

OUR LADY STAR OF THE SEA, MUMBLES

HOME PRAYER SERVICE FOR SUNDAYS

The Most Holy Trinity, 7 June 2020

This home prayer service can be used by a single person (sole participant) or by family members at home. Where there are two or more persons, a family member leads the prayer service (including reading the reflection). Where possible, the participant(s) should have the prayer service around a table with a lighted candle, a crucifix and a Bible (or missal).

ENTRANCE SONG (OR ANTIPHON)

An opening song may be sung or the following antiphon is recited. All stand.

**Blest be God the Father,
and the Only Begotten Son of God,
and also the Holy Spirit,
for he has shown us his merciful love.**

We begin with the sign of the Cross:

**In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of
the Holy Spirit. Amen.**

A leader or the sole participant says:

**Blessed be the God of all consolation,
who has shown us his great mercy.
Bless the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit.**

Response: Blessed be God for ever.

INTRODUCTION

Where there are two or more persons in the house, the leader introduces the celebration in these or similar words:

**Our celebration today is a song of praise to God
who has taken us up to share in the very life of
the Trinity. The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the
love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit
is with us all.**

PENITENTIAL ACT

The sole participant or leader introduces the penitential act saying:

**Let us acknowledge our sins, and so prepare
ourselves for this celebration.**

A brief pause for silence follows.

**I confess to almighty God
and to you, my brothers and sisters,
that I have greatly sinned,
in my thoughts and in my words,
in what I have done and in what I have failed to
do, through my fault, through my fault,
through my most grievous fault;
therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin,
all the Angels and Saints,
and you, my brothers and sisters,
to pray for me to the Lord our God.**

The sole participant or the leader says:

**May almighty God have mercy on us,
forgive us our sins,
and bring us to everlasting life.**

Response: Amen.

COLLECT

The sole participant or leader says the Collect Prayer:

**God our Father, who by sending into the world
the Word of truth and the Spirit of sanctification
made known to the human race your wondrous
mystery, grant us, we pray, that in professing the
true faith, we may acknowledge the Trinity of
eternal glory and adore your Unity, powerful in
majesty.**

**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.**

Response: Amen.

READINGS

After each reading a brief silence is observed. It is desirable to take all the readings with the responsorial psalm, all of which are available in the Sunday Missal. Where all readings of the Sunday cannot be taken, the Gospel (printed below) is read. The one who reads the Gospel, if not a priest or deacon, does not say "The Lord be with you" but begins with "A reading from the holy Gospel according to...".

First Reading:	Exodus 34:4-6,8-9
Responsorial Psalm:	Daniel 3:52-56
Second Reading:	2 Corinthians 13:11-13
Gospel Acclamation:	cf. Rv1:8
Gospel:	John 3:16-18

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to John

Jesus said to Nicodemus:

'God loved the world so much that he gave his only Son,
so that everyone who believes in him may not be lost
but may have eternal life.
For God sent his Son into the world
not to condemn the world,

but so that through him the world might be saved. No one who believes in him will be condemned; but whoever refuses to believe is condemned already, because he has refused to believe in the name of God's only Son.'

The Gospel of the Lord

REFLECTION

The sole participant or leader reads a homily prepared by the priest; or may give a short reflection on the scripture readings of the day. The reflection is followed by a period of silence.

PROFESSION OF FAITH

The creed is said:

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, 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.

GENERAL INTERCESSIONS

The General Intercessions are said.

Leader: Through the grace of the Son, we learn of the love of the Father, and are drawn into the fellowship of the Holy Spirit. Through the Son, we come to the Father with prayers inspired by the Spirit.

Reader: For the world, that it may be saved through the Son sent by the Father. Lord, in your mercy

Response: Hear our prayer.

Reader: For ourselves celebrating this Eucharist, that we may help one another with the love which reflects the Trinity. Lord, in your mercy

Response: Hear our prayer.

Reader: Let us pray that those who are sick with the coronavirus may regain their health through quality medical care and may those who have died from the virus find eternal rest with God. Lord, in your mercy

Response: Hear our prayer.

Reader: Let us pray for our sick and housebound parishioners, that they may be comforted and strengthened by the prayers and **thoughts** of our Parish community. Lord, in your mercy

Response: Hear our prayer.

Reader: In thanksgiving to the Lord, we pray for parishioners who mark their birthdays this week: Rose Ronan, Katarina Dutko, Maggie Morris, Heidi Rees. May the Lord bless and keep them. Lord, in your mercy

Response: Hear our prayer.

[Other petitions may be added, after which the Our Father is introduced in these or similar words]:

Reader: Let us pray to our Father in the words Our Saviour taught us: **Our Father, who art in heaven...**

ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

After a brief period of silence, the Prayer of Spiritual Communion is said by all.

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

A song of thanksgiving may be sung after the prayer of spiritual communion.

CONCLUDING PRAYER

The sole participant or leader says the concluding prayer:

May your healing work, O Lord, free us, we pray, from doing evil and lead us to what is right. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

The sole participant or leader concludes the rite by signing himself or herself with the Sign of the Cross while saying the following:

May almighty God bless us, the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit. Amen.