



Sixth SUNDAY OF EASTER (C)

Saint Jude's Shrine, May 25, 2025.

COMMENTARY Brothers and sisters, today we are the community of the victorious Christ, the Church gathered for the Lord's Easter. We make our pilgrimage in this world as a people who are humanly fragile, but at the same time strong because of the presence of the Risen One, our hope. We are the Church born of the Father, who, through his Son Jesus, giver of the Spirit, called us, gathered us, saved us and made us a new people, a new city, a new covenant, the beginning of a new humanity. Let us stand to begin our holy Eucharistic Celebration with the entrance hymn, and welcome **Father Emerson Ruiz, scj.**

INTRODUCTORY RITES

1. ENTRANCE SONG

**All the earth proclaim the Lord;
sing your praise to God.**

1. Serve you the Lord, heart filled with gladness.
Come into God's presence singing for joy!

Refrain

2. Know that the Lord is our creator.
Yes God is our Father; we are his own.

Refrain

2. GREETINGS

Celebrant: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **All: Amen.**

Celebrant: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
All: And with your spirit.

3. PENITENTIAL ACT

Celebrant: My brothers and sisters, let us acknowledge our sins, and so prepare ourselves to celebrate the sacred mysteries.

All: 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 breasts, 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.

Lord have mercy (2x),

Kyrie Eleison (2x)

Christ have mercy (2x),

Christe Eleison (2x)

Lord have mercy (2x),

Kyrie Eleison (2x)

Celebrant: May almighty God, have mercy on us, forgive us our sins, and bring us to everlasting life. **All: Amen.**

4. GLORY

(2x) **Glory to God in the highest**

And on Earth, peace to people of good will

1. 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

Refrain

2. 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 pray'r
You are seated at the right hand of, the Father, have mercy on us

Refrain

3. 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

Refrain

Amen!

5. LET US PRAY

Celebrant: Grant, almighty God, that we may celebrate with heartfelt devotion these days of joy, which we keep in honor of the risen Lord, and that what we relive in remembrance we may always hold to in what we do. 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. **All: Amen.**

LITURGY OF THE WORD

6. FIRST READING (Acts 15:1-2, 22-29)

A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles

Some who had come down from Judea were instructing the brothers, "Unless you are circumcised according to the Mosaic practice, you cannot be saved." Because there arose no little dissension and debate by Paul and Barnabas with them, it was decided that Paul, Barnabas, and some of the others should go up to Jerusalem to the apostles and elders about this question. The apostles and elders, in agreement with the whole church, decided to choose representatives and to send them to Antioch with Paul and Barnabas. The ones chosen were Judas, who was called Barsabbas, and Silas, leaders among the brothers. This is the letter delivered by them: "The apostles and the elders, your brothers, to the brothers in Antioch, Syria, and Cilicia of Gentile origin: greetings. Since we have heard that some of our number who went out without any mandate from us have upset you with their teachings and disturbed your peace of mind, we have with one accord we are sending Judas and Silas who will also convey this same message by word of mouth: 'It is the decision of the Holy Spirit and of us not to place on you any burden beyond these necessities, namely, to abstain from meat sacrificed to idols, from blood, from meats of strangled animals, and from unlawful marriage. If you keep free of these, you will be doing what is right. Farewell.'"

The Word of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God

7. RESPONSORIAL PSALM (PSalm 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8)

R. (4) O God, let all the nations praise you!

² May God have pity on us and bless us;
may he let his face shine upon us.

³ So may your way be known upon earth;
among all nations, your salvation.

Response

⁵ May the nations be glad and exult
because you rule the peoples in equity;
the nations on the earth you guide.

Response

⁶ May the peoples praise you, O God;
may all the peoples praise you!

⁸ May God bless us,
and may all the ends of the earth fear him!
R. O God, let all the nations praise you!

8. SECOND READING (Rev 21:10-14, 22-23)

A Reading from the Revelation to John

The angel took me in spirit to a great, high mountain and showed me the holy city Jerusalem coming down out of heaven from God. It gleamed with the splendour of God. Its radiance was like that of a precious stone, like a jasper, clear as crystal. It had a massive, high wall, with twelve gates where twelve angels were stationed and on which names were inscribed, the names of the twelve tribes of the Israelites. There were three gates facing east, three north, three south, and three west. The wall of the city had twelve courses of stones as its foundation, on which were inscribed the twelve names of the twelve apostles of the Lamb. I saw no temple in the city for its temple is the Lord God Almighty and the Lamb. The city had no need of sun or moon to shine on it, for the glory of God gave it light, and its lamp was the Lamb.

The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

9. GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (John 14:23)

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. (2x)

²³ Whoever loves me will keep my word, says the Lord,
and my Father will love him and we will come to him.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. (2x)

10. GOSPEL READING (Jn 14:23-29)

Celebrant: The Lord be with you!

All: And with your Spirit.

Celebrant: A reading from the Holy Gospel, † according to John.

