

2021 Friday Lenten Eucharist Service March 5th, -- 8:30 A.M.

Rite II –Prayer A

Opening Acclamation

Priest: Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

People: His mercy endures forever.

Kyrie

Priest: Lord have mercy.

People: Christ have mercy.

Priest: Lord have mercy.

Priest: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Priest: Let us pray.

The Collect of the Day

Grant, O Lord, that as your Son Jesus Christ prayed for his enemies on the cross, so we may have grace to forgive those able to receive your forgiveness; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The Liturgy of the Word

Old Testament Reading: Genesis 37:3-4, 12 -28

Layreader: A reading from the book of Genesis.

Layreader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

The Psalm: 105:16-22

Read responsively by whole verse, or in unison.

16 Then he called for a famine in the land * and destroyed the supply of bread.

17 He sent a man before them, * Joseph, who was sold as a slave.

18 They bruised his feet in fetters; * his neck they put in an iron collar.

19 Until his prediction came to pass, * the word of the LORD tested him.

20 The king sent and released him; * the ruler of the peoples set him free.

21 He set him as a master over his household, * as a ruler over all his possessions,

22 To instruct his princes according to his will * and to teach his elders wisdom.

The Gospel: Matthew 21:33-43

Priest: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

People: Glory to you Lord Christ.

Priest: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Homily

Prayers of the People: Form III

The Leader and People pray responsively

Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;
That we all may be one.

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;
That your Name may be glorified by all people.

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;
That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;
That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;
That our works may find favor in your sight.

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;
That they may be delivered from their distress.

Give to the departed eternal rest;
Let light perpetual shine upon them.

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;
May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

Silence

Priest: Almighty and eternal God, ruler of all things in heaven and earth: Mercifully accept the prayers of your people, and strengthen us to do your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

People: Amen.

The Peace

Priest: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: And also with you.

The Holy Communion

Offertory Sentence

Priest: Offer to God a sacrifice of thanksgiving, and make good your vows to the Most High.

The priest prepares the table. When all is ready the priest continues with the doxology.

Doxology

Priest: All things come of thee, O Lord.

People: And of thine own have we given thee.

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer A

Priest: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Priest: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them up to the Lord.

Priest: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give him thanks and praise.

Priest: It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. You bid your faithful people cleanse their hearts, and prepare with joy for the Paschal feast; that, fervent in prayer and in works of mercy, and renewed by your Word and Sacraments, they may come to the fullness of grace which you have prepared for those who love you.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

The Sanctus

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, 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.**

The Priest continues:

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all. He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

The Priest continues:

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever.

People: AMEN!

And now, as our Savior has taught us, we are bold to say,

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. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory for ever and ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

The Fraction Anthem

Priest: Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People: Therefore let us keep the feast.

Priest: The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

Administration of the Holy Sacrament

Post-Communion Prayer

Priest: Let us pray.

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Blessing

Priest: Look with compassion, O Lord, upon this your people; that, rightly observing this holy season, they may learn to know you more fully, and to serve you with a perfect will; through Christ our Lord. And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be with you and remain with you always.

People: Amen.

The Dismissal

Priest: Let us go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.