

# Second Sunday of Easter



*“Have you come to believe because you have seen me?  
Blessed are those who have not seen and have believed.”*

(Cycle A)

# INTRODUCTORY RITES

## Opening Hymn

### The Strife is O'er


Refrain



Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!


The Refrain is written on a single treble clef staff in G major (one sharp) and 2/4 time. It consists of nine measures: a quarter rest, followed by quarter notes G4, A4, B4, C5, quarter notes B4, A4, G4, quarter notes F4, E4, and a final half note G4 with a fermata.

Verses



1. The strife is o'er, the bat - tle done; Now is the Vic - tor's  
2. On the third morn he rose a - gain, Glo - rious in maj - es -  
3. O Ris - en Lord, all praise to thee, Who from our sin has

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1. tri - umph won; O let the song of praise be sung: Al - le - lu - ia!  
2. ty to reign; O let us swell the joy - ful strain: Al - le - lu - ia!  
3. set us free, That we may live e - ter - nal - ly! Al - le - lu - ia!

to Refrain

The continuation of the Verses is written on a single treble clef staff in G major (one sharp) and 2/4 time. It consists of nine measures: quarter notes G4, A4, B4, C5, quarter notes B4, A4, G4, quarter notes F4, E4, and a final half note G4 with a fermata. The text 'to Refrain' is written above the final measure.

## 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 (C5 de Angelis)

*Invitation to reflect on our faults and failings.*

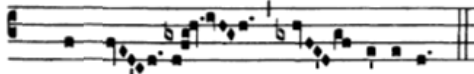
Ÿ To prepare ourselves to celebrate these sacred mysteries,  
let us call to mind our faults and failings  
and ask our heavenly Father in his mercy  
for his healing and forgiveness.

*Pause for silent reflection.*

Ÿ You raise the dead to life in the Spirit:

**K**   
Y-ri- e \* e- lé- i-son. bis

Ÿ You bring pardon and peace to the sinner:

  
Chri- ste e- lé- i-son. bis

Ÿ You bring light to those in darkness:

  
Ký-ri- e e- lé- i-son.  
  
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.

**R Amen.**

# Gloria

*Priest/cantor:* *All:*

V  
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 depre-  
ca-ti-ónem no-stram. Qui sedes ad délixte-ram Pa-tris, mi-  
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**

Heavenly Father and God of mercy,  
we no longer look for Jesus among the dead,  
for he is alive and has become the Lord of life.  
From the waters of death you raise us with him  
and renew your gift of life within us.

Increase in our minds and hearts  
the risen life we share with Christ  
and help us to grow as your people  
toward the fullness of eternal life with you.

We ask this through Christ our Lord.

**Ṛ. Amen.**

# LITURGY OF THE WORD

## Reading 1 (*Acts 2:42-47*)

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

They devoted themselves  
to the teaching of the apostles and to the communal life,  
to the breaking of bread and to the prayers.  
Awe came upon everyone,  
and many wonders and signs were done through the apostles.  
All who believed were together and had all things in common;  
they would sell their property and possessions  
and divide them among all according to each one's need.  
Every day they devoted themselves  
to meeting together in the temple area  
and to breaking bread in their homes.  
They ate their meals with exultation and sincerity of heart,  
praising God and enjoying favor with all the people.  
And every day the Lord added to their number those who were being  
saved.

Ÿ. This is the Word of the Lord.

**R̄. Thanks be to God.**

## Responsorial Psalm (*Psalms 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24*)



**R̄. Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, his love is ev - er - last - ing.**

Let the house of Israel say,  
“His mercy endures forever.”  
Let the house of Aaron say,  
“His mercy endures forever.”  
Let those who fear the LORD say,  
“His mercy endures forever.”

**R̄. Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, his love is everlasting.**

I was hard pressed and was falling,  
but the LORD helped me.  
My strength and my courage is the LORD,  
and he has been my savior.  
The joyful shout of victory  
in the tents of the just:

**R̄. Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, his love is everlasting.**

The stone which the builders rejected  
has become the cornerstone.  
By the LORD has this been done;  
it is wonderful in our eyes.  
This is the day the LORD has made;  
let us be glad and rejoice in it.

**R̄. Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, his love is everlasting.**

## **Reading 2** (*1 Pt 1:3-9*)

A reading from the first Letter of Peter.

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,  
who in his great mercy gave us a new birth to a living hope  
through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead,  
to an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading,  
kept in heaven for you  
who by the power of God are safeguarded through faith,  
to a salvation that is ready to be revealed in the final time.  
In this you rejoice, although now for a little while  
you may have to suffer through various trials,  
so that the genuineness of your faith,  
more precious than gold that is perishable even though tested by fire,  
may prove to be for praise, glory, and honor  
at the revelation of Jesus Christ.  
Although you have not seen him you love him;  
even though you do not see him now yet believe in him,  
you rejoice with an indescribable and glorious joy,  
as you attain the goal of your faith, the salvation of your souls.

