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Catholics everywhere are aware of the significance of the Easter Season but may not understand “the Easter Duty”.

What is the Easter Duty?

Very simply; every Catholic who has reached the age of reason should faithfully confess all serious sins to their priest, fulfill the penance imposed, and while in the state of grace (no mortal sins unconfessed) receive Holy Communion at least once a year. You may be dispensed from this obligation due to serious illness, inability to get to church due to lack of transportation or when there is a world-wide pandemic which causes churches to be closed, etc.

What the Easter Duty IS NOT – Some have mistakenly understood the obligation to receive the Eucharist at least once per year as an excuse to only receive it once per year. Nothing could be further from the truth. At the Last Supper, Jesus instituted the Eucharist to be His enduring presence in the Church and a beautiful sign of His love throughout the ages. The Church views the Blessed Sacrament as "the source and summit of the Christian life." (Lumen Gentium 11) Since there have been various groups who were very scrupulous and considered themselves completely unworthy to receive Our Lord in the Holy Eucharist, the Church has mandated them to receive this miraculous gift the Lord has desired us to receive. Besides, every Sunday is a celebration of Easter where we proclaim Jesus’ death and Resurrection, and thus, Mass on Sunday is a Holy Day of Obligation. Any time we fail to attend Mass on the weekend or a Holy Day of Obligation, without a valid reason (as mentioned above), we commit a serious sin.

However, there has become the other reason for the Easter Duty: confession of serious sins. Too many have lost a consciousness of sin, especially serious mortal sin. Also, too many people neither understand nor appreciate the efficacy of the sacrament of penance. It’s sad to say that part of the problem is the significant number of priests who have neglected their duty to preach about the importance of the sacrament and make Reconciliation an imperative part of their ministry. Therefore, it is not surprising why the lines to receive Holy Communion are long yet the lines for the sacrament of penance are short. The Catholic Church has always taught that one must be in the state of grace to receive Holy Communion. The Apostle Paul says (1 Cor. 11:29): ***“He that eateth and drinketh unworthily, eateth and drinketh judgment to himself.”*** The Church’s teaching on this passage: He who handles Holy Communion irreverently or eats and drinks the Eucharist while in mortal sin, is guilty of sacrilege, because he profanes the sacrament: and therefore he sins mortally (to paraphrase St. Thomas Aquinas), and, therefore is in danger of eternal punishment. This is also the reason why we do not have open communion with our protestant brothers and sisters because they do not recognize the Holy Eucharist as the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ and also do not have the means available for sacramental confession. Thus, it is an act of charity on our part not to have them receive the Eucharist and “eateth judgment on themselves”.

The sacrament of confession is a beautiful gift that helps us be in the best possible relationship with Jesus so that we can receive Him in the Blessed Sacrament and receive the abundant graces of Our Lord who suffered, died and rose for our salvation. As St. Pope John Paul II taught, "It would, therefore, be foolish, as well as presumptuous, ... to disregard the means of grace and salvation which the Lord has provided and, in the specific case, to claim to receive forgiveness while doing without the sacrament which was instituted by Christ precisely for forgiveness" ("On Reconciliation and Penance," No. 31).

Summary – What do we have to do to fulfill the “Easter Duty”?

ALL Catholics must receive Holy Communion at least once per year, and when doing so, he or she must be in the state of grace, which can be obtained by making a good confession. To believe otherwise is not Catholic.

EASTER VIGIL

APRIL 3, 2021 8:30PM

FIRST PART: The Solemn Beginning of the Vigil

The Blessing of the Fire and Preparation of the Candle

Presider:

*Christ yesterday and today;
the Beginning and the End;
the Alpha; and the Omega.
All time belongs to him; and all
the ages. To him be glory and
power; through every age and
for ever. Amen.*



{When the cross and other marks have been made, the Priest may insert five grains of incense in the candle. He does this in the form of a cross saying:}

By his holy and glorious wounds, may Christ the Lord guard us and protect us. Amen.

