



## SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (C)

St. Jude's Shrine, 27 July 2025.

**COMMENTARY** Brothers and sisters, we gather here to celebrate the Mystery of the Lord's Death and Resurrection. Through this Eucharist, the Lord, Spouse of the Church, renews His covenant of love with us, and we with Him. We come to dialogue with Him; to hear His Word and respond to it; to partake of His Body and Blood, and thus enter into deeper communion with Him. Today we celebrate the World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly. May they root their lives in God and be for their families and our communities a sign of Christian hope, which never disappoints. Let us stand and begin our holy Eucharistic Celebration with the entrance hymn, and welcome **Father Maximiliano**...

### INTRODUCTORY RITES

#### 1. ENTRANCE SONG

Keep in mind that Jesus Christ has died for us  
and is risen from the dead.  
He is our saving Lord, he is joy for all ages.

1. If we die with the Lord, we shall live with the Lord.  
If we endure with the Lord, we shall reign with the Lord.

**Refrain**

2. In Christ all our sorrow, in Christ all our joy.  
In Him hope of glory, in Him all our love.

**Refrain**

3. In Christ our redemption, in Christ all our grace.  
In Him our salvation, in Him all our peace.

**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 fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you All.  
**All: And with your spirit.**

#### 3. PENITENTIAL ACT

**Celebrant:** My brothers and sisters, to prepare ourselves to celebrate the sacred mysteries, let us call to mind our sins.  
**(Silence)**

**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, Christ have mercy, Lord have mercy, have mercy on us

*Kyrie Eleison (3x), Eleison*

*Christe Eleison (3x), Eleison*

*Kyrie Eleison (3x), Eleison*

**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

#### 5. LET US PRAY

**Celebrant:** O God, protector of those who hope in you, without whom nothing has firm foundation, nothing is holy, bestow in abundance your mercy upon us and grant that, with you as our ruler and guide, we may use the good things that pass in such a way as to hold fast even now to those that ever endure. 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 (Gn 18:20-32)

**A Reading from the book of Genesis:**

In those days, the LORD said: "The outcry against Sodom and Gomorrah is so great, and their sin so grave, that I must go down and see whether or not their actions fully correspond to the cry against them that comes to me. I mean to find out." While Abraham's visitors walked on farther toward Sodom, the LORD remained standing before Abraham. Then Abraham drew nearer and said: Will you sweep away the innocent with the guilty? Suppose there were fifty innocent people in the city; would you wipe out the place, rather than spare it for the sake of the fifty innocent people within it? Far be it from you to do such a thing, to make the innocent die with the guilty so that the innocent and the guilty would be treated alike! Should not the judge of all the world act with justice?" The LORD replied, "If I find fifty innocent people in the city of Sodom, I will spare the whole place for their sake."

Abraham spoke up again: "See how I am presuming to speak to my Lord, though I am but dust and ashes! What if there are five less than fifty innocent people? Will you destroy the whole city because of those five?" He answered, "I will not destroy it, if I find forty-five there." But Abraham persisted, saying "What if only forty are found there?" He replied, "I will forbear doing it for the sake of the forty." Then Abraham said, "Let not my Lord grow impatient if I go on. What if only thirty are found there?" He replied, "I will forbear doing it if I can find but thirty there." Still Abraham went on, "Since I have thus dared to speak to my Lord, what if there are no more than twenty?" The LORD answered, "I will not destroy it, for the sake of the twenty." But he still persisted: "Please, let not my Lord grow angry if I speak up this last time. What if there are at least ten there?" He replied, "For the sake of those ten, I will not destroy it.

**The Word of the Lord**  
**All: Thanks be to God**

### **7. RESP. PSALM (PS 138:1-2, 2-3, 6-7, 7-8)**

**Lord, on the day I called for help, you answered me. (2x)**

I will give thanks to you, o Lord, with all my heart,  
 for you have heard the words of my mouth;  
 in the presence of the angels I will sing your praise;  
 I will worship at your holy temple  
 and give thanks to your name.

#### **Response**

Because of your kindness and your truth;  
 for you have made great above all things  
 your name and your promise.  
 When I called you answered me;  
 you built up strength within me.

#### **Response**

The Lord is exalted, yet the lowly he sees,  
 and the proud he knows from afar.  
 Though I walk amid distress, you preserve me;  
 against the anger of my enemies you raise your hand.

