

# THE JERUSALEM MASS SHEET

EASTER SUNDAY

31st March 2024

## THE INTRODUCTORY RITES

Entrance Antiphon or a hymn. *Stand*  
Cf. Ps 138: 18, 5-6

**I have risen, and I am with you still, alleluia.  
You have laid your hand upon me, alleluia.  
Too wonderful for me, this knowledge,  
alleluia, alleluia.**

*All make the Sign of the Cross as the Priest says:*  
In the name of the Father, and of the Son,  
and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

*The Priest greets everyone present.*

*The people respond:* **And with your spirit.**

*The Mass of the day may be introduced.*

## Penitential Act

*The Priest invites the people to repentance using one of the Penitential Acts.*

Lord Jesus, you were lifted up to draw all people to yourself:

Lord, have mercy. *Or* Kyrie, eleison.

**Lord, have mercy. Or: Kyrie, eleison.**

You shouldered the cross, to bear our sufferings and sinfulness:

Christ, have mercy. *Or:* Christe, eleison.

**Christ, have mercy. Or: Christe, eleison.**

You open for your people the way from death into life:

Lord, have mercy. *Or:* Kyrie, eleison.

**Lord, have mercy. Or: Kyrie, eleison.**

*The Priest says the absolution:*

May almighty God have mercy on us,  
forgive us our sins,  
and bring us to everlasting life. **Amen.**

## The Gloria

**Glory to God in the highest,  
and on earth peace to people of good will.**

**We praise you,**

**we bless you,**

**we adore you,**

**we glorify you,**

**we give you thanks for your great glory,**

**Lord God, heavenly King,**

**O God, almighty Father.**

**Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,**

**Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,**

**you take away the sins of the world,**

**have mercy on us;**

**you take away the sins of the world,**

**receive our prayer;**

**you are seated at the right hand of the Father,**

**have mercy on us.**

**For you alone are the Holy One,**

**you alone are the Lord,**

**you alone are the Most High,**

**Jesus Christ,**

**with the Holy Spirit,**

**in the glory of God the Father.**

**Amen.**

## The Collect

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.

**Amen.**

*Sit*

## THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

### First Reading

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

10:34. 37-43

Peter addressed Cornelius and his household:  
'You must have heard about the recent happenings in Judaea; about Jesus of Nazareth and how he began in Galilee, after John had been preaching baptism. God had anointed him with the Holy Spirit and with power, and because God was with him, Jesus went about doing good and curing all who had fallen into the power of the devil. Now I, and those with me, can witness to everything he did throughout the countryside of Judaea and in Jerusalem itself: and also to the fact that they killed him by hanging him on a tree, yet three days afterwards God raised him to life and allowed him to be seen, not by the whole people but only by certain witnesses God had chosen beforehand. Now we are those witnesses - we have eaten and drunk with him after his resurrection from the dead - and he has ordered us to proclaim this to his people and to tell them that God has appointed him to judge everyone, alive or dead. It is to him that all the prophets bear this witness: that all who believe in Jesus will have their sins forgiven through his name.'

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

### Psalm

Ps 117:1-2.16-17.22-23. Rv.24

**R) This day was made by the Lord;  
we rejoice and are glad.**

Give thanks to the Lord for he is good,  
for his love has no end.

Let the sons of Israel say:  
'His love has no end.' **(R)**

The Lord's right hand has triumphed;  
his right hand raised me up.

I shall not die, I shall live  
and recount his deeds. **(R)**

The stone which the builders rejected  
has become the corner stone.  
This is the work of the Lord,  
a marvel in our eyes. (R)

**R) This day was made by the Lord;  
we rejoice and are glad.**

### Second Reading

*(an alternative may be read)*

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the  
Colossians 3:1-4

Since you have been brought back to true life  
with Christ, you must look for the things that are  
in heaven, where Christ is, sitting at God's right  
hand. Let your thoughts be on heavenly things,  
not on the things that are on the earth, because  
you have died, and now the life you have is  
hidden with Christ in God. But when Christ is  
revealed - and he is your life - you too will be  
revealed in all your glory with him.

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

### Sequence

Christians, to the Paschal Victim  
offer sacrifice and praise.

The sheep are ransomed by the Lamb;  
and Christ, the undefiled,  
hath sinners to his Father reconciled.

Death with life contended: combat strangely  
ended!

Life's own Champion, slain, yet lives to reign.  
Tell us, Mary: say what thou didst see upon the way.

The tomb the Living did enclose;

I saw Christ's glory as he rose!

The angels there attesting;  
shroud with grave-clothes resting.

Christ, my hope, has risen:

he goes before you into Galilee.

That Christ is truly risen from the dead we know.

Victorious king, thy mercy show!

### Gospel Acclamation

*Stand*

**Alleluia, alleluia!**

I Cor 5:7-8

**Christ, our passover, has been sacrificed;  
let us celebrate the feast then, in the Lord.**

**Alleluia!**

### Gospel

John 20:1-9

*(an alternative may be read)*

The Lord be with you.

**And with your spirit.**

A reading from the holy Gospel according to  
John.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

It was very early on the first day of the week and  
still dark, when Mary of Magdala came to the  
tomb. She saw that the stone had been moved  
away from the tomb and came running to Simon  
Peter and the other disciple, the one Jesus  
loved. 'They have taken the Lord out of the  
tomb' she said 'and we don't know where they  
have put him.'