Ÿ. This is the Word of the Lord.

**R̄. Thanks be to God.**

## Gospel Acclamation: Great Easter Alleluia (*Jn 20:29*)



You believe in me, Thomas, because you have seen me, says the Lord;  
Blessed are those who have not seen me, but still believe!



## Gospel (*Jn 20:19-31*)

Ÿ. The Lord be with you.

Ṛ. And also with you.

Ÿ. 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.*

Ṛ. Glory to you Lord.

On the evening of that first day of the week,  
when the doors were locked, where the disciples were,  
for fear of the Jews,

Jesus came and stood in their midst  
and said to them, "Peace be with you."

When he had said this, he showed them his hands and his side.

The disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord.

Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you.

As the Father has sent me, so I send you."

And when he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them,  
"Receive the Holy Spirit.

Whose sins you forgive are forgiven them,  
and whose sins you retain are retained."

Thomas, called Didymus, one of the Twelve,  
was not with them when Jesus came.  
So the other disciples said to him, "We have seen the Lord."  
But he said to them,  
"Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands  
and put my finger into the nailmarks  
and put my hand into his side, I will not believe."

Now a week later his disciples were again inside  
and Thomas was with them.  
Jesus came, although the doors were locked,  
and stood in their midst and said, "Peace be with you."  
Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands,  
and bring your hand and put it into my side,  
and do not be unbelieving, but believe."  
Thomas answered and said to him, "My Lord and my God!"  
Jesus said to him, "Have you come to believe because you have seen  
me?  
Blessed are those who have not seen and have believed."

Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples  
that are not written in this book.  
But these are written that you may come to believe  
that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God,  
and that through this belief you may have life in his name.

Ÿ. This is the Gospel of the Lord.

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



Homily

# Nicene Creed

XVII. s.

v

**C** Redo in unum De- um, Patrem omni-pot-éntem,  
 factó-rem caeli et terrae, vi-si-bí-li-um ó-mni- um, et in-  
 vi-si-bí- li-um. Et in unum Dómi-num Ie-sum Christum,  
 Fí-li-um De-i u-ni-gé-ni-tum. Et ex Patre na- tum ante  
 ómni- a saé- cu- la. De- um de De- o, lumen de lúmi- ne,  
 De- um ve- rum de De- o ve- ro. Gé- ni- tum, non fa- ctum, con-  
 substanti- á- lem Patri : per quem ómni- a fa- cta sunt. Qui  
 propter nos hómi- nes, et propter nostram sa- lú- tem descén-  
 dit de cae- lis. Et incarná- tus est de Spí- ri- tu Sancto ex  
 Ma- rí- a Vírgi- ne : Et homo factus est. Cru- ci- fí- xus  
 ét- i- am pro no- bis : sub Pónti- o Pi- lá- to passus, et se- púl-

tus est. Et re-surre-xit tér-ti-a di-e, se-cúndum Scri-  
ptú-ras. Et ascéndit in cae-lum: se-det ad délixte-ram Pa-  
tris. Et í-te-rum ventú-rus est cum gló-ri-a, iu-di-cá-re  
vi-vos et mórtu-os: cu-ius regni non e-rit fi-nis. Et in  
Spí-ri-tum Sanctum, Dómi-num, et vi-vi-fi-cántem: qui ex  
Patre Fi-li-óque pro-cé-dit. Qui cum Patre et Fí-li-o  
simul ad-o-rá-tur, et conglo-ri-fi-cá-tur: qui lo-cú-tus est  
per Prophé-tas. Et unam sanctam cathó-li-cam et a-po-  
stó-li-cam Ecclé-si-am. Confi-te-or unum ba-ptísma  
in remissi-ó-nem pec-ca-tó-rum. Et expécto re-sur-re-  
cti-ó-nem mortu-ó-rum. Et vi-tam ventú-ri saé-cu-li.

A- men.

**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.**”*

**℞. Risen Savior, 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.

**R. 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.

**R. 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.

**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,  
through faith and baptism  
we have become a new creation.  
Accept the offerings of your people  
and bring us to eternal happiness.

Grant this through Christ our Lord.