{The Priest lights the Paschal Candle from the new fire, saying:}

*May the light of Christ rising in glory
Dispel the darkness of our hearts and minds.*

PROCESSION

Cantor: The Light of Christ

Response: *Thanks be to God*

EASTER PROCLAMATION (EXSULTET)

SECOND PART: The Liturgy of the Word

FIRST READING Genesis 1:1-2:2

In the beginning, when God created the heavens and the earth,
the earth was a formless wasteland, and darkness covered the abyss,
while a mighty wind swept over the waters.

Then God said,

"Let there be light," and there was light.

God saw how good the light was.

God then separated the light from the darkness.

God called the light "day," and the darkness he called "night."

Thus evening came, and morning followed—the first day.

Then God said,

"Let there be a dome in the middle of the waters,
to separate one body of water from the other."

And so it happened:

God made the dome,

and it separated the water above the dome from the water below it. God called the dome "the sky."

Evening came, and morning followed—the second day.

Then God said,

"Let the water under the sky be gathered into a single basin,
so that the dry land may appear."

And so it happened:

the water under the sky was gathered into its basin,
and the dry land appeared.

God called the dry land "the earth,"
and the basin of the water he called "the sea."

God saw how good it was.

Then God said,

"Let the earth bring forth vegetation:

every kind of plant that bears seed
and every kind of fruit tree on earth
that bears fruit with its seed in it."

And so it happened:

the earth brought forth every kind of plant that bears seed
and every kind of fruit tree on earth

that bears fruit with its seed in it.

God saw how good it was.

Evening came, and morning followed—the third day.

Then God said:

"Let there be lights in the dome of the sky,
to separate day from night.
Let them mark the fixed times, the days and the years,
and serve as luminaries in the dome of the sky,
to shed light upon the earth."

And so it happened:

God made the two great lights,
the greater one to govern the day,
and the lesser one to govern the night;
and he made the stars.

God set them in the dome of the sky,
to shed light upon the earth,
to govern the day and the night,
and to separate the light from the darkness.

God saw how good it was.

Evening came, and morning followed—the fourth day.

Then God said,

"Let the water teem with an abundance of living
creatures,
and on the earth let birds fly beneath the dome of the
sky."

And so it happened:

God created the great sea monsters
and all kinds of swimming creatures with which the water
teems,
and all kinds of winged birds.

God saw how good it was, and God blessed them, saying,
"Be fertile, multiply, and fill the water of the seas;
and let the birds multiply on the earth."

Evening came, and morning followed—the fifth day.

Then God said,

"Let the earth bring forth all kinds of living creatures:
cattle, creeping things, and wild animals of all kinds."

And so it happened:

God made all kinds of wild animals, all kinds of cattle,
and all kinds of creeping things of the earth.

God saw how good it was.

Then God said:

"Let us make man in our image, after our likeness.
Let them have dominion over the fish of the sea,
the birds of the air, and the cattle,
and over all the wild animals
and all the creatures that crawl on the ground."

God created man in his image;
in the image of God he created him;
male and female he created them.

God blessed them, saying:

"Be fertile and multiply;
fill the earth and subdue it.

Have dominion over the fish of the sea, the birds of the
air,
and all the living things that move on the earth."

God also said:

"See, I give you every seed-bearing plant all over the
earth and every tree that has seed-bearing fruit on it to
be your food; and to all the animals of the land, all the
birds of the air, and all the living creatures that crawl on
the ground, I give all the green plants for food."

And so it happened.

God looked at everything he had made, and he found it
very good.

Evening came, and morning followed—the sixth day.
Thus the heavens and the earth and all their array were
completed. Since on the seventh day God was finished
with the work he had been doing, he rested on the
seventh day from all the work he had undertaken.

The Word of the Lord.

R. Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM Psalm 104

**R. Lord, send out your Spirit, and renew the face of the
earth.**

Bless the LORD, O my soul!

O LORD, my God, you are great indeed!

You are clothed with majesty and glory,
robed in light as with a cloak.

