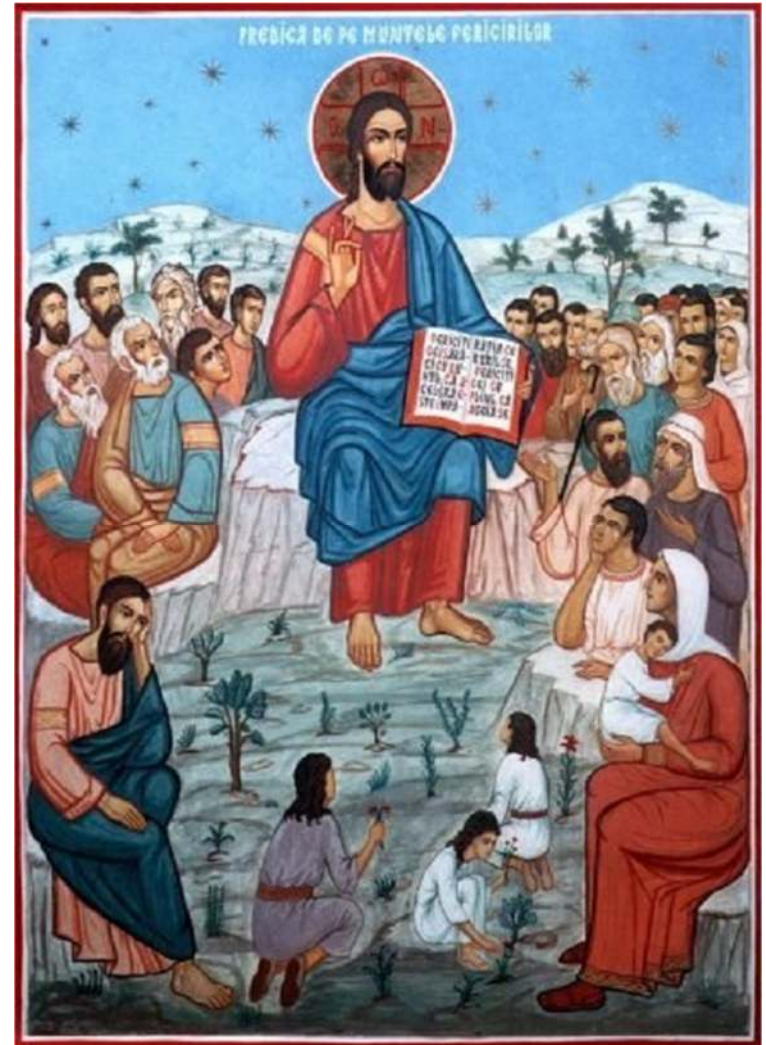


# Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time



*"Do not think that I have come to abolish the law or the prophets.  
I have come not to abolish but to fulfill"*

((Cycle A))

## INTRODUCTORY RITES

### Opening Hymn

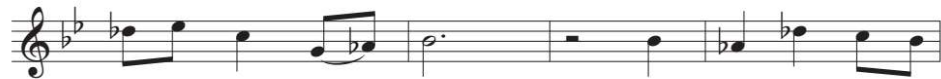
#### O God of Every Nation



Men 1. O God of ev-'ry na-tion, of ev-'ry race and  
Women 2. From search for wealth and pow-er and scorn of truth and  
All 3. Lord, strength-en all who la-bor that we may find re-  
All 4. Keep bright in us the vi-sion of days when wars shall



land, Re-deem your whole cre-a-tion with  
right, From trust in bombs that show-er de-  
lease From fear of rat-tling sa-ber, from  
cease, When ha-tred and di-vi-sion give



your al-might-y hand. Where hate and fear di-  
struc-tion through the night, From pride of race and  
dread of war's in-crease; When hope and cour-age  
way to love and peace, Till dawns the morn-ing



vide us and bit-ter threats are hurled, In  
sta-tion and blind-ness to your way, De-  
fal-ter, your still small voice be heard; With  
glo-rious when fel-low-ship shall reign And



love and mer-cy guide us and heal our strife-torn world.  
liv-er ev-'ry na-tion, E-ter-nal God, we pray.  
faith that none can al-ter, your ser-vants un-der-gird.  
Christ shall rule vic-to-ri-ous o'er all the world's do-main.



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

### Concluding Hymn

#### For the Healing of the Nations



1. For the heal-ing of the na-tions, Lord, we pray with  
2. Lead us now, Lord, in-to free-dom, From de-spair your  
3. All that kills a-bun-dant liv-ing, Let it from the  
4. You, cre-a-tor God, have writ-ten Your great name on



one ac-cord; For a just and e-qual shar-ing  
world re-lease; That re-deemed from war and ha-tred,  
earth be banned; Pride of stat-us, race or school-ing,  
hu-man-kind; For our grow-ing in your like-ness



Of the things that earth af-fords. To a life of  
All may come and go in peace. Show us how through  
Dog-mas that ob-scure your plan. In our com-mon  
Bring the life of Christ to mind: That by our re-



love and ac-tion Help us rise and pledge our word.  
care and good-ness Fear will die and hope in-crease.  
quest for jus-tice May we hal-low life's brief span.  
sponse and serv-ice Earth its des-tin-y may find.

