

# Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time



*"Then every scribe who has been instructed in the kingdom of heaven  
is like the head of a household  
who brings from his storeroom both the new and the old."*


(Cycle A)

## INTRODUCTORY RITES

### Opening Hymn

#### Earthen Vessels

Refrain



We hold a trea-sure, not made of gold, in earth-en  
ves-sels, wealth un-told; one trea-sure on-ly: the  
Lord, the Christ, in earth-en ves - sels.

Verses



1. Light has shone in our dark-ness: God has shone in our heart  
2. God has cho-sen the low - ly who are small in this world;  
to Refrain  
1. with the light of the glo-ry of Je - sus, the Lord.  
2. in this weak-ness is glo-ry in Je - sus, the Lord.

### Concluding Hymn

#### To the Poor a Lasting Treasure



1. To the poor a last - ing treas - ure, to the  
2. To the heart that walks in sor - row, to the  
3. We shall sing a song of glad - ness to the  
4. We shall wel - come all as pil - grims, none will  
frail a guid - ing hand; There is wealth be - yond all  
heart that s ick with grief, To the heart that fears to -  
God who, from our birth, Has em-braced our joys and  
leave our homes un - blest. We will gath - er all God's  
meas - ure pour - ing forth at God's com - mand. To the  
mor - row there is com - fort and re - lease. For the  
sad - ness, giv - en dig - ni - ty and worth. We, as  
chil - dren, giv - ing life and love and rest. Then, with  
out - cast and re - ject - ed a love that knows no  
heart of Christ, once bro - ken and hung up - on a  
pil - grims bound to - geth - er, claim Christ as light and  
grate - ful voic - es rais - ing, be - fore our God we'll  
end, To the ones who least ex - pect it a  
tree, Is the heart of love that's spo - ken to  
guide, In a bond that none may sev - er we  
stand, As we all will go re - joic - ing in -  
Sav - ior comes as friend.  
all who search for peace.  
know the cru - ci - fied.  
to the prom - ised land.

## Prayer after Communion

Lord,  
we receive the sacrament  
which celebrates the memory  
of the death and resurrection of Christ your Son.  
May this gift bring us closer to our eternal salvation.

We ask this through Christ our Lord.

**R. Amen.**

## CONCLUDING RITES

### Prayer over the People (13)

Ÿ. The Lord be with you.

**R. And also with you.**

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

Lord,  
help your people to seek you with all their hearts  
and to deserve what you promise.

Grant this through Christ our Lord.

**R. Amen.**

Ÿ. 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.**

## Greeting

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

**R. Amen.**

Ÿ. 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.**

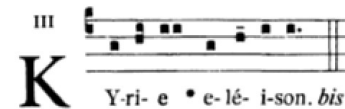
## PENITENTIAL RITE (C7)

*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.*

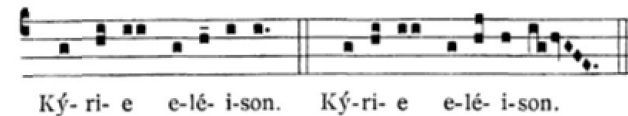
Ÿ Lord Jesus, you have shown us the way to the Father:



Ÿ Lord Jesus, you have given us the consolation of the truth:



Ÿ Lord Jesus, you are the Good Shepherd  
leading us into everlasting life:



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

**R. 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

## Communion Meditation

### I Found the Treasure

*Verses*

1. Lord, to whom can I go? You a-lone speak the  
 2. Je-sus, Lord of my life, I can ask for  
 1. words of life. You a-lone on the earth or in  
 2. noth-ing more than to see and be-lieve that my  
 1. heav-en a-bove are my Sav-ior and my Lord.  
 2. life lies in you, in the king-dom of my Lord.

*Refrain*

I found the trea-sure in a field that nei-ther  
 time nor death can steal. I will sell what I have, give  
 all that I am, to hold this trea-sure as my own.

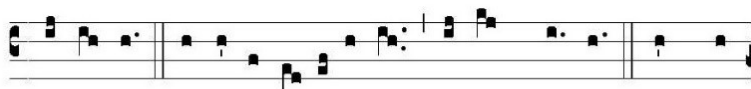
☩. This is the Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world.  
Happy are those who are called to his supper.

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

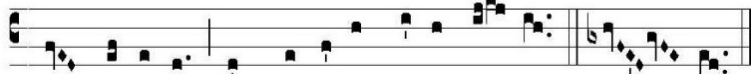
*To those receiving Communion (by intinction), the celebrant  
says:*

☩. The body and blood of Christ.

