

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

If you, O Lord, should mark iniquities,
Lord, who could stand? But with you
is found forgiveness, O God of Israel.

GREETING

The Lord be with you.
And with your spirit.

PENITENTIAL RITE

You were sent to heal the contrite of heart:
Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

You came to call sinners:
Christ, have mercy. Christ, have mercy.

You are seated at the right hand of the
Father to intercede for us:
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

May your grace, O Lord, we pray,
at all times go before us and follow after
and make us always determined
to carry out good works.
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 2 Kings 5: 14 - 17

A reading from the second book of Kings.

Naaman the leper went down and
immersed himself seven times in the
Jordan, as Elisha had told him to do. And
his flesh became clean once more like
the flesh of a little child.

Returning to Elisha with his whole
escort, he went in and stood before
him. 'Now I know' he said 'that there is
no God in all the earth except in Israel.
Now, please, accept a present from your
servant.' But Elisha replied, 'As the Lord
lives, whom I serve, I will accept nothing.
' Naaman pressed him to accept, but he
refused. Then Naaman said, 'Since your
answer is "No", allow your servant to be
given as much earth as two mules may
carry, because your servant will no longer

offer holocaust or sacrifice to any god
except the Lord.'

The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM Ps. 97: 1 - 4

**R. The Lord has shown his salvation to
the nations.**

1. Sing a new song to the Lord
for he has worked wonders.
His right hand and his holy arm
have brought salvation. [R]
2. The Lord has made known his salvation;
has shown his justice to the nations.
He has remembered his truth and love
for the house of Israel. [R]
3. All the ends of the earth have seen
the salvation of our God.
Shout to the Lord all the earth,
ring out your joy. [R]

SECOND READING 2 Timothy 2:8 - 13

A reading from the second letter of St. Paul to
Timothy

Remember the Good News that I carry.
'Jesus Christ risen from the dead, sprung
from the race of David'; it is on account of
this that I have my own hardships to bear,
even to being chained like a criminal - but
they cannot chain up God's news. So I
bear it all for the sake of those who are
chosen, so that in the end they may have
the salvation that is in Christ Jesus and
the eternal glory that comes with it.

Here is a saying that you can rely on:
If we have died with him, then we shall
live with him.

If we hold firm, then we shall reign with
him. If we disown him, then he will disown
us. We may be unfaithful, but he is always
faithful, for he cannot disown his own self.

The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!
For all things give thanks,
because this is what God
expects you to do in Christ Jesus.
Alleluia!



GOSPEL Luke 17: 11 - 19

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke.

On the way to Jerusalem Jesus travelled
along the border between Samaria and
Galilee. As he entered one of the villages,
ten lepers came to meet him. They stood
some way off and called to him, 'Jesus!
Master! Take pity on us.' When he saw
them he said, 'Go and show yourselves
to the priests.' Now as they were going
away they were cleansed. Finding himself
cured, one of them turned back praising
God at the top of his voice and threw
himself at the feet of Jesus and thanked
him. The man was a Samaritan. This
made Jesus say, 'Were not all ten made
clean? The other nine, where are they? It
seems that no one has come back to give
praise to God, except this foreigner.' And
he said to the man, 'Stand up and go on
your way. Your faith has saved you.'

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

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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,

