

ST. PETER CANISIUS INTERNATIONAL CATHOLIC PARISH

Friday of the 7th Week of Eastertide Mass for Priests June 3, 2022

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

As gold in the furnace, the Lord put his chosen to the test; as sacrificial offerings, he took them to himself; and in due time they will be honoured, and grace and peace will be with the elect of God, alleluia. (Cf. Wis 3: 6-7, 9)

PENITENTIAL ACT

COLLECT

O God, who have made the blood of Martyrs the seed of Christians, mercifully grant that the field which is your Church, watered by the blood shed by Saints Charles Lwanga and his companions, may be fertile and always yield you an abundant harvest.

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. Amen.

FIRST READING

Acts 25:13-21

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

King Agrippa and Bernice arrived in Caesarea and paid their respects to Festus. Their visit lasted several days, and Festus put Paul's case before the king. 'There is a man here' he said 'whom Felix left behind in custody, and while I was in Jerusalem the chief priests and elders of the Jews laid information against him, demanding his condemnation. But I told them that Romans are not in the habit of surrendering any man, until the accused confronts his accusers and is given an opportunity to defend himself against the charge. So they came here with me, and I wasted no time but took my seat on the tribunal the very next day and had the man brought in. When confronted with him, his accusers did not charge him with any of the crimes I had expected; but they had some argument or other with him about their own religion and about a dead man called Jesus whom Paul alleged to be alive. Not feeling qualified to deal with questions of this sort, I asked him if he would be willing to go to Jerusalem to be tried there on this issue. But Paul put in an appeal for his case to be reserved for the judgement of the august emperor, so I ordered him to be remanded until I could send him to Caesar.'

The word of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 102(103)

THE LORD HAS SET HIS SWAY IN HEAVEN

My soul, give thanks to the Lord all my being, bless his holy name.

My soul, give thanks to the Lord and never forget all his blessings. R.

For as the heavens are high above the earth so strong is his love for those who fear him. As far as the east is from the west so far does he remove our sins. **R**.

The Lord has set his sway in heaven and his kingdom is ruling over all.

Give thanks to the Lord, all his angels, mighty in power, fulfilling his word. R.

VERSE BEFORE THE GOSPEL

Alleluia, alleluia!

The Holy Spirit will teach you everything and remind you of all I have said to you.

Alleluia!

(Jn 14:26)

GOSPEL

JN 21:15-19

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

Jesus showed himself to his disciples, and after they had eaten he said to Simon Peter, 'Simon son of John, do you love me more than these others do?' He answered, 'Yes Lord, you know I love you.' Jesus said to him, 'Feed my lambs.' A second time he said to him, 'Simon son of John, do you love me?' He replied, 'Yes, Lord, you know I love you.' Jesus said to him, 'Look after my sheep.' Then he said to him a third time, 'Simon son of John, do you love me?' Peter was upset that he asked him the third time, 'Do you love me?' and said, 'Lord, you know everything; you know I love you.' Jesus said to him, 'Feed my sheep.

'I tell you most solemnly,
when you were young
you put on your own belt
and walked where you liked;
but when you grow old
you will stretch out your hands,
and somebody else will put a belt round you
and take you where you would rather not go.'

In these words he indicated the kind of death by which Peter would give glory to God. After this he said, 'Follow me.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL

Priest: The Lord's mercy and love for us are much greater than our sins and the sense of shame we may experience after having disappointed Him so many times.

This is why we still dare to approach Him and humbly say:

LORD, GRACIOUSLY HEAR US!

Reader: That all Christians throughout the world may give unmistakable proofs of their sincere love for the Sacred Heart of Jesus. *Let us pray to the Lord!* **R.**

That our Church leaders may always inspire us to love Jesus as Peter proclaimed in today's Gospel episode. Let us pray to the Lord! **R.**

That our young people may cultivate a tender devotion to the Sacred Heart and spread this devotion among their friends. *Let us pray to the Lord*. **R.**

That the homeless, the unemployed, the marginalized, and the sick may experience the love of God for them through the generosity and care of the whole Christian community. Let us pray to the Lord. **R.**

Lord Jesus, you are the head of the Church, grant us Your providence of the St. Peter Canisius International Catholic Parish, the grace to love and to proclaim your Word and to be the Light to the nations. *Let us pray to the Lord.* **R.**

Let us now *pause* to pray for all intentions offered in this mass and for our personal intentions.

