

ORDER OF PRAYER

ANTIPHON

But I shall sing of your strength, extol your mercy at dawn,
for you are my fortress, my refuge in time of trouble. —Ps
59:17

† In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of
the Holy Spirit.

R/. Amen.

† A. Grace and peace to you from God our Father
and from the Lord Jesus Christ. Blessed be God
for ever.

—or—

B. Brethren, God invites us to hear his Word. Let
us bless him for his goodness. Blessed be God
forever.

All respond:

R/. Blessed be God forever.

PENITENTIAL RITE

† As we prepare to hear of God's love in Christ, let us
acknowledge that the Lord is the source of pardon
and strength.

† Lord Jesus, you came to reconcile us to one another
and to the Father: Lord, have mercy.

R/. Lord, have mercy.

† Lord Jesus, you heal the wounds of sin and
division: Christ, have mercy.

R/. Christ, have mercy.

† Lord Jesus, you intercede
for us with your Father:

Lord, have mercy.

R/. Lord, have mercy.

OPENING PRAYER

† O God, from whom all good things come, grant that we, who call on you in our need may at your prompting discern what is right, and by your guidance do it. 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.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

The Sunday readings are posted on the SJN website.

UNIVERSAL PRAYER

† Let us turn to God in our hour of need, and pray to him with confidence.

- For the Church throughout the world, and especially for the people of our diocese, that the gift of faith might bring them peace. We pray to the Lord:

R/. Lord, hear our prayer.

- For doctors and nurses, for all medical workers and support staff, that God may sustain them in the arduous labors of caring for the sick. We pray to the Lord: R/.
- For bio-medical researchers, that God may grant them success in discovering effective treatments for the COVID-19 virus. We pray to the Lord: R/.
- That the sick may find strength and courage in the cross of Christ and discover the redemptive value of their suffering. We pray to the Lord: R/.

- That all who have died may rest in the peace and glory of Jesus who is our life and resurrection. We pray to the Lord: R/.
- That all of us here today may renew our appreciation for the gift of life both temporal and eternal. We pray to the Lord: R/.

† Father, we ask you to hear the prayers we make in the name of Jesus the Lord.

PROFESSION OF FAITH

All say the Nicene Creed [or Apostles' Creed]:

I believe in one God the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible. I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven,

At the words that follow, up to and including "and became man," all bow.

and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary and became man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

The leader says one of the following:

- † A. Let us pray with confidence to the Father in the words our Savior gave us.
—or—
B. Let us ask our Father to forgive our sins and to bring us to forgive those who sin against us.

All continue:

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.

SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

A PRAYER OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION may be said in anticipation of the next opportunity to attend Mass and receive Holy Communion.

- † A. O Lord, may we soon have the opportunity to receive the body and blood of your Son, Jesus Christ. May we receive it then with the spirit and fervor of the saints. May it be for us the remission of our sins. And as befits your servants, may it incite us to works pleasing to you; so that our every thought, word, and deed may give you glory.
—or—
B. O Jesus, [we turn toward the holy tabernacle where You live hidden for love of us.] We love you, O God. We cannot receive you in Holy Communion. Come nevertheless and visit us with Your grace. Come spiritually into our hearts. Purify them. Sanctify them. Render them like unto your own.
—or—
C. O Lord, since we are not permitted the joy of Thy sacramental presence this day, let Thy goodness and omnipotence decree the cleansing of our souls from the stain of sin, that healed of our wounds, we may deserve to receive Thee in spirit. Every day and every hour, fortified

anew by Thy grace, may we courageously resist our enemies, particularly that failing against which for the love of Thee, we wage unceasing war.

All say:

R/. Amen.

ANTIPHON

The Lord is good to those who hope in him, to those who are searching for his love. —Lam 3:25

CLOSING PRAYER

† May your healing work, O Lord, free us, we pray, from doing evil and lead us to what is right.
Through Christ our Lord.

DISMISSAL

† May the Lord bless us, protect us from all evil, and bring us to everlasting life.

R/. Amen.

+ All make the Sign of the Cross.

† Let us go in the peace of Christ.

R/. Thanks be to God.