All: Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus said to his disciples: "Whoever loves me will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we will come to him and make our dwelling with him. Whoever does not love me does not keep my words, yet the word you hear is not mine but that of the Father who sent me. 'I have told you this while I am with you. The Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything and remind you of all that I told you. Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. Not as the world gives do I give it to you. Do not let your hearts be troubled or afraid. You heard me tell you, 'I am going away and I will come back to you.' If you loved me, you would rejoice that I am going to the Father; for the Father is greater than I. And now I have told you this before it happens, so that when it happens you may believe."

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to You Lord, Jesus Christ.

Homily

11. PROFESSION OF FAITH (APOSTLE'S CREED)

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and Earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again 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 the life everlasting.

All: Amen.

12. PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL

Celebrant: Confident in the presence of the Risen Christ in our midst, who intercedes for us before the Father, let us pray: **All: Hear us, Lord of glory!**

1. Christ, lead your Church in São Paulo in unity and communion with its Archbishop and auxiliary bishops, so that it may always be faithful to your Gospel.

All: Hear us, Lord of glory!

2. Christ, those who love you keep your Word; grant us, through your Spirit, the grace to be obedient to your Word.

All: Hear us, Lord of glory!

3. Christ, Prince of Peace, grant to all peoples and nations the true peace that comes from you, and encourage Christians in the search for unity.

All: Hear us, Lord of glory!

4. O Christ, do not allow us to be disturbed and intimidated in our faith; accompany us in our weaknesses, strengthen our hope and console us with your Spirit.

All: Hear us, Lord of glory!

(Other community intentions)

Celebrant: Pour out, O Lord, the gift of your Spirit upon us and hear the petitions we address to you, who live and reign forever and ever. **All: Amen.**

THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

13. OFFERING SONG

Take this bread, gift and work of human hands,

Take this wine from this branch of your vine.

Take our lives as an offering to you,

God of mercy, singing "Blessed be our God!"

Celebrant: Pray, brothers and sisters, that our sacrifice may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.

All: May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands, for the praise and glory of his name, for our good and the good of all his holy Church.

**14. PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS
LET US PRAY**

Celebrant: May our prayers rise up to you, O Lord, together with the sacrificial offerings, so that, purified by your graciousness, we may be conformed to the mysteries of your mighty love. Through Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.

15. **EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER III**

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

All: **And with your spirit.**

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

All: **We lift them up to the Lord.**

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

All: **It is right and just.**

Preface II:

It is truly right and just, our duty and our salvation, at all times to acclaim you, O Lord, but in this time above all to laud you yet more gloriously, when Christ our Passover has been sacrificed. Through him the children of light rise to eternal life and the halls of the heavenly Kingdom are thrown open to the faithful; for his Death is our ransom from death, and in his rising the life of all has risen. Therefore, overcome with paschal joy, every land, every people exults in your praise and even the heavenly Powers, with the angelic hosts, sing together the unending hymn of your glory, as they acclaim:

Holy, Holy...

Holy, Holy,
Holy Lord God of host
Heaven and Earth are full
Are full of your glory

Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna in the highest

Blessed is he who comes,
Who comes in the name of the Lord

Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna in the highest

You are indeed Holy, O Lord, and all you have created rightly gives you praise, for through your Son our Lord Jesus Christ, by the power and working of the Holy Spirit, you give life to all things and make them holy, and you never cease to gather a people to yourself, so that from the rising of the sun to its setting a pure sacrifice may be offered to your name.

(Epiclesis calling upon the Holy Spirit) (Kneel down)

Therefore, O Lord, we humbly implore you: by the same Spirit graciously make holy these gifts we have brought to you for consecration, that they may become the Body and † Blood of your Son our Lord Jesus Christ at whose command we celebrate these mysteries.

(Institution Narrative) (recalling the words of Jesus at the Last supper)

For on the night, he was betrayed he himself took bread, and, giving you thanks, he said the blessing, broke the bread and gave it to his disciples, saying:

TAKE THIS, ALL OF YOU, AND EAT OF IT, FOR THIS IS MY BODY, WHICH WILL BE GIVEN UP FOR YOU.

In a similar way, when supper was ended he took the chalice, and, giving you thanks, he said the blessing, and gave the chalice to his disciples, saying:

TAKE THIS, ALL OF YOU, AND DRINK FROM IT, FOR THIS IS THE CHALICE OF MY BLOOD, THE BLOOD OF THE NEW AND ETERNAL COVENANT, WHICH WILL BE POURED OUT FOR YOU AND FOR MANY FOR THE FORGIVENESS OF SINS. DO THIS IN MEMORY OF ME.

Celebrant: The mystery of faith.

All: **When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup, we proclaim your Death, O Lord, until you come again.**

(Anamnesis, Offering, and Intercessions) (Stand up)

Therefore, O Lord, as we celebrate the memorial of the saving Passion of your Son, his wondrous Resurrection and Ascension into heaven, and as we look forward to his second coming, we offer you in thanksgiving this holy and living sacrifice.

Look, we pray, upon the oblation of your Church and, recognizing the sacrificial Victim by whose death you willed to reconcile us to yourself, grant that we, who are nourished by the Body and Blood of your Son and filled with his Holy Spirit, may become one body, one spirit in Christ.

