

# EASTER SUNDAY < A B C

March 31, 2024

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.*

*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

*[Glory of Resurrection]*

**STAND**

Look upon your Church, O God, with unfailing love and favor, so that, renewed by the paschal mysteries, she may come to the glory of the resurrection. Through Christ our Lord.  
**R/ Amen.**

## General Announcements

**SIT**

## Blessing

**STAND**

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

May almighty God bless you on this solemn feast of Easter, and may he protect you against all sin.  
**R/ Amen.**

You have mourned for Christ's sufferings; now you celebrate the joy of his resurrection. May He come with you to the feast which last for ever.  
**R/ Amen.**

May almighty God bless you, the Father, and the Son, ✠ and the Holy Spirit.  
**R/ Amen.**

The mass is ended.  
Go in peace, alleluia, alleluia.  
**R/ Thanks be to God, alleluia, alleluia.**

**MC: Greeting**

**Entrance song**

**STAND**

## Introduction by the Celebrant

**ENTRANCE ANT. [Glory and Power]**  
*The Lord is truly risen, alleluia. To him be glory and power for all the ages of eternity, alleluia, alleluia.*

## Penitential Act

It is time to cast off sin and to rise with Jesus Our Lord. We acclaim Him as our liberator from sin:

*(pause)*

Lord Jesus, you have changed our mourning into joy, life and freedom.  
Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**

Jesus Christ, with your rising, you have restored our life.  
Christ, have mercy. **Christ, have mercy.**

Lord Jesus, you have opened the gate of life; you are the hope, the life and the light for all.  
Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**

*Absolution:*

May almighty God have mercy on us, undo our past of sin and make us rise with you. Lead us to everlasting life. **Amen.**

## Glory to God in the highest

**C: Collect [Renewal]**

O God, who on this day, through your Only Begotten Son, have conquered death and unlocked for us the path to eternity, grant, we pray, that we who keep the solemnity of the Lord's Resurrection may, through the renewal brought by your Spirit, rise up in the light of life. 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 10:34a, 37-43 [Salvation in Christ]**  
*In his sermon Peter sums up the "good news," the Gospel. Salvation comes through Christ, the beloved Son of the Father, the anointed of the Holy Spirit.*

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

Peter proceeded to speak and said: "You know what has happened all over Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John preached, how God

anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and power. He went about doing good and healing all those oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. We are witnesses of all that he did both in the country of the Jews and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree. This man God raised on the third day and granted that he be visible, not to all the people, but to us, the witnesses chosen by God in advance, who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. He commissioned us to preach to the people and testify that he is the one appointed by God as judge of the living and the dead. To him all the prophets bear witness, that everyone who believes in him will receive forgiveness of sins through his name."

*The word of the Lord.*

**R/ Thanks be to God.**

**Responsorial Psalm Ps 118 [The Day of the Lord]**  
**R./ This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad.**  
**Or. Alleluia.**

Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good, for his mercy endures forever. Let the house of Israel say, "His mercy endures forever." **(R.)**

"The right hand of the LORD has struck with power; the right hand of the LORD is exalted. I shall not die, but live, and declare the works of the LORD." **(R.)**

The stone which the builders rejected has become the cornerstone. By the LORD has this been done; it is wonderful in our eyes. **(R.)**

**Second Reading Col 3:1-4 [Seek Heavenly Things]**  
*Look to the glory of Christ in which we share because our lives are hidden in him (through baptism) and we are destined to share in the glory.*

A reading from the Letter of Saint Paul to the Colossians

Brothers and sisters: If then you were raised with Christ, seek what is above, where Christ is seated at the right hand of God. Think of what is above, not of what is on earth. For you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. When Christ your life appears, then you too will appear with him in glory.

*The word of the Lord.*

**R/ Thanks be to God.**

## SEQUENCE

*[Hymn to the Victor]*

**(Victimae Paschal Laudes)**  
**Amen. Alleluia.**

**Alleluia Cf. 1 Cor 5:7b-8a [Joy in the Lord]** **STAND**

**R/ Alleluia, alleluia.**

Christ, our paschal lamb, has been sacrificed; let us then feast with joy in the Lord.

**R/ Alleluia, alleluia.**



**Gospel Mk 16:1-7 [The Resurrection]**

*Jesus has risen; he is not here. The cross has yielded to the empty tomb. The Easter message is first announced to the faithful, devoted women who followed Jesus.*

**R/ The Lord be with you.  
R/ And with your spirit.**

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark.  
**R/ Glory to you, O Lord**

When the Sabbath was over, Mary Magdalene, Mary, the mother of James, and Salome brought spices so that they might go and anoint him. Very early when the sun has risen, on the first day of the week, they came to the tomb. They were saying to one another, "Who will roll back the stone for us from the entrance of the tomb?" When they looked up, they saw that the stone had been rolled back; it was very large. On entering the tomb they saw a young man sitting on the right side, clothed in a white robe, and they were utterly amazed. He said to them, "Do not be amazed! You seek Jesus of Nazareth, the crucified. He has been raised; he is not here. Behold the place where they laid him. But go and tell his disciples and Peter, 'He is going before you to Galilee; there you will see him, as he told you.'"

