
THE HOLY MASS
2nd SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

*When a profound silence covered all
'things, and night was in the middle of its
course, your all-powerful Word, O Lord,
bounded from heaven's royal throne.*

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

Amen.

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the
love of God, and the communion of the
Holy Spirit be with you all.

R. And with your spirit.

PENITENTIAL RITE

*The priest invites the people to recall their
sins and to repent of them.*

Brothers and sisters, let us acknowledge our
sins, that we may prepare ourselves to
celebrate the sacred mysteries.

After the silence, all pray

**I confess to almighty God and to you, my
brothers and sisters, that I have greatly
sinned in my thoughts and in my words,
in what I have done and in what I have
failed to do, *They strike their breast:*
through my fault, through my fault,
through my most grievous fault; **[then
they continue:]** therefore I ask blessed
Mary ever-Virgin, all the Angels and
Saints, and you, my brothers and sisters,
to pray for me to the Lord our God.**

The priest says the absolution

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

The people answer:

-Amen.

The priest invites all to repent of their sins.

A pause for silent reflection follows:

Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**

Christ, have mercy. Christ, have
mercy.

Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**

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.**

OPENING PRAYER

Let us pray.

**Almighty ever-living, God, splendor of
faithful souls, graciously be pleased to fill
the world with your glory and show
yourself to all peoples by the radiance of
your light. Through our Lord. Amen.**

LITURGY OF THE WORD

First reading: Eccl 24:1–4, 8–12

Wisdom sings her own praises, before her
own people she proclaims her glory; In the

assembly of the Most High she opens her mouth, in the presence of his hosts she declares her worth: “From the mouth of the Most High I came forth, and mistlike covered the earth. In the highest heavens did I dwell, my throne on a pillar of cloud. Like cinnamon, or fragrant balm, or precious myrrh, I give forth perfume; Like galbanum and onycha and sweet spices, like the odor of incense in the holy place. I spread out my branches like a terebinth, my branches so bright and so graceful. I bud forth delights like the vine, my blossoms become fruit fair and rich. Come to me, all you that yearn for me, and be filled with my fruits.

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

R/. Responsorial Psalm

R. The Word of God became and lived among us.

O praise the Lord, Jerusalem!
Zion, praise your God!
He has strengthened the bars of your gates,
he has blessed the children within you. **R.**

He established peace on your borders,
he feeds you with finest wheat.
He sends out his word to the earth
and swiftly runs his command. **R.**

He makes his word known to Jacob,
to Israel his laws and decrees.
He has not dealt thus with other nations;
he has not taught them his decrees. **R.**

Second reading: A reading from the letter of St. Paul to the Ephesians 1:3–6, 15–18

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ

with every spiritual blessing in the heavens, as he chose us in him, before the foundation of the world, to be holy and without blemish before him. In love he destined us for adoption to himself through Jesus Christ, in accord with the favor of his will, for the praise of the glory of his grace that he granted us in the beloved.

Therefore, I, too, hearing of your faith in the Lord Jesus and of your love for all the holy ones, do not cease giving thanks for you, remembering you in my prayers, that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation resulting in knowledge of him. May the eyes of (your) hearts be enlightened, that you may know what is the hope that belongs to his call, what are the riches of glory in his inheritance among the holy ones.

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia. **Glory to Christ who is proclaimed to the world; glory from all who believe in him!**

Alleluia

GOSPEL

The Lord be with you.

And with your spirit..

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John 1: 1–18

R. Glory to you, Lord.

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God. All things came to be through him, and without him nothing came to be. What came to be through him was life, and this life was the light of the human race; the light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it.

A man named John was sent from God. He came for testimony, to testify to the light, so that all might believe through him. He was not the light, but came to testify to the light. The true light, which enlightens everyone, was coming into the world. He was in the world, and the world came to be through him, but the world did not know him. He came to what was his own, but his own people did not accept him. But to those who did accept him he gave power to become children of God, to those who believe in his name, who were born not by natural generation nor by human choice nor by a man's decision but of God. And the Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us, and we saw his glory, the glory as of the Father's only Son, full of grace and truth. John testified to him and cried out, saying, "This was he of whom I said, 'The one who is coming after me ranks ahead of me because he existed before me.'"

