



Celebration of Easter Eucharist 2020

With words gratefully drawn from various denominations in the Spirit of Unity

The Gathering

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

The Greeting

The Lord be with you
All: and also with you.

Prayer of Preparation

All: I give up to thee, most Loving Christ, those things which I have done, and those that I have failed to do.

Forgive me so that I may wholeheartedly say:
Come, O blessed Saviour,
and nourish my soul with heavenly Food,
the Food which contains every sweetness and every delight.
Come, Bread of Angels,
and satisfy the hunger of my soul.
Come, glowing Furnace of Charity
and enkindle in my heart the flame of divine love.
Come, Light of the World,
and enlighten the darkness of my mind.
Come, King of Kings,
and make me obedient to your holy will.
Come, loving Saviour,

and make me meek and humble.
Come, Friend of the Sick,
and heal the infirmities of my body
and the weakness of my soul.
Come, Good Shepherd, my God and my All,
and take me to yourself.
O most holy Mother, Mary Immaculate,
prepare my heart to receive my Saviour. Amen

May the Lord lift up the light of his countenance upon you and forgive you your transgressions, in the name of +the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen**

Prayers of Penitence

Lord Jesus, you heal the sick: Lord, have mercy
All: **Lord, have mercy**
Lord Jesus, you forgive sinners: Christ, have mercy
All: **Christ, have mercy**
Lord Jesus, you give yourself to heal us and bring us strength:
Lord, have mercy
All: **Lord, have mercy**

The Collect

Let us pray.

ALMIGHTY God, who through the Mystery of thy Son Jesus Christ has overcome death, and opened unto us the gate of everlasting life: We humbly beseech thee, that as by thy special grace preventing us thou dost put into our minds good desires, so by thy continual help we may bring the same to good effect; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. **Amen.**
(Book of Common Prayer)

Gospel Reading

The Gospel reading chosen for today is from the +Gospel of John, Chapter 20: 1-9

The Resurrection of Jesus

Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene came to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the tomb. So she ran and went to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved, and said to them, "They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid him." Then Peter and the other disciple set out and went toward the tomb. The two were running together, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. He bent down to look in and saw the linen wrappings lying there, but he did not go in. Then Simon Peter came, following him, and went into the tomb. He saw the linen wrappings lying there, and the cloth that had been on Jesus' head, not lying with the linen wrappings but rolled up in a place by itself. Then the other disciple, who reached the tomb first, also went in, and he saw and believed; for as yet they did not understand the scripture, that he must rise from the dead.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All: **Praise be to you, O Christ.**

Prayers of Intercession

Holy Trinity, One God, be gentle with us as we recognise our frailty during this health crisis and encourage us to have the vision to trust in the inherent goodness in life.

All: **We praise and bless you, Lord.**

Lord, grant us peaceful hearts to sense your presence, and clear minds to remain compassionate and caring towards each other and our world.

All: **Hear us, Lord of life.**

Lord, grant to all who are sick,
injured or disabled, healing and wholeness.

All: **Hear us, Lord of life.**

Lord, grant to the dying a peaceful death, and to the bereaved a gentle and constant reassurance.

All: **Hear us, Lord of life.**

And for any other intentions, said within our hearts.....

All: **Hear us, Lord of life.**

Let us pray.

O Lord our God, accept the humble prayers of your children;
in the multitude of your mercies look with compassion
upon all who turn to you for help;
for you are gracious, O lover of souls.

All: **Amen.**

The Liturgy of the Sacrament

The Eucharistic Prayer

The Lord be with you

All: **and also with you. His Spirit is with us.**

**We lift our hearts to the Lord, in thanks
in sickness and in health,
in suffering and in joy,
through Christ who as the Good Samaritan,
tends the wounds of body and spirit.**

All: **Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest**

Canon

Father, you are Holy indeed, the fountain of all holiness.

As one family we gather around your altar, for here is the Sacrifice of Christ offered in Mystery.
Here at the Lord's Table, your children are nourished by the body of Christ; here your people drink of the
Spirit, the stream of living water flowing from the stone of Christ.

Loving Creator, we bring you these gifts of bread and wine, and ourselves as a living Sacrifice.

Let your Divine spirit descend upon these gifts, to make them Holy. Sanctify them that they may become
the Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ who has willed us to offer this Sacrifice.

The Consecration

Who, the day before his triumphant Passion, took bread into his sacred hands, and with his eyes lifted up to
heaven he gave you thanks and praise, he broke and blessed the bread, gave it to his disciples, saying:

Take and eat this all of you, for this is my body.

When supper was ended he took the cup into his sacred hands, again he gave you thanks and praise, he
blessed the wine, and gave it to his disciples, saying:

Take and drink this, all of you for this is the cup of my blood, do this in memory of me.

Christ our Lord, you give us all these gifts, you fill them with life and goodness, you bless them and make
them holy:

By Him, With Him and in Him, in the Unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory is yours almighty father,
forever and ever, **AMEN**

The Lord's Prayer
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.

For thine is the kingdom,
the power and the glory,
for ever and ever.

Amen.

Oh son of God, you show yourself this day upon countless altars yet truly remain one and indivisible.

In token of your great sacrifice, we break this your body and to symbolise your triumph over death, the oneness of spirit and body and your glorious resurrection, we unite this your body with this your blood praying that by this action ordained from of old, they may be for us, and for all our world, a channel of grace and life eternal. **AMEN**

The Peace

May the peace of the Lord, which passeth all understanding,
be always with you
All: **and may his peace also be with you**

Giving of Spiritual Communion

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
(Catholic)

Blessing

May the make his face to shine upon you, to keep and shelter you:
may he inspire and guide you this day and forever more
+Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