May he make of us an eternal offering to you, so that we may obtain an inheritance with your elect, especially with the most Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of God, Her spouse St. Joseph, with your blessed Apostles and glorious Martyrs (St. Jude) and with all the Saints, on whose constant intercession in your presence we rely for unfailing help.

May this Sacrifice of our reconciliation, we pray, O Lord, advance the peace and salvation of all the world. Be pleased to confirm in faith and charity your pilgrim Church on earth, with your servant **Leo our Pope** and **Odilo our Bishop**, the Order of Bishops, all the clergy, and the entire people you have gained for your own.

Listen graciously to the prayers of this family, whom you have summoned before you: in your compassion, O merciful Father, gather to yourself all your children scattered throughout the world.

† To our departed brothers and sisters and to all who were pleasing to you at their passing from this life, give kind admittance to your kingdom. There we hope to enjoy forever the fullness of your glory through Christ our Lord, through whom you bestow on the world all that is good. †

(Doxology and Great Amen)

Celebrant: **Through him, and with him, and in him, O God, almighty Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honor is yours, for ever and ever.**

All: **Amen.**

16. **COMMUNION RITE**

Celebrant: At the Savior's command, formed by divine teaching, we dare to say: **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.**

Celebrant: 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 Savior, Jesus Christ. **All: For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever.**

Celebrant: Lord Jesus Christ, who said to your Apostles: Peace I leave you, my peace I give you; look not on our sins, but on the faith of your Church, and graciously grant her peace and unity in accordance with your will, Who live and reign for ever and ever.

All: **Amen.**

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

All: **And also, with you.**

Celebrant: Let us offer each other the sign of peace.

17. **LAMB OF GOD**

(3x) Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the World; have mercy, have mercy on us;

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the World, grant us, grant us peace.

Celebrant: Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who takes away the sins of the world. Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.

All: Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.

18. COMMUNION SONG

1. I am the Word that spoke and light was made
I am the seed that died to be re-born
I am the bread that comes from heaven above
I am the vine that fills your cup with joy

Take and eat, take and eat
This is my body given up for you
Take and drink, take and drink
This is my blood given up for you

2. I am the way that leads the exile home
I am the truth that sets the captive free
I am the life that raises up the dead
I am your peace, true peace my gift to you
Refrain
3. I am the Lamb that takes away your sin
I am the gate that guards you night and day
You are my flock you know the shepherd's voice
You are my own, your ransom is my blood
Refrain

19. PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION LET US PRAY

Celebrant: Almighty ever-living God, who restore us to eternal life in the Resurrection of Christ, increase in us, we pray, the fruits of this paschal Sacrament and pour into our hearts the strength of this saving food. Through Christ our Lord. All: **Amen.**

CONCLUDING RITES

20. FINAL BLESSING

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

All: **And with your Spirit.**

Celebrant: May God, who by the Resurrection of his Only Begotten son was please to confer on you the gift of redemption and of adoption, give you gladness by his blessing. All: **Amen.**

Celebrant: May he, by whose redeeming work you have received the gift of everlasting freedom, make you heirs to an eternal inheritance. All: **Amen.**

Celebrant: And may you, who have already risen with Christ in Baptism through faith, by living in a right manner on this earth, be united with him in the homeland of heaven. All: **Amen.**

Celebrant: And may the blessing of almighty God, the Father, and the Son ... and the Holy Spirit come down upon you and remain with you forever. All: **Amen.**

Celebrant: Go in peace, glorifying the Lord by your life.
Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia

All: **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia**

21. FINAL SONG

1. As I Kneel Before You,
As I Bow My Head In Prayer,
Take This Day, Make It Yours
And Fill Me With Your Love.

**Ave Maria, Gratia Plena,
Dominus Tecum, Benedicta Tu.**

2. All I Have I Give You,
Every Dream And Wish Are Yours,
Mother Of Christ, Mother Of Mine,
Present Them To My Lord.

**Ave Maria, Gratia Plena,
Dominus Tecum, Benedicta Tu.**

3. As I Kneel Before You,
And I See Your Smiling Face
Every Thought, Every Word
Is Lost In Your Embrace.

**Ave Maria, Gratia Plena,
Dominus Tecum, Benedicta Tu. (2x)**

Benedicta Tu

22. ADDITIONAL PRAYERS

JUBILEE PRAYER

Father in heaven, / that the faith you have given us in your Son / Jesus Christ, our brother, / and the flame of charity / poured into our hearts by the Holy Spirit, / may awaken in us the blessed hope / for the coming of your Kingdom. / May your grace transform us / into diligent cultivators of the seeds of the Gospel / that will ferment humanity and the cosmos, / in confident expectation / of the new heavens and the new earth / when the powers of Evil having been defeated, / your glory will be revealed forever. / May the grace of the Jubilee revive in us, / Pilgrims of Hope, / the desire for heavenly goods / and pour out upon the whole world / the joy and peace of our Redeemer. / To you, God blessed in eternity, / be praise and glory for ever and ever.

Join us every

**4th Sunday of the
month at 10 am**

at St. Jude's Shrine.

Our **next Mass will be on
June 22**