**R. Lord, send out your Spirit, and renew the face of the
earth.**

You fixed the earth upon its foundation,
not to be moved forever;
with the ocean, as with a garment, you covered it;
above the mountains the waters stood.

**R. Lord, send out your Spirit, and renew the face of the
earth.**

You send forth springs into the watercourses
that wind among the mountains.

Beside them the birds of heaven dwell;
from among the branches they send forth their song.

**R. Lord, send out your Spirit, and renew the face of the
earth.**

You water the mountains from your palace;
the earth is replete with the fruit of your works.

You raise grass for the cattle,
and vegetation for man's use,
Producing bread from the earth.

R. Lord, send out your Spirit, and renew the face of the earth.

How manifold are your works, O LORD!
In wisdom you have wrought them all—
the earth is full of your creatures.

Bless the LORD, O my soul!

R. Lord, send out your Spirit, and renew the face of the earth.

SECOND READING Genesis 22:1-18

God put Abraham to the test.

He called to him, "Abraham!"

"Here I am," he replied.

Then God said:

"Take your son Isaac, your only one, whom you love,
and go to the land of Moriah.

There you shall offer him up as a holocaust
on a height that I will point out to you."

Early the next morning Abraham saddled his donkey,
took with him his son Isaac and two of his servants as
well,

and with the wood that he had cut for the holocaust,
set out for the place of which God had told him.

On the third day Abraham got sight of the place from
afar.

Then he said to his servants:

"Both of you stay here with the donkey,
while the boy and I go on over yonder.

We will worship and then come back to you."

Thereupon Abraham took the wood for the holocaust
and laid it on his son Isaac's shoulders,
while he himself carried the fire and the knife.

As the two walked on together, Isaac spoke to his father
Abraham:

"Father!" Isaac said.

"Yes, son," he replied.

Isaac continued, "Here are the fire and the wood,
but where is the sheep for the holocaust?"

"Son," Abraham answered,

"God himself will provide the sheep for the holocaust."

Then the two continued going forward.

When they came to the place of which God had told him,
Abraham built an altar there and arranged the wood on
it.

Next he tied up his son Isaac,
and put him on top of the wood on the altar.

Then he reached out and took the knife to slaughter his
son.

But the LORD's messenger called to him from heaven,
"Abraham, Abraham!"

"Here I am!" he answered.

"Do not lay your hand on the boy," said the messenger.

"Do not do the least thing to him.

I know now how devoted you are to God,
since you did not withhold from me your own beloved
son."

As Abraham looked about,
he spied a ram caught by its horns in the thicket.

So he went and took the ram
and offered it up as a holocaust in place of his son.

Abraham named the site Yahweh-yireh;
hence people now say, "On the mountain the LORD will
see."

Again the LORD's messenger called to Abraham from
heaven and said:

"I swear by myself, declares the LORD,
that because you acted as you did
in not withholding from me your beloved son,
I will bless you abundantly
and make your descendants as countless
as the stars of the sky and the sands of the seashore;
your descendants shall take possession
of the gates of their enemies,
and in your descendants all the nations of the earth shall
find blessing--
all this because you obeyed my command."

The Word of the Lord.

R. Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM Psalm 16

R. You are my inheritance, O Lord.

O LORD, my allotted portion and my cup,
you it is who hold fast my lot.

I set the LORD ever before me;
with him at my right hand I shall not be disturbed.

R. You are my inheritance, O Lord.

Therefore my heart is glad and my soul rejoices,
my body, too, abides in confidence;
because you will not abandon my soul to the
netherworld, nor will you suffer your faithful one to
undergo corruption.

R. You are my inheritance, O Lord.

You will show me the path to life,
fullness of joys in your presence,
the delights at your right hand forever.

R. You are my inheritance, O Lord.

THIRD READING Exodus 14:15-15:1

The LORD said to Moses, "Why are you crying out to me? Tell the Israelites to go forward. And you, lift up your staff and, with hand outstretched over the sea, split the sea in two, that the Israelites may pass through it on dry land. But I will make the Egyptians so obstinate that they will go in after them. Then I will receive glory through Pharaoh and all his army, his chariots and charioteers. The Egyptians shall know that I am the LORD, when I receive glory through Pharaoh and his chariots and charioteers."

