It is good to give thanks to the LORD,
to sing praise to your name, Most High,
To proclaim your kindness at dawn
and your faithfulness throughout the night.

℟. Lord, it is good to give thanks to you.

The just one shall flourish like the palm tree,
like a cedar of Lebanon shall he grow.
They that are planted in the house of the LORD
shall flourish in the courts of our God.

Communion Meditation

The Kingdom of God



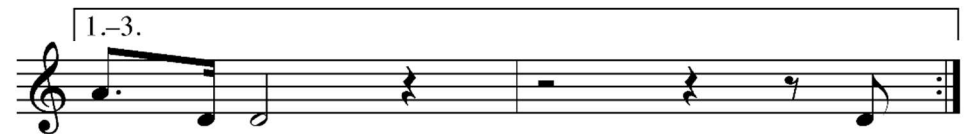
1. The king - dom of God is like a grain of
(2. For) when it is sown, it grows in - to the
(3. It) grows so birds can rest in - side its
(4. And) so we can lik - en it to seeds which



mus - tard seed. When it is sown in the earth it is the
larg - est plant, great - er than all of the herbs and grows in -
crown of leaves, deep in its shad - ows a - way from an - y
make a tree larg - er than all of the trees from just the



small - est seed. It is like the king - dom of God and a
to a tree. It is like the king - dom of God and a
e - vil prey. It is like the king - dom of God and a
small - est seed. It is like the king - dom of God and a



1.-3.
mys - ter - y. 2. For
mys - ter - y. 3. It
mys - ter - y. 4. And



4.
mys-ter-y, and a mys-ter-y, and a mys-ter-y.

Exchange of Peace

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

R. And also with you.

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

Breaking of the Bread

As the bread is broken, we sing or say:



Ÿ. 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:

Ÿ. The body of Christ.

R. Amen.

R. Lord, it is good to give thanks to you.

They shall bear fruit even in old age;
vigorous and sturdy shall they be,
Declaring how just is the LORD,
my rock, in whom there is no wrong.

R. Lord, it is good to give thanks to you.

Reading 2 (2 Cor 5:6-10)

A reading from the second letter of Paul to the Corinthians.

Brothers and sisters:
We are always courageous,
although we know that while we are at home in the body
we are away from the Lord,
for we walk by faith, not by sight.
Yet we are courageous,
and we would rather leave the body and go home to the Lord.
Therefore, we aspire to please him,
whether we are at home or away.
For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ,
so that each may receive recompense,
according to what he did in the body, whether good or evil.

Ÿ. This is the Word of the Lord.

R. Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation (Jn 6:51)



The seed is the word of God, Christ is the sower.
All who come to him will live forever.



Gospel (Mk 4:26-34)

℣. The Lord be with you.

℞. And also with you.

℣. A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Mark.

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.

℞. Glory to you Lord.

Jesus said to the crowds:

“This is how it is with the kingdom of God;
it is as if a man were to scatter seed on the land
and would sleep and rise night and day
and through it all the seed would sprout and grow,
he knows not how.

Of its own accord the land yields fruit,
first the blade, then the ear, then the full grain in the ear.
And when the grain is ripe, he wields the sickle at once,
for the harvest has come.”

He said,

“To what shall we compare the kingdom of God,
or what parable can we use for it?

It is like a mustard seed that, when it is sown in the ground,
is the smallest of all the seeds on the earth.

But once it is sown, it springs up and becomes the largest of plants
and puts forth large branches,
so that the birds of the sky can dwell in its shade.”

With many such parables

he spoke the word to them as they were able to understand it.

Without parables he did not speak to them,
but to his own disciples he explained everything in private.

℣. This is the Gospel of the Lord.

℞. Praise to you, Lord, Jesus Christ.



Homily

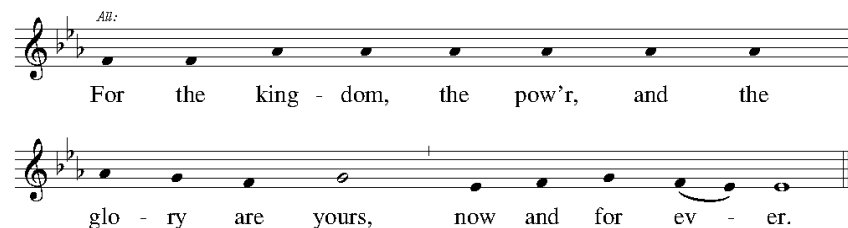
COMMUNION LITURGY

The Lord's Prayer

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



℣. 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.



℣. 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.

Eucharistic Prayer (III)

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

✠. Let us proclaim the mystery of faith.

The celebrant concludes the Eucharistic Prayer.



Christ has died, Christ is ris-en, Christ will come a - gain.

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.



A - men, A - men, A - men.

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."*

℟. Lord, hear our prayer.

*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

℣. 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.**

Lord God,
in this bread and wine
you give us food for body and spirit.
May the eucharist renew our strength
and bring us health of mind and body.

We ask this in the name of Jesus the Lord.

℟. Amen.

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

The salvation of mankind by a man

℣. The Lord be with you. ℟. And al - so with you. ℣. Lift up your hearts.

℟. We lift them up to the Lord. ℣. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

℟. 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.

We see your infinite power
in your loving plan of salvation.
You came to our rescue by your power as God,
but you wanted us to be saved by one like us.
Mankind refused your friendship,
but humanity itself was to restore it
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

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:

Sanctus, * Sanctus, Sanctus Dómi-nus De-us

Sá-ba-oth. Ple-ni sunt cæ-li et terra gló-ri-a

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

in nó-mi-ne Dó-mi-ni. Ho-sánna in excél-sis.

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.