From his fullness we have all received, grace in place of grace, because while the law was given through Moses, grace and truth came through Jesus Christ. No one has ever seen God. The only Son, God, who is at the Father's side, has revealed him. The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

HOMILY THE APOSTLE'S CREED OR PROFESSION OF FAITH.

I believe in God the Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, [at the words that follow, up to and including the Virgin Mary, all bow] Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate was crucified, died, and was buried.

He descended into hell; the third day, He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven, and sits at the right hand of God the Father almighty, from thence He shall come to judge the living and the dead. I 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. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

Priest's Introduction

On this day when the goodness and kindness of God our Savior have appeared, let us, dear brothers and sisters, humbly pour forth to him our prayers, trusting not in our own good works, but in his mercy.

Intentions

1. For the Church of God, that in integrity of faith she may await and may welcome with joy him whom the immaculate Virgin conceived by a word and wondrously brought to birth, let us pray to the Lord.
2. For the progress and peace of the whole world, that what is given in time may become a reward in eternity, let us pray to the Lord.
3. For those oppressed by hunger, sickness or loneliness, that through the mystery of the Nativity of Christ they may find relief in both mind and body, let us pray to the Lord.
4. For our brothers and sisters who suffer for whatever motive: the sick, unemployed, the poor, the persecuted, the calumniated, those who suffer from injustices, the lonely, the refugees: that their sorrow may be turned to gladness which no one can take from them, let us pray to the Lord.
5. For the families of our congregation, and of the English-speaking Catholics group, the Filipino Association in Seville, and the

CCFG and CFC of Condequinto and their particular intentions, , that, receiving Christ, they may learn also to welcome him in the poor, let us pray to the Lord.

Priest's Prayer

We pray, O Lord our God, that Mary, who merited to bear God and man in her chaste womb, may commend the prayers of your faithful in your sight. Through Christ our Lord.

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

PREPARATION OF THE GIFTS

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation, for through your goodness we have received the bread we offer you: fruit of the earth and work of human hands, it will become for us the bread of life.

-Blessed be God forever.

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation, for through your goodness we have received the wine we offer you: fruit of the vine and work of human hands it will become our spiritual drink

- Blessed be God forever.

(ALL STAND)

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

The people answer:

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 Church.

PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

Sanctify, O Lord, the offerings we make on the Nativity of your Only Begotten Son, for by it you show us the way of

truth and promise the life of the heavenly Kingdom. Through Christ our Lord Through Christ our Lord.

PREFACE

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.

It is truly right and just, our duty and our salvation, always and everywhere to give you thanks, Lord, holy Father, almighty and eternal God.

For on the feast of this awe-filled mystery, though invisible in his own divine nature, he has appeared visibly in ours; and begotten before all ages, he has begun to exist in time; so that, raising up in himself all that was cast down, he might restore unity to all creation and call straying humanity back to the heavenly Kingdom. And so, with all the Angels, in joyful celebration, we, too, acclaim:

*The priest reads the preface of the day;
when he finishes, everybody say:*

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.

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER III

You are indeed Holy, O Lord, and all you have created rightly gives you praise, for through your Son our Lord Jesus Christ, by the power and working of the Holy Spirit, you give life to all things and make them

holy, and you never cease to gather a people to yourself, so that from the rising of the sun to its setting a pure sacrifice may be offered to your name.

(ALL KNEEL)

Therefore, O Lord, we humbly implore you: by the same Spirit graciously make holy these gifts we have brought to you for consecration, that they may become the Body and † Blood of your Son our Lord Jesus Christ, at whose command we celebrate these mysteries.