**R. Amen.**

## Preface and *Sanctus* (Easter I)



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



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



R. It is right to give him thanks and praise.

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:

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

*(Sanctus VIII de Angelis)*

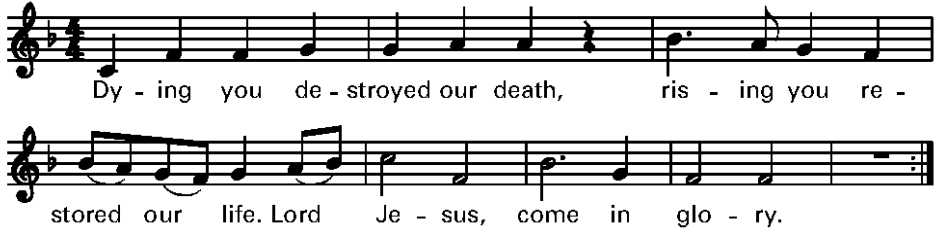
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**S** An- ctus, \* Sanctus, San- ctus Dó- mi- nus  
De- us Sá- ba- oth. Ple- ni sunt cae- li et  
ter- ra gló- ri- a tu- a. Ho- sánna in excél- sis.  
Bene- dí- ctus qui ve- nit in nómi- ne Dó- mi- ni. Ho-  
sán- na in excél- sis.

## Eucharistic Prayer (I)

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

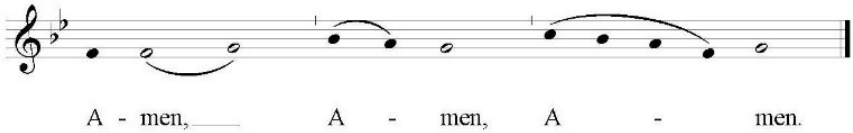
∇. Let us proclaim the mystery of faith.



Dy - ing you de - stroyed our death, ris - ing you re -  
stored our life. Lord Je - sus, come in glo - ry.

*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.



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

# COMMUNION LITURGY

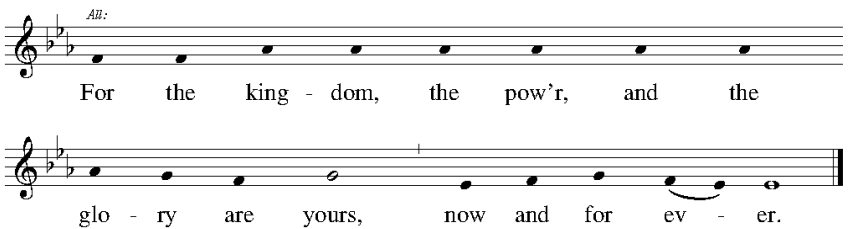
## The Lord's Prayer

☩. 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.



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

## Exchange of Peace

Ÿ. 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.

**R̄. Amen.**

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

**R̄. 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:*

*(Agnus Dei VIII de Angelis)*

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

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

**R̄. 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.

## Communion Meditation

### The Ballad of Doubting Thomas



1. A plain and har - dy man he was, who  
2. When Thom - as heard dis - ci - ples say that  
3. The Lord stood in their midst a - gain and  
4. So Thom - as saw where nails had pierced, and  
5. Do you be - lieve, the Mas - ter said, be -



dealt with sol - id things, his dai - ly toil with  
they had seen the Lord, he thought it wild im -  
said to Thom - as, see! Look well, and touch my  
touched his wound - ed side; be - liev - ing then it  
cause you see and feel? How blest are they who



wood and stone—no fan - ta - sies it brings,  
ag - in - ing and would not take their word,  
nail - pierced hands, and do not faith - less be,  
was the Lord, my Lord and God, he cried,  
have not seen, yet know my pres - ence real,



no fan - ta - sies it brings.  
and would not take their word.  
and do not faith - less be.  
my Lord and God, he cried.  
yet know my pres - ence real.

## **Prayer after Communion**

Almighty God,  
may the Easter sacraments we have received  
live forever in our minds and hearts.

We ask this through Christ our Lord.

**℟. Amen.**

## **CONCLUDING RITES**

### **Solemn Blessing**

☩. The Lord be with you.

**℟. 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.

**℟. Amen.**

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

**℟. 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.

**℟. Amen.**

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

**℟. Amen.**

## Dismissal



Go in the peace of Christ, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.



Tr. Thanks be to God, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

## Closing Hymn

### Ye Watchers and Ye Holy Ones



1. Ye watch - ers and ye ho - ly ones, Bright  
2. Re - spond, ye souls in end - less rest, Ye  
3. O friends, in glad - ness let us sing, Tri -



1. ser - aphs, cher - u - bim, and thrones, Raise the glad strain, Al - le -  
2. pa - tri - archs and proph - ets blest, Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le -  
3. um - phant an - thems e - cho - ing, Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le -



1. lu - ia! Cry out, do - min - ions, prince - doms, powers, Vir -  
2. lu - ia! Ye ho - ly Twelve, and mar - tyrs strong, All  
3. lu - ia! To God the Fa - ther, God the Son, And



1. tues, arch - an - gels, an - gels' choirs, }  
2. saints tri - um - phant, raise the song, } Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le -  
3. God the Spir - it, Three - in - One, }



1-3. lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!