

and with all the Saint, on whose constant intercession in your presence we rely for unailing help.

### For the Church

May this Sacrifice of our reconciliation, we pray, O 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 Bishop, 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, O merciful Father, gather to yourself all your children scattered throughout the world.

### For the Dead

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.

### 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 ...

*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

### Lamb of God

*Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: Have mercy on us.*

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

### Invitation to 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

*Prayer after Communion [Devout Reception]*

**STAND**

Grant, we pray, almighty God, that our reception of this pascal Sacrament may have a continuing effect in our minds and hearts. Through Christ our Lord. **R/ Amen.**

### General Announcements

**SIT**

### Blessing

**STAND**

*Bow your heads and pray for God's blessing*

Through the resurrection of his Son God has redeemed you and made you his children. May he bless you with joy. **R/ Amen.**

The Redeemer has given you lasting freedom.

May you inherit his everlasting life.

**R/ Amen.**

By faith you rose with him in baptism. May your lives be holy, so that you will be united with him for ever.

**R/ Amen.**

May almighty God bless you, the Father, and the Son, ✠ and the Holy Spirit.

**R/ Amen.**

Go forth, the Mass is ended, go in peace, Alleluia, alleluia

**R/ Thanks be to God, Alleluia, alleluia.**

## 2nd SUNDAY OF EASTER < B

*(or of Divine Mercy)*

*April 6 - 7, 2024*

**MC: Greeting**

**Entrance song**

**STAND**

**Introduction by the Celebrant**

**ENTRANCE ANT. [Give Thanks]**

*Receive the joy of your glory, giving thanks to God, who has called you into the heavenly Kingdom, alleluia.*

### Penitential Act

You expired, Jesus, but the source of life gushed forth for souls, and the ocean of mercy opened up for the whole world:

*(pause)*

Lord Jesus, without seeing you we believe that with your Divine Mercy our sins are forgiven.

Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**

O Fount of Life, unfathomable Divine Mercy, envelop the whole world and empty Yourself out upon us.

Christ, have mercy. **Christ, have mercy.**

O Blood and Water, which gushed forth from the Heart of Jesus as fount of Mercy for us.

Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**

Have mercy on us Lord, give us in abundance the peace of your pardon and the fullness of your risen life. Jesus, King of Mercy, we trust in You. **Amen.**

### Gloria to God in the highest

**C: Collect**

**[Kindle Faith]**

God of everlasting mercy, who in the very recurrence of the paschal feast kindle the faith of the people you have made your own, increase, we pray, the grace you have bestowed, that all may grasp and rightly understand in what font they have been washed, by whose Spirit they have been reborn, by whose Blood they have been redeemed. 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. **R/ Amen.**

### Liturgy of the Word

**SIT**

**First Reading** *Acts 4:32-35*

**[True Christian Fellowship]**

*The faithful lived a common life, sharing all their goods. The apostles worked many miracles. They prayed together and broke bread. Daily their numbers increased.*

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

The community of believers was of one heart and mind, and no one claimed that any of his possessions was his own, but they had everything in common. With great power the apostles bore witness to the

resurrection of the Lord Jesus, and great favor was accorded them all. There was no needy person among them, for those who owned property or houses would sell them, bring the proceeds of the sale, and put them at the feet of the apostles, and they were distributed to each according to need.

*The word of the Lord.*

**R/ Thanks be to God.**

**Responsorial Psalm Ps 118 [The Lord's Goodness]**

**R/ Gives thanks to the Lord for he is good, his love is everlasting.**

**Or. Alleluia.**

Let the house of Israel say, "His mercy endures forever." Let the house of Aaron say, "His mercy endures forever." Let those who fear the LORD say, "His mercy endures forever." **(R.)**

I was hard pressed and was falling, but the LORD helped me. My strength and my courage is the LORD, and he has been my savior. The joyful shout of victory. in the tents of the just: **(R.)**

The stone which the builders rejected has become the cornerstone. By the LORD has this been done; it is wonderful in our eyes. This is the day the LORD has made; let us be glad and rejoice in it. **(R.)**

**Second Reading** *1 Jn 5:1-5 [The Power of Faith]*

*A believing faith comes from God. The proof of loving God comes from observing his commandments. The Spirit, the Spirit of truth, will testify to this.*

A reading from the first Letter of Saint John

Beloved: Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ is begotten by God, and everyone who loves the Father loves also the one begotten by him. In this way we know that we love the children of God when we love God and obey his commandments. For the love of God is this, that we keep his commandments. And his commandments are not burdensome, for whoever is begotten by God conquers the world. And the victory that conquers the world is our faith. Who indeed is the victor over the world but the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God? This is the one who came through water and blood, Jesus Christ, not by water alone, but by water and blood. The Spirit is the one that testifies, and the Spirit is truth.

