

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

Year B

ENTRANCE HYMN

1. Alleluia! sing to Jesus!
His the scepter, His the throne.
Alleluia! His the triumph,
His the victory alone.
Hark! the songs of peaceful Zion
Thunder like a mighty flood.
Jesus out of every nation
2. Alleluia! bread of angels,
Thou on earth our food, our stay;
Alleluia! here the sinful
Flee to Thee from day to day:
Intercessor, friend of sinners,
Earth's Redeemer, plead for me,
Where the songs of all the sinless
Sweep across the crystal sea.



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

FIRST READING

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles 3:13-15. 17-19
You killed the prince of life. God, however, raised him from the dead.

Peter said to the people: 'You are Israelites, and it is the God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, the God of our ancestors, who has glorified his servant Jesus, the same Jesus you handed over and then disowned in the presence of Pilate, after Pilate had decided to release him. It was you who accused the Holy One, the Just One, you who demanded the reprieve of a murderer while you killed the prince of life. God, however, raised him from the dead, and to that fact we are the witnesses.

'Now I know, brothers, that neither you nor your leaders had any idea what you were really doing; this was the way God carried out what he had foretold, when he said through all his prophets that his Christ

would suffer. Now you must repent and turn to God, so that your sins may be wiped out.'

The word of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM Ps 4:2. 4. 7. 9. R] v. 7

R. Lift up the light of your face on us, O Lord.

1. When I call, answer me, O God of justice;
from anguish you released me,
have mercy and hear me! (R.)
2. It is the Lord who grants favours to those whom he loves;
the Lord hears me whenever I call him. (R.)
3. 'What can bring us happiness?' many say.
Lift up the light of your face on us, O Lord. (R.)
4. I will lie down in peace and sleep comes at once,
for you alone, Lord, make me dwell in safety. (R.)

SECOND READING

A reading from the first letter of St. John 2:1-5
He is the sacrifice that takes our sins away, and not only ours, but the whole world's.

I am writing this, my children,
to stop you sinning;
but if anyone should sin,
we have our advocate with the Father,
Jesus Christ, who is just;
he is the sacrifice that takes our sins away,
and not only ours,
but the whole world's.
We can be sure that we know God
only by keeping his commandments.
Anyone who says, 'I know him',
and does not keep his commandments,
is a liar,
refusing to admit the truth.
But when anyone does obey what he has said,
God's love comes to perfection in him.

The word of the Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION cf. Lk. 24:32

Alleluia, alleluia!
Lord Jesus, explain the scriptures to us.
Make our hearts burn within us as you talk to us.
Alleluia!

GOSPEL

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke 24:35-48

So you see how it is written that the Christ would suffer and on the third day rise from the dead.

The disciples told their story of what had happened on the road and how they had recognised Jesus at the breaking of bread.

They were still talking about this when Jesus himself stood among them and said to them, 'Peace be with you!' In a state of alarm and fright, they

thought they were seeing a ghost. But he said, 'Why are you so agitated, and why are these doubts rising in your hearts? Look at my hands and feet; yes, it is I indeed. Touch me and see for yourselves; a ghost has no flesh and bones as you can see I have.' And as he said this he showed them his hands and feet. Their joy was so great that they could not believe it, and they stood dumbfounded; so he said to them, 'Have you anything here to eat?' And they offered him a piece of grilled fish, which he took and ate before their eyes.

Then he told them, 'This is what I meant when I said, while I was still with you, that everything written about me in the Law of Moses, in the Prophets and in the Psalms, has to be fulfilled.' He then opened their minds to understand the scriptures, and he said to them, 'So you see how it is written that the Christ would suffer and on the third day rise from the dead, and that, in his name, repentance for the forgiveness of sins would be preached to all the nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses to this.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty,
 Creator of heaven and earth,
 and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
 (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;
 on the third day he rose again from the dead;
 he ascended into heaven,
 and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty;
 from there he will 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.



OFFERTORY HYMN

*Take thou the offering thy children make,
 All united for thy name's sake.*

1. Heavenly Father, almighty God,
 We offer Thee this sacrifice.
 Show to us thy mercy, O Lord,
 Forgive us the sins of all our life.
2. To thee, O Lord, our joy we give,
 Our weariness, our work and woe,
 The anxious moments that we live;
 Lighten our burden as we go.



COMMUNION HYMNS

1. Shepherd of souls, refresh and bless
 Your chosen pilgrim flock
 With manna in the wilderness,
 With water from the rock.
2. Hungry and thirsty, faint and weak,
 As You when here below,
 Our souls the joys celestial seek
 Which from Your sorrows flow
3. We would not live by bread alone,
 But by Thy Word of grace,
 In strength of which we travel on
 In our abiding place.
4. Be known to us in breaking bread,
 But do not then depart;
 Savior, abide with us, and spread
 Your table in our heart.
5. Lord, dine with us in love divine;
 Your body and your blood,
 That living bread, that heav'nly wine,
 Be our immortal food.



1. There is a river
 that flows from God above;
 there is a fountain
 that's filled with his great love.

*Come to the waters,
 there is a great supply;
 there is a river that
 shall never run dry.*

2. Wash me with water,
 and then I shall be clean;
 white as the new snow,
 if you remove my sin.
3. Plunged in the water,
 the tomb of our rebirth,
 so may we rise up
 to share in Christ's new life.
4. All who are thirsty,
 now hear God as he calls;
 come to the Lord's side,
 His life pours out for all.
5. Safe in the new Ark,
 the Church of Christ our Lord,
 praise God for water,
 his sign to save the world.

RECESSIONAL HYMN

*Alleluia, Alleluia,
 give thanks to the risen Lord,
 Alleluia, Alleluia,
 give praise to his name.*

1. Jesus is Lord of all the earth.
 He is the King of creation.
2. Spread the good news o'er all the earth
 Jesus has died and has risen.
3. Come, let us praise the living God,
 joyfully sing to our Saviour.