

25th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME < A

September 19 - 20, 2020

For the Dead

Remember also our brothers and sisters who have fallen asleep in the hope of the resurrection, and all who have died in your mercy: welcome them into the light of your face.

In Communion with the Saints

Have mercy on us all, we pray, that with the Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of God, with the Blessed Joseph, her spouse, with the Blessed Apostles, and all the Saints who have pleased you throughout the ages, we may merit to be coheirs to eternal life, and may praise and glorify you through your Son, Jesus Christ.

Concluding Doxology

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.
Amen

Communion Rite

STAND

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.

Priest:
Deliver us, Lord, we pray, from every evil, graciously grant us 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 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.

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

Breaking of the Bread

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.

Reception of Communion

KNEEL

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.**

Priest : The body of Christ.

Answer : **Amen**

Priest : The blood of Christ.

Answer : **Amen**

Communion

Oratio Imperata

Prayer after Communion [Possessing Redemption]

STAND

Graciously raise up, O Lord, those you renew with this Sacrament, that we may come to possess your redemption both in mystery and in the manner of our life. Through Christ our Lord.
R/ Amen.

General Announcements

SIT

Blessing

STAND

The heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways and my thoughts than your thoughts, says the Lord.
R/ Amen.

Let us reflect how many times have our expectations fallen short of the wonderful plans, which God has prepared for us. **R/ Amen.**

May God keep you in his love and bless you: the Father, and the Son, ✠ and the Holy Spirit.
R/ Amen.

Let us go with one another in God's way.
R/ Thanks be to God.

MC: Greeting

Entrance song

STAND

Introduction by the Celebrant

ENTRANCE ANT. [Salvation of People]
I am the salvation of the people, says the Lord. Should they cry to me in any distress, I will hear them, and I will be their Lord for ever.

Penitential Act

Let us ask forgiveness from the Lord. When we think we are doing well, that we are often self-satisfied and expect so little from our Lord:
(pause)

Lord Jesus, you ask us to seek and call on you:
Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**

Lord Jesus Christ, Your ways are far above human ways:
Christ, have mercy. **Christ, have mercy.**

Lord Jesus, Your thoughts above our thoughts:
Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**

Have mercy on us, Lord, forgive us our pretensions, our pride and self-assurance, and lead us forward in hope to your everlasting life. **Amen.**

Glory to God in the highest

C: Collect [Attaining Eternal Life]

O God, who founded all the commands of your sacred Law upon love of you and of our neighbor, grant that, by keeping your precepts, we may merit to attain eternal life. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.
R/ Amen.

Liturgy of the Word

SIT

First Reading *Is 55: 6-9*

[Seek the Lord]

Seek the Lord. His ways are far above human ways. The thoughts of God are not the thoughts of human beings. God is rich in forgiving.

A reading from the Book of the Prophet Isaiah

Seek the Lord while he may be found, call him while he is near. Let the scoundrel forsake his way, and the wicked his thoughts: let him turn to the Lord for mercy; to our God, who is generous in forgiving. For my thoughts are not your thoughts, nor are your ways my ways, says the Lord. As high as the heavens are above the earth, so high are my ways above your ways and my thoughts above your thoughts.
The word of the Lord.

R/ Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm *Ps 145*

[The Nearness of God]

R./ The Lord is near to all who call upon him.

Every day will I bless you, and I will praise your name forever and ever. Great is the Lord and highly to be praised; his greatness is unsearchable. **(R)**

The Lord is gracious and merciful, slow to anger and of great kindness. The Lord is good to all and compassionate toward all his works. **(R)**

The Lord is just in all his ways and holy in all his works. The Lord is near to all who call upon him, to all who call upon him in truth. **(R)**

Second Reading *Phil 1:20c-24, 27a*

[Life in Christ]

Paul notes that whether he lives or dies, his life belongs to Christ. It would be more beneficial for the Philippians for Paul to continue living in the flesh to bring them the message of Jesus.

A reading from the Letter of Saint Paul to the Philippians

Brothers and sisters: Christ will be magnified in my body, whether by life or by death. For to me life is Christ, and death is gain. If I go on living in the flesh, that means fruitful labor for me. And I do not know which I shall choose. I am caught between the two. I long to depart this life and be with Christ, for that is far better. Yet that I remain in the flesh is more necessary for your benefit.

Only, conduct yourselves in a way worthy of the gospel of Christ.

The word of the Lord.
R/ Thanks be to God.

Alleluia Cf. Acts: 16:14b

[Listen to Jesus] **STAND**

R/ Alleluia, alleluia.

Open our hearts, O Lord,
to listen to the words of your Son.

R/ Alleluia, alleluia.



Gospel Mt 20: 1-16

[The Workers in the Vineyard]

Jesus teaches that the kingdom of God is like the landowner who hires early in the morning, again at midmorning, at noon and midafternoon. At payment time, all the workers receive the same wage. How just and generous God is!

R/ The Lord be with you.

R/ And with your spirit.

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew.