## Prayer after Communion

Ÿ. Let us pray.

*Pause for silent prayer.*

Lord,  
you give us food from heaven.  
May we always hunger  
for the bread of life.

Grant this through Christ our Lord.

**R. Amen.**

## 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.**

## Dismissal

Ÿ. The Mass is end - ed, go in peace.

R. Thanks be to God.

## 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)

*(Kyrie XVIII Deus Genitor Alme)*

*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:

4. **K** Y-ri-e \* e-lé-i-son. *ijj.*

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

Christe e-lé-i-son. *ijj.*

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

Ký-ri-e e-lé-i-son. *ij.* Ký-ri-e \* e-lé-i-son.

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

# 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. Dómi-ne De-us,  
 Rex cæ-lé-stis, De-us Pa-ter omní-pot-ens. Dómi-ne Fi-li  
 u-ni-gé-ni-te, Je-su Chri-ste. Dómi-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 dèxte-ram Pa-tris, mi-  
 se-ré-re no-bis. Quó-ni-am tu so-lus sanctus. Tu so-lus

## Communion Meditation

### Mercy

1. Mer - cy, bread fresh - ly bro - ken; mer -  
 2. Mer - cy, heart - felt con - fes - sion; mer -  
 3. Mer - cy, ho - ly for - give - ness; mer -  
 cy, deep crim - son wine. Mer - cy, words hum - bly  
 cy, truth brave - ly said. Mer - cy, will - ing sur -  
 cy, made new a - gain. Mer - cy, blessed to be  
 spo - ken; mer - cy for all, mys - t'ry di -  
 ren - der; mer - cy for all through wine and  
 bless - ings; God's love for all, grace with - out  
 vine. Mer - cy for all, mys - t'ry di - vine.  
 bread. Mer - cy for all through wine and bread.  
 end. God's love for all, grace with - out end.

1. *Last time* **3**

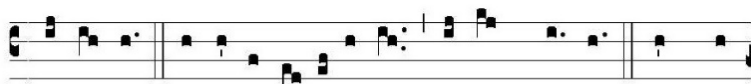
Ÿ. This is the Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world.  
Happy are those who are called to his supper.

**Ŕ. 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:*

Ÿ. The body and blood of Christ.

**Ŕ. 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

Ÿ. Let us pray  
for the wisdom that is greater than human words.

*Pause for silent prayer.*

Father in heaven,  
the loving plan of your wisdom took flesh in Jesus Christ,  
and changed mankind's history  
by his command of perfect love.

May our fulfillment of his command reflect your wisdom  
and bring your salvation to the ends of the earth.

We ask this through Christ our Lord.

**Ŕ. Amen.**

## LITURGY OF THE WORD

### Reading 1 (*Sir 15:15-20*)

A reading from the Book of Sirach.

If you choose you can keep the commandments, they will save you;  
if you trust in God, you too shall live;  
he has set before you fire and water  
to whichever you choose, stretch forth your hand.  
Before man are life and death, good and evil,  
whichever he chooses shall be given him.  
Immense is the wisdom of the Lord;  
he is mighty in power, and all-seeing.  
The eyes of God are on those who fear him;  
he understands man's every deed.  
No one does he command to act unjustly,  
to none does he give license to sin.

∇. This is the Word of the Lord.

**R.** Thanks be to God.

### Responsorial Psalm (*Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 17-18, 33-34*)



**R.** Bless'd are they who fol - low the law of the Lord!

Blessed are they whose way is blameless,  
who walk in the law of the LORD.  
Blessed are they who observe his decrees,  
who seek him with all their heart.

**R.** Blessed are they who follow the law of the Lord!

You have commanded that your precepts  
be diligently kept.  
Oh, that I might be firm in the ways  
of keeping your statutes!

**R.** Blessed are they who follow the law of the Lord!

## 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.

**R.** Amen.

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

**R.** And also with you.

∇. 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:*



**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.

Be good to your servant, that I may live  
and keep your words.  
Open my eyes, that I may consider  
the wonders of your law.

**℟. Blessed are they who follow the law of the Lord!**

Instruct me, O LORD, in the way of your statutes,  
that I may exactly observe them.  
Give me discernment, that I may observe your law  
and keep it with all my heart.

**℟. Blessed are they who follow the law of the Lord!**

### Reading 2 (1 Cor 2:6-10)

A reading from the first letter of Paul to the Corinthians

Brothers and sisters:

We speak a wisdom to those who are mature,  
not a wisdom of this age,  
nor of the rulers of this age who are passing away.  
Rather, we speak God's wisdom, mysterious, hidden,  
which God predetermined before the ages for our glory,  
and which none of the rulers of this age knew;  
for, if they had known it,  
they would not have crucified the Lord of glory.  
But as it is written:

*What eye has not seen, and ear has not heard,  
and what has not entered the human heart,  
what God has prepared for those who love him,  
this God has revealed to us through the Spirit.*

For the Spirit scrutinizes everything, even the depths of God.

