

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

The Spirit of the Lord has filled the whole world
and that which contains all things
understands what is said, alleluia.

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.

COLLECT

O God, who by the mystery of today's great feast
sanctify your whole Church in every people
and nation,
pour out, we pray, the gifts of the Holy Spirit
across the face of the earth
and, with the divine grace that was at work
when the Gospel was first proclaimed,
fill now once more the hearts of believers.
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.
Amen.

FIRST READING

Acts 2:1-11

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.
When Pentecost day came round, the
apostles had all met in one room, when
suddenly they heard what sounded like a
powerful wind from heaven, the noise of
which filled the entire house in which they
were sitting; and something appeared to
them that seemed like tongues of fire; these
separated and came to rest on the head
of each of them. They were all filled with
the Holy Spirit, and began to speak foreign
languages as the Spirit gave them the gift of
speech.

Now there were devout men living in
Jerusalem from every nation under heaven,
and at this sound they all assembled, each
one bewildered to hear these men speaking
his own language. They were amazed and
astonished. "Surely" they said "all these
men speaking are Galileans? How does it
happen that each of us hears them in his
own native language? Parthians, Medes and
Elamites; people from Mesopotamia, Judaea
and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia
and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya
round Cyrene; as well as visitors from Rome
– Jews and proselytes alike – Cretans and
Arabs; we hear them preaching in our own
language about the marvels of God."

The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

PSALM

Psalm 103

Response:

Send forth your Spirit, O Lord,
and renew the face of the earth.

or

Alleluia!

1. Bless the Lord, my soul!
Lord God, how great you are.
How many are your works, O Lord!
The earth is full of your riches. (R.)
2. You take back your spirit, they die,
returning to the dust from which they
came.
You send forth your spirit, they are
created;
and you renew the face of the earth. (R.)
3. May the glory of the Lord last for ever!
May the Lord rejoice in his works!
May my thoughts be pleasing to him.
I find my joy in the Lord. (R.)

SECOND READING 1 Corinthians 12:3-7, 12-13

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the
Corinthians.

No one can say, "Jesus is Lord" unless he is
under the influence of the Holy Spirit.

There is a variety of gifts but always the
same Spirit; there are all sorts of service to be
done, but always to the same Lord; working
in all sorts of different ways in different
people, it is the same God who is working in
all of them. The particular way in which the
Spirit is given to each person is for a good
purpose.

Just as a human body, though it is made
up of many parts, is a single unit because all
these parts, though many, make one body, so
it is with Christ. In the one Spirit we were all
baptised, Jews as well as Greeks, slaves as
well as citizens, and one Spirit was given to
us all to drink.

The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

*The sequence Veni Sancte Spiritus (Holy
Spirit, Lord of Light) may be said or sung.*

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your
faithful
and kindle in them the fire of your love.
Alleluia!

GOSPEL

John 20:19-23

A reading from the holy Gospel according to
John.

In the evening of the first day of the week,
the doors were closed in the room where the
disciples were, for fear of the Jews. Jesus
came and stood among them. He said to
them, "Peace be with you," and showed
them his hands and his side. The disciples
were filled with joy when they saw the Lord,
and he said to them again, "Peace be with
you.

"As the Father sent me,
so am I sending you."

After saying this he breathed on them and
said:

"Receive the Holy Spirit.
For those whose sins you forgive,
they are forgiven;

for those whose sins you retain,
they are retained."

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

PROFESSION OF FAITH

I believe in God,
the Father almighty,
Creator of heaven and earth,
and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,

(all bow during the next two lines)

who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died and was buried;
he descended into hell;
on the third day he rose again from the dead;
he ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of God the
Father almighty;
from there he will come 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 life everlasting.
Amen.

PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

Grant, we pray, O Lord,
that, as promised by your Son,
the Holy Spirit may reveal to us more
abundantly
the hidden mystery of this sacrifice
and graciously lead us into all truth.
Through Christ our Lord.
Amen.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

They were all filled with the Holy Spirit
and spoke of the marvels of God, alleluia.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

O God, who bestow heavenly gifts upon your
Church,
safeguard, we pray, the grace you have
given,
that the gift of the Holy Spirit poured out
upon her
may retain all its force
and that this spiritual food
may gain her abundance of eternal
redemption.
Through Christ our Lord.
Amen.