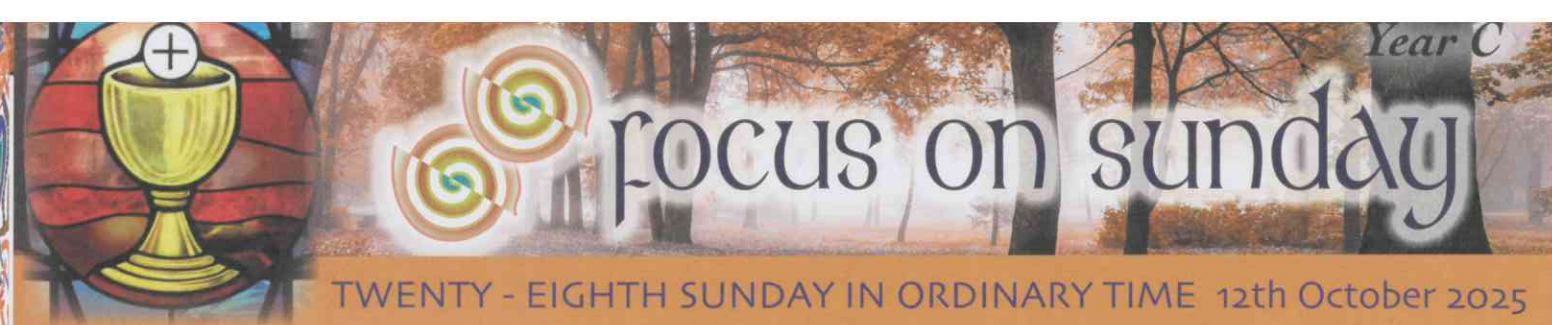
All bow for following three lines:

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.



TWENTY - EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 12th October 2025

Prisoners' Sunday

We come in thanks to God for his presence and care in our lives.
The gospel is an invitation from Jesus to give thanks. If we think
over all we can be thankful for, we often find more than we realised.



PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

Accept, O Lord, the prayers of your faithful
with the sacrificial offerings,
that, through these acts of devotedness,
we may pass over to the glory of heaven.
Through Christ our Lord.

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

The Lord be with you.
And with your spirit.
Lift up your hearts.
We lift them up to the Lord.
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right and just.

SANCTUS

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts.
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.

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

The rich suffer want and go hungry,
but those who seek the Lord lack no
blessing.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

We entreat your majesty most humbly,
O Lord, that, as you feed us with the
nourishment which comes from the most
holy Body and Blood of your Son,
so you may make us sharers of his divine
nature.
Who lives and reigns for ever and ever.

CONCLUDING RITE

The Lord be with you.
And with your spirit.

May the blessing of almighty God, the
Father, and the Son, ✠ and the Holy Spirit,
come down on you and
remain with you for ever.
Amen.

Go in peace,
glorifying the Lord by
your life.

Thanks be to God.



Sometimes when we do a good deed for someone, we
expect them to be grateful. And we may get annoyed if
they do not seem to show their gratitude. We may decide
that they do not deserve our help again. But not Jesus.
Jesus neither asked for, nor wanted, gratitude. Often when he cured
people, he told them to go away and "tell no-one." Everything Jesus did
was "for the glory of God," not his own personal gratification. The story
of the ten lepers is about nine (presumably) Jews and one Samaritan.
Jesus reminds us that God has no favourites. When one particular group
claims that they have a special relationship to God, it can make them feel
somehow superior or gives them some privileged status vis-a-vis others,
and can sometimes lead to intolerance (Catholic/Protestant in Northern
Ireland), persecution (Hindu/Muslim in India today) or war (Jew/Muslim in
Gaza). The Jews believed that they were the chosen people, who faithfully
obeyed the laws that God had decreed, unlike the Samaritans. Righteous
Jews would have nothing to do with Samaritans, in fact they would not even
speak to them (John 4 v 9). And they believed that God would, therefore,
have no time for Samaritans either. Jesus reminds us that no group has
an automatic special relationship with God. That is something that each of
us, individually, has to earn. In this encounter, it is the Samaritan, not the
Jews, who earned that special relationship.

Fr. Peter McVerry

Jesus' Story

Fr. Liam Hickey



Ten people had skin disease. They had to leave home and live in the
fields. They saw Jesus passing and shouted at Him, "Jesus, Master, have
pity on us." Jesus stopped and listened to them. Jesus said, "Go and let
the priest see you." As they went, they were all healed. There was one
foreigner, and he was the one who said "Thanks." Even when we don't
say Thanks, God loves us, but we are happier when we do give thanks.

