

Mass Responses & Prayers

For use during the YouTube Mass on March 21, 2021—Fifth Sunday of Lent

INTRODUCTORY RITES

SIGN OF THE CROSS

GREETINGS

PENITENTIAL ACT

Priest: You were sent to heal the contrite of heart.

People: Lord, have mercy.

Priest: You came to call sinners.

People: Christ, have mercy.

Priest: You are seated at the right hand of the Father to intercede for us.

People: Lord, have mercy.

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

LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING

A reading from the Book of the Prophet Ezekiel

Thus says the Lord GOD: O my people, I will open your graves and have you rise from them, and bring you back to the land of Israel. Then you shall know that I am the LORD, when I open your graves and have you rise from them, O my people! I will put my spirit in you that you may live, and I will settle you upon your land; thus you shall know that I am the LORD. I have promised, and I will do it, says the LORD.

Lector: The word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Response: With the Lord there is mercy and fullness of redemption.

Lector: Out of the depths I cry to you, O LORD; Lord, hear my voice!

Let your ears be attentive to my voice in supplication.

Response: With the Lord there is mercy and fullness of redemption.

Lector: If you, O LORD, mark iniquities, LORD, who can stand?

But with you is forgiveness, that you may be revered.

Response: With the Lord there is mercy and fullness of redemption.

Lector: I trust in the LORD; my soul trusts in his word.

More than sentinels wait for the dawn, let Israel wait for the LORD.

Response: With the Lord there is mercy and fullness of redemption.

Lector: For with the LORD is kindness and with him is plenteous redemption; and he will redeem Israel from all their iniquities.

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SECOND READING

A reading from the Letter of Saint Paul to the Romans

Brothers and sisters: Those who are in the flesh cannot please God. But you are not in the flesh; on the contrary, you are in the spirit, if only the Spirit of God dwells in you. Whoever does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him. But if Christ is in you, although the body is dead because of sin, the spirit is alive because of righteousness. If the Spirit of the One who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, the One who raised Christ from the dead will give life to your mortal bodies also, through his Spirit dwelling in you.

Lector: The word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

PROCLAMATION OF THE GOSPEL

Priest: The Lord be with you.

People: And with your spirit.

Priest: A reading from the holy Gospel according to John.

People: Glory to you, O Lord.

The sisters of Lazarus sent word to Jesus saying, "Master, the one you love is ill." When Jesus heard this he said, "This illness is not to end in death, but is for the glory of God, that the Son of God may be glorified through it." Now Jesus loved Martha and her sister and Lazarus. So when he heard that he was ill, he remained for two days in the place where he was. Then after this he said to his disciples, "Let us go back to Judea."

When Jesus arrived, he found that Lazarus had already been in the tomb for four days. When Martha heard that Jesus was coming, she went to meet him; but Mary sat at home. Martha said to Jesus, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died. But even now I know that whatever you ask of God, God will give you." Jesus said to her, "Your brother will rise." Martha said to him, "I know he will rise, in the resurrection on the last day." Jesus told her, "I am the resurrection and the life; whoever believes in me, even if he dies, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this?" She said to him, "Yes, Lord. I have come to believe that you are the Christ, the Son of God, the one who is coming into the world."

Jesus became perturbed and deeply troubled, and said, "Where have you laid him?" They said to him, "Sir, come and see." And Jesus wept. So the Jews said, "See how he loved him." But some of them said, "Could not the one who opened the eyes of the blind man have done something so that this man would not have died?"

So Jesus, perturbed again, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone lay across it. Jesus said, "Take away the stone." Martha, the dead man's sister, said to him, "Lord, by now there will be a stench; he has been dead for four days." Jesus said to her, "Did I not tell you that if you believe you will see the glory of God?" So they took away the stone. And Jesus raised his eyes and said, "Father, I thank you for hearing me. I know that you always hear me; but because of the crowd here I have said this, that they may believe that you sent me." And when he had said this, he cried out in a loud voice, "Lazarus, come out!" The dead man came out, tied hand and foot with burial bands, and his face was wrapped in a cloth. So Jesus said to them, "Untie him and let him go."

Now many of the Jews who had come to Mary and seen what he had done began to believe in him.

Priest: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

HOMILY

Please see Monsignor's homily in today's bulletin.

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I believe in one God, the Father almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all things visible and invisible.

I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the Only Begotten Son of God,
born of the Father before all ages.
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father;
through him all things were made.

For us men and for our salvation
he came down from heaven,
and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary,
and became man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate,
he suffered death and was buried,
and rose again on the third day
in accordance with 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.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church.
I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins
and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

INVITATION TO PRAYER

Priest: Pray brothers and sisters, that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.

People: 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 holy Church.

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

PREFACE DIALOGUE

Priest: The Lord be with you.

People: And with your spirit.

Priest: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them up to the Lord.

Priest: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right and just.

PREFACE ACCLAMATION

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts.

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.

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

THE MYSTERY OF FAITH

Priest: The mystery of faith.

People: We proclaim your Death O Lord, and profess your Resurrection until you come again.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

People:

Our Father,

who art in heaven,

hallowed be thy Name,

thy kingdom come,

thy will be done,

on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread.

And forgive us our trespasses,

as we forgive those who trespass against us.

And lead us not into temptation,

but deliver us from evil.

Priest: Deliver us, Lord,

we pray, from every evil,

graciously grant peace in our days,

that, by the help of your mercy,

we may be always free from sin

and safe from all distress,

as we await the blessed hope

and the coming of our Savior, Jesus Christ.

People: For the kingdom,

the power, and the glory are yours

now and forever.

SIGN OF PEACE

Priest: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

People: And with your spirit.

LAMB OF GOD

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,
have mercy upon us.

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have mercy upon us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,
grant us peace.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Priest: Behold the Lamb of God,

behold him who takes away the sins of the world.

Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.

People: Lord, I am not worthy

that you should enter under my roof,

but only say the word,

and my soul shall be healed.

A PRAYER OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

Lord Jesus Christ, you promised to be with your church
always, until the end of time.

We long to experience your presence more deeply and
more intimately, even when we cannot gather in person as
church to celebrate Eucharist.

We believe that you are present when we gather to
worship.

We believe you are present in your ordained minister
and in your sacred word when the Scriptures are
proclaimed.

And we believe you are present when your sacred body
and blood become our food and drink.

Our relationship with you is truly grace.

When I am not able to be physically present at the
Eucharist with the community, help me to strengthen and
deepen my relationship with you as I seek to encounter
and serve you, not only in prayer but all I meet, especially
in the poor and needy of our world.

Amen.

CONCLUDING RITES (& BLESSINGS)

Priest: The Lord be with you.

People: And with your spirit.

Priest: And may Almighty God bless us in the name of the
Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. Go in peace,
glorifying the Lord by your lives.

People: Thanks be to God.

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