

3rd SUNDAY OF LENT < B

March 2 - 3, 2024

Intercessions: For the Church

May he make your Church a sign of unity and an instrument of your peace among all people and may he keep us in communion with N. our Pope and N. our Bishop and all the Bishops and your entire people.

In Communion with the Saints

Just as you have gathered us now at the table of your Son, so also bring us together, with the glorious Virgin Mary, Mother of God, with your blessed Apostles and all the Saints.

For the Dead

With our brothers and sisters and those of every race and tongue who have died in your friendship. Bring us to share with them the unending banquet of unity in a new heaven and a new earth, where the fullness of your peace will shine forth in Christ Jesus our Lord.

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

The 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.

Sing 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

Prayer after Communion

[Nourishment from Heaven]

STAND

As we receive the pledge of things yet hidden in heaven and are nourished while still on earth with the Bread that comes from on high, we humbly entreat you, O Lord, that what is being brought about in us in mystery may come to true completion. Through Christ our Lord.

R/ Amen.

General Announcements

SIT

Blessing

STAND

Direct, O Lord, we pray, the hearts of your faithful, and in your kindness grant your servants this grace: that, abiding in the love of you and neighbor, we may fulfill the whole of your commands. Through Christ our Lord.

R/ Amen.

And may the blessing of almighty God, the Father, and the Son, ✽ and the Holy Spirit. come down on you and remain with you for ever.
R/ Amen.

Go in the peace of Christ and let him be your companion in life.

R/ Thanks be to God.

MC: Greeting

Entrance song

STAND

Introduction by the Celebrant

ENTRANCE ANT. *[Eyes on God]*

My eyes are always on the Lord, for he rescues my feet from the snare. Turn to me and have mercy on me, for I am alone and poor.

Penitential Act

There are many times that we have reserved part of our lives for ourselves only. Let us seek forgiveness from the Lord:

(pause)

Lord Jesus, you invite us to encounter you any time, any place, in any one.

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

Jesus Christ, too often we come to church with hearts full with our own concerns or too empty to pray to you.

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

Lord Jesus, we want to worship in spirit and in truth.

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

Have mercy on us, Lord. Meet us with your forgiving love and lead us to everlasting life. **Amen.**

Gloria is not said

C: Collect *[Fasting, Prayer, Almsgiving]*

O God, author of every mercy and of all goodness, who in fasting, prayer and almsgiving have shown us a remedy for sin, look graciously on this confession of our lowliness, that we, who are bowed down by our conscience, may always be lifted up by your mercy.

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 *Ex 20:1-17 or 20:1-3, 7-8, 12-17*
[Ten Commandments]

God speaks to his people and gives them a code of life to follow - the Commandments. The first three describe how he is to be worshiped and the remaining rules outline how the people are to respect and live with one another.

A reading from the Book of Exodus

In those days, God delivered all these

commandments: "I, the LORD, am your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, that place of slavery. You shall not have other gods besides me.

[You shall not carve idols for yourselves in the shape of anything in the sky above or on the earth below or in the waters beneath the earth; you shall not bow down before them or worship them. For I, the LORD, your God, am a jealous God, inflicting punishment for their fathers' wickedness on the children of those who hate me, down to the third and fourth generation; but bestowing mercy down to the thousandth generation, on the children of those who love me and keep my commandments.]

"You shall not take the name of the LORD, your God, in vain. For the LORD will not leave unpunished him who takes his name in vain.

"Remember to keep holy the sabbath day.

[Six days you may labor and do all your work, but the seventh day is the sabbath of the LORD, your God. No work may be done then either by you, or your son or daughter, or your male or female slave, or your beast, or by the alien who lives with you. In six days the LORD made the heavens and the earth, the sea and all that is in them; but on the seventh day he rested. That is why the LORD has blessed the sabbath day and made it holy.]

"Honor your father and your mother, that you may have a long life in the land which the LORD, your God, is giving you. You shall not kill.

You shall not commit adultery.

You shall not steal.

You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.

You shall not covet your neighbor's house. You shall not covet your neighbor's wife, nor his male or female slave, nor his ox or ass, nor anything else that belongs to him."

The word of the Lord.

R/ Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm Ps 19 [Words of Life]

R/ Lord, you have the words of everlasting life.

The law of the LORD is perfect, refreshing the soul; the decree of the LORD is trustworthy, giving wisdom to the simple. **(R.)**

The precepts of the LORD are right rejoicing the heart; the command of the LORD is clear, enlightening the eye. **(R.)**

The fear of the LORD is pure, enduring forever; the ordinances of the LORD are true, all of them just. **(R.)**

They are more precious than gold, than a heap of purest gold; sweeter also than syrup or honey from the comb. (R.)

