# THE JERUSALEM MASS SHEET

4<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY OF EASTER (B) 21<sup>st</sup> of April 2024

# THE INTRODUCTORY RITES

Entrance Antiphon or a hymn.

Stand

Cf. Ps 32:5-6

The merciful love of the Lord fills the earth; By the word of the Lord the heavens were made, alleluia.

All make the Sign of the Cross as the Priest says: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen. The Priest greets everyone present. The people respond: And with your spirit. The Mass of the day may be introduced.

#### Penitential Act

The Priest invites the people to repentance using one of the Penitential Acts.

I confess to almighty God 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 breasts, 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 Priest says the absolution. All reply. Amen

Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

## The Gloria

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Glory to God in the highest,
and on earth peace to people of good will.
We praise you,
we bless you,
we adore you,
we glorify you,
we give you thanks for your great glory,
Lord God, heavenly King,
0 God, almighty Father.
Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
you take away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us;
you take away the sins of the world,
 receive our prayer;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father,
have mercy on us.
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.
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#### The Collect

May your people exult for ever, 0 God, in renewed youthfulness of spirit, so that, rejoicing now in the restored glory of our adoption,

we may look forward in confident hope to the rejoicing of the day of resurrection. 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.

Amen. Sit

# THE LITURGY OF THE WORD First Reading

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

4:8-12

Filled with the Holy Spirit, Peter said: 'Rulers of the people, and elders! If you are questioning us today about an act of kindness to a cripple, and asking us how he was healed, then I am glad to tell you all, and would indeed be glad to tell the whole people of Israel, that it was by the name of Jesus Christ the Nazarene, the one you crucified, whom God raised from the dead, by this name and by no other that this man is able to stand up perfectly healthy, here in your presence, today. This is the stone rejected by you the builders, but which has proved to be the keystone. For of all the names in the world given to men, this is the only one by which we can be *saved.'* 

'The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

# R) The stone which the builders rejected has become the corner stone.

Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, for his love has no end. It is better to take refuge in the Lord than to trust in men: it is better to take refuge in the Lord than to trust in princes. (R)

I will thank you for you have given answer and you are my saviour.
The stone which the builders rejected has become the corner stone.
This is the work of the Lord, a marvel in our eyes. **(R)** 

Blessed in the name of the Lord is he who comes.
We bless you from the house of the Lord; I will thank you for you have given answer and you are my saviour.
Give thanks to the Lord for he is good; For his *love* has no end. **(R)** 

# **Second Reading**

A reading from the first letter of St John
Think of the love that the Father has lavished
on us,

by letting us be called God's children;

and that is what we are.

Because the world refused to acknowledge him,

therefore it does not acknowledge us.

My dear people, we are already the children of God

but what we are to be in the future has not yet been revealed:

all we know is, that when it is revealed

we shall be like him because we shall see him as he really is.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

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Stand

Alleluia, alleluia! Jn 10:14

I am the good shepherd, says the Lord; I know my own sheep and my own know me. Alleluia!

Gospel John 10-14

The Lord be with you.

# And with your spirit.

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John.

## Glory to you, 0 Lord.

Jesus said:

'I am the good shepherd:

the good shepherd is one who lays down his life for his sheep.

The hired man, since he is not the shepherd and the sheep do not belong to him, abandons the sheep and runs away as soon as he sees a wolf coming, and then the wolf attacks and scatters the sheep; this is because he is only a hired man and has no concern for the sheep.

I am the good shepherd;

I know my own

and my own know me,

just as the Father knows me

and I know the Father:

and I lay down my life for my sheep.

And there are other sheep I have

that are not of this fold,

and these I have to lead as well.

They too will listen to my voice,

and there will be only one flock

and one shepherd.

The Father loves me,

because I lay down my life

in order to take it up again.

No one takes it from me;

I lay it down of my own free will,

and as it is in my power to lay it down,

so it is my power to take it up again;

and this is the command I have been given

by my Father.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

The Homily Sit

The Nicene Creed Stand

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 All bow 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 and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

# The Prayer of the Faithful

Response example: Lord, in your mercy.

Hear our prayer.

After the concluding prayer all say: Amen. Sit

#### THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

The offerings are brought to the altar.

A hymn may be sung.

If the Priest says the two prayers of offering aloud, the response both times is:

#### Blessed be God for ever.

The people rise as the Priest says:

Pray, brethren (brothers and sisters), that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father

# The people reply:

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.

# **Prayer over the Offerings**

Grant, we pray, 0 Lord, that we may always find delight in these paschal mysteries, so that the renewal constantly at work within us may be the cause of our unending joy. Through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

# **The Eucharistic Prayer**

The Lord be with you. **And with your spirit.** 

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right and just.

# **Preface III of Easter,**

# Christ living and always interceding for us

It is truly right and just, our duty and our salvation, at all times to acclaim you, 0 Lord, but in this time above all to laud you yet more gloriously,

when Christ our Passover has been sacrificed. He never ceases to offer himself for us but defends us and ever pleads our cause

before you:

he is the sacrificial Victim who dies no more, the Lamb, once slain, who lives for ever. Therefore, overcome with paschal joy, every land, every people exults in your praise and even the heavenly Powers, with the angelic hosts,

sing together the unending hymn of your glory, as they acclaim:

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.

#### Kneel

# **Eucharistic Prayer III**

(The Priest may use a different Eucharistic Prayer.)

