

**THE HOLY EUCHARIST
LENT II (YEAR B)**

ENTRANCE HYMN

THE GREETING

The grace and peace of our Saviour Jesus Christ be with you,
and also with you.

As we continue in our Lenten journey, I invite you in the name of the Church, to the observance of a holy Lent, by self-examination and repentance; by prayer, fasting, and self-denial; and by reading and meditating on God's holy word.

THE KYRIES

Wash away all our iniquity and cleanse us from our sin: Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**

Against you, you only have we sinned and done what is evil in your sight: Christ, have mercy. **Christ, have mercy.**

Create in us a pure heart, O God, and renew a steadfast spirit within us: Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**

Holy God, holy and mighty, holy and immortal, have mercy on us.
Holy God, holy and mighty, holy and immortal, have mercy on us.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Let us pray for grace to keep Lent faithfully,
God of Sarah and Abraham, long ago you embraced your people in covenant and promised them your blessing. Strengthen us in faith, so that, with your followers in every age, we may proclaim our deliverance in Jesus Christ to generations yet unborn. Amen.

A READING FROM THE BOOK OF GENESIS

When Abram was ninety-nine years old, the Lord appeared to Abram, and said to him, "I am God Almighty; walk before me, and be blameless. And I will make my covenant between me and you, and will make you exceedingly numerous." Then Abram fell on his face; and God said to him, "As for me, this is my covenant with you: You shall be the ancestor of a multitude of nations. No longer shall your name be Abram, but your name shall be Abraham; for I have made you the ancestor of a multitude of nations. I will make you exceedingly fruitful; and I will make nations of you, and kings shall come from you. I will establish my covenant between me and you, and your offspring after you throughout their generations, for an everlasting covenant, to be God to you and to your offspring after you. As for Sarai your wife, you shall not call her Sarai, but Sarah shall be her name. I will bless her, and moreover I will give you a son by her. I will bless her, and she shall give rise to nations; kings of peoples shall come from her." **GENESIS 17:1-7, 15-16**

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church,
Thanks be to God.

PSALM 22:22-30

Refrain: All the ends of the earth shall turn to the Lord.

Praise the Lord, you that fear Him; stand in awe of Him, O offspring of Israel; all you of Jacob's line, give glory. For He does not despise nor abhor the poor in their poverty; neither does He hide His face from them; but when they cry Him, He hears them. **R**

My praise is of Him in the great assembly; I will perform my vows in the presence of those who worship Him. The poor shall eat and be satisfied, and those who seek the Lord shall praise Him: "May your heart live for ever!" All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the Lord, and all the families of the nations shall bow before Him. **R.**

For kingship belongs to the Lord; He rules over the nations. To Him alone all who sleep in the earth bow down in worship; all who go down to the dust fall before Him. **R**

My soul shall live for Him; my descendants shall serve Him; they shall be known as the Lord's for ever. They shall come and make known to a people yet unborn the saving deeds that He has done. **R.**

A READING FROM PAUL'S LETTER TO THE ROMANS

For the promise that he would inherit the world did not come to Abraham or to his descendants through the law but through the righteousness of faith. If it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. For the law brings wrath; but where there is no law, neither is there violation. For this reason it depends on faith, in order that the promise may rest on grace and be guaranteed to all his descendants, not only to the adherents of the law but also to those who share the faith of Abraham (for he is the father of all of us, as it is written, "I have made you the father of many nations") --in the presence of the God in whom he believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist. Hoping against hope, he believed that he would become "the father of many nations," according to what was said, "So numerous shall your descendants be." He did not weaken in faith when he considered his own body, which was already as good as dead (for he was about a hundred years old), or when he considered the barrenness of Sarah's womb. No distrust made him waver concerning the promise of God, but he grew strong in his faith as he gave glory to God, being fully convinced that God was able to do what he had promised. Therefore his faith "was reckoned to him as righteousness." Now the words, "it was reckoned to him," were written not for his sake alone, but for ours also. It will be reckoned to us who believe in him who raised Jesus our Lord from the dead, who was handed over to death for our trespasses and was raised for our justification. **ROMANS 4:13-25**

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church,
Thanks be to God.

HYMN

THE HOLY GOSPEL

The Lord be with you,
and also with you.

THE HOLY GOSPEL OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST ACCORDING TO MARK

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Jesus began to teach his disciples that the Son of Man must undergo great suffering, and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again. He said all this quite openly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. But turning and looking at his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, "Get behind me, Satan! For you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things." He called the crowd with his disciples, and said to them, "If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it. For what will it profit them to gain the whole world and forfeit their life? Indeed, what can they give in return for their life? Those who are ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of them the Son of Man will also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels." **MARK 8:31-38**

The Gospel of Christ

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

THE SERMON

AN AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Let us declare our faith in God,
We believe in God the Father,
from whom every family
in heaven and on earth is named.

We believe in God the Son,
who lives in our hearts through faith,
and fills us with his love.
We believe in God the Holy Spirit,
who strengthens us

with power from on high.