☩. This is the Word of the Lord.

**℟. Thanks be to God.**

### Gospel Acclamation (Mt 5:17-37)

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**A** L-le-lú-ia, alle-lú-ia, alle-lú-ia.

Rejoice and be glad;  
your reward will be great in heaven.



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

Ÿ. The Lord be with you.

**R.** And also with you.

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

**R.** Glory to you Lord.

Jesus said to his disciples:

"Do not think that I have come to abolish the law or the prophets.

I have come not to abolish but to fulfill.

Amen, I say to you, until heaven and earth pass away,

not the smallest letter or the smallest part of a letter

will pass from the law,

until all things have taken place.

Therefore, whoever breaks one of the least of these commandments

and teaches others to do so

will be called least in the kingdom of heaven.

But whoever obeys and teaches these commandments

will be called greatest in the kingdom of heaven.

I tell you, unless your righteousness surpasses

that of the scribes and Pharisees,

you will not enter the kingdom of heaven.

"You have heard that it was said to your ancestors,

*You shall not kill; and whoever kills will be liable to judgment.*

But I say to you,

whoever is angry with his brother

will be liable to judgment;

and whoever says to his brother, 'Raqa,'

will be answerable to the Sanhedrin;

and whoever says, 'You fool,'

will be liable to fiery Gehenna.

Therefore, if you bring your gift to the altar,

and there recall that your brother

has anything against you,

leave your gift there at the altar,

go first and be reconciled with your brother,

and then come and offer your gift.

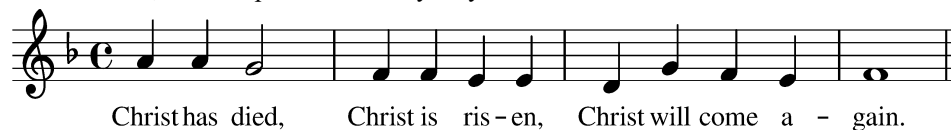
*(Sanctus XVIII Deus Genitor Alme)*



### Eucharistic Prayer (II)

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

Ÿ. Let us proclaim the mystery of faith.



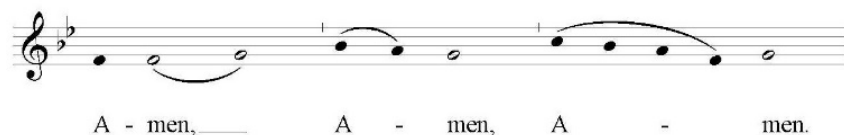
*The celebrant concludes the Eucharistic Prayer.*

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 VI)

### *The Pledge of an Eternal Easter*



∇. The Lord be with you. R̄. And al - so with you. ∇. Lift up your hearts.



R̄. We lift them up to the Lord. ∇. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



R̄. 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.

In you we live and move and have our being.  
Each day you show us a Father's love;  
your Holy Spirit, dwelling within us,  
gives us on earth the hope of unending joy.

Your gift of the Spirit,  
who raised Jesus from the dead,  
is the foretaste and promise  
of the paschal feast of heaven.

With thankful praise,  
in company with the angels,  
we glorify the wonders of your power:

Settle with your opponent quickly while on the way to court.  
Otherwise your opponent will hand you over to the judge,  
and the judge will hand you over to the guard,  
and you will be thrown into prison.

Amen, I say to you,  
you will not be released until you have paid the last penny.

"You have heard that it was said,  
*You shall not commit adultery.*

But I say to you,  
everyone who looks at a woman with lust  
has already committed adultery with her in his heart.  
If your right eye causes you to sin,  
tear it out and throw it away.

It is better for you to lose one of your members  
than to have your whole body thrown into Gehenna.  
And if your right hand causes you to sin,  
cut it off and throw it away.

It is better for you to lose one of your members  
than to have your whole body go into Gehenna.

"It was also said,

*Whoever divorces his wife must give her a bill of divorce.*

But I say to you,  
whoever divorces his wife - unless the marriage is unlawful -  
causes her to commit adultery,  
and whoever marries a divorced woman commits adultery.

"Again you have heard that it was said to your ancestors,  
*Do not take a false oath,*

*but make good to the Lord all that you vow.*

But I say to you, do not swear at all;  
not by heaven, for it is God's throne;  
nor by the earth, for it is his footstool;  
nor by Jerusalem, for it is the city of the great King.  
Do not swear by your head,

for you cannot make a single hair white or black.  
Let your 'Yes' mean 'Yes,' and your 'No' mean 'No.'  
Anything more is from the evil one."

**R̄. Praise to you, Lord, Jesus Christ.**



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L-le-lú-ia, alle-lú-ia, alle-lú-ia.

## 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,  
we make this offering in obedience to your word  
May it cleanse and renew us,  
and lead us to our eternal reward.

We ask this in the name of Jesus the Lord.

**℟. Amen.**