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CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST
SATURDAY OF THE SECOND WEEK OF LENT
MARCH 6, 2021
**The Order of Mass**  
**The Introductory Rites**

**Entrance Hymn**

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**Take Up Thy Cross**  
**Breslau**

1. Take up thy cross, the Savior said, If you wouldst
2. Take up thy cross, let not its weight Fill thy weak
3. Take up thy cross, heed not the shame, And let thy
4. Take up thy cross, then, in his strength, And calmly
5. Take up thy cross, and follow Christ, Nor think till

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**Kyrie**

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**adapt. Litany of the Saints**

- **Cantor:** Ky-ri-e e-le-i-son.  
  **All:** Ky-ri-e e-le-i-son.

- **Cantor:** Chríst-e e-le-i-son.  
  **All:** Chríst-e e-le-i-son.

- **Cantor:** Ky-ri-e e-le-i-son.  
  **All:** Ky-ri-e e-le-i-son.
First Reading

Shepherd your people with your staff,
the flock of your inheritance,
That dwells apart in a woodland,
in the midst of Carmel.
Let them feed in Bashan and Gilead,
as in the days of old;
As in the days when you came from the land of Egypt,
show us wonderful signs.

Who is there like you, the God who removes guilt
and pardons sin for the remnant of his inheritance;
Who does not persist in anger forever,
but delights rather in clemency,
And will again have compassion on us,
treading underfoot our guilt?
You will cast into the depths of the sea all our sins;
You will show faithfulness to Jacob,
and grace to Abraham,
As you have sworn to our fathers
from days of old.

The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Responseal Psalm

Psalm 103:1-2, 3-4, 9-10, 11-12

R\(\times\) (8a) The Lord is kind and merciful.

Bless the LORD, O my soul;
and all my being, bless his holy name.
Bless the LORD, O my soul,
and forget not all his benefits. R\(\times\)

He pardons all your iniquities,
he heals all your ills.
He redeems your life from destruction,
he crowns you with kindness and compassion. R\(\times\)

He will not always chide,
nor does he keep his wrath forever.
Not according to our sins does he deal with us,
nor does he requite us according to our crimes. R\(\times\)
For as the heavens are high above the earth,  
so surpassing is his kindness toward those who fear him.  
As far as the east is from the west,  
so far has he put our transgressions from us.

The Lord is kind and merciful.

**ACCLAMATION BEFORE THE GOSPEL**

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!

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**GOSPEL**


Tax collectors and sinners were all drawing near to listen to Jesus,  
but the Pharisees and scribes began to complain, saying,  
“This man welcomes sinners and eats with them.”
So to them Jesus addressed this parable.  
“A man had two sons, and the younger son said to his father,  
‘Father, give me the share of your estate that should come to me.’
So the father divided the property between them.  
After a few days, the younger son collected all his belongings  
and set off to a distant country  
where he squandered his inheritance on a life of dissipation.
When he had freely spent everything,  
a severe famine struck that country,  
and he found himself in dire need.
So he hired himself out to one of the local citizens  
who sent him to his farm to tend the swine.
And he longed to eat his fill of the pods on which the swine fed,  
but nobody gave him any.
Coming to his senses he thought,  
‘How many of my father’s hired workers  
have more than enough food to eat,  
but here am I, dying from hunger.
I shall get up and go to my father and I shall say to him,  
“Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you.
I no longer deserve to be called your son;  
treat me as you would treat one of your hired workers.”’
So he got up and went back to his father.
While he was still a long way off,  
  his father caught sight of him, and was filled with compassion.  
He ran to his son, embraced him and kissed him.  
His son said to him,  
  ‘Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you;  
I no longer deserve to be called your son.’  
But his father ordered his servants,  
  ‘Quickly, bring the finest robe and put it on him;  
  put a ring on his finger and sandals on his feet.  
Take the fattened calf and slaughter it.  
Then let us celebrate with a feast,  
  because this son of mine was dead, and has come to life again;  
he was lost, and has been found.’  
Then the celebration began.  
Now the older son had been out in the field  
and, on his way back, as he neared the house,  
he heard the sound of music and dancing.  
He called one of the servants and asked what this might mean.  
The servant said to him,  
  ‘Your brother has returned  
  and your father has slaughtered the fattened calf  
  because he has him back safe and sound.’  
He became angry,  
  and when he refused to enter the house,  
his father came out and pleaded with him.  
He said to his father in reply,  
  ‘Look, all these years I served you  
and not once did I disobey your orders;  
yet you never gave me even a young goat to feast on with my friends.  
But when your son returns  
  who swallowed up your property with prostitutes,  
for him you slaughter the fattened calf.’  
He said to him,  
  ‘My son, you are here with me always;  
everything I have is yours.  
But now we must celebrate and rejoice,  
  because your brother was dead and has come to life again;  
he was lost and has been found.’”  

