

# 6th SUNDAY OF EASTER, Year A. Mass prayers and readings.

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## ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Proclaim a joyful sound and let it be heard; proclaim to the ends of the earth: the Lord has freed his people, alleluia.

[-» Greeting]

The Gloria in excelsis (Glory to God in the highest) is said.

## COLLECT

Grant, almighty God, that we may celebrate with heartfelt devotion, these days of joy which we keep in honor of the risen Lord, and what we relive in remembrance may we always hold to in what we do. Through our Lord.

## READINGS FOR YEAR A (2020, 2023, 2026...)

### READING I

Acts 8:5-8, 14-17

Philip went down to the city of Samaria and proclaimed the Christ to them. With one accord, the crowds paid attention to what was said by Philip when they heard it and saw the signs he was doing. For unclean spirits, crying out in a loud voice, came out of many possessed people, and many paralyzed or crippled people were cured. There was great joy in that city.

Now when the apostles in Jerusalem heard that Samaria had accepted the word of God, they sent them Peter and John, who went down and prayed for them, that they might receive the Holy Spirit, for it had not yet fallen upon any of them; they had only been baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus. Then they laid hands on them and they received the Holy Spirit

### **RESPONSORIAL PSALM**

**R. Let all the earth cry out to God with joy.**

Shout joyfully to God, all the earth,  
sing praise to the glory of his name;  
proclaim his glorious praise.  
Say to God, "How tremendous are your deeds!" R.

"Let all on earth worship and sing praise to you,  
sing praise to your name!"  
Come and see the works of God,  
his tremendous deeds among the children of Adam. R.

He has changed the sea into dry land;  
through the river they passed on foot;  
therefore let us rejoice in him.  
He rules by his might forever. R.

Hear now, all you who fear God, while I declare  
what he has done for me.  
Blessed be God who refused me not  
my prayer or his kindness! R.

### **READING II** **1 Pt 3:15-18**

Beloved: Sanctify Christ as Lord in your hearts. Always be ready to give an explanation to anyone who asks you for a reason for your hope, but do it with gentleness and reverence, keeping your conscience clear, so that, when you are maligned, those who defame your good conduct in Christ may themselves be put to shame. For it is better to suffer for doing good, if that be the will of God, than for doing evil. For Christ also suffered for sins once, the righteous for the sake of the unrighteous, that he might lead you to God. Put to death in the flesh, he was brought to life in the Spirit.

I saw no temple in the city for its temple is the Lord God almighty and the Lamb. The city had no need of sun or moon to shine on it, for the glory of God gave it light, and its lamp was the Lamb.

## ALLELUIA

If anyone loves me, he will hold to my words, and my Father will love him, and we will come to him.

## GOSPEL Jn 14:23-29

Jesus said to his disciples: "If you love me, you will keep my commandments. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate to be with you always, the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot accept, because it neither sees nor knows him. But you know him, because he remains with you, and will be in you. I will not leave you orphans; I will come to you. In a little while the world will no longer see me, but you will see me, because I live and you will live. On that day you will realize that I am in my Father and you are in me and I in you. Whoever has my commandments and observes them is the one who loves me. And whoever loves me will be loved by my Father, and I will love him and reveal myself to him."

### FOR THIS SUNDAY'S GOSPEL REFLECTION CLICK

<https://www.catholicsstrivingforholiness.org/6th-sunday-of-easter-reflection-year-a-god-seeks-to-be-with-us-always-the-promise-of-the-holy-spirit/>

The Creed is said.

## Universal Prayer

### Priest's Introduction

Dear brothers and sisters, filled with paschal joy, let us pray more earnestly to God that he, who graciously listened to the prayers and supplications of his beloved Son, may now be pleased to look upon us in our lowliness.

Intentions

1. For the shepherds of our souls, that they may have the strength to govern wisely the flock entrusted to them by the Good Shepherd, let us pray to the Lord.
2. For the whole world, that it may truly know the peace given by Christ, let us pray to the Lord.

3. For our brothers and sisters who suffer, that their sorrow may be turned to gladness which no one can take from them, let us pray to the Lord.
4. For our own community, that it may bear witness with great confidence to the Resurrection of Christ, let us pray to the Lord.

#### Priest's Prayer

O God, who know that our life in this present age is subject to suffering and need, hear the desires of those who cry to you; and receive the prayers of those who believe in you. Through Christ our Lord.

### **PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS**

May our prayers rise up to you, O Lord, together with the sacrificial offerings, so that, purified by your graciousness, we may be conformed to the Sacraments of your mighty love. Through Christ our Lord.

[\[-> Eucharistic Prayer\]](#)

[\[-> Preface of Easter\]](#)

### **COMMUNION ANTIPHON**

If you love me, keep my commandments, says the Lord, and I will ask the Father and he will send you another Paraclete, to abide with you for ever, alleluia.

[\[-> Communion\]](#)

### **PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

Almighty ever-living God, who restore us to eternal life in the Resurrection of Christ, increase in us the fruits of this paschal Sacrament and pour into our hearts the strength of this saving food. Through Christ our Lord.

[\[-> Concluding Rite\]](#)

[A formula of Solemn Blessing may be used.](#)

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