

The Order for  
the Ante-Communion  
on the Wednesday in the Octave  
of the  
Dormition of the Blessed Virgin Mary

August 19<sup>th</sup>, 2020 at 10 a.m.

*Where it is desired to have a very short and simple service (as when children are taking part), it shall suffice to say the Collect, the Epistle, and Gospel, for Easter Sunday, together with the Nicene Creed, and the Lord's Prayer.*

*In the absence of opportunities to administer the sacrament, please note the rubric in the Communion of the Sick, p. 323 in the 1928 Book of Common Prayer:*

*¶ But if a man, either by reason of extremity of sickness, or for want of warning in due time to the Minister, **or by any other just impediment**, do not receive the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood, the Minister shall instruct him, that if he do truly repent him of his sins, and stedfastly believe that Jesus Christ hath suffered death upon the Cross for him, and shed his Blood for his redemption, earnestly remembering the benefits he hath thereby, and giving him hearty thanks therefor, he doth eat and drink the Body and Blood of our Saviour Christ profitably to his soul's health, although he do not receive the Sacrament with his mouth.*



## THE ANTE-COMMUNION

**The Introit:** Psalm 46. *Deus noster refugium.*

GOD is our hope and strength,

\* a very present help in trouble.

2 Therefore will we not fear, though the earth be moved,

\* and though the hills be carried into the midst of the sea;

3 Though the waters thereof rage and swell,

\* and though the mountains shake at the tempest of the same.

4 There is a river, the streams whereof make glad the city of God;

\* the holy place of the tabernacle of the Most Highest.

5 God is in the midst of her, therefore shall she not be removed;

\* God shall help her, and that right early.

6 The nations make much ado, and the kingdoms are moved;

\* but God hath showed his voice, and the earth shall melt away.

7 The Lord of hosts is with us;

\* the God of Jacob is our refuge.

8 O come hither, and behold the works of the Lord,

\* what destruction he hath brought upon the earth.

9 He maketh wars to cease in all the world;

\* he breaketh the bow, and knappeth the spear in sunder,  
and burneth the chariots in the fire.

10 Be still then, and know that I am God:

\* I will be exalted among the nations,  
and I will be exalted in the earth.

11 The Lord of hosts is with us;  
\* the God of Jacob is our refuge.

**G**LORY be to the Father, and to the Son, \* and to the Holy Ghost;  
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, \* world without  
end. Amen.

*Minister.* The Lord be with you.

*Answer.* And with the spirit.

*Minister.* Let us pray.

## **OPENING PRAYERS**

*said by the priest alone*

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. Amen.

## **The Collect for Purity**

ALMIGHTY God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and  
from whom no secrets are hid; Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the  
inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and  
worthily magnify thy holy Name; through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

## **PREPARING IN PENITENCE.**

*Priest.* Hear what our Lord Jesus Christ saith.

**T**HOU shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy  
soul, and with all thy mind. This is the first and great commandment. And  
the second is like unto it; Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself. On these  
two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

*Christ, have mercy upon us.*

Lord, have mercy upon us.

¶ *Here shall be said,*

The Lord be with you.  
*Answer.* And with thy spirit.  
*Minister.* Let us pray.

### **The Collects of the Day**

**L**ET thy merciful ears, O Lord, be open to the prayers of thy humble servants; and, that they may obtain their petitions, make them to ask such things as shall please thee; through thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee in the unity of the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

Let us pray:

**O** God, who didst take to thyself the blessed Virgin Mary, the Mother of thine only-begotten Son: grant that we, being redeemed by his blood, may share with her in the glory of thine everlasting kingdom; through the same thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee in the unity of the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

### **THE MINISTRY OF THE WORD**

**The Lesson for the Epistle:** 1 Corinthians 15:39-46 *The glory of the risen body.*

**Clerk:** The Lesson for the Epistle is written in the 15<sup>th</sup> chapter of the First Epistle of Saint Paul to the Corinthians, beginning at the 39<sup>th</sup> verse:

**B**RETHREN: All flesh is not the same flesh: but there is one kind of flesh of men, another flesh of beasts, another of fishes, and another of birds. <sup>40</sup> There are also celestial bodies, and bodies terrestrial: but the glory of the celestial is one, and the glory of the terrestrial is another. <sup>41</sup> There is one glory of the sun, and another glory

of the moon, and another glory of the stars: for one star differeth from another star in glory. <sup>42</sup> So also is the resurrection of the dead. It is sown in corruption; it is raised in incorruption: <sup>43</sup> it is sown in dishonour; it is raised in glory: it is sown in weakness; it is raised in power: <sup>44</sup> it is sown a natural body; it is raised a spiritual body. There is a natural body, and there is a spiritual body. <sup>45</sup> And so it is written, The first man Adam was made a living soul; the last Adam was made a quickening spirit. <sup>46</sup> Howbeit that was not first which is spiritual, but that which is natural; and afterward that which is spiritual.