Second Reading 1 Cor 1:22-25
[Christ, the Power of God]

Paul admits that the preaching of Christ crucified is regarded as absurd by some. Still, for those who have faith, Christ is the power and wisdom of God.

A reading from the first Letter of Saint Paul to the Corinthians

Brothers and sisters: Jews demand signs and Greeks look for wisdom, but we proclaim Christ crucified, a stumbling block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles, but to those who are called, Jews and Greeks alike, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. For the foolishness of God is wiser than human wisdom, and the weakness of God is stronger than human strength.

The word of the Lord.

R/ Thanks be to God.

Verse Before the Gospel Jn 3:16

[God's Love] **STAND**

R/ Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!*

God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him might have eternal life.

R/ Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!



"Stop making my Father's house a marketplace."

Gospel Jn 2:13-25

[Prediction of the Resurrection]

Jesus becomes angry when the temple, which is to be a house of prayer, is turned into a place of business. He drives the merchants out.

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

Since the Passover of the Jews was near, Jesus went up to Jerusalem. He found in the temple area those who sold oxen, sheep, and doves, as well as the money changers seated there. He made a whip out of cords and drove them all out of the temple area, with the sheep and oxen, and spilled the coins of the money changers and overturned their tables, and to those who sold doves he said, "Take these out of here, and stop making my Father's house a marketplace." His disciples recalled the words of Scripture, *Zeal for your house will consume me.* At this the Jews answered and said to him, "What sign can you show us for doing this?" Jesus answered

and said to them, "Destroy this temple and in three days I will raise it up." The Jews said, "This temple has been under construction for forty-six years, and you will raise it up in three days?" But he was speaking about the temple of his body. Therefore, when he was raised from the dead, his disciples remembered that he had said this, and they came to believe the Scripture and the word Jesus had spoken.

While he was in Jerusalem for the feast of Passover, many began to believe in his name when they saw the signs he was doing. But Jesus would not trust himself to them because he knew them all, and did not need anyone to testify about human nature. He himself understood it well.

The Gospel of the Lord.

R/ Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Homily

SIT

I believe in God

STAND

General Intercessions

Let us pray to the Father, who knows what is in the hearts of people and let us pray to Him in spirit and truth:

(Pause)

For the Church, the body of Christ: may we who are the members of His body be united in solidarity, vigilant, persevered in the faith and continuous renewal of the Church. Let us pray:

Lord, graciously hear us.

For those preparing to enter the Church at Easter: that they will persevere in the faith of the Church and in living a holy life, and so come to know the abundance of life in Christ. Let us pray:

Lord, graciously hear us.

For our Parish community: especially during this Lenten season - the perfect occasion for us to invite Jesus into our heart, our mind, our lives and our relationships with others, to set right what needs to be. Let us pray:

Lord, graciously hear us.

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 ever more zealous in living the Gospel and seek forgiveness in confessions and to be the Light to the Nations. Let us pray: **Lord, graciously hear us.**

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

(Pause)

Let us pray: **Lord, graciously hear us.**

Most merciful Father, you have proved your love for us through Christ who died for us. Let us always remain faithful to that love. 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

[Pardon]

STAND

Be pleased, O Lord, with these sacrificial offerings, and grant that we who beseech pardon for our own sins, may take care to forgive our neighbor. Through Christ our Lord.

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 III Of Lent *[The fruits of abstinence]*

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.

For you will that our self-denial should give you thanks, humble our sinful pride, contribute to the feeding of the poor, and so help us imitate you in your kindness.

And so we glorify you with countless Angels, as with one voice of praise we acclaim:

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

Eucharistic Prayer for Reconciliation 2

KNEEL

Praise to the Father

You, therefore, almighty Father, we bless through Jesus Christ your Son, who comes in your name. He himself is the Word that brings salvations, the hand you extend to sinners, the way by which your peace is offered to us. When we ourselves had turned away from you on account of our sins, you brought us back to be reconciled, O Lord, so that, converted at last to you, we might love one another through your Son, whom for our sake you handed over to death.

Invocation of the Holy Spirit

And now, celebrating the reconciliation Christ has brought us, we entreat you: sanctify these gifts by the outpouring of your Spirit, that they may become the Body and Blood of your Son, whose command we fulfill when we celebrate these mysteries.

The Lord's Supper

For when about to give his life to set us free, as he reclined at supper, he himself took bread into his hands, 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, on that same evening, he took the chalice of blessing in his hands, confessing your mercy, 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

Celebrating, therefore, the memorial of the Death and Resurrection of your Son, who left us this pledge of his love, we offer you what you have bestowed on us, the Sacrifice of perfect reconciliation.

Invocation of the Holy Spirit

Holy Father, we humbly beseech you to accept us also, together with your Son, and in this saving banquet graciously to endow us with his very Spirit, who takes away everything that estranges us from one another.