

## ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Tell among the nations his glory,  
and all his wonders among the  
peoples, for the Lord is great and  
highly to be praised.

## GREETING

The Lord be with you.  
And with your spirit.

## PENITENTIAL RITE

Lord Jesus, you came to gather the  
nations into the peace of God's kingdom:  
Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

You come in word and sacrament to  
strengthen us in holiness:  
Christ, have mercy. Christ, have mercy.

You will come in glory with salvation for  
your people, Lord, have mercy. Lord,  
have mercy

May almighty God have mercy on us....

## THE GLORIA

Glory to God in the highest,  
and on earth peace to people of good will.

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.

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 prayer; you are seated  
at the right hand of the Father,  
have mercy on us.

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. Amen.

## OPENING PRAYER

O God, you have willed that your Church  
be the sacrament of salvation for all  
nations, so that Christ's saving work may  
continue to the ends of the ages; stir up,  
we pray, the hearts of your faithful and  
grant that they may feel a more urgent  
call to work for the salvation of every  
creature, so that from all the peoples on  
earth one family and one people of your  
own may arise and increase.  
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.

## LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING *Isaiah 45:1,4-6*

*A reading from the prophet Isaiah*

Thus says Lord to his anointed, to Cyrus,  
whom he has taken by his right hand  
to subdue nations before him  
and strip the loins of kings,  
to force gateways before him  
that their gates be closed no more:  
It is for the sake of my servant Jacob,  
of Israel my chosen one,  
that I have called you by your name,

conferring a title though you do not know  
me.

I am the Lord, unrivalled;  
there is no other God besides me.  
Though you do not know me, I am you  
that men may know from the rising to the  
setting of the sun that, apart from me, all  
is nothing.

*The word of the Lord.  
Thanks be to God.*

## RESPONSORIAL PSALM

*Ps 95:1, 3-5, 7-10*

*R. Give the Lord glory and power.*

1. O sing a new song to the Lord,  
sing to the Lord all the earth.  
Tell among the nations his glory  
and his wonders among all the peoples. *(R)*

2. The Lord is great and worthy of praise,  
to be feared above all gods;  
the gods of the heathens are naught.  
It was the Lord who made the heavens. *(R)*

3. Give the Lord, you families of peoples,  
give the Lord glory and power;  
give the Lord the glory of his name.  
Bring an offering and enter his courts. *(R)*

4. Worship the Lord in his temple.  
O earth, tremble before him.  
Proclaim to the nations: 'God is king.'  
He will judge the peoples in fairness. *(R)*

SECOND READING *1 Thessalonians 1:1-5*

*A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Thessalonians*

From Paul, Silvanus and Timothy, to the  
Church in Thessalonika which is in God  
the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ;  
wishing you grace and peace from God  
the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

We always mention you in our prayers  
and thank God for you all, and constantly  
remember before God our Father how  
you have shown your faith in action,  
worked for love and persevered through  
hope, in our Lord Jesus Christ.

We know, brothers, that God loves you  
and that you have been chosen, because  
when we brought the Good News to you,  
it came to you not only as words, but as  
power and as the Holy Spirit and as utter  
conviction.

*The word of the Lord.  
Thanks be to God.*

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

You will shine in the world like bright  
stars because you are offering it the  
word of life. Alleluia!

GOSPEL *John 17:11, 17-23*

*A reading from the holy Gospel according to John*

Holy Father, keep those you have given  
me true to your name, so that they may be  
one like us. Consecrate them in the truth;  
your word is truth. As you sent me into  
the world, I have sent them into the world,

and for their sake I consecrate myself so  
that they too may be consecrated in truth.  
I pray not only for these, but for those  
also who through their words will come  
to believe in me. May they all be one.  
Father, may they be one in us, as you are  
in me and I am in you, so that the world  
may believe it was you who sent me. I  
have given them the glory you gave to  
me, that they may be one as we are one.  
With me in them and you in me, may they  
be so completely one that the world will  
realise that it was you who sent me and  
that I have loved them as you loved me.