**We believe in one God:
Father, Son and Holy Spirit.
Amen.**

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

In penitence and faith, let us make our prayer to the Father and ask for mercy and grace, saying, in your mercy, hear us, O Lord. **in your mercy, hear us, O Lord.**

For your holy people, (especially the Church...) that we may triumph over evil and grow in grace, we pray to you, O Lord: **in your mercy, hear us, O Lord.**

For candidates for baptism (and confirmation), that they may live by every word that proceeds from your mouth, we pray to you, O Lord: **in your mercy, hear us, O Lord.**

For the leaders of the nations, (especially...) that you will guide them in the ways of mercy and truth, we pray to you, O Lord: **in your mercy, hear us, O Lord.**

For the needy, (especially...) that they may not be forgotten, nor the hope of the poor be taken away, we pray to you, O Lord: **in your mercy, hear us, O Lord.**

For the sick in body, mind and spirit, (especially...) that they may know your power to heal, we pray to you, O Lord: **in your mercy, hear us, O Lord.**

For the poor in spirit, that they may inherit the kingdom of heaven and see you face to face, we pray to you, O Lord: **in your mercy, hear us, O Lord.**

THE CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Let us call to mind our sin and the infinite mercy of God.

Holy God, holy and mighty, holy and immortal, have mercy on us. For self-centered living, and for failing to walk with humility and gentleness: **Holy God, holy and mighty, holy and immortal, have mercy on us.**

For longing to have what is not ours, and for hearts that are not at rest with ourselves: **Holy God, holy and mighty, holy and immortal, have mercy on us.**

For misuse of human relationships, and for unwillingness to see the image of God in others: **Holy God, holy and mighty, holy and immortal, have mercy on us.**

For jealousies that divide families and nations, and for rivalries that create strife and warfare: **Holy God, holy and mighty, holy and immortal, have mercy on us.**

For reluctance in sharing the gifts of God, and for carelessness with the fruits of creation: **Holy God, holy and mighty, holy and immortal, have mercy on us.**

For hurtful words that condemn, and for angry deeds that harm: **Holy God, holy and mighty, holy and immortal, have mercy on us.**

For idleness in witnessing to Jesus Christ, and for squandering the gifts of love and grace: **Holy God, holy and mighty, holy and immortal, have mercy on us.**

May the God of love and power forgive you and free you from your sins, heal and strengthen you by his Spirit, and raise you to new life in Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

THE PEACE

God has called us to live in peace.

The peace of the Lord be always with you,
and also with you.

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

OFFERTORY HYMN

THE PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

God of our journey, as we walk with you on your path of obedience, sustain us on our way and lead us to your glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is right to give you thanks and praise, O Lord, our God, sustainer of the universe, you are worthy of glory and praise.

Glory to you for ever and ever.

At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home; by your will they were created and have their being.

Glory to you for ever and ever.

From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill; you made us the stewards of creation.

Glory to you for ever and ever.

But we turn against you, and betray your trust; and we turn against one another. Again and again you call us to return. Through the prophets and sages you reveal your righteous law. In the fullness of time you sent your Son, born of a woman, to be our Saviour. He was wounded for our transgressions, and bruised for our iniquities. By his death he opened to us the way of freedom and peace.

Glory to you for ever and ever.

Therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might,
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.**

Blessed are you, Lord our God, for sending us Jesus, the Christ, who on the night he was handed over to suffering and death, took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, gave it to his friends, and said, "Take this, and eat it: this is my body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me." In the same way, after supper, he took the cup of wine; he gave you thanks, and said, "Drink this, all of you: this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Glory to you for ever and ever.

Gracious God, we recall the death of your Son Jesus Christ, we proclaim his resurrection and ascension, and we look with expectation for his coming as Lord of all the nations. We who have been redeemed by him, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring you these gifts. Send your Holy Spirit upon us and upon this offering of your Church, that we who eat and drink at this holy table may share the divine life of Christ our Lord.

Glory to you for ever and ever.

Pour out your Spirit upon the whole earth and make it your new creation. Gather your Church together from the ends of the earth into your kingdom, where peace and justice are revealed, that we, with all your people, of every language, race, and nation, may share the banquet you have promised; through Christ, with Christ, and in Christ, all honour and glory are yours, creator of all.

Glory to you for ever and ever. Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

As our Saviour taught us, let us pray,

**Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.**

Give us today our daily bread.

**Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.**

**Save us from the time of trial,
and deliver us from evil.**

**For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours,
now and for ever. Amen.**

BREAKING OF THE BREAD

We break this bread,

Communion in Christ's body once broken.

Let your Church be the wheat
which bears its fruit in dying.

**If we have died with him,
we shall live with him;
if we hold firm,
we shall reign with him.**

THE COMMUNION

The gifts of God for the People of God.

Thanks be to God.

COMMUNION HYMN

THE PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION AND BLESSING

Let us pray,

**Compassionate God, you have fed us with the bread of heaven.
Sustain us in our Lenten pilgrimage: may our fasting be hunger
for justice; our alms, a making of peace; and our prayer, the
song of grateful hearts, through Jesus Christ, our Saviour and
Lord. Amen.**

May God the Father, who does not despise the broken spirit, give to you a contrite heart. **Amen.**

May Christ, who bore our sins in his body on the tree, heal you by his wounds. **Amen.**

May the Holy Spirit, who leads us into all truth, speak to you words of pardon and peace. **Amen.**

Christ give you grace to grow in holiness, to deny yourselves, take up your cross, and follow him; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

HYMN

THE DISMISSAL

Let us continue in our Lenten journey.
Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

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