**The Gospel:** St. Luke 21:20-26 [HM] *The destruction of Jerusalem foretold.*

*Priest.* The Holy ✠ Gospel according to St. Luke, in the 21<sup>st</sup> chapter, beginning at the 26<sup>th</sup> verse.

*Answer:* Glory be to thee, O Lord.

**A**T that time: Jesus said unto his disciples: when ye shall see Jerusalem compassed with armies, then know that the desolation thereof is nigh. <sup>21</sup> Then let them which are in Judæa flee to the mountains; and let them which are in the midst of it depart out; and let not them that are in the countries enter thereinto. <sup>22</sup> For these be the days of vengeance, that all things which are written may be fulfilled. <sup>23</sup> But woe unto them that are with child, and to them that give suck, in those days! for there shall be great distress in the land, and wrath upon this people. <sup>24</sup> And they shall fall by the edge of the sword, and shall be led away captive into all nations: and Jerusalem shall be trodden down of the Gentiles, until the times of the Gentiles be fulfilled. <sup>25</sup> And there shall be signs in the sun, and in the moon, and in the stars; and upon the earth distress of nations, with perplexity; the sea and the waves roaring; <sup>26</sup> men's hearts failing them for fear, and for looking after those things which are coming on the earth.

*Answer:* Praise be to thee, O Christ.

**The Nicene Creed** *said by all*

**I**BELIEVE in one God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth,  
And of all things visible and invisible:

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God; Begotten of his Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, Very God of very God; Begotten, not made; Being of one substance with the Father; By whom all things were made: Who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven, And was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary, And was made man: And was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate; He suffered and was buried: And the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures: And ascended into heaven, And sitteth on the right hand of the Father: And he shall come again, with glory, to judge both the quick and the dead; Whose kingdom shall have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Ghost, The Lord, and Giver of Life, Who proceedeth from the Father and the Son; Who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified; Who spake by the Prophets: And I believe one Catholic and Apostolic Church: I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins: And I look for the Resurrection ☩ of the dead: And the Life of the world to come. Amen.

## **The Address**

## **THE OFFERTORY**

God is not unrighteous, that he will forget your works, and labour that proceedeth of love; which love ye have showed for his Name's sake, who have ministered unto the saints, and yet do minister. *Heb. vi. 10.*

## **The Biddings**

## **The Commemoration of the Faithful Departed**

*Minister.* I bid your prayers for the repose of the souls of the faithful departed:

Rest ☩ eternal grant unto them, O Lord;

*Answer.* and let light perpetual shine upon them.

May they rest in peace. *Amen.*

## **The Prayer for Christ's Church.**

¶ *Then shall the Priest say,*

Let us pray for the whole state of Christ's Church.

**A**LMIGHTY and everliving God, who by thy holy Apostle hast taught us to make prayers, and supplications, and to give thanks for all men; We humbly beseech thee most mercifully to receive these our prayers, which we offer unto thy Divine Majesty; beseeching thee to inspire continually the Universal Church with the spirit of truth, unity, and concord: And grant that all those who do confess thy holy Name may agree in the truth of thy holy Word, and live in unity and godly love.

We beseech thee also, so to direct and dispose the hearts of all Christian Rulers, that they may truly and impartially administer justice, to the punishment of wickedness and vice, and to the maintenance of thy true religion, and virtue.

Give grace, O heavenly Father, to all Bishops and other Ministers, that they may, both by their life and doctrine, set forth thy true and lively Word, and rightly and duly administer thy holy Sacraments.

And to all thy People give thy heavenly grace; and especially to this congregation here present; that, with meek heart and due reverence, they may hear, and receive thy holy Word; truly serving thee in holiness and righteousness all the days of their life.

And we most humbly beseech thee, of thy goodness, O Lord, to comfort and succour all those who, in this transitory life, are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity.

And we also bless ✠ thy holy Name for all thy servants departed this life in thy faith and fear; beseeching thee to grant them continual growth in thy love and service, and to give us grace so to follow their good examples, that with them we may be partakers of thy heavenly kingdom. Grant this, O Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our only Mediator and Advocate. *Amen.*

And now, as our Saviour Christ hath taught us, we are bold to say,

**O**UR 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, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

### **Closing Prayers**

Hail, Mary, thou that art highly favored: the Lord is with thee. Blessed art thou among women, and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus.

*Answer.* Son of Mary, Son of the living God, have mercy on us now and at the hour of our death. Amen.

**W**E beseech thee, O Lord, pour thy grace into our hearts; that, as we have known the incarnation of thy Son Jesus Christ by the message of an Angel, so by his cross and passion we may be brought unto the glory of his resurrection; through the same thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

*And the Blessing, or if there be no priest to pronounce the blessing, then:*

The Grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Ghost, be with us all ever more. Amen.

