

Keeping the Sabbath Holy As A Family
Sixth Sunday of Easter



Our Lady of the Assumption Parish



Our Lady of Victory Parish

Introduction

Leader: In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

All: Amen.

Leader: May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,
and the love of God
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with us always.

All Amen.

Penitential Rite

Leader: As we begin our time of prayer let us pause and place ourselves in the presence of God and ask his forgiveness for our sins.

Leader: Lord Jesus, you healed the sick:
Lord, have mercy.

All: Lord, have mercy.

Leader: Lord Jesus, you forgave sinners: Christ, have mercy.

All: Christ, have mercy.

Leader: Lord Jesus, you gave yourself to heal us and bring us strength:
Lord, have mercy.

All: Lord, have mercy.

Leader: May almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us our sins, and bring us to ever lasting life.

All: Amen.

Opening Prayer

Leader: Let us pray.

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

All: Amen.

First Reading

Reader: A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

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.

Reader: The Word of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God.

*Responsorial Psalm**

Reader: Let all the earth cry out to God with joy.

All: Let all the earth cry out to God with joy.

Reader: 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!"

All: Let all the earth cry out to God with joy.

Reader: "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.

All: Let all the earth cry out to God with joy.

Reader: 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.

All: Let all the earth cry out to God with joy.

Reader: 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!

All: Let all the earth cry out to God with joy.

The Psalm for this Sunday has also been recorded and a link can be found on our Facebook pages with the weekly reflection.

Second Reading

Reader: A reading from the first letter of Peter.

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.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Gospel Verse

Leader: Alleluia, Alleluia.

All: Alleluia, Alleluia

Leader: Whoever loves me will keep my word, says the Lord,
and my Father will love him and we will come to him.

All: Alleluia, Alleluia.

Gospel

Reader: A reading from the Holy Gospel according John.

All: Glory to you O Lord.

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.”

Reader: The Gospel of the Lord

All: Praise to you Lord, Jesus Christ.

Reflection

See video posted on the parishes' Facebook pages.

The Nicene Creed

All: 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,
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.

General Intercessions

Leader: Let us bring our prayers before the Lord through the power of the Holy Spirit, our Advocate.

Leader: For all the members of God's holy church, that the Holy Spirit purify, strengthen, and sustain to teach and keep the commandments of the Lord. We pray to the Lord.

All: Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader: For all the human family: that God will liberate us from the coronavirus pandemic, helps us grow in our awareness of the needs of one another, and build trust and cooperation amongst all peoples. We pray to the Lord.

All: Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader: For wisdom: that as we bring our lives, experiences, and relationships to the Eucharist each week, the Scriptures may help us recognize that Christ is with us in every aspect of life. We pray to the Lord.

All: Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader: For all healthcare workers and first responders: that God will renew their strength, guide them in their work, and protect them and their families from harm. We pray to the Lord.

All: Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader: For all the faithful departed, including our deceased loved ones, especially _____. We also remember Fr. Perry and also, those who died from Covid-19: that Christ may welcome them into the eternal light and joy of God's presence. We pray to the Lord.

All: Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader: Gathering all of our prayers and praises into one, let us offer the prayer the Christ Himself has taught us.

All: Our Father...

Spiritual Communion

Leader: Although we cannot receive Christ sacramentally in the Eucharist today, we can still unite ourselves to Him spiritually. Let us ask Him to come down and dwell within our souls by means of a Spiritual Communion

All: 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.

Leader: Let us pause for a moment in silence and treasure God's presence. Let us give thanks to God for all of the blessings that He has given to us in our lives.

Closing Prayer

Leader: Let us pray.

Complete within us, O Lord, we pray,
the healing work of your mercy
and graciously perfect and sustain us,
so that in all things we may please you.
Through Christ our Lord,

All: Amen.

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

All: Amen.