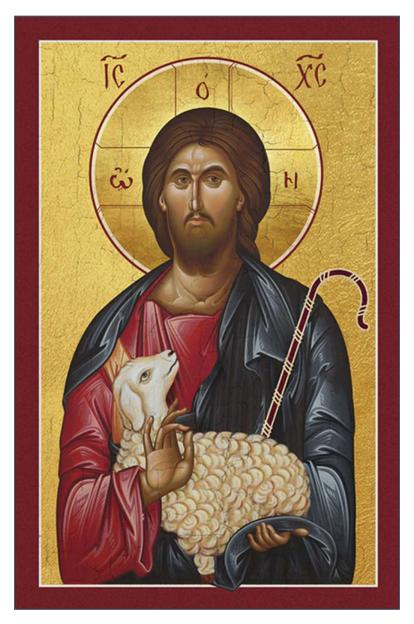
Fourth Sunday of Easter



"I am the good shepherd.
A good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep."

(Cycle B)

INTRODUCTORY RITES

Opening Hymn

Sing with All the Saints in Glory



Closing Hymn

All You Nations



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 (C6 de Angelis)

Invitation to reflect on our faults and failings.

 \mathring{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 Lord Jesus, you raise us to new life:



V Lord Jesus, you forgive us our sins:



 \tilde{V} Lord Jesus, you feed us with your body and blood:



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

R Amen.

Gloria



Prayer after Communion

Father, eternal shepherd, watch over the flock redeemed by the blood of Christ and lead us to the promised land.

Grant this through Christ our 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.

Through the resurrection of his Son God has redeemed you and made you his children. May he bless you with joy.

R. Amen.

The Redeemer has given you lasting freedom. May you inherit his everlasting life.

R. Amen.

By faith you rose with him in baptism. May your lives be holy, so that you will be united with him for ever.

R. Amen.

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

R. Amen.

Dismissal



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.

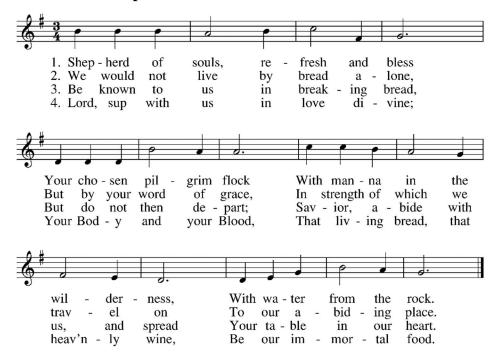
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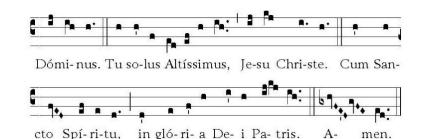
V. The body and blood of Christ.

R. Amen.

Communion Meditation

Shepherd of Souls Refresh and Bless





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.

Opening Prayer

Amen.

God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, though your people walk in the valley of darkness, no evil should they fear; for they follow in faith the call of the shepherd whom you have sent for their hope and strength.

Attune our minds to the sound of his voice, lead our steps in the path he has shown, that we may know the strength of his outstretched arm and enjoy the light of your presence for ever.

We ask this in the name of Jesus the Lord.

R. Amen.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

Reading 1 (Acts 4:8-12)

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit, said:

"Leaders of the people and elders:
If we are being examined today
about a good deed done to a cripple,
namely, by what means he was saved,
then all of you and all the people of Israel should know
that it was in the name of Jesus Christ the Nazorean
whom you crucified, whom God raised from the dead;
in his name this man stands before you healed.
He is the stone rejected by you, the builders,
which has become the cornerstone.
There is no salvation through anyone else,
nor is there any other name under heaven
given to the human race by which we are to be saved."

V. This is the Word of the Lord.

R. Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm (118:1, 8-9, 21-23, 26, 28, 29)



R. The stone re-ject-ed by the build-ers has be-come the cor-ner-stone.

Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good, for his mercy endures forever.

It is better to take refuge in the LORD than to trust in man.

It is better to take refuge in the LORD than to trust in princes.

R. The stone rejected by the builders has become the cornerstone.

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.