**℟. Amen.**



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,  
open our eyes to see your hand at work  
in the splendor of creation,  
in the beauty of human life.  
Touched by your hand our world is holy.  
Help us to cherish the gifts that surround us,  
to share your blessings with our brothers and sisters,  
and to experience the joy of life in your presence.

Grant this through Christ our Lord.

**℟. Amen.**

## LITURGY OF THE WORD

### Reading 1 (1 Kgs 3:5, 7-12)

A reading from the First Book of Kings.

The LORD appeared to Solomon in a dream at night.  
God said, "Ask something of me and I will give it to you."  
Solomon answered:  
"O LORD, my God, you have made me, your servant, king  
to succeed my father David;  
but I am a mere youth, not knowing at all how to act.  
I serve you in the midst of the people whom you have chosen,  
a people so vast that it cannot be numbered or counted.  
Give your servant, therefore, an understanding heart  
to judge your people and to distinguish right from wrong.  
For who is able to govern this vast people of yours?"

The LORD was pleased that Solomon made this request.  
So God said to him:  
"Because you have asked for this—  
not for a long life for yourself,  
nor for riches,  
nor for the life of your enemies,  
but for understanding so that you may know what is right—  
I do as you requested.  
I give you a heart so wise and understanding  
that there has never been anyone like you up to now,  
and after you there will come no one to equal you."

℣. This is the Word of the Lord.

℟. Thanks be to God.

### Responsorial Psalm (Ps 119:57, 72, 76-77, 127-128, 129-130)



℟. Lord, I love your commands.

I have said, O LORD, that my part  
is to keep your words.  
The law of your mouth is to me more precious  
than thousands of gold and silver pieces.

## Exchange of Peace

℣. 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.

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

℟. And also with you.

℣. 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)*

**A** -gnus De- i, \*qui tol-lis peccá-ta mundi : mi-se-  
ré-re no- bis. Agnus De- i, \* qui tol-lis peccá-ta mundi :  
mi-se-ré-re no- bis. Agnus De- i, \* qui tol-lis peccá-ta mun-  
di : do-na no-bis pa-cem.

## COMMUNION LITURGY

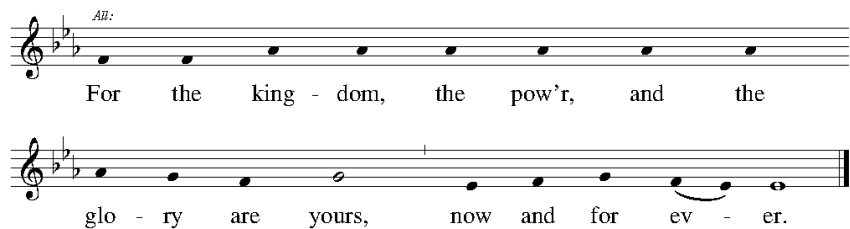
### The Lord's Prayer

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



Our Fa - ther, who art in heav - en, hal - lowed be thy name;  
thy king - dom come; thy will be done on earth as it  
is in heav - en. Give us this day our dai - ly bread;  
and for - give us our tres - pass - es as we for - give  
those who tres - pass a - gainst us; and lead us not  
in - to temp - ta - tion, but de - liv - er us from e - vil.

℣. 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.



*All:*  
For the king - dom, the pow'r, and the  
glo - ry are yours, now and for ev - er.

℣. Lord, I love your commands.

Let your kindness comfort me  
according to your promise to your servants.  
Let your compassion come to me that I may live,  
for your law is my delight.

℣. Lord, I love your commands.

For I love your command  
more than gold, however fine.  
For in all your precepts I go forward;  
every false way I hate.

℣. Lord, I love your commands.

Wonderful are your decrees;  
therefore I observe them.  
The revelation of your words sheds light,  
giving understanding to the simple.

℣. Lord, I love your commands.

### Reading 2 (*Rom 8:28-30*)

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Romans:

Brothers and sisters:

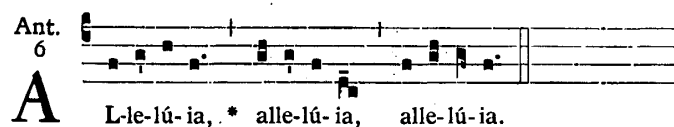
We know that all things work for good for those who love God,  
who are called according to his purpose.  
For those he foreknew he also predestined  
to be conformed to the image of his Son,  
so that he might be the firstborn  
among many brothers and sisters.  
And those he predestined he also called;  
and those he called he also justified;  
and those he justified he also glorified.

