

LITURGY OF THE WORD
The Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time



Antiphon

All peoples, clap your hands. Cry to God with shouts of joy!

Lift High the Cross



1. Come, Chris - tians, fol - low where the Mas - ter trod, our
2. Led on their way by this tri - umphant sign, the
3. Each new - born fol - l'wer of the Cru - ci - fied bears
4. O Lord, once lift - ed on the glo - rious tree, your
5. So shall our song of tri - umph ev - er be: praise



King vic - to - rious, Christ, the Son of God.
hosts of God in con - quering ranks com - bine.
on the brow the seal of him who died.
death has bought us life e - ter - nal - ly.
to the Cru - ci - fied for vic - to - ry!

Invocation and Kyrie

In the Name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

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.

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.

Collect

O God, who through the grace of adoption
chose us to be children of light,
grant, we pray,
that we may not be wrapped in the darkness of error but always be seen to stand in
the bright light of truth. 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.

Reading 1

2 KGS 4:8-11, 14-16A

One day Elisha came to Shunem,
where there was a woman of influence, who urged him to dine with her. Afterward,
whenever he passed by, he used to stop there to dine.
So she said to her husband, "I know that Elisha is a holy man of God. Since he
visits us often, let us arrange a little room on the roof
and furnish it for him with a bed, table, chair, and lamp,
so that when he comes to us he can stay there."
Sometime later Elisha arrived and stayed in the room overnight.
Later Elisha asked, "Can something be done for her?"
His servant Gehazi answered, "Yes!
She has no son, and her husband is getting on in years."
Elisha said, "Call her."
When the woman had been called and stood at the door,
Elisha promised, "This time next year
you will be fondling a baby son."

The Word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

Responsorial Psalm
PS 89:2-3, 16-17, 18-19

R/ For ever I will sing the goodness of the Lord.

The promises of the LORD I will sing forever,
through all generations my mouth shall proclaim your faithfulness. For you have
said, "My kindness is established forever;"
in heaven you have confirmed your faithfulness. **R/**

Blessed the people who know the joyful shout;
in the light of your countenance, O LORD, they walk. At your name they rejoice
all the day,
and through your justice they are exalted. **R/**

You are the splendor of their strength, and by your favor our horn is exalted. For to
the LORD belongs our shield, and the Holy One of Israel, our king. **R/**

Reading 2
ROM 6:3-4, 8-11

Brothers and sisters:

Are you unaware that we who were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into
his death? We were indeed buried with him through baptism into death, so that, just
as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might live in
newness of life. If, then, we have died with Christ,
we believe that we shall also live with him.

We know that Christ, raised from the dead, dies no more; death no longer has
power over him. As to his death, he died to sin once and for all; as to his life, he
lives for God. Consequently, you too must think of yourselves as dead to sin and
living for God in Christ Jesus.

The Word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

You are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation;
announce the praises of him who called you out of darkness into his wonderful
light.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

Gospel

MT 10:37-42

A Reading from the Holy Gospel According to Matthew
Glory to You, O Lord

Jesus said to his apostles:

“Whoever loves father or mother more than me is not worthy of me, and whoever
loves son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me; and whoever does not
take up his cross

and follow after me is not worthy of me.

Whoever finds his life will lose it,

and whoever loses his life for my sake will find it.

"Whoever receives you receives me,

and whoever receives me receives the one who sent me.

Whoever receives a prophet because he is a prophet
will receive a prophet's reward,

and whoever receives a righteous man

because he is a righteous man

will receive a righteous man's reward.

And whoever gives only a cup of cold water

to one of these little ones to drink

because the little one is a disciple—

amen, I say to you, he will surely not lose his reward.”

The Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ

Following the Gospel, spend some time reflecting on the readings, or listen to a homily from a Catholic priest or deacon that has been recorded for this purpose. Fr. Longenecker has provided a video homily [HERE](#).

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God,

the Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth,

and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,

[At the words that follow, up to and including the Virgin Mary, all bow.]

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

We who are baptized have died and risen with Christ. In the strength and joy of this new life, let us offer our prayers to our Heavenly Father.

for bishops, priests and deacons, and all who minister in the Church: that God will strengthen their witness to discipleship in the way of the cross, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, hear our prayer.

for all nations and their leaders, and especially for our own nation as we celebrate Independence Day: that we will embrace true justice, freedom, and a culture of life for all people, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, hear our prayer

for our parish: that in living out our baptismal vocation, we might think of ourselves as dead to sin and living for God in Christ Jesus, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, hear our prayer

for the sick and all who suffer with any illness of body, mind or spirit, and especially for those who suffer from the effects of the COVID 19 pandemic: that they will receive healing, and experience the Lord's goodness and kindness, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, hear our prayer

for all the faithful departed: that as they have died with Christ in baptism, they may also live with him in newness of life. let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, hear our prayer.

Heavenly Father, God of our salvation, as you hear and answer our prayers, grant that we may serve and love you above all people and above all things, and come at last to the eternal joys of your heavenly kingdom. We ask this through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

The Our Father

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name;
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread,
and forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil. Amen.

Communion Antiphon

Bless the Lord, O my soul,
and all within me, his holy name.

Since receiving the Lord in the Blessed Sacrament is not possible at this time, make a Spiritual Communion by using the following prayer:

My Jesus,
I believe that You
are present in the Most Holy Sacrament of the Altar.
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.

Closing Collect

May this divine sacrifice we have offered and received fill us with life, O Lord, we
pray, so that, bound to you in lasting charity,
we may bear fruit that lasts for ever.
Through Christ our Lord.
Amen.

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

A closing hymn follows

Lord, Whose Love in Humble Service



1. Lord, whose love in hum - ble serv - ice
2. Still your chil - dren wan - der home - less;
3. As we wor - ship, grant us vi - sion,
4. Called from wor - ship in - to serv - ice



Bore the weight of hu - man need, Who did on the
Still the hun - gry cry for bread; Still the cap - tives
Till your love's re - veal - ing light, Till the height and
Forth in your great name we go, To the child, the



Cross for - sak - en, Show us mer - cy's per - fect deed;
long for free - dom; Still in grief we mourn our dead.
depth and great - ness Dawns up - on our hu - man sight:
youth, the a - ged, Love in liv - ing deeds to show;



We, your ser - vants, bring the wor - ship
As, O Lord, your deep com - pas - sion
Mak - ing known the needs and bur - dens
Hope and health, good - will and com - fort,



Not of voice a - lone, but heart: Con - se - crat - ing
Healed the sick and freed the soul, Use the love your
Your com - pas - sion bids us bear, Stir - ring us to
Coun - sel, aid, and peace we give That your chil - dren,



to your pur - pose Ev - 'ry gift which you im - part.
Spir - it kin - dles Still to save and make us whole.
faith - ful serv - ice, Your a - bun - dant life to share.
Lord, in free - dom, May your mer - cy know and live.