4th Sunday of Lent INTRODUCTORY RITES



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SIGN OF THE CROSS

Priest: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

All: Amen.

GREETING

Priest: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God,

and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

All: And with your spirit.

PENETENTIAL ACT

All: I confess to almighty God and to you, my brothers and sisters,

that I have greatly sinned, in my thoughts and in my words,

in what I have done and in what I have failed to do,

And, striking their breast, they say:

through my fault, through my fault,

through my most grievous fault;

therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin,

all the Angels and Saints,

and you, my brothers and sisters,

to pray for me to the Lord our God.

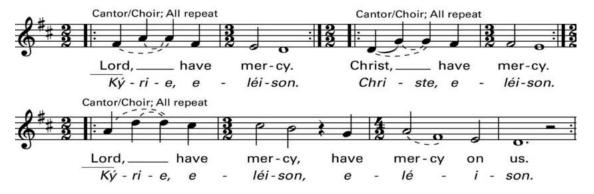
The absolution by the Priest follows:

Priest: May almighty God have mercy on us,

forgive us our sins,

and bring us to everlasting life.

All: Amen.



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COLLECT

Priest: Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you

in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.

All: Amen

LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING

Ezekiel 37:12-14

A reading from the Book of 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.

All: Thanks be to God.

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SECOND READING

Romans 8:8-11

A reading from the Letter of St. 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.

All: Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



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GOSPEL John 11:1-45

Deacon: The Lord be with you.

All: And with your spirit.

Deacon: A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

All: Glory to you, O Lord.

Now a man was ill, Lazarus from Bethany, the village of Mary and her sister Martha.

Mary was the one who had anointed the Lord with perfumed oil

and dried his feet with her hair;

it was her brother Lazarus who was ill.

So the sisters sent word to him saying,

"Master, the one you love is ill."

hen 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."

The disciples said to him,

"Rabbi, the Jews were just trying to stone you,

and you want to go back there?"

Jesus answered,

"Are there not twelve hours in a day?

If one walks during the day, he does not stumble,

because he sees the light of this world.

But if one walks at night, he stumbles,

because the light is not in him."

He said this, and then told them,

"Our friend Lazarus is asleep,

but I am going to awaken him."

So the disciples said to him,

"Master, if he is asleep, he will be saved."

But Jesus was talking about his death,

while they thought that he meant ordinary sleep.

So then Jesus said to them clearly,

"Lazarus has died.

And I am glad for you that I was not there,

that you may believe.

Let us go to him."

So Thomas, called Didymus, said to his fellow disciples,

"Let us also go to die with him."

When Jesus arrived, he found that Lazarus

had already been in the tomb for four days.

Now Bethany was near Jerusalem, only about two miles away.

And many of the Jews had come to Martha and Mary

to comfort them about their brother.

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."

When she had said this,

she went and called her sister Mary secretly, saying,

"The teacher is here and is asking for you."

As soon as she heard this,

she rose quickly and went to him.

For Jesus had not yet come into the village,

but was still where Martha had met him.

So when the Jews who were with her in the house comforting her

saw Mary get up quickly and go out,

they followed her,

presuming that she was going to the tomb to weep there.

When Mary came to where Jesus was and saw him,

she fell at his feet and said to him,

"Lord, if you had been here,

my brother would not have died."

When Jesus saw her weeping and the Jews who had come with her weeping,

he 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.

Deacon: The Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

HOMILY

THE CREED

All: 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,

At the words that follow, up to and including 'and became man', all bow.

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.

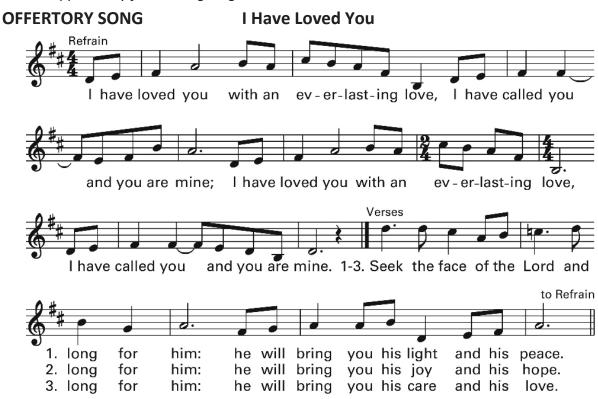
I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church.
I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins
and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

THE PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL

All: Hear our prayer.

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

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All: Blessed be God for ever (x2)

Priest: Pray, brethren (brothers and sisters),

that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father. All: 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.

Priest: Through Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.

THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

Priest: The Lord be with you.

All: And with your spirit.

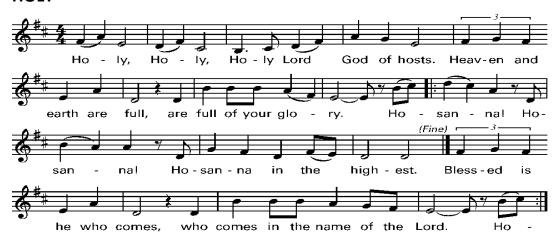
Priest: Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them up to the Lord.

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

All: It is right and just.

HOLY



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MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION



Priest: Through him, and with him, and in him,

O God, almighty Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit,

all glory and honor is yours, for ever and ever.

All: Amen.

THE COMMUNION RITE

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Priest: At the Savior's command and formed by divine teaching, we dare to say:

All: 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.

All: For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours now and for ever.

SIGN OF PEACE

Priest: Lord Jesus Christ, who said to your Apostles:

Peace I leave you, my peace I give you, look not on our sins,

but on the faith of your Church, and graciously grant her peace and unity

in accordance with your will.

Who live and reign for ever and ever.

All: Amen.

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

All: And with your spirit.

Deacon: Let us offer each other the sign of peace.

LAMB OF GOD



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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.

All: Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof,

but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.

PRAYER FOR SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

My Jesus,

I believe that you are truly present in the most Blessed Sacrament.

I love you above all things and I desire to possess You within my soul.

Since I am unable at this moment to receive You sacramentally,

come at lease spiritually into my heart.

I embrace You as being already there, and unite myself wholly to You.

Never permit me to be separated from you. Amen



PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Priest: Through Christ our Lord.

All: Amen

FINAL BLESSING

Priest: The Lord be with you.

All: And with your spirit.

Priest: May almighty God bless you,

All: Amen.

DISMISSAL

Deacon: Go in peace, glorifying the Lord by your life.

All: Thanks be to God.

