



The Third Sunday in Lent

7 March 2021 AD

THE HOLY EUCHARIST *with Spiritual Communion*

Prelude

Silence

The Penitential Order

Jesus said, "The first commandment is this: Hear, O Israel: The Lord your God is the only Lord. Love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength. The second is this: Love your neighbor as yourself. There is no commandment greater than these." *Mark 12:29-31*

The Celebrant says

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor. *Silence may be kept.*

All: Most merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.

We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.

We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.

For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that
we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your Name. Amen.

The Priest says

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our
Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the
Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. *Amen.*

Hymn of Praise S-102 *The Trisagion sung thrice.*

Holy God, Holy and Mighty, Holy Immortal One, Have mercy upon us.

The Collect of the Day

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Priest: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Priest: Let us pray. *The Collect of the Day is prayed.*

Lesson

A Reading from the Book of Exodus. [Exodus 20:1-17] *The Word of the Lord.* [People:
Thanks be to God.]

Gradual Hymn 404 *metrical version of Psalm 95*

1 We will extol you, ever-blessèd Lord;
your holy Name for ever be adored;

each day we live our psalm to you we raise;
you, God and King, are worthy of all praise,
great and unsearchable in all your ways.

2 Age shall to age pass on the endless song,
telling the wonders which to you belong,
your mighty acts with joy and fear relate;
praise we your glory while on you we wait,
glad in the knowledge of your love so great.

3 You, Lord, are gracious, merciful to all,
close to your children when on you they call;
and slow to anger, merciful and kind,
in your compassion we your blessings find.
We love you with our heart and strength and mind.

Epistle

A Reading from the First Letter to the Corinthians. [1 Corinthians 1:18-25] The Word of the Lord. [People: Thanks be to God.]

Sequence Hymn 142 “Lord, Who Throughout These Forty Days”

1 Lord, who throughout these forty days for us didst fast and pray,
teach us with thee to mourn our sins and close by thee to stay.
2 As thou with Satan didst contend and didst the victory win,
O give us strength in thee to fight, in thee to conquer sin.
3 As thou didst hunger bear and thirst, so teach us, gracious Lord,
to die to self, and chiefly live by thy most holy Word.
4 And through these days of penitence, and through thy Passiontide,
yea, evermore, in life and death, Jesus! with us abide.
5 Abide with us, that so, this life of suffering overpast,
an Easter of unending joy we may attain at last!

The Holy Gospel

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John. [People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.] [John 2:13-22] The Gospel of the Lord. [People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.]

The Sermon *silence for reflection follows the sermon*

The Nicene Creed

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We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true
God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being
with the Father. Through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven:

by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again 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.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son.

With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.

He has spoken through the Prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Prayers of the People

The Leader concludes each petition: Lord, hear us.

*And the People respond: **And receive our prayer.***

✠ Following each petition you are invited to offer your intercessions

The Peace *Reach out to someone this week to share God's peace.*

Offertory Sentence

Anthem

The Great Thanksgiving

Prayer D

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Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

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

People: It is right to give him thanks and praise.

Celebrant continues the Great Thanksgiving until . . . "the glory of your Name:"

Celebrant and People

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might, 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.

Then the Celebrant continues until . . . "we praise you and we bless you."

Celebrant and People

We praise you, we bless you,

we give thanks to you,

and we pray to you, Lord our God.

*The Celebrant continues until . . . "of the Holy Spirit, for ever and ever. **AMEN.**"*



The Lord’s Prayer

The Breaking of the Bread

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Officiant: Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People: Therefore let us keep the feast.

The Invitation

Officiant: The Gifts of God for the People of God.

For Spiritual Communion, please offer this Prayer during the devotional music.

In union, dear Lord, with the faithful at every altar of your Church where your blessed Body and Blood are being offered to God, I desire to offer you praise and thanksgiving. I believe that you are truly present in the Holy Sacrament. And since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, I beseech you to come spiritually into my heart. I unite myself to you, and embrace you with all the affections of my soul together, with all your faithful people gathered around every altar of your Church. Let me never be separated from you. Amen.

The Solemn Prayer *in place of the Blessing during Lent*

Closing Hymn 690 “Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah”

- 1 Guide me, O thou great Jehovah, pilgrim through this barren land;
I am weak, but thou art mighty; hold me with thy powerful hand;
bread of heaven, bread of heaven, || feed me now and evermore ||
- 2 Open now the crystal fountain, whence the healing stream doth flow;
let the fire and cloudy pillar lead me all my journey through;
strong deliverer, strong deliverer, || be thou still my strength and shield ||
- 3 When I tread the verge of Jordan, bid my anxious fears subside;
death of death, and hell’s destruction, land me safe on Canaan’s side;
songs of praises, songs of praises, || I will ever give to thee ||

Dismissal

Priest Let us bless the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Postlude

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