The Gospel of the Lord.  

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.
The Liturgy of the Eucharist

The Preparation of the Gifts

Sanctus

Missa ‘Ubi Caritas’
Bob Hurd

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

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Mystery of Faith

Missa ‘Ubi Caritas’
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We proclaim your Death, O Lord, and profess your Resurrection until you come again, until you come again.

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Great Amen

Missa ‘Ubi Caritas’
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Amen, amen, amen.

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The Communion Rite

The Lord’s Prayer

Agnus Dei

Agnus Dei, qui tol-lis pec-ca-ta mun-di: mi-se-re-re no-bis.

Agnus Dei, qui tol-lis pec-ca-ta mun-di: do-na no-bis pa-cem.

Communion

The reception of Holy Communion is the most sacred act for Catholics. We believe that we are then receiving the Body and Blood of Christ. Catholics who are properly prepared should approach the ministers of Holy Communion. We ask non-Catholics not to receive. They are encouraged, however, to come forward with arms crossed over their heart to receive a blessing.

An Act of Spiritual Communion

My Jesus,
I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.
I love You above all things,
and I desire to receive You into my soul.
Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally,
come at least spiritually into my heart.
I embrace You as if You were already there
and unite myself wholly to You.
Never permit me to be separated from You.
Amen.
1. Shepherd of souls, refresh and bless
2. We would not live by bread alone,
3. Be known to us in breaking bread,
4. Lord, sup with us in love divine;

Thy chosen pilgrim flock With manna in the wilderness,
But by thy word of grace, In strength of which we travel on To our abiding place,
But do not then depart; Savior abide with us, and spread Thy table in our heart.
Thy body and thy blood, That living bread, that heavenly wine, Be our immortal food.
1. There's a wideness in God's mercy
   Like the
   1. wideness of the sea; There's a kindness in his
   2. love so true and deep? Foolish hearts, he still will
   3. measures of man's mind, And the heart of the E-

2. Souls of men, why will you wander
   From a
   1. justice Which is more than liberty.
   2. find you Though the wavy be rough and steep?
   3. eternal Is most wonderfully kind.

3. For the love of God is broader
   Than the
   1. There is plentiful redemption In the
   2. There is mercy for the sinner, And more
   3. If our love were but more simple, We should

1. blood that has been shed; There is joy for all the
2. graces for the good; There is welcome with the
3. take him at his word; And our hearts would rest for-

1. members In the sorrows of the Head.
2. Savior; There is healing in his blood.
3. given In the mercy of the Lord.
GUIDELINES FOR THE RECEIPTION OF COMMUNION

FOR CATHOLICS
As Catholics, we fully participate in the celebration of the Eucharist when we receive Holy Communion. We are encouraged to receive Communion devoutly and frequently. In order to be properly disposed to receive Communion, participants should not be conscious of grave sin and normally should have fasted for one hour. A person who is conscious of grave sin is not to receive the Body and Blood of the Lord without prior sacramental confession except for a grave reason where there is no opportunity for confession. In this case, the person is to be mindful of the obligation to make an act of perfect contrition, including the intention of confessing as soon as possible (Code of Canon Law, canon 916). A frequent reception of the Sacrament of Penance is encouraged for all.

FOR OUR FELLOW CHRISTIANS
We welcome our fellow Christians to this celebration of the Eucharist as our brothers and sisters. We pray that our common baptism and the action of the Holy Spirit in this Eucharist will draw us closer to one another and begin to dispel the sad divisions which separate us. We pray that these will lessen and finally disappear, in keeping with Christ’s prayer for us “that they may all be one” (John 17:21).

Because Catholics believe that the celebration of the Eucharist is a sign of the reality of the oneness of faith, life, and worship, members of those churches with whom we are not yet fully united are ordinarily not admitted to Holy Communion. Eucharistic sharing in exceptional circumstances by other Christians requires permission according to the directives of the diocesan bishop and the provisions of canon law (canon 844 §4). Members of Orthodox Churches, the Assyrian Church of the East, and the Polish National Catholic Church are urged to respect the discipline of their own Churches. According to Roman Catholic Discipline, the Code of Canon Law does not object to the reception of Communion by Christians of these Churches (canon 844 §3).

FOR THOSE NOT RECEIVING HOLY COMMUNION
All who are not receiving Holy Communion are encouraged to express in their hearts a prayerful desire for unity with the Lord Jesus and with one another.

FOR NON-CHRISTIANS
We also welcome to this celebration those who do not share our faith in Jesus Christ. While we cannot admit them to Holy Communion, we ask them to offer their prayers for the peace and the unity of the human family.

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