#### **Response**

Your right hand saves me.  
 The Lord will complete what he has done for me;  
 your kindness, o lord, endures forever;  
 forsake not the work of your hands.

**Lord, on the day I called for help, you answered me. (2x)**

### **8. SECOND READING (Col 2:12-14)**

**A Reading from the letter of the Colossians:**

Brothers and sisters:

You were buried with him in baptism, in which you were also raised with him through faith in the power of God, who raised him from the dead. And even when you were dead in transgressions and the uncircumcision of your flesh, he brought you to life along with him, having forgiven us all our transgressions; obliterating the bond against us, with its legal claims, which was opposed to us, he also removed it from our midst, nailing it to the cross.

**The Word of the Lord**

**All: Thanks be to God**

### **9. GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (Romans 8:15bc)**

**Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

You have received a Spirit of adoption,  
 through which we cry, Abba, Father.

**Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

### **10. GOSPEL READING (LK 11:1-13)**

**Celebrant:** The Lord be with you!

**All: And with your Spirit.**

**Celebrant:** A reading from the Holy Gospel, †  
**according to St. Luke:**

**All: Glory to you, O Lord.**

Jesus was praying in a certain place, and when he had finished, one of his disciples said to him, "Lord, teach us to pray just as John taught his disciples." He said to them, "When you pray, say: Father, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come. Give us each day our daily bread and forgive us our sins for we ourselves forgive everyone in debt to us, and do not subject us to the final test." And he said to them, "Suppose one of you has a friend to whom he goes at midnight and says, 'Friend, lend me three loaves of bread, for a friend of mine has arrived at my house from a journey and I have nothing to offer him,' and he says in reply from within, 'Do not bother me; the door has already been locked and my children and I are already in bed. I cannot get up to give you anything.' if he does not get up to give the visitor the loaves because of their friendship, he will get up to give him whatever he needs because of his persistence. "And I tell you, ask and you will receive; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you. For everyone who asks, receives; and the one who seeks, finds; and to the one who knocks, the door will be opened. What father among you would hand his son a snake when he asks for a fish? Or hand him a scorpion when he asks for an egg? If you then, who are wicked, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will the Father in heaven give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him?"

**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:** As baptized believers, participants in Jesus' prayer, let us intercede with God the Father, begging:

**Response: Lord! Hear our prayer!**

1. Father, your Son taught us: "Whoever asks, receives; who seeks, finds"; grant your Church the constant desire to please you and fulfill your will.

**Response**

2. O Father, who in your mercy visit your people; grant all nations peace and harmony, so that there may be true progress.

**Response**

3. Father, who through your Son taught us to pray; grant us each day the gift of perseverance in prayer, especially in the most difficult moments of life.

**Response**

4. Father, who always knows how to give good things to your children; grant grandparents and the elderly the grace of hope in you, and may they be valued and loved in their families and communities.

**R: Lord! Hear our prayer!**

**(other community prayers)**

**Celebrant:** Loving Father, your Spirit prays within us. May our requests be sincere, and grant us our prayers, through Christ our Lord. **All: Amen.**

## **THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST**

### **13. OFFERING SONG**

**Eat this bread; drink this cup.**

**Come to me and never be hungry.**

**Eat this bread; drink this cup.**

**Trust in me and you will not thirst.**

1. I am the bread of life, the true bread sent from the Father.

**Refrain**

2. Your ancestors ate manna in the desert, but this is the bread come down from heaven.

**Refrain**

3. Eat my flesh and drink my blood, and I will raise you up on the last day.

**Refrain**

4. If you believe and eat this bread, you will have eternal life.

**Refrain**

**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:** Accept, O Lord, we pray, the offerings which we bring from the abundance of your gifts, that through the powerful working of your grace these most sacred mysteries may sanctify our present way of life and lead us to eternal gladness. Through Christ our Lord. **All: Amen.**

### **15. EUCHARISTIC PRAYER II**

**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 salvation, always and everywhere to give you thanks, Father most holy, through your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, your Word through whom you made all things, whom you sent as our Savior and Redeemer, incarnate by the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin. Fulfilling your will and gaining for you a holy people, he stretched out his hands as he endured his Passion, so as to break the bonds of death and manifest the resurrection. And so, with the Angels and all the Saints we declare your glory, as with one voice we acclaim: **Holy, Holy...**

Holy, Holy, Holy,  
Lord God of host

Heaven and Earth,  
Are full of your glory

**Hosanna in the highest (2x)**

Blessed is he who comes  
In the name of the Lord.