The angel of God, who had been leading Israel's camp, now moved and went around behind them. The column of cloud also, leaving the front, took up its place behind them, so that it came between the camp of the Egyptians and that of Israel. But the cloud now became dark, and thus the night passed without the rival camps coming any closer together all night long.

Then Moses stretched out his hand over the sea, and the LORD swept the sea with a strong east wind throughout the night and so turned it into dry land. When the water was thus divided, the Israelites marched into the midst of the sea on dry land, with the water like a wall to their right and to their left.

The Egyptians followed in pursuit; all Pharaoh's horses and chariots and charioteers went after them right into the midst of the sea. In the night watch just before dawn the LORD cast through the column of the fiery cloud upon the Egyptian force a glance that threw it into a panic; and he so clogged their chariot wheels that they could hardly drive.

With that the Egyptians sounded the retreat before Israel, because the LORD was fighting for them against the Egyptians.

Then the LORD told Moses, "Stretch out your hand over the sea, that the water may flow back upon the Egyptians, upon their chariots and their charioteers." So Moses stretched out his hand over the sea, and at dawn the sea flowed back to its normal depth. The Egyptians were fleeing head on toward the sea, when the LORD hurled them into its midst. As the water flowed back, it covered the chariots and the charioteers of Pharaoh's whole army which had followed the Israelites into the sea. Not a single one of them escaped. But the Israelites had marched on dry land through the midst of the sea, with the water like a wall to their right and to their left. Thus the LORD saved Israel on that day from the power of the Egyptians.

When Israel saw the Egyptians lying dead on the seashore and beheld the great power that the LORD had shown against the Egyptians, they feared the LORD and believed in him and in his servant Moses.

Then Moses and the Israelites sang this song to the LORD:

I will sing to the LORD, for he is gloriously
triumphant; horse and chariot he has cast into
the sea.

The Word of the Lord.

R. Thanks be to God.

Hymn: Thanks Be To Thee (Handel) (sung by choir)

Prayer

GLORIA

All: 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.

Priest: Let us pray...

All: Amen.

Collect

EPISTLE Romans 6:3-1

Brothers and sisters:

Are you unaware that we who were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? We were indeed buried with him through baptism into death, so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might live in newness of life.

For if we have grown into union with him through a death like his, we shall also be united with him in the resurrection. We know that our old self was crucified with him, so that our sinful body might be done away with, that we might no longer be in slavery to sin.

For a dead person has been absolved from sin.

If, then, we have died with Christ, we believe that we shall also live with him. We know that Christ, raised from the dead, dies no more; death no longer has power over him. As to his death, he died to sin once and for all; as to his life, he lives for God.

Consequently, you too must think of yourselves as being dead to sin and living for God in Christ Jesus.

The Word of the Lord.

R. Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION *Stand*

R. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good,
for his mercy endures forever.

Let the house of Israel say,
"His mercy endures forever."

R. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

The right hand of the LORD has struck with power;
the right hand of the LORD is exalted.

I shall not die, but live,
and declare the works of the LORD.

R. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

The stone the builders rejected
has become the cornerstone.

By the LORD has this been done;
it is wonderful in our eyes.

R. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

GOSPEL Mark 16:1-7

Priest: The Lord be with you. **All:** And with your spirit.

Priest: A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark.

All: Glory to you, O Lord.

When the sabbath was over, Mary Magdalene, Mary, the mother of James, and Salome bought spices so that they might go and anoint him. Very early when the sun had risen, on the first day of the week, they came to the tomb.

They were saying to one another, "Who will roll back the stone for us from the entrance to the tomb?"

When they looked up, they saw that the stone had been rolled back; it was very large.

On entering the tomb they saw a young man sitting on the right side, clothed in a white robe, and they were utterly amazed.

He said to them, "Do not be amazed! You seek Jesus of Nazareth, the crucified. He has been raised; he is not here. Behold the place where they laid him. But go and tell his disciples and Peter, 'He is going before you to Galilee; there you will see him, as he told you.'"