*The Gospel of the Lord.  
Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.*

## NICENE CREED

I believe in one God, the Father almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all things visible and invisible.  
I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ,  
the Only Begotten Son of God,  
born of the Father before all ages.  
God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God, begotten, not made,  
consubstantial with the Father;  
through him all things were made.  
For us men and for our salvation  
he came down from heaven,

*All bow for following three lines:*

and by the Holy Spirit  
was incarnate of the Virgin Mary,  
and became man.  
For our sake he was crucified  
under Pontius Pilate,  
he suffered death and was buried,  
and rose again on the third day  
in accordance with the Scriptures.  
He ascended into heaven  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again in glory  
to judge the living and the dead  
and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord,  
the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father  
and the Son, who with the Father and the Son  
is adored and glorified,  
who has spoken through the prophets.  
I believe in one, holy, catholic  
and apostolic Church.

I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness  
of sins and I look forward to the resurrection  
of the dead and the life of the world to come.  
Amen.



## LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

Pray brothers and sisters, .....  
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.



## MISSION SUNDAY TWENTY - NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 18th October 2020

*Theme: Reach Out and Spread the Joy*

On this World Mission Sunday, we reach out and offer our love,  
our support, prayers and joy to all the Christian communities  
throughout the world.

## PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

Look, O Lord, upon the face of your Christ,  
who handed himself over as a ransom for  
all, so that through him, from the rising of  
the sun to its setting, your name may be  
exalted among the nations and in every  
place a single offering may be presented  
to your majesty.  
Through Christ our Lord.

PREFACE VII OF THE SUNDAYS  
IN ORDINARY TIME

*Salvation through the obedience of Christ*

It is truly right and just, our duty and our  
salvation,  
always and everywhere to give you  
thanks,  
Lord, holy Father, almighty and eternal  
God.

For you so loved the world  
that in your mercy you sent us the  
Redeemer,  
to live like us in all things but sin,  
so that you might love in us what you  
loved in your Son,  
by whose obedience we have been  
restored to those gifts of yours  
that, by sinning, we had lost in  
disobedience.

And so, Lord, with all the Angels and  
Saints,  
we, too, give you thanks, as in exultation  
we acclaim:

## SANCTUS

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts.....

## AFTER THE CONSECRATION

*The mystery of faith.*

We proclaim your Death, O Lord, and  
profess your Resurrection until you come  
again.

## INVITATION TO HOLY COMMUNION

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

## COMMUNION ANTIPHON

O praise the Lord, all you nations;  
acclaim him, all you peoples!  
For his merciful love has prevailed  
over us,  
and the faithfulness of the Lord  
endures for ever.

## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Nourished by these redeeming gifts,  
we pray, O Lord,  
that through this help to eternal salvation  
true faith may ever increase.  
Through Christ our Lord.



*...that they may be*

*One as  
We Are One*



A common question to a member of a religious order is often 'did you  
spend any time out foreign?' The 'foreign missions' were something  
we were brought up on, and continue today in the wider world of short-  
term volunteering and NGOs working in areas of health, education  
and development. Our Sunday today remembers especially those whose mission  
has brought them away from home in the spread of the gospel.

The missionary in the church has been cleric and lay – religious and lay. We think  
of the clerics like bishop Galvin, founder of the Columbans, Franciscan Missionary  
Foundress Mother Kevin and the Legion of Mary envoy, Edel Quinn. These represent  
so many thousands of men and women who left the homeland of their baptism in the  
footsteps of Jesus. Many of them were the first to bring health care and education to  
the developing world, as well as baptism and Christian faith.

The motivation of the missionary comes from their relationship with Jesus. Without  
that they are NGOs, who also play their role in development. The missionary is  
answering the call to be a 'missionary disciple', as Mary and the apostles.

Pope Francis writes in *The Joy of the Gospel*: Every Christian is a missionary to  
the extent that he or she has encountered the love of God in Christ Jesus: we no  
longer say that we are "disciples" and "missionaries", but rather that we are always  
"missionary disciples".

For today – a prayer for our missionaries, and for those you know, a phone call, text  
or email.

*Lord may your kingdom come on earth as in heaven.*

Donal Neary SJ, Editor Sacred Heart Messenger

## Jesus' Story

*Fr. Liam Hickey*



Jesus said that the King's gift is not to own all things himself, but to share  
all God's gifts, for the good of people. That is why we elect and vote for  
people, because they promise to work for the good of others. Authority  
and Religion are like two hands working together for the good of people,  
making a better world, with respect for our environment.