R/ Glory to you, O Lord

Jesus told his disciples this parable: "The kingdom of heaven is like a landowner who went out at dawn to hire laborers for his vineyard. After agreeing with them for the usual daily wage, he sent them into his vineyard. Going out about nine o'clock, the landowner saw others standing idle in the marketplace, and he said to them, 'You too go into my vineyard, and I will give you what is just.' So they went off. And he went out again around noon, and around three o'clock, and did likewise. Going out about five o'clock, the landowner found others standing around, and said to them, 'Why do you stand here idle all day?' They answered, 'Because no one has hired us.' He said to them, 'You too go into my vineyard.' When it was evening the owner of the vineyard said to his foreman, 'Summon the laborers and give them their pay, beginning with the last and ending with the first.' When those who had started about five o'clock came, each received the usual daily wage. So when the first came, they thought that they would receive more, but each of them also got the usual wage. And on receiving it they grumbled against the landowner, saying, 'These last ones worked only one hour, and you have made them equal to us, who bore the day's burden and the heat.' He said to one of them in reply, 'My friend, I am not cheating you. Did you not agree with me for the usual daily wage? Take what is yours and go. What if I wish to give this last one the same as you? Or am I not free to do as I wish with my own money? Are you envious because I am generous?' Thus, the last will be first, and the first will be last."

The Gospel of the Lord.

R/ Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Homily

SIT

I believe in God

STAND

General Intercessions

In today's liturgy the Church reminds us of the mystery of God's wisdom, which is intimately united to His redemptive mission:

(pause)

For the Church: let us pray to the Father that the greatness of His plans for the Church is always way more superior and far reaching than human designs and may we be reminded how often our expectations are fallen short of the wonderful plans God has prepared for us. Let us pray:

Lord, hear our prayer.

That the civil rulers may possess strong moral value and high integrity, to uphold the law of the land to secure justice for all, and to eliminate the structural causes of poverty, to promote the integral development of the poor in improving their livelihood and living standard. Let us pray:

Lord, hear our prayer.

Lord Jesus, in the parable of the vineyard, You intend to show us that Your grace is a pure gift, a gift which will always be infinitely greater than what we deserve. Therefore, may we be worthy to seek true greatness in service of You, to win souls and bring others to Your vineyard. Let us pray:

Lord, hear our prayer.

For the community: in this time of Coronavirus pandemic re-lockdown, social distancing, and its detrimental impact on health and financial system, may we be compassionate, in solidarity to reach out with open hearts and hands, to those who are needing helps. Let us pray:

Lord, hear our prayer.

Lord Jesus, You are the head of the Church, we humbly seek Your providence of the St. Peter Canisius International Catholic Parish, for the grace to carry out effective apostolate and to be the Light to the nations. Let us pray:

Lord, hear our prayer.

We pray for those intentions offered for the Mass and for our personal intentions ...

(Pause)

Let us pray:

Lord, hear our prayer.

Lord Jesus, the vineyard is where we are called to be the "salt of the earth" and the "light of the world", to bear witness of Your presence to the world. Through Christ our Lord. **R/Amen.**

SL: Offertory hymn

SIT

Liturgy of the Eucharist

Preparation of the Bread

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation,
for through your goodness we have received
the bread we offer you:

fruit of the earth and work of human hands,
it will become for us the bread of life.

All : **Blessed be God for ever.**

Preparation of the Wine

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation,
for through your goodness we have received
the wine we offer you:

fruit of the vine and work of human hands,
it will become our spiritual drink.

All : **Blessed be God for ever.**

Invitation To Prayer

STAND

Priest : Pray, brethren, 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**

Prayer over the Offerings
[Devotion and Faith]

STAND

Receive with favor, O Lord, we pray,
the offerings of your people,
that what they profess with devotion and faith
may be theirs through these heavenly mysteries.
Through Christ our Lord.

R./ Amen.

The Eucharistic Prayer

STAND

Introductory Dialogue

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 II of The Sundays In Ordinary Time

It is truly right and just, our duty and our
salvation, always and everywhere to give you
thanks, Lord, holy Father, almighty and eternal
God, through Christ our Lord.

For out of compassion for the waywardness that is
ours, he humbled himself and was born of the
Virgin; by the passion of the Cross he freed us
from unending death, and by rising from the dead
he gave us life eternal.

And so, with Angels and Archangels,
with Thrones and Dominions, and with all the
hosts and Powers of heaven, we sing the hymn
of your glory, as without end we acclaim :

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts....

Eucharistic Prayer No.2

KNEEL

Praise to the Father

You are indeed Holy, O Lord,
the fount of all holiness.

Invocation of the Holy Spirit

Make holy, therefore, these gifts, we pray,
by sending down your Spirit upon them like the
dewfall, so that they may become for us
the Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ.

The Lord's Supper

At the time he was betrayed and entered willingly
into his Passion, he took bread and, giving thanks,
broke it, 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, once more giving thanks,
he gave it 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.

Memorial Acclamation

Priest : The mystery of faith.

All : *When we eat this Bread
and drink this cup,
we proclaim your Death, O Lord,
until you come again.*

The Memorial Prayer

Therefore, as we celebrate the memorial of his
Death and Resurrection, we offer you Lord,
the Bread of life and the Chalice of salvation,
giving thanks that you have held us worthy
to be in your presence and minister to you.

Invocation of the Holy Spirit

Humbly we pray that, partaking of the Body and
Blood of Christ, we may be gathered into one by
the Holy Spirit.

Intercessions: For the Church

Remember, Lord, your Church,
spread throughout the world,
and bring her to the fullness of charity,
together with N. our Pope and N. our Bishop
and all the clergy