The Gospel of the Lord.

R: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

HOMILY

THIRD PART: Baptismal Liturgy

Blessing of the Water & Renewal of Baptismal Promises

Blessing of the Assembly

Hymn: We Shall Draw Water

Rite of Confirmation

Hymn: Come, Holy Ghost

Prayers of the Faithful

(Creed is not professed)



FOURTH PART: The Liturgy of the Eucharist

PRESENTATION AND PREPARATION OF THE GIFTS

Offertory Hymn: Christ Be Our Light

Bread and wine are brought to the altar table, and everything is prepared for the celebration of the Paschal Mystery. The bread is offered to the Lord first, followed by the wine, accompanied by prayers, to which all may respond:

Blessed be God forever.

Priest: Pray, brothers and sisters, that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.

Stand **All: 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.**

THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYERS

Priest: The Lord be with you.

All: And with your spirit.

Priest: Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them up to the Lord.

Priest: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: It is right and just.

SANCTUS

All: 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

Priest chooses Eucharistic Prayer I, II, III, or IV, followed by:

Priest: The mystery of faith.

All: Save us, Savior of the world, for by your Cross and Resurrection you have set us free.

Eucharistic Prayer culminates with:

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

All: Amen. *Stand*

THE COMMUNION RITES

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.

AGNUS DEI

All:

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.

Priest: 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.

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

Communion Procedure

Grave sin or any lack of full unity with the Catholic Church may prevent you from receiving sacramental Communion at this time, but the Lord invites all people of faith and good will to express their love for him in their hearts. If there is something preventing you from receiving Communion, please feel free to approach with your arms folded across your chest in the shape of an "X". You will receive a blessing from the priest or deacon, or an extraordinary minister will ask the Lord to bless you.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

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

Communion Hymn: I Am the Bread of Life

FIFTH PART: Concluding Rites

Stand

Priest: The Lord be with you.

All: And with your spirit.

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

All: Amen.

Priest: Go forth, the Mass is ended.

OR

Go and announce the Gospel of the Lord.

OR

Go in the peace, glorifying the Lord by your life.

All: Thanks be to God.

Recessional Hymn: Jesus Christ Is Risen Today



A warm welcome to those being fully received into the Catholic Church tonight!

Candidates

Maxine Adams
(Sponsor: Rick Wilcome)

Gracie Goodwin
(Sponsor: Madison Lee Goodwin)

Dani Pierce
(Sponsor: Nathan Pierce)

Keira Gholson
(Sponsor: Hannah Gholson)

Angel Wilcome
(Sponsor: Bonnie Gundeck)

EASTER SUNDAY

APRIL 4, 2021

7:30, 9:30, & 11:30AM

INTRODUCTORY RITES

Entrance Antiphon: 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.

Processional Hymn: *Jesus Christ Is Risen Today*

Priest: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **All: Amen. Priest:** The Lord be with you. **All: And with your spirit.**

PENITENTIAL ACT

All: 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, (striking breast) through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault; 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.

1

GLORIA

All: 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.

Priest: Let us pray...

All: Amen.

Sit

2

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING (ACTS 10:34, 37-43)

Peter proceeded to speak and said:
"You know what has happened all over Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John preached, how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and power. He went about doing good and healing all those oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. We are witnesses of all that he did both in the country of the Jews and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree. This man God raised on the third day and granted that he be visible, not to all the people, but to us, the witnesses chosen by God in advance, who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. He commissioned us to preach to the people and testify that he is the one appointed by God as judge of the living and the dead. To him all the prophets bear witness, that everyone who believes in him will receive forgiveness of sins through his name."

The Word of the Lord.

R: Thanks be to God.

3

RESPONSORIAL PSALM (PS 118)

R. This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad.

Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good,
for his mercy endures forever.

Let the house of Israel say,
"His mercy endures forever."

R. This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad.

"The right hand of the LORD has struck with power;
the right hand of the LORD is exalted.