Let us pray to the Lord. **R.**

Priest: Lord God, You are the source of our hope even when all other hopes fade away. Keep us ever closer to You and make us share in Your happiness for ever and ever. **Amen.**

PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

We offer you sacrifice, O Lord, humbly praying that, as you granted the blessed Martyrs grace to die rather than sin, so you may bring us to minister at your altar in dedication to you alone.

Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

PREFACE: THE BOUNDLESS LOVE OF CHRIST

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 raised up high on the Cross, he gave himself up for us with a wonderful love and poured out blood and water from his pierced side, the wellspring of the Church's Sacraments, so that, won over to the open Heart of the Savior, all might draw water joyfully from the springs of salvation.

And so, with all the Angels and Saints, we praise you, as without end we acclaim:

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of hosts.
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.

MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

Priest: The mystery of faith.

All: We proclaim your Death, O Lord, and profess your Resurrection until you come again!

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

How precious in the eyes of the Lord is the death of his holy ones, alleluia.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

We have received this divine Sacrament, O Lord, as we celebrate the victory of your holy Martyrs; may what helped them to endure torment, we pray, make us, in the face of trials, steadfast in faith and in charity.

Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

ADORATION

Priest: My Lord Jesus Christ, I believe that You are really here in this Sacrament. Night and day You remain here compassionate and loving. You call, You wait for, You welcome everyone who comes to visit You.

Reader 1: I thank You, Jesus my Divine Redeemer for coming upon the earth for our sake and for instituting the Adorable Sacrament of the Holy Eucharist in order to remain with us until the end of the world.

Reader 2: I thank You for hiding beneath the Eucharistic species Your infinite majesty and beauty, which Your Angels delight to behold, so that I might have courage to approach the throne of Your mercy.

I thank You dear Jesus, for having become the priceless Victim, to merit for me the fullness of heavenly favors.

Awaken in me such confidence in You that their fullness may descend ever more fruitfully upon my soul.

I thank You for offering Yourself in thanksgiving to God for all His benefits, spiritual and temporal which He has bestowed on me.

Grant me grace and perseverance in your faithful service. **Amen.**

NOVENA TO THE MOST SACRED HEART OF JESUS

Priest:

Divine Jesus, you have said, • "Ask, and you shall receive; • seek, and you shall find; • knock, and it shall be opened unto you." • Behold me kneeling at your feet, • filled with a lively faith and confidence • in the promises dictated by your Sacred Heart • and pronounced by your adorable lips. I come to ask this favor: (Silently mention your petitions.)

Reader 1:

To whom can I turn if not to you • whose heart is the source of all graces and merits? • Where should I seek if not in the treasure • which contains all the riches of your kindness and mercy? • Where should I knock • if not at the door through which God gives himself to us • and through which we go to God? • I have recourse to you, Heart of Jesus. • In you I find consolation when afflicted, • protection when persecuted, • strength when burdened with trials, • and light in doubt and darkness.

Reader 2:

Dear Jesus, I firmly believe • that you can grant me the grace I implore, • even though it should require a miracle. • You have only to will it, • and my prayer will be granted. • I admit that I am most unworthy of your favors, • but this is not a reason for me to be discouraged. • You are the God of mercy • and you will not refuse a contrite heart. • Cast upon me a look of mercy, I beg of you, • and your kind heart will find in my miseries and weaknesses • a reason for granting my prayer.

O Sacred Heart, • whatever may be your decision with regard to my request, • I will never stop adoring, loving, praising, and serving you. • My Jesus, be pleased to accept this my act of perfect resignation • to the decrees of your adorable heart • which I sincerely desire may be fulfilled • in and by me and by all your creatures forever.

Reader 1:

Sacred Heart of Jesus, • I know that there is but one thing impossible to you: • to be without pity for those who are suffering or in distress. • Look upon me, I beg of you, dear Jesus, • and grant me the grace for which I humbly implore you • through the Immaculate Heart of your most sorrowful Mother. • You have entrusted me to her as her child, • and her prayers are all-powerful with you. • Amen.

THE DIVINE PRAISES

Blessed be God.

Blessed be His Holy Name.

Blessed be Jesus Christ, true God and true Man.

Blessed be the Name of Jesus.

Blessed be His Most Sacred Heart.

Blessed be His Most Precious Blood.

Blessed be Jesus in the Most Holy Sacrament of the Altar.

Blessed be the Holy Spirit, the Paraclete.

Blessed be the great Mother of God, Mary most holy.

Blessed be her holy and Immaculate Conception.

Blessed be her Glorious Assumption.

Blessed be the name of Mary, Virgin and Mother.

Blessed be St Joseph, her most chaste spouse.

Blessed be God in His angels and in His saints.

Amen.