

Reader:
The word of the Lord.

All:
Thanks be to God

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

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The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

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The Lord is my shepherd; There is nothing I shall want. Fresh and green are the pastures where he gives me repose. Near restful waters he leads me, to revive my drooping spirit.

All:
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Reader:
He guides me along the right path; he is true to his name. If I should walk in the valley of darkness no evil would I fear. You are there with your crook and your staff; with these you give me comfort.

All:
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Reader:
You have prepared a banquet for me in the site of my foes. My head you have anointed with oil; my cup is overflowing.

All:
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Reader:
Surely goodness and kindness shall follow me all the days of my life. In the Lord's own house shall I dwell for ever and ever.

All:
The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

THE GOSPEL ACCLAMATION *(Please stand)*

Priest:

Praise and honour to you, Lord Jesus! I am the resurrection and the life, says the Lord, whoever believes in me will never die.

All:

Praise and honour to you, Lord Jesus!

Priest:

The Lord be with you.

All:

And with your spirit.

Priest:

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

All:

Glory to you, O Lord.

Priest:

On arriving at Bethany, Jesus found that Lazarus had been in the tomb for four days already. Bethany is only about two miles from Jerusalem, and many Jews had come to Martha and Mary to sympathise with them over their brother. When Martha heard that Jesus had come she went to meet him. Mary remained sitting in the house. Martha said to Jesus, 'If you had been here my brother would not have died, but I know that even now, whatever you ask of God he will grant you'. 'Your brother,' said Jesus to her, 'Will rise again'. Martha said, 'I know that he will rise again at the resurrection on the last day'. Jesus said, 'I am the resurrection and the life. If anyone believes in me, even though he dies he will live, and whoever lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this?' 'Yes, Lord', she said, 'I believe that you are the Christ, the Son of God, the one who was to come into this world.'

Priest:

The Gospel of the Lord

All:

Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ

THE HOMILY

(Please sit)

THE BIDDING PRAYERS

(Please stand)

Priest:

God the Almighty Father, raised Christ his Son from the dead; with confidence we ask him to save all his people, living and dead.

Reader:

For Graca, who in baptism was given the pledge of eternal life, that she may now be admitted to the company of the saints. Lord, in your mercy,

All:

Hear our prayer.

Reader:

For Graca, who ate the body of Christ, the bread of life, that she may be raised up on the last day. Lord, in your mercy,

All:

Hear our prayer.

Reader:

For our deceased relatives and friends and for all who have helped us, that they may have the reward of their goodness. Lord, in your mercy,

All:

Hear our prayer.

Reader:

For all who have fallen asleep in the hope of rising again, that they may see God face to face. Lord, in your mercy,

All:

Hear our prayer.

Reader:

For all Graca's family and friends; that they may be consoled in their grief by the Lord, who wept at the death of his friend Lazarus. Lord, in your mercy,

All:

Hear our prayer.

Reader:

For all of us assembled here to worship in faith, that we may be gathered together again in God's Kingdom. Lord, in your mercy,

All:
Hear our prayer.

Reader:
Let us ask Our Lady, the Mother of Sorrows to pray with us as we say:

All:
Hail Mary, full of grace the Lord is with thee; blessed art thou amongst women and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus. Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners now, and at the hour of our death. Amen.

Reader:
In a moment of silence let us make our own prayers to the Lord who is the Resurrection and the Life.

Priest:
God, our shelter and our strength, you listen in love to the cry of your people,
hear the prayer we offer for our departed sister Maria. Cleanse her and all the faithful departed of their sins and grant them the fullness of redemption.
We ask this through Christ our Lord.

All:
Amen.

THE OFFERTORY *(Please sit)*

'Ave Maria' whilst Alter is prepared
(Please stand)

Priest:
Pray, 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.

THE PREFACE

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.

At the end of the Preface

All:
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.

THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

(If you are able to do so, please kneel, otherwise please sit)

Priest:
The mystery of faith.

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

Priest:
Through him, and with him, and in him, O God, almighty Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honour is yours, for ever and ever.

People:
Amen.

THE COMMUNION RITE *(Please stand)*

Priest:

At the Saviour'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 Saviour, Jesus Christ.

People:

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

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.

People:

Amen.

Priest:

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

People:

And with your spirit.

Priest:

Let us offer each other the sign of peace.

People:

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.

(If you are able to do so, please kneel, otherwise please sit)

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.

The Distribution of Holy Communion. If you are a Catholic and would normally receive Holy Communion when you attend Mass, you are most welcome to do so. If for whatever reason you are unable to receive Holy Communion or are not a Catholic then you are most welcome to come forward to receive a Blessing. If you would like to receive a Blessing then please join the queue; please cross your arms across your chest to indicate that you wish to receive a Blessing. Thank you.

(If you are able to do so, please kneel, otherwise please sit)

THE PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

(Please stand)

THE COMMENDATION

(Please stand)

THE PROCESSION FROM THE CHURCH

(All sing)

Make me a channel of your peace.
Where there is hatred let me bring your love;
Where there is injury your pardon, Lord;
And where there's doubt true faith in you.

Oh, Master grant that I may never seek
So much to be consoled as to console;
To be understood as to understand;
To be loved as to love with all my soul.

Make me a channel of your peace.
Where there's despair in life let me bring hope;
Where there is darkness, only light;
And where there's sadness, ever joy.

Oh, Master grant that I may never seek
So much to be consoled as to console;
To be understood as to understand;
To be loved as to love with all my soul.

Make me a channel of your peace.
It is in pardoning that we are pardoned;
In giving to all men that we receive;
And in dying that we're born to eternal life.

Oh, Master grant that I may never seek
So much to be consoled as to console;
To be understood as to understand;
To be loved as to love with all my soul.