So Peter set out with the other disciple to go to  
the tomb. They ran together, but the other  
disciple, running faster than Peter, reached the  
tomb first; he bent down and saw the linen cloths  
lying on the ground, but did not go in. Simon  
Peter who was following now came up, went  
right into the tomb, saw the linen cloths on the  
ground, and also the cloth that had been over  
his head; this was not with the linen cloths but  
rolled up in a place by itself. Then the other  
disciple who had reached the tomb first also  
went in; he saw and he believed. Till this  
moment they had failed to understand the  
teaching of scripture, that he must rise from the  
dead.

The Gospel of the Lord.

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

### The Homily

*Sit*

### Renewal of Baptismal Promises

*Stand*

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

Dear brethren (brothers and sisters), 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.**

Or:

Priest: Do you renounce sin,  
so as to live in the freedom of the  
children of God?

All: **I do.**

Priest: Do you renounce the lure of evil,  
so that sin may have no mastery  
over you?

All: **I do.**

Priest: Do you renounce Satan,  
the author and prince of sin?

All: **I do.**

*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.**

*The priest sprinkles the people with the  
blessed water.*

**The Prayer of the Faithful**

*Response example:* Lord, in your mercy,  
**Hear our prayer.**

*After the concluding prayer all say:* **Amen.** *Sit*

## THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

*The offerings are brought to the altar.*

*A hymn may be sung.*

*If the Priest says the two prayers of offering  
aloud, the response both times is:*

**Blessed be God for ever.**

*The people rise as the Priest says:*

Pray, brethren (brothers and sisters),  
that my sacrifice and yours  
may be acceptable to God,  
the almighty Father.

*The people reply:*

**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**

Exultant with the 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**

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, The Paschal Mystery**

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, overcome 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.  
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.**

*Kneel*

**Eucharistic Prayer II**

*(The Priest may use a different Eucharistic Prayer.)*

You are indeed Holy, O Lord,  
the fount of all holiness.

Make holy, therefore, these gifts, we pray,  
by sending down your Spirit upon them  
like the dewfall,  
so that they may become for us  
the Body and  $\times$  Blood of our Lord, Jesus Christ.

At the time he was betrayed  
and entered willingly into his Passion,  
he took bread and, giving thanks, broke it,  
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, once more giving thanks,  
he gave it 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.

The mystery of faith.

*The people continue, acclaiming:*

**Save us, Saviour of the world,  
for by your Cross and Resurrection  
you have set us free.**

Therefore, as we celebrate  
the memorial of his Death and Resurrection,  
we offer you, Lord,  
the Bread of life and the Chalice of salvation,  
giving thanks that you have held us worthy  
to be in your presence and minister to you.

Humbly we pray  
that, partaking of the Body and Blood of Christ,  
we may be gathered into one by the Holy Spirit.  
Remember, Lord, your Church,  
spread throughout the world,  
and bring her to the fullness of charity,

together with N. our Pope and N. our Bishop  
and all the clergy.

Remember also our brothers and sisters  
who have fallen asleep  
in the hope of the resurrection,  
and all who have died in your mercy:  
welcome them into the light of your face.  
Have mercy on us all, we pray,  
that with the Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of God,  
with blessed Joseph, her Spouse,  
with the blessed Apostles,  
and all the Saints who have pleased you  
throughout the ages,  
we may merit to be coheirs to eternal life,  
and may praise and glorify you  
through your Son, Jesus Christ.

Through him, and with him, and in him,  
O God, almighty Father,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
all glory and honour is yours,  
for ever and ever.

*The people acclaim:* **Amen.**

**The Communion Rite**

*Stand*

*The Priest invites all to join in 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.**

*The Priest continues alone:*

Deliver us, Lord, we pray, from every evil,  
graciously grant 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 Saviour, Jesus Christ.  
**For the kingdom,  
the power and the glory are yours  
now and for ever.**

*The Priest says:*

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. **Amen.**

The peace of the Lord be with you always.  
**And with your spirit.**

*The Deacon, or the Priest, adds:*

Let us offer each other the sign of peace.

*The Priest takes the host and breaks it.*

*Meanwhile the people say or sing:*

**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.** *Kneel*

*The Priest shows the host to the people and says:*

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.

**Lord, I am not worthy  
that you should enter under my roof,  
but only say the word  
and my soul shall be healed.**

*The Priest or other minister says to each  
communicant:*

The Body [Blood] of Christ.

*Each communicant answers:* **Amen.**

**Communion Antiphon**

1 Cor 5:7-8

**Christ our Passover has been sacrificed,  
alleluia;  
therefore let us keep the feast with the  
unleavened bread  
of purity and truth, alleluia, alleluia.**

*After the distribution of Holy Communion a  
sacred silence may be observed or a psalm,  
hymn or canticle of praise may be sung.*

**Prayer after Communion**

*Stand*

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

## THE CONCLUDING RITES

*Announcements may be made.*

*Priest:* The Lord be with you.

*All:* **And with your spirit.**

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

*Then the Deacon, or the Priest, says:*

Go forth, the Mass is ended, alleluia, alleluia.

*Or:*

Go in peace, alleluia, alleluia.

**Thanks be to God, alleluia, alleluia.**



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