*The Gospel of the Lord.*

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

**Homily**

**SIT**

**The Renewal of Baptismal Promises**

**STAND**

**Sprinkling with Baptismal Water [Water of life]**

**General Intercessions**

Enlivened by the joy of our Easter Alleluia, we turn to our heavenly Father:

*(pause)*

For the Church: Lord, fill your church to the brim with a deep faith in your Son's resurrection, that we may be alive with the joy of having Christ in the center of our lives. We pray to you, Lord:

**Lord, renew us in Christ.**

For the World: that Christ risen from the dead will bless all nations and free all leaders from fear of involvement and strengthen them to be the protectors of World Peace, especially to bring about peace for Nations in conflicts. We pray to you, Lord:

**Lord, renew us in Christ.**

For our Parish Community: that the event of Easter will deeply change our lives, renewing our families, and blessing us with the new beginning we need. We pray to you, Lord:

**Lord, renew us in Christ.**

For our dearly departed loved ones: Risen Lord, that they may now share in the life and the joy that you have promised to all who believe in you.  
We pray to you, Lord: **Lord, renew us in Christ.**

Lord Jesus, You are the head of the Church, we humbly seek Your providence of the St. Peter Canisius International Catholic Parish, the grace to be faithful in living our Catholic Faith, and lead others to Your light. We pray to you, Lord:

**Lord, renew us in Christ.**

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

*(Pause)*

We pray to you, Lord:

**Lord, renew us in Christ.**

Christ is Risen! He is truly Risen! Bless us, Father, with the assurance of Your Son's presence in our lives, for Jesus is our Lord, now and for ever. **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**

*[Reborn and Nourished]*

**STAND**

Exultant with paschal gladness, O Lord, we offer the sacrifice by which your Church is wondrously reborn and nourished. 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 I of Easter 1**

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

For he is the true Lamb who has taken away the sins of the world; by dying he has destroyed our death, and by rising, restored our life.

Therefore, evercome 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.

Look, we pray, upon the oblation of your Church and, recognizing the sacrificial Victim by whose death you willed to reconcile us to yourself.

**Invocation of the Holy Spirit**

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) and with all the Saints, 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 Bishops, all the clergy, and the entire people you have gained for your own.

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SEQUENCE - VICTIMAE PASCHALI LAUDES

**Victimae paschali laudes**  
*Let Christians offer sacrificial*

**Immolent Christiani.**  
*Praises to the passover victim*

**Agnus redemit oves:**  
*The lamb has redeemed the sheep:*

**Christus innocens Patri**  
*The Innocent Christ has reconciled*

**Reconciliavit peccatores.**  
*The sinners to the Father*

**Mors et vita duello**  
*Death and life contended*

**Confluxere mirando:**  
*In a spectacular battle:*

**Dux vitae mortuus, regnant vivus.**  
*The Prince of life, who died reigns alive.*

**Dic nobis Maria,**  
*Tell us, Mary, what did*

**Quid vidisti in via?**  
*You see on the road?*

**Sepulcrum Christi viventis,**  
*I saw the tomb of the living Christ*

**Et gloriam vidi resurgentis:**  
*and the glory of His rising:*

**Angelicos testes,**  
*The angelic witnesses, the*

**Sudarium, et vestes.**  
*Clothes and the shroud."*

**Surrexit Christus spes mea:**  
*Christ my hope is arisen:*

**Praecedet suos in Galilaeam.**  
*Into Galilee, he will go before His own.*

**Scimus Christum surrexisse a mortuis vere:"**  
*We know Christ is truly risen from the dead!*

**Tu nobis, victor Rex, miserere.**  
*To us, victorious King, have mercy!*

**Amen. Alleluia.**

**The Renewal of Baptismal Promises** **STAND**

**Invitation** **[Call to Renewal]**

*The Priest addresses the faithful in these or similar words:*

Dear brethren (brother and sister),  
through the Paschal Mystery  
we have been buried with Christ in Baptism,  
so that we may walk with him in newness of life.  
And so, now that our Lenten observance is  
concluded, let us renew the promises of Holy  
Baptism, by which we once renounced Satan and  
his works and promised to serve God in the holy  
Catholic Church.

And so I ask you:

*Priest* : Do you renounce Satan?

*All* : **I do.**

*Priest* : And all his works?

*All* : **I do.**

*Priest* : And all his empty show?

*All* : **I do.**

**Profession of Faith** **[I Believe]**

*Then the Priest continues:*

*Priest* : Do you believe in God,  
the Father almighty,  
Creator of heaven and earth?

*All* : **I do.**

*Priest* : Do you believe in Jesus Christ, his only  
Son, our Lord, who was born of the  
Virgin Mary, suffered death and was  
buried, rose again from the dead and is  
seated at the right hand of the Father?

*All* : **I do.**

*Priest* : Do you believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy Catholic Church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and life everlasting?

*All* : **I do.**

*And the Priest Concludes:*

And may almighty God, the Father of our Lord  
Jesus Christ, who has given us new birth by water  
and the Holy Spirit and bestowed on us forgiveness  
of our sins, keep us by his grace, in Christ Jesus our  
Lord, for eternal life.

*All: Amen.*