℣. This is the Word of the Lord.

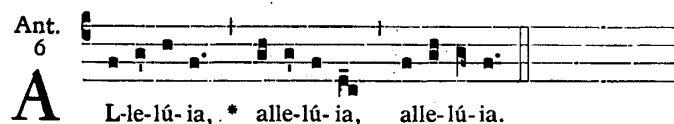
℣. Thanks be to God.



## Gospel Acclamation (Cf. Mt 11:25)



Blessed are you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth;  
you have revealed to little ones the mysteries of the kingdom.



## Gospel (Mt 13:44-52)

Ÿ. The Lord be with you.

Ř. And also with you.

Ÿ. A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Matthew.

Ř. Glory to you Lord.

Jesus said to his disciples:

"The kingdom of heaven is like a treasure buried in a field,  
which a person finds and hides again,  
and out of joy goes and sells all that he has and buys that field.  
Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant  
searching for fine pearls.

When he finds a pearl of great price,  
he goes and sells all that he has and buys it.

Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a net thrown into the sea,  
which collects fish of every kind.

When it is full they haul it ashore  
and sit down to put what is good into buckets.

What is bad they throw away.

Thus it will be at the end of the age.

The angels will go out and separate the wicked from the righteous  
and throw them into the fiery furnace,  
where there will be wailing and grinding of teeth.

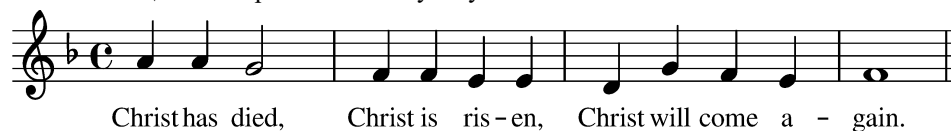
(Sanctus XVIII Deus Genitor Alme)



## Eucharistic Prayer (I)

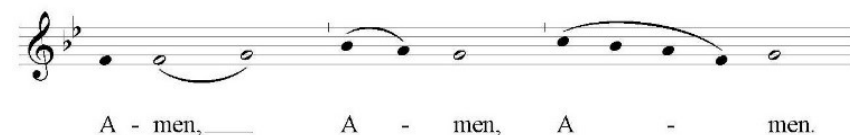
*The celebrant prays the Eucharistic Prayer. After the consecration, the celebrant sings:*

Ÿ. Let us proclaim the mystery of faith.



*The celebrant concludes the Eucharistic Prayer.*

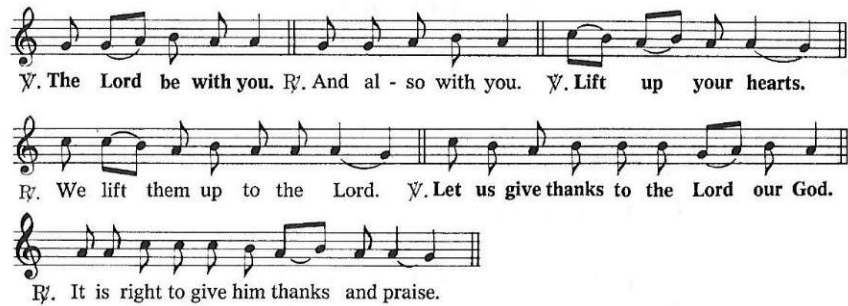
Through him, with him and in him  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit  
all glory and honor are yours, Almighty Father  
Forever and ever.





## Preface and *Sanctus* (Sundays in Ordinary Time I)

*The Paschal Mystery and the People of God*



V. The Lord be with you. R. And al - so with you. V. Lift up your hearts.

R. We lift them up to the Lord. V. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

R. 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  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Through his cross and resurrection  
he freed us from sin and death  
and called us to the glory that has made us  
a chosen race, a royal priesthood,  
a holy nation, a people set apart.

Everywhere we proclaim your mighty works  
for you have called us out of darkness  
into your own wonderful light.

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

"Do you understand all these things?"

They answered, "Yes."

And he replied,

"Then every scribe who has been instructed in the kingdom of heaven  
is like the head of a household  
who brings from his storeroom both the new and the old."

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."*

**℟. 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,  
receive these offerings  
chosen from your many gifts.  
May these mysteries make us holy  
and lead us to eternal joy.

Grant this through Christ our Lord.

**℟. Amen.**