

# Mass Responses & Prayers

For use during the YouTube Mass on May 9, 2021—Sixth Sunday of Easter

## 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 Acts of the Apostles

When Peter entered, Cornelius met him and, falling at his feet, paid him homage. Peter, however, raised him up, saying, "Get up. I myself am also a human being."

Then Peter proceeded to speak and said, "In truth, I see that God shows no partiality. Rather, in every nation whoever fears him and acts uprightly is acceptable to him."

While Peter was still speaking these things, the Holy Spirit fell upon all who were listening to the word. The circumcised believers who had accompanied Peter were astounded that the gift of the Holy Spirit should have been poured out on the Gentiles also, for they could hear them speaking in tongues and glorifying God. Then Peter responded, "Can anyone withhold the water for baptizing these people, who have received the Holy Spirit even as we have?" He ordered them to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ.

**Lector:** The word of the Lord.

**People:** Thanks be to God.

### RESPONSORIAL PSALM

**Response:** The Lord has revealed to the nations his saving pow'r.

**Lector:** Sing to the LORD a new song,  
for he has done wondrous deeds;  
his right hand has won victory for him,  
his holy arm.

**Response:** The Lord has revealed to the nations his saving pow'r.

**Lector:** The LORD has made his salvation known:  
in the sight of the nations he has revealed his justice.  
He has remembered his kindness and his faithfulness  
toward the house of Israel.

**Response:** The Lord has revealed to the nations his saving pow'r.

**Lector:** All the ends of the earth have seen  
the salvation by our God.  
Sing joyfully to the LORD, all you lands;  
break into song; sing praise.

**Response:** The Lord has revealed to the nations his saving pow'r.

### SECOND READING

A reading from the first Letter of Saint John

Beloved, let us love one another, because love is of God; everyone who loves is begotten by God and knows God. Whoever is without love does not know God, for God is love. In this way the love of God was revealed to us: God sent his only Son into the world so that we might have life through him. In this is love: not that we have loved God, but that he loved us and sent his Son as expiation for our sins.

**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.

Jesus said to his disciples: "As the Father loves me, so I also love you. Remain in my love. If you keep my commandments, you will remain in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and remain in his love.

"I have told you this so that my joy may be in you and your joy might be complete. This is my commandment: love one another as I love you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends. You are my friends if you do what I command you. I no longer call you slaves, because a slave does not know what his master is doing. I have called you friends, because I have told you everything I have heard from my Father. It was not you who chose me, but I who chose you and appointed you to go and bear fruit that will remain, so that whatever you ask the Father in my name he may give you. This I command you: love one another."

**Priest:** The Gospel of the Lord.

**People:** Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

## HOMILY

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

## NICENE CREED

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.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,  
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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