



THE CATHOLIC PARISH OF THE
Holy Family
MOUNT WAVERLEY

A Liturgy of the Word for use in the Home. **Divine Mercy Sunday**

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INTRODUCTORY RITES

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

R. Amen.

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,
and the love of God,
and the communion of the Holy Spirit
be with you all.

R. And with your spirit.

Brothers and sisters, let us acknowledge our sins.

All recite together the formula of general confession:

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,

And, striking their breast, they say:

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.

The absolution by the Priest follows:

May almighty God have mercy on us,
forgive us our sins,
and bring us to everlasting life.

R. Amen.

V. Lord, have mercy.

R. Lord, have mercy.

V. Christ, have mercy.

R. Christ, have mercy.

V. Lord, have mercy.

R. Lord, have mercy.

The Priest alone continues, saying:

Let us pray.

God of everlasting mercy,

who in the very recurrence of the paschal feast

kindle the faith of the people you have made your own,

increase, we pray, the grace you have bestowed,

that all may grasp and rightly understand

in what font they have been washed,

by whose Spirit they have been reborn,

by whose Blood they have been redeemed.

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.

R. Amen.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

Full texts for the readings can be found online at <https://universalis.com>

FIRST READING

Acts 2:42-47

PSALM

Psalms 117(118):2-4,13-15,22-24

R. Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his love is everlasting.

SECOND READING

1 Peter 1:3-9

GOSPEL

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John.

R. Glory to you, O Lord.

John 20:19-31

.....The Gospel of the Lord

R. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

HOMILY

INTECESSIONS

Let us pray to the Father, the all-powerful God, who raised up Jesus, our prince and our Saviour.

R. Glorify us, Lord, with the glory of Christ.

Father, you brought your beloved Son from the darkness of death to the light of glory; let us enter into the regions of your own wonderful light.

R. Glorify us, Lord, with the glory of Christ.

You saved us through faith in Jesus Christ; help us to live today in the grace of our baptism.

R. Glorify us, Lord, with the glory of Christ.

You have told us to seek the things that are in heaven; enable us to resist the attraction of sin.

R. Glorify us, Lord, with the glory of Christ.

Reveal the riches of our hidden life in Christ that men may see the signs of the new heaven and the new earth.

R. Glorify us, Lord, with the glory of Christ.

At the Saviour's command and formed by divine teaching, we dare to say:

Together with the people, he continues:

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.

The Priest alone continues, saying:

Deliver us, Lord, we pray, from every evil,
graciously grant peace in our days,
that, by the help of your mercy,
we may be always free from sin
and safe from all distress,
as we await the blessed hope
and the coming of our Saviour, Jesus Christ.

The people conclude the prayer, acclaiming:

For the kingdom,
the power and the glory are yours
now and for ever.

AN ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION:

The Priest alone continues, saying:

Let us take a moment for quiet prayer, placing before our Lord our needs and intentions at this time.

After some time for quiet prayer the priests and people together pray

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.

BLESSING

The Priest alone continues, saying:

God of eternal compassion,
each Easter you rekindle the faith of your consecrated people.
Give them still greater grace, so that all may truly understand
the waters in which they were cleansed,
the Spirit by which they were reborn,
the blood by which they were redeemed.
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.

R. Amen.

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

R. Amen.

A PRAYER TO ST JOSEPH

My Brothers and Sisters let us turn to St Joseph, seeking his intercession in this our time of need

Together with the people, he continues:

St Joseph, You were receptive to God working in your life. Help us by your prayers at this time of trial. You kept Jesus and Mary under your watchful care: may your prayers assist our local Church to respond to those in need. You taught the Christ Child your trade and prayers: help us to follow his example of love. You were part of God's plan for all humanity: assist us to be vigilant and responsible this day. You spent your life in service: may we be mindful of others, particularly the elderly and vulnerable, caring for them in these difficult days. You trusted in the clear primacy of God over all history and every situation: help us to grow in faith and pray to the Father, Thy will be done. Amen