For on the night he was betrayed he himself took bread, and giving you thanks he said the blessing, broke the bread 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 giving you thanks he said the blessing, and gave the chalice 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.

At the priest's invitation all sing or say:

We proclaim your Death, O Lord, and profess your Resurrection until you come again. (ALL STAND)

Therefore, O Lord, as we celebrate the memorial of the saving Passion of your Son, his wondrous Resurrection and Ascension into heaven, and as we look forward to his second coming, we offer you in thanksgiving this holy and living sacrifice.

Look, we pray, upon the oblation of your Church and, recognizing the sacrificial Victim by whose death you willed to reconcile us to yourself, grant that we, who are nourished by the Body and Blood of your Son and filled with his Holy Spirit, may become one body, one spirit in Christ.

May he make of us an eternal offering to you, so that we may obtain an inheritance with your elect, especially with

the most blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of God, with St. Joseph, her spouse, your blessed Apostles and glorious Martyrs [with **Saint N: the Saint of the day or Patron Saint**] and with all the Saints, on whose constant intercession in your presence we rely for unfailing help.

May this Sacrifice of our reconciliation, we pray, O Lord, advance the peace and salvation of all the world. Be pleased to confirm in faith and charity your pilgrim Church on earth, with your servant N. our Pope and [N.] our Bishop, the Order of Bishops, all the clergy, and the entire people you have gained for your own.

Listen graciously to the prayers of this family, whom you have summoned before you: in your compassion, O merciful Father, gather to yourself all your children scattered throughout the earth.

† To our departed brothers and sisters and to all who were pleasing to you at their passing from this life, give kind admittance to your kingdom.

There we hope to enjoy for ever the fullness

of your glory through Christ our Lord,
through whom you bestow on the world all
that is good. †

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

The people answer: Amen.

COMMUNION RITE

At the Savior's command and formed by
divine teaching, we dare to say:
***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. Amen.***

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 Savior, Jesus Christ.
**For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours, now and forever.**

Lord Jesus Christ, you said to your apostles:
I leave you peace, my peace I leave you.
Look not on our sins, but on the faith of
your Church, and graciously grant her peace
and unity in accordance to your will, who
live and reign for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The peace of the Lord be with you always.
And also with you.

Let us offer each other the sign of peace
**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.**

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 Body of Christ. **Amen.**

COMMUNION ANTIPHON:

**To all who would accept him, he gave the
power to become children of God.**

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray.

**Lord our God, we humbly ask you that
through the working of this mystery our
offenses may be cleansed and our just
desires fulfilled. Through Christ our
Lord.**

PRAYER TO ST. MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL

St. Michael the Archangel, defend us in
battle. Be our defense against the
wickedness and snares of the Devil. May
God rebuke him, we humbly pray, and do
thou, O Prince of the heavenly hosts, by
the power of God, thrust into hell Satan,
and all the evil spirits, who prowl about the
world seeking the ruin of souls. **Amen.**

YEAR OF ST. JOSEPH PRAYER

*Hail, Guardian of the Redeemer,
Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary.
To you God entrusted his only Son;
in you Mary placed her trust;
with you Christ became man.*

*Blessed Joseph, to us too,
show yourself a father
and guide us in the path of life.
Obtain for us grace, mercy, and courage,
and defend us from every evil. Amen.*

CONCLUDING RITE

The Lord be with you.

And with your spirit.

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

Go in peace glorifying the Lord by your life.
Thanks be to God.

JOY TO THE WORLD

Joy to the World , the Lord is come!

Let earth receive her King;

Let every heart prepare Him room,

And Heaven and nature sing,

And Heaven and nature sing,

**And Heaven, and Heaven, and nature
sing.**

Joy to the World, the Savior reigns!

Let men their songs employ;

**While fields and floods, rocks, hills and
plains**

Repeat the sounding joy,

Repeat the sounding joy,

Repeat, repeat, the sounding joy.

**HAPPY NEW YEAR TO YOU AND
YOUR FAMILY!**

Thank you for your presence!