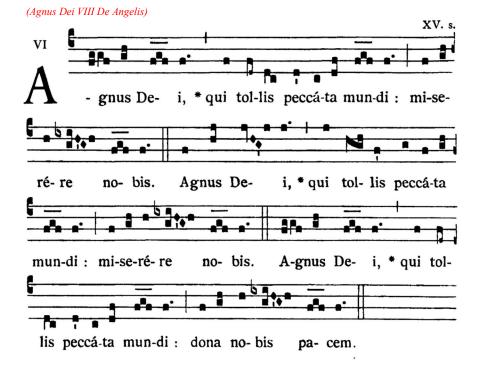
V. The Peace of the Lord be with you always.

R. And also with you.

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

Breaking of the Bread

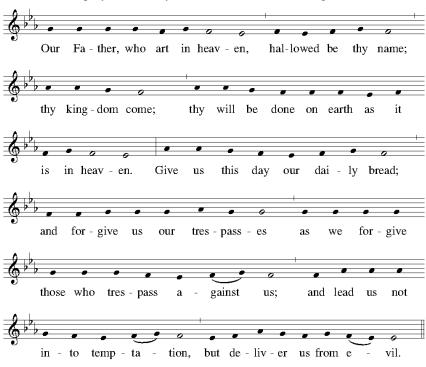
As the bread is broken, we sing or say:



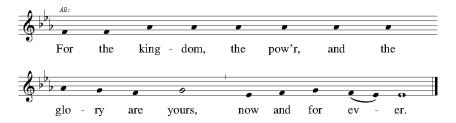
COMMUNION LITURGY

The Lord's Prayer

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



 \tilde{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.



I will give thanks to you, for you have answered me and have been my savior.

The stone which the builders rejected has become the cornerstone.

By the LORD has this been done; it is wonderful in our eyes.

R. The stone rejected by the builders has become the cornerstone.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the LORD; we bless you from the house of the LORD.

I will give thanks to you, for you have answered me and have been my savior.

Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; for his kindness endures forever.

R. The stone rejected by the builders has become the cornerstone.

Reading 2 (1 Jn 3:1-2)

A reading from the first letter of John.

Beloved:

See what love the Father has bestowed on us that we may be called the children of God.

Yet so we are.

The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him.

Beloved, we are God's children now; what we shall be has not yet been revealed.

We do know that when it is revealed we shall be like him, for we shall see him as he is.

V. This is the Word of the Lord.

R. Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation (Jn 10:14)



I am the good shepherd, says the Lord; I know my sheep, and mine know me.



Gospel (Jn 10:11-18)

℣. 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 said:

"I am the good shepherd.

A good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep.

A hired man, who is not a shepherd

and whose sheep are not his own,

sees a wolf coming and leaves the sheep and runs away,

and the wolf catches and scatters them.

This is because he works for pay and has no concern for the sheep.

I am the good shepherd,

and I know mine and mine know me,

just as the Father knows me and I know the Father;

and I will lay down my life for the sheep.

I have other sheep that do not belong to this fold.

Eucharistic Prayer (III)

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.



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

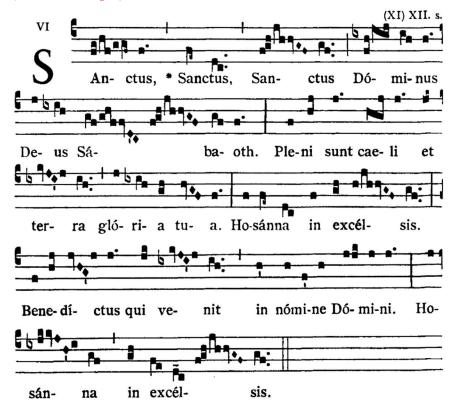
We praise you with greater joy than ever in this Easter season, when Christ became our paschal sacrifice.

He is still our priest, our advocate who always pleads our cause. Christ is the victim who dies no more, the Lamb, once slain, who lives for ever.

The joy of the resurrection renews the whole world, while the choirs of heaven sing for ever to your glory:

The celebrant recites or sings the Preface. At the conclusion, we sing or say:

(Sanctus VIII De Angelis)



These also I must lead, and they will hear my voice, and there will be one flock, one shepherd.

This is why the Father loves me, because I lay down my life in order to take it up again.

No one takes it from me, but I lay it down on my own.

I have power to lay it down, and power to take it up again.

This command I have received from my Father."

- 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.

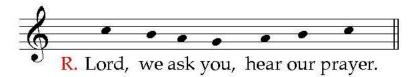
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

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.

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.

 \tilde{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, restore us by these Easter mysteries. May the continuing work of our redeemer

bring us eternal joyu.

We ask this through Christ our Lord.

R. Amen.

Preface and Sanctus (Easter III)