*The word of the Lord.*

**R/ Thanks be to God.**

**Alleluia** *Jn 20:29 [Blind Faith]*

**STAND**

**R/ Alleluia, alleluia.**

You believe in me, Thomas, because you have seen me, says the Lord; blessed are those who have not seen me, but still believe!

**R/ Alleluia, alleluia.**



**Gospel Jn 20:19-31 [Living Faith]**

Jesus appears to the disciples, coming through locked doors. He shows them his hands and side. He greets them in peace and gives them the power to forgive sin. A week later Jesus appears again directly to Thomas who now professes his belief.

**R/ The Lord be with you.**

**R/ And with your spirit.**

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John.

**R/ Glory to you, O Lord**

On the evening of that first day of the week, when the doors were locked, where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood in their midst and said to them, "Peace be with you." When he had said this, he showed them his hands and his side. The disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, So I send you." And when he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. Whose sins you forgive are forgiven them, and whose sins you retain are retained."

Thomas, called Didymus, one of the Twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples said to him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands and put my finger into nailmarks and put my hand into his side, I will not believe."

Now a week later his disciples were again inside and Thomas was with them. Jesus came, although the doors were locked, and stood in their midst and said, "Peace be with you." Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands, and bring your hand and put it into my side, and do not be unbelieving, but believe." Thomas answered and said to him, "My Lord and my God!" Jesus said to him, "Have you come to believe because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and have believed. Now, Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples that are not written in this book. But these are written that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that through this belief you may have life in his name.

*The Gospel of the Lord.*

**R/ Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

**Homily**

**SIT**

**I believe in God**

**STAND**

**General Intercessions**

We give thanks to the Lord because he is good. United in the joy of the Resurrection of our Lord, Jesus Christ, let us turn to the Father with our prayers:

*(Pause)*

That on this Divine Mercy Sunday the Church will rededicate herself to living and proclaiming Christ's mercy to all mankind, especially to sinners. Let us pray: **Lord, hear our prayer.**

For all the priests and religious through whom Your mercy flows on mankind. That You may increase your grace in those consecrated to Your service, that they may perform worthy works of mercy. Let us pray: **Lord, hear our prayer.**

For the leaders of governments: that they may work to ensure all people can live in peace, with freedom to worship God and to pursue holiness and that You may impart Your graces in great abundance to each and all. Let us pray: **Lord, hear our prayer.**

For those burdened by sin and those, who are still ignorant of the mercy of God: let the grace of the Resurrection move them to receive God's mercy in the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Let us pray: **Lord, hear our prayer.**

For our Parish community: that we may venerate the mercy of God and spread confidence in it, thus we may become a living image of the Most Compassionate Heart of Jesus. Let us pray: **Lord, hear our prayer.**

For the repose of the souls of the faithful departed that they may find eternal rest in the peace of Christ; and for those souls in purgatory, who are fulfilling the Divine Justice that the merciful streams of Christ's Blood may diminish their sufferings and shorten their waits for heaven. 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 of Your Resurrection for our spiritual growth 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.**

Loving Father, the Resurrection of Your Son gives us a new birth to a living hope. Let us live in that hope always. Through Christ our Lord. **R/Amen.**

**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**

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 [Unending Happiness]**

**STAND**

Accept, O Lord, we pray, the oblations of your people (and of those you have brought to new birth), that, renewed by confession of your name and by Baptism, they may attain unending happiness. Through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

**The Eucharist 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 Easter**

It is truly right and just, our duty and our salvation, at all times to acclaim you, O Lord, but in this time above all to laud you yet more gloriously, when Christ our Passover has been sacrificed.

Through him the children of light rise to eternal life and the halls of the heavenly Kingdom are thrown open to the faithful; for his Death is our ransom from death, and in his rising the life of all has risen.

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....**

**Eucharistic Prayer No.3**

**KNEEL**

**Praise to the Father**

You are indeed Holy, O 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.

**Invocation of the Holy Spirit**

Therefore, O 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.

**The Lord's Supper**

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.**

**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, 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.

**Invocation of the Holy Spirit**

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.

**Intercessions: In Communion with the Saints**

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 (with Saint N.: the Saint of the day or Patron Saint)