**Hosanna in the highest (2x)**

You are indeed Holy, O Lord, the fount of all holiness. Make holy, therefore, these gifts, we pray, by sending down your Spirit upon them like the dewfall, so that they may become for us the Body + and Blood of our Lord, Jesus Christ.

At the time he was betrayed and entered willingly into his Passion, he took bread and, giving thanks, broke it, 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, once more giving thanks, he gave it 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.**

**The mystery of faith.**

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

Therefore, as we celebrate the memorial of his Death and Resurrection, we offer you, Lord, the Bread of life and the Chalice of salvation, giving thanks that you have held us worthy to be in your presence and minister to you.

Humbly we pray that, partaking of the Body and Blood of Christ, we may be gathered into one by the Holy Spirit.

Remember, Lord, your Church, spread throughout the world, and bring her to the fullness of charity, together with **Leo our Pope and Odilo our Bishop** and all the clergy.

† Remember also our brothers and sisters who have fallen asleep in the hope of the resurrection and all who have died in your mercy: welcome them into the light of your face. † Have mercy on us all, we pray, that with the blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of God, with blessed Joseph, her Spouse, \* with the blessed Apostles, and all the Saints who have pleased you throughout the ages, we may merit to be co-heirs to eternal life, and may praise and glorify you through your Son, Jesus Christ.

**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: **All: 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**

(2x) Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the World; have mercy on us;  
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the World, grant us peace.

**Celebrant:** This is the Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world. Happy are those who are called to his supper.  
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. Long before the mountains came to be  
And the land and sea and stars of the night  
Through the endless seasons of all time  
You have always been  
You will always be

In ev'ry age,  
O God, you have been our refuge  
In ev'ry age,  
O God, you have been our hope

2. Destiny is cast, and at your silent word  
We return to dust and scatter to the wind  
A thousand years are like a single moment gone  
As the light that fades  
At the end of day  
**Refrain**

3. Teach us to make use of the time we have  
Teach us to be patient even as we wait  
Teach us to embrace our ev'ry joy and pain  
To sleep peacefully  
And to rise up Strong  
**Refrain (2x)**

You have been our refuge  
You have been our hope

### 19. **PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

**Let us pray**

**Celebrant:** We have consumed, O Lord, this divine Sacrament, the perpetual memorial of the Passion of your Son; grant, we pray, that this gift, which he himself gave us with love beyond all telling, may profit us for salvation. Through Christ our Lord. All: **Amen.**

## **CONCLUDING RITES**

### 20. **FINAL BLESSING**

**Celebrant:** The Lord be with you.

All: **And with your Spirit.**

**Celebrant:** May almighty God bless you, the Father, and the Son † and the Holy Spirit. All: **Amen**

**Celebrant:** Go in peace, glorifying the Lord by your life.  
All: **Thanks be to God**

### 21. **FINAL SONG**

1. Come, be my light, be my voice to the Nations  
Be my hands, be my heart for the World.  
Would you go, where I go?  
Where I lead will you follow?

Would you leave everything for my sake?

2. By the power of the Spirit,  
Everyone with ears to hear it  
Will embrace to call to love within their heart.

**If anyone would come and follow me,  
My disciple you would be.  
Leave the past behind, seek and you will  
Find all you're called to be.**

**If anyone would come and follow me,  
Know the truth will make you free.  
Give and you receive.  
Trust me and believe.  
Come and follow me.**

3. Go, take your gift to the poor and the lonely.  
As you love, so will I live in you.  
Will you feed, feed my lambs?

### 22. **ADDITIONAL PRAYERS**

**Special prayer for Grandparents and the Elderly**

**Celebrant:** As today is the Second World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly. let's pray together for them:

**I give thanks to you, Lord, for the blessing of a long life for, to those who take refuge in you, grant always to bear fruit.**

**Forgive, o Lord, resignation and disillusionment, but forsake me not when my strength declines.**

**Teach me to look with hope to the future you give me, to the mission you entrust to me and to sing your praises without end.**

**Make me a tender craftsman of your revolution, to guard with love my grandchildren and all the little ones who seek shelter in you.**

**Protect, o Lord, Pope LEO and grant thy Church to deliver the world from loneliness, direct our steps in the way of peace. Amen.**

**SAVE THE DATE**  
**Next English mass at**  
**St. Jude's shrine:**  
**August 24 at 10am.**