You are indeed Holy, 0 Lord,

and all you have created

rightly gives you praise,

for through your Son our Lord Jesus Christ,

by the power and working of the Holy Spirit,

you give life to all things and make them holy,

and you never cease to gather a people

to yourself,

so that from the rising of the sun to its setting

a pure sacrifice may be offered to your name.

Therefore, 0 Lord, we humbly implore you:

by the same Spirit graciously make holy

these gifts we have brought to you for consecration,

that they may become the Body and Blood

of your Son our Lord Jesus Christ,

at whose command we celebrate these mysteries.

For on the night he was betrayed

he himself took bread,

and giving you thanks, he said the blessing,

broke the bread and gave it to his disciples, saying:

TAKE THIS, ALL OF YOU, AND EAT OF IT,

FOR THIS IS MY BODY,

WHICH WILL BE GIVEN UP FOR YOU.

In a similar way, when supper was ended,

he took the chalice,

and giving you thanks, he said the blessing,

and gave the chalice to his disciples, saying:

TAKE THIS, ALL OF YOU, AND DRINK FROM IT,

FOR THIS IS THE CHALICE OF MY BLOOD,

THE BLOOD OF THE NEW AND ETERNAL COVENANT,

WHICH WILL BE POURED OUT FOR YOU AND FOR MANY

FOR THE FORGIVENESS OF SINS.

DO THIS IN MEMORY OF ME.

The mystery of faith.

The people continue, acclaiming.

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

Therefore, O Lord, as we celebrate the memorial

of the saving Passion of your Son,

his wondrous Resurrection and Ascension into heaven.

and as we look forward to his second coming,

we offer you in thanksgiving

this holy and living sacrifice.

Look, we pray, upon the oblation of your Church

and, recognizing the sacrificial Victim

by whose death

you willed to reconcile us to yourself,

grant that we, who are nourished

by the Body and Blood of your Son

and filled with his Holy Spirit,

may become one body, one spirit in Christ.

May he make of us

an eternal offering to you,

so that we may obtain an inheritance with your elect,

especially with the most Blessed Virgin Mary,

Mother of God,

with blessed Joseph, her Spouse,

with your blessed Apostles and glorious Martyrs

and with all the Saints.

on whose constant intercession in your presence

we rely for unfailing help.

May this Sacrifice of our reconciliation,

we pray, 0 Lord,

advance the peace and salvation of all the world.

Be pleased to confirm in faith and charity

your pilgrim Church on earth,

with your servant N. our Pope and N. our Bishop,

the Order of Bishops, all the clergy,

and the entire people you have gained for your own.

Listen graciously to the prayers of this family,

whom you have summoned before you:

in your compassion, 0 merciful Father,

gather to yourself all your children scattered throughout the world.

To our departed brothers and sisters and to all who were pleasing to you at their passing from this life, give kind admittance to your kingdom.

There we hope to enjoy for ever the fullness

of your glory

through Christ our Lord,

through whom you bestow on the world all that is good.

Through him, and with him, and in him,

0 God, almighty Father,

in the unity of the Holy Spirit,

all glory and honour is yours,

for ever and ever.

The people acclaim: Amen.

T'le Communion Rite Stand

The Priest invites all to join in the Lord's Prayer:

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.

#### The Priest continues alone:

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 Saviour, Jesus Christ. For the kingdom,

the power and the glory are yours now and for ever.

#### The Priest says:

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. Amen.
The peace of the Lord be with you always.
And with your spirit.

The Deacon, or the Priest, adds:

Let us offer each other the sign of peace.

The Priest takes the host and breaks if.

Meanwhile the people say or sing:

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

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

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

#### The Priest shows the host to the people and says:

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.

Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.

The Priest or other minister says to each communicant

The Body [Blood] of Christ.

Each communicant answers: Amen.

# **Communion Antiphon**

Lk 24:46-47

The Good Shepherd has risen, who laid down his life for his sheep and willingly died for his flock, alleluia.

After the distribution of Holy Communion a sacred silence may be observed or a psalm, hymn or canticle of praise may be sung.

# **Prayer after Communion**

Stand

Look upon your flock, kind Shepherd, and be pleased to settle in eternal pastures the sheep you have redeemed by the Precious Blood of your Son.

Who lives and reigns for ever and ever. Amen.

#### Amen.

#### THE CONCLUDING RITES

Announcements may be made.

*Priest:* The Lord be with you.

All: And with your spirit.

#### **SOLEMN BLESSING**

The Deacon, or the Priest, says:

Bow down for the blessing.

The Priest continues:

May God, who by the Resurrection of his Only Begotten Son was pleased to confer on you the gift of redemption and of adoption, give you gladness by his blessing.

### Amen.

May he, by whose redeeming work you have received the gift of everlasting freedom, make you heirs to an eternal inheritance.

#### Amen.

And may you, who have already risen with Christ in Baptism through faith, by living in a right manner on this earth, be united with him in the homeland of heaven.

# Amen.

And may the blessing of almighty God,

the Father, and the Son, >I< and the Holy Spirit, come down on you and remain with you for ever. **Amen.** 

Then the Deacon, or the Priest, says:

Go forth, the Mass is ended, *Or:*Go and announce the Gosper of the Lord, *Or:*Go in peace, glorifying the Lord by your life. *Or:*Go in peace. alleluia, allelulia.

Thanks be to God, alleluia, alleluia.