

DEDICATION OF THE CATHEDRAL OF ST. JOSEPH

Year A

ENTRANCE HYMN

*I rejoiced when I heard the people saying:
Let's go to the temple of the Lord.
And now at last our feet are standing
Within your gates, O Jerusalem.*

1. Jerusalem, O fairest city,
So strongly built as one united whole,
It is there that the tribes now gather,
All the tribes to worship the Lord.
2. For the peace of Jerusalem pray:
Prosperity to all your dwelling places.
Let there be peace everywhere within your
ramparts,
Let there be safety within your towers.



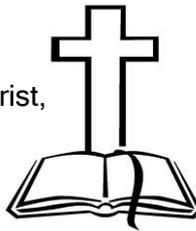
GLORIA

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 prophet Isaiah 56:6-7
My house will be called a house of prayer for all the peoples.

Thus says the Lord: Have a care for justice, act with integrity, for soon my salvation will come and my integrity be manifest.

Foreigners who have attached themselves to the Lord to serve him and to love his name and be his servants - all who observe the sabbath, not profaning it, and cling to my covenant - these I will bring to my holy mountain. I will make them joyful in my house of prayer. Their holocausts and their sacrifices will be accepted on my altar, for my house will be called a house of prayer for all the peoples.

The word of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM Ps 83:3-5. 10-11. R) v.2

**R. How lovely is your dwelling place
Lord, God of hosts.**

1. My soul is longing and yearning,
is yearning for the courts of the Lord.
My heart and my soul ring out their joy
To God, the living God. (R.)
2. The sparrow herself finds a home
and the swallow a nest for her brood;
she lays her young by your altars,
Lord of hosts, my king and my God. (R.)
- 3.. They are happy, who dwell in your house
for ever singing your praise.
Turn your eyes, O God, our shield,
look on the face of your anointed. (R.)
- 4.. One day within your courts
is better than a thousand elsewhere.
The threshold of the house of God
I prefer to the dwelling of the wicked. (R)

SECOND READING

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Ephesians
2:19-22

All grow into one holy temple in the Lord

You are no longer aliens or foreign visitors: you are citizens like all the saints, and part of God's household. You are part of a building that has the apostles and prophets for its foundations, and Christ Jesus himself for its main cornerstone. As every structure is aligned on him, all grow into one holy temple in the Lord; and you too, in him, are being built into a house where God lives, in the Spirit.

The word of the Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

cf. Jn 4: 23-24

Alleluia, alleluia!
The Father seeks true worshippers
To worship him in spirit and in truth.
Alleluia!

GOSPEL

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John
4:19-24

True worshippers will worship the Father in spirit and truth

The Samaritan woman said to Jesus, 'I see you are a prophet, sir'. 'Our fathers worshipped on this mountain, while you say that Jerusalem is the place where one ought to worship.' Jesus said: 'Believe me, woman, the hour is coming when you will worship the Father neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem.'

You worship what you do not know;
 we worship what we do know;
 for salvation comes from the Jews.
 But the hour will come - in fact it is here already-
 when true worshippers will worship the Father in
 spirit and truth;
 that is the kind of worshipper
 the Father wants.
 God is spirit,
 and those who worship
 must worship in spirit and truth.'

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

1. Fill my house unto the fullest.
 Eat my bread and drink my wine.
 The love I bear is held from no-one.
*All I own and all I do
 I give to you.*
2. Take my time unto the fullest.
 Find in me the trust you seek,
 and take my hands to you outreaching.
3. Christ our Lord with love enormous
 From the cross his lesson taught
 - to love all men as I have loved you.
4. Join with me as one in Christ-love.
 May our hearts all beat as one,
 and may we give ourselves completely.



COMMUNION HYMN

1. O let the Son of God enfold you
 with His Spirit and His love
 let Him fill your heart and satisfy your soul
 O let Him have the things that hold you,
 and His Spirit like a dove
 will descend upon your life and make you whole.
*Jesus, we thank you for your word of truth
 Jesus, we thank you for the bread of life*
2. O come and sing this song with gladness,
 As your hearts are filled with joy
 Lift your hands in brave surrender to His name
 O give Him all your tears and sadness,
 Give Him all your years of pain
 And you'll enter into life in Jesus' name.

1. I will give thanks to you O Lord among the
 people
 I will sing praises to you among the nations
 For your steadfast love is great
 Is great to the heavens and your faithfulness,
 Your faithfulness to the clouds.
*Be exalted O God above the heavens
 Let your glory be over all the earth*
2. It is good to thank you Lord
 And to praise your name with music
 To proclaim your love and mercy in the morning
 For your deeds have made me glad
 At your works I shout in triumph
 Yes how wonderful and how marvelous are your
 designs.

RECESSIONAL HYMN

1. Joseph was an honest man,
 he was an honest man.
 He pleased the Lord in all his ways
 because he was an honest man.
 And God said: 'I am choosing you,
 because you are an honest man,
 to care for the one who'll bear my Son,
 because you are an honest man.
2. Joseph was a faithful man,
 he was a faithful man.
 He kept the trust the Lord had given
 because he was a faithful man.
 He cared for Mary and her Son,
 because he was a faithful man,
 through days of pain and days of fun,
 because he was a faithful man.