



THE CATHOLIC PARISH OF THE
Holy Family
MOUNT WAVERLEY

A Liturgy of the Word for use in the Home. Easter 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.

O God, who on this day,
through your Only Begotten Son,
have conquered death
and unlocked for us the path to eternity,
grant, we pray, that we who keep
the solemnity of the Lord's Resurrection
may, through the renewal brought by your Spirit,
rise up in the light of life.

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 10:34,37-43

PSALM

Psalms 117(118):1-2,16-17,22-23

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

SECOND READING

Colossians 3:1-4

GOSPEL

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John.

R. Glory to you, O Lord.

John 20:1-9

.....The Gospel of the Lord

R. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

HOMILY

INTECESSIONS

Let us pray to Christ, the author of life. God raised him from the dead, and he himself will raise us to life by his own power.

R. Christ, our life, save us.

Christ, you are the light that drives out darkness and draws men to holiness; let us make this day a living hymn of praise.

R. Christ, our life, save us.

Lord, you followed the way of suffering, even to the cross; grant that we may die with you and come to life with you.

R. Christ, our life, save us.

Our master and our brother, you have made us a kingdom of priests to serve God our Father; let us offer you with joy the sacrifice of praise.

R. Christ, our life, save us.

King of glory, we look forward to the day of your coming, then we shall see your face and share in your splendour.

R. Christ, our life, save us.

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:

On this day, Lord God,
you opened for us the way to eternal life
through your only Son's victory over death.
Grant that as we celebrate the feast of his resurrection
we may be renewed by your Holy Spirit
and rise again in the light of life.
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