

6th SUNDAY OF EASTER < B

May 4 - 5, 2024

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, 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,
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.*

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Have mercy on us.*

*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
[Eucharistic Strength]*

STAND

Almighty ever-living God,
who restore us to eternal life
in the Resurrection of Christ,
increase in us, we pray,
the fruits of this paschal Sacrament
and pour into our hearts
the strength of this saving food.
Through Christ our Lord.

R/Amen.

General Announcements

SIT

Blessing

STAND

We know that God loves us
and wants to live among us.
He calls us his friends, his chosen ones.
Let us respond to his love without measure.

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 peace, live in God's love,
and keep His commandments.

R/ Thanks be to God.

MC: Greeting

Entrance song

STAND

Introduction by the Celebrant

ENTRANCE ANT. [Spiritual Freedom]

**Proclaim a joyful sound and let it be heard;
proclaim to the ends of the earth: The Lord has
freed his people, alleluia.**

Penitential Act

Brothers and sisters,
is God's love in us?
Does it flow over on those around us?
Let us examine ourselves:

(pause)

Lord Jesus, your love is without boundaries;
we like and dislike, we judge and condemn,
we limit our love:

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

Jesus Christ,
you accepted the sacrifices of love;
we are afraid to commit ourselves
when there is a price to pay:
Christ, have mercy. **Christ, have mercy.**

Lord Jesus,
your love served the happiness of others;
we sometimes use others for our benefit:
Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**

Have mercy on us, Lord,
and forgive us all the selfishness
that distorts our love.
Make our love strong and self-giving
and lead us to everlasting life.
Amen.

Glory to God in the highest

C: Collect [Heartfelt Devotion]

Grant, almighty God,
that we may celebrate with heartfelt devotion
these days of joy,
which we keep in honor of the risen Lord,
and that what we relive in remembrance
we may always hold to in what we do.
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 10:25-26, 34-35,44-48

[God Loves All]

*Peter visits Cornelius and his family. God will favor
anyone who acts uprightly, Jews, and Gentiles alike.
He gave orders that all who believe should be
baptized.*

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

When Peter entered, Cornelius met him and, falling
at his feet, paid him homage. Peter, however, raised
him up, saying, "Get up. I myself am also a human
being."

Then Peter proceeded to speak and said, "In
truth, I see that God shows no partiality. Rather, in
every nation whoever fears him and acts uprightly
is acceptable to him."

While Peter was still speaking these things, the
Holy Spirit fell upon all who were listening to the
word. The circumcised believers who had
accompanied Peter were astounded that the gift of
the Holy Spirit should have been poured out on the
Gentiles also, for they could hear them speaking in
tongues and glorifying God. Then Peter responded,
"Can anyone withhold the water for baptizing these
people, who have received the Holy Spirit even as
we have?" He ordered them to be baptized in the
name of Jesus Christ.

The word of the Lord.

R/ Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm Ps 98

[Revelation to the Nations]

**R./ The Lord has revealed to the nations his
saving power.
or Alleluia.**

Sing to the LORD a new song,
for he has done wondrous deeds;
his right hand has won victory for him,
his holy arm. **(R.)**

The LORD has made his salvation known:
in the sight of the nations he has revealed his
justice.
He has remembered his kindness and his
faithfulness toward the house of Israel. **(R.)**

All the ends of the earth have seen
the salvation by our God.
Sing joyfully to the LORD, all you lands;
break into song; sing praise. **(R.)**

Second Reading 1 Jn 4:7-10 *[God Is Love]*

*Christians should love one another as God himself is
love. A person without love does not know God. Love
is that God has sent his Son as an offering for sin.*

A reading from the first Letter of Saint John

BELOVED, let us love one another, because love is
of God; everyone who loves is begotten by God
and knows God. Whoever is without love does not
know God, for God is love. In this way the love of
God was revealed to us: God sent his only Son into
the world so that we might have life through him. In
this is love: not that we have loved God, but that he
loved us and sent his Son as expiation for our sins.

The word of the Lord.

R/ Thanks be to God.

Alleluia Jn 14:23 [Divine Love] **STAND**

R/ Alleluia, alleluia.

Whoever loves me will keep my word, says the Lord, and my Father will love him, and we will come to him.

R/ Alleluia, alleluia.



Gospel Jn 15:9-17 [Love One Another]

Jesus admonishes his disciples to continue the love he has shown to them. The keeping of the commandments will prove this. "You are to love one another.....It was I who chose you."

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

Jesus said to his disciples: "As the Father loves me, so I also love you. Remain in my love. If you keep my commandments, you will remain in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and remain in his love.

"I have told you this so that my joy may be in you and your joy might be complete. This is my commandment: love one another as I love you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends. You are my friends if you do what I command you. I no longer call you slaves, because a slave does not know what his master is doing. I have called you friends, because I have told you everything I have heard from my Father. It was not you who chose me, but I who chose you and appointed you to go and bear fruit that will remain, so that whatever you ask the Father in my name he may give you. This I command you: love one another."

The Gospel of the Lord.

R/ Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Homily

SIT

I believe in God

STAND

General Intercessions

God is greater than our hearts and knows our needs. Counting on the Father's boundless mercy, we now pray:

(Pause)

That the Church may be build up and walk in the fear of the Lord. May we the members of the Church abide to His Commandments of love: to Love God with all our heart, and with all our soul, and with all our mind; and to love one another as He loves us. Let us pray: **Lord, let your love be visible in us.**

That the divisions in the world will be healed, violence will cease, for those, who rely on force, that the Lord may disarm us and teach us to love, and the peace of God's Kingdom will bless the earth. Let us pray: **Lord, let your love be visible in us.**

In this month of May, may we rejoice with the Blessed Mother and learn from her to attend to the providential signs of God's will, both in our own lives and in the world. Let us pray:

Lord, let your love be visible in us.

For our Parish community: that the Lord will open our hearts and minds, to extend helping hands to the those who are in need, hungry, down trodden, and victims of natural disasters, and teach us to put our love into actions. Let us pray:

Lord, let your love be visible in 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 keep Your commandments in all of our thoughts, words, and actions, and to be the Light to the nations. Let us pray:

Lord, let your love be visible in us.

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

(Pause)

Let us pray: **Lord, let your love be visible in us.**

Loving Father, your Son taught us to ask for what we need. Fill us with confidence. May the words of Jesus remain always with us. 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 [God's Mighty Love]

STAND

May our prayers rise up to you, O Lord, together with the sacrificial offerings, so that, purified by your graciousness, we may be conformed to the mysteries of your mighty love.

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 III 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.

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....

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 be

come 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.

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

Intercessions: 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