

EASTER SUNDAY

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Cf. Ps 138:18. 5-6

I have risen, and I am with you still, alleluia. You have laid your hand upon me, alleluia. Too wonderful for me, this knowledge, alleluia, 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

FIRST READING

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

10:34. 37-43

We have eaten and drunk with him after his resurrection.

Peter addressed Cornelius and his household: 'You must have heard about the recent happenings in Judaea; about Jesus of Nazareth and how he began in Galilee, after John had been preaching baptism. God had anointed him with the Holy Spirit and with power, and because God was with him, Jesus went about doing good and curing all who had fallen into the power of the devil. Now I, and those with me, can witness to everything he did throughout the countryside of Judaea and in Jerusalem itself: and also to the fact that they killed him by hanging him on a tree, yet three days afterwards God raised him to life and allowed him to be seen, not by the whole people but only by certain witnesses God had chosen beforehand. Now we are those witnesses – we have eaten and drunk with him after his resurrection from the dead – and he has ordered us to proclaim this to his

people and to tell them that God has appointed him to judge everyone, alive or dead. It is to him that all the prophets bear this witness: that all who believe in Jesus will have their sins forgiven through his name.'

The word of the Lord.

PSALM

PS 117:1-2. 16-17. 22-23. R. V. 24

R. This day was made by the Lord; we rejoice and are glad.

- 1. Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, for his love has no end.
Let the sons of Israel say:
'His love has no end.'** (R.)
- 2. The Lord's right hand has triumphed; his right hand raised me up.
I shall not die,
I shall live and recount his deeds.** (R.)
- 3. The stone which the builders rejected has become the corner stone.
This is the work of the Lord,
a marvel in our eyes.** (R.)

SECOND READING

A reading from the letter of St. Paul to the Colossians

3:1-4

You must look for the things that are in heaven, where Christ is.

Since you have been brought back to true life with Christ, you must look for the things that are in heaven, where Christ is, sitting at God's right hand. Let your thoughts be on heavenly things, not on the things that are on the earth, because you have died, and now the life you have is hidden with Christ in God. But when Christ is revealed – and he is your life – you too will be revealed in all your glory with him.

The word of the Lord.

Or:

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

5:6-8

Get rid of the old yeast, make yourselves into a completely new batch of bread

You must know how even a small amount of yeast is enough to leaven all the dough, so get rid of all the old yeast, and make yourselves into a completely new batch of bread,

unleavened as you are meant to be. Christ, our passover, has been sacrificed; let us celebrate the feast, by getting rid of all the old yeast of evil and wickedness, having only the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth.

The word of the Lord.

SEQUENCE

Christians praise the Paschal Victim,
offer thankful sacrifice.
Christ the Lamb has saved the sheep;
Christ the Just One paid the price,
reconciling sinners to the Father.
Death and Life fought bitterly
for this wondrous victory;
the Lord of life who died
reigns glorified!
O Mary, come and say
what you saw at break of day.
"The empty tomb of my living Lord!
I saw Christ Jesus risen, and adored!"
Bright angels testified,
shroud and grave-cloths side by side!
"Yes, Christ my hope rose gloriously.
He goes before you into Galilee."
Share the good news, sing joyfully:/
His death is victory!
Lord Jesus, victor King,
show us mercy. Amen. Alleluia!

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION 1 Cor 5:7-8

Alleluia, alleluia!

Christ, our Passover, has been sacrificed; let us celebrate the feast then, in the Lord.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL

A reading from the holy Gospel
according to John 20:1-9

He must rise from the dead.

It was very early on the first day of the week and still dark, when Mary of Magdala came to the tomb. She saw that the stone had been moved away from the tomb and came running to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one Jesus loved. 'They have taken the Lord out of the tomb' she said 'and we don't know where they have put him.' So Peter set out with the other disciple to go to the tomb. They ran together, but the other disciple, running faster than Peter, reached the tomb first; he bent

down and saw the linen cloths lying on the ground, but did not go in. Simon Peter who was following now came up, went right into the tomb, saw the linen cloths on the ground, and also the cloth that had been over his head; this was not with the linen cloths but rolled up in a place by itself. Then the other disciple who had reached the tomb first also went in; he saw and he believed. Till this moment they had failed to understand the teaching of scripture, that he must rise from the dead.

The Gospel of the Lord.

RENEWAL OF BAPTISMAL PROMISES

Dear brothers and sisters, through the Paschal Mystery we have been buried with Christ in Baptism, so that we may walk with him in newness of life. And so, now that our Lenten observance is concluded, let us renew the promises of Holy Baptism, by which we once renounced Satan and his works and promised to serve God in the holy Catholic Church. And so I ask you:

Do you renounce Satan? *All: I do.*

And all his works? *All: I do.*

And all his empty show? *All: I do.*

Do you believe in God, the Father almighty,
Creator of heaven and earth? *All: I do.*

Do you believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was born of the Virgin Mary, suffered death and was buried, rose again from the dead and is seated at the right hand of the Father? *All: I do.*

Do you 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? *All: I do.*

And may almighty God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has given us new birth by water and the Holy Spirit and bestowed on us forgiveness of our sins, keep us by his grace, in Christ Jesus our Lord, for eternal life. *All: Amen.*

COMMUNION ANTIPHON 1 Cor 5:7-8

Christ our Passover has been sacrificed, alleluia; Therefore let us keep the feast with the unleavened bread of purity and truth, alleluia, alleluia.