I shall not die, but live,
and declare the works of the LORD."

R. This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad.

The stone which the builders rejected
has become the cornerstone.

By the LORD has this been done;
it is wonderful in our eyes.

R. This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad.

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SECOND READING (COL 3:1-4)

Brothers and sisters:

If then you were raised with Christ, seek what is above,
where Christ is seated at the right hand of God.

Think of what is above, not of what is on earth.

For you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God.

When Christ your life appears,

then you too will appear with him in glory.

The Word of the Lord.

R: Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION *Stand*

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

Christ, our paschal lamb, has been sacrificed; let us then
feast with joy in the Lord.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

GOSPEL (JN 20:1-9)

Priest: The Lord be with you. **All:** And with your spirit.

Priest: A reading from the holy Gospel according to John.

All: Glory to you, O Lord.

5

On the first day of the week,

Mary of Magdala came to the tomb early in the morning,
while it was still dark,

and saw the stone removed from the tomb.

So she ran and went to Simon Peter

and to the other disciple whom Jesus loved, and told them,

“They have taken the Lord from the tomb,

and we don’t know where they put him.”

So Peter and the other disciple went out and came to the tomb.

They both ran, but the other disciple ran faster than Peter

and arrived at the tomb first;

he bent down and saw the burial cloths there, but did not go in.

When Simon Peter arrived after him,

he went into the tomb and saw the burial cloths there,

and the cloth that had covered his head,

not with the burial cloths but rolled up in a separate place.

Then the other disciple also went in,

the one who had arrived at the tomb first,

and he saw and believed.

For they did not yet understand the Scripture

that he had to rise from the dead.

The Gospel of the Lord.

R: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

6

The Renewal of Baptismal Promises takes the place of the Creed today

Priest: Dear brothers and sisters, through the
Paschal Mystery...

...and promised to serve God in the holy Catholic
Church. And so I ask you:

*{In response to the series of questions asked by the
presider, the response is:}*

I do.

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

Response: Lord, hear our prayer.

7

THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

PRESENTATION AND PREPARATION OF THE GIFTS

Offertory Hymn: Christ Be Our Light

*Bread and wine are brought to the altar table, and
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the wine, accompanied by prayers, to which all may
respond:*

Blessed be God forever.

Priest: Pray, brothers and sisters, that my sacrifice and
yours may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.

*Stand All: 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.*

THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYERS

Priest: The Lord be with you.

All: And with your spirit.

Priest: Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them up to the Lord.

Priest: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: It is right and just.

8

SANCTUS

All: 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*

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

Priest chooses Eucharistic Prayer I, II, III, or IV, followed by:

Priest: The mystery of faith.

All: Save us, Savior of the world, for by your Cross and Resurrection you have set us free.

Eucharistic Prayer culminates with:

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

All: Amen. *Stand*

THE COMMUNION RITES

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.

9

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

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

Communion Hymn: Worthy Is the Lamb

CONCLUDING RITES

Stand

Priest: The Lord be with you.
All: And with your spirit.
Priest: May almighty God bless you, the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit.
All: Amen.
Priest: Go forth, the Mass is ended.
OR
Go and announce the Gospel of the Lord.
OR
Go in the peace, glorifying the Lord by your life.
All: Thanks be to God.

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Recessional Hymn: The Strife Is O'er

AGNUS DEI

All:

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.

Priest: 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.

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

Communion Procedure

Grave sin or any lack of full unity with the Catholic Church may prevent you from receiving sacramental Communion at this time, but the Lord invites all people of faith and good will to express their love for him in their hearts. If there is something preventing you from receiving Communion, please feel free to approach with your arms folded across your chest in the shape of an "X". You will receive a blessing from the priest or deacon, or an extraordinary minister will ask the Lord to bless you.

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POST-MASS PRAYERS

St. Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle. Be our protection 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, cast into hell Satan and all evil spirits who prowl throughout the world seeking the ruin of souls.

Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee.

Blessed art thou amongst women and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus. Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners now and at the hour of our death. Amen.



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