

16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

(with Second Scrutiny)

19 July 2020

THE INTRODUCTORY RITES

Entrance Procession

See, I have God for my help.
The Lord sustains my soul.
I will sacrifice to you with willing heart,
and praise your name, O Lord, for it is good.

Greeting

Penitential Act

Gloria

Collect

1. Ordinary Time 16

Let us pray.
Show favour, O Lord, to your servants
and mercifully increase the gifts of your grace,
that, made fervent in hope, faith and charity,
they may be ever watchful in keeping your commands.
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.

Or

2. Ritual Mass For the Second Scrutiny (RM pp 1179)

Almighty ever-living God,
give to your Church an increase in spiritual joy,
so that those once born of earth
may be reborn as citizens of heaven.
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.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Reading

Wisdom 12:13, 16-19

A reading from the book of Wisdom

In the place of sin, you give repentance.

There is no god, other than you, who cares for everything,
to whom you might have to prove that you never judged unjustly.
Your justice has its source in strength,
your sovereignty over all makes you lenient to all.
You show your strength when your sovereign power is questioned
and you expose the insolence of those who know it;
but, disposing of such strength, you are mild in judgement,
you govern us with great lenience,
for you have only to will, and your power is there.
By acting thus you have taught a lesson to your people
how the virtuous man must be kindly to his fellow men,
and you have given your sons the good hope
that after sin you will grant repentance.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 85:5-6, 9-10, 15-16

R. Lord, you are good and forgiving.

O Lord, you are good and forgiving,
full of love to all who call.
Give heed, O Lord, to my prayer
and attend to the sound of my voice. **R.**

All the nations shall come to adore you
and glorify your name, O Lord:
for you are great and do marvellous deeds,
you who alone are God. **R.**

But you, God of mercy and compassion,
slow to anger, O Lord,
abounding in love and truth,
turn and take pity on me. **R.**

Second Reading

Romans 8:26-27

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans

The Spirit himself pleads for us in a way that could never be put into words.

The Spirit comes to help us in our weakness. For when we cannot choose words in order to pray properly, the Spirit himself expresses our plea in a way that could never be put into words, and God who knows everything in our hearts knows perfectly well what he means, and that the pleas of the saints expressed by the Spirit are according to the mind of God.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation

cf Matthew 11:25

Alleluia, alleluia!

Blessed are you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth;
you have revealed to little ones the mysteries of the kingdom.
Alleluia!

Gospel

Matthew 13:24-30

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

Let them grow together until the harvest.

Jesus put a parable before the crowds, 'The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a man who sowed good seed in his field. While everybody was asleep his enemy came, sowed darnel all among the wheat, and made off. When the new wheat sprouted and ripened, the darnel appeared as well. The owner's servants went to him and said, "Sir, was it not good seed that you sowed in your field? If so, where does the darnel come from?" "Some enemy has done this" he answered. And the servants said, "Do you want us to go and weed it out?" But he said, "No, because when you weed out the darnel you might pull up the wheat with it. Let them both grow till the harvest; and at harvest time I shall say to the reapers: First collect the darnel and tie it in bundles to be burnt, then gather the wheat into my barn."

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Homily

RITE OF SCRUTINY

Invitation to Silent Prayer

Elect of God, bow your heads (kneel down) and pray.

Intercessions for the Elect

Let us pray for these elect whom the Church has confidently chosen. May they successfully complete their long preparation and find Christ in his sacraments.

That they may ponder the word of God in their hearts and savour its meaning more fully day by day, let us pray to the Lord:

Lord, hear our prayer.

That they may learn to know Christ, who came to save what was lost, let us pray to the Lord:

Lord, hear our prayer.

That they may sincerely reject everything in their lives that is displeasing and contrary to Christ, let us pray to the Lord:

Lord, hear our prayer.

That the Holy Spirit, who searches every heart, may help them to overcome their weakness through his power, let us pray to the Lord:

Lord, hear our prayer.

That their families also may put their hope in Christ and find peace and holiness in him, let us pray to the Lord:
Lord, hear our prayer.

That throughout the whole world whatever is weak may be strengthened, whatever is broken restored, whatever is lost found, and what is found redeemed, let us pray to the Lord:
Lord, hear our prayer.

Exorcism

The celebrant faces the elect and, with hands joined, says:

Father of mercy,
Grant these elect the wisdom to live in the world
as wheat among the darnel.
Protect the crop you have sown from the enemy.

Free these elect
from the false values that surround and blind them.
Set them firmly in your truth,
children of the Kingdom of light for ever.
We ask this through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Then, with hands outstretched over all the elect, he continues:

Lord Jesus,
You gather the wheat at harvest time
and bundle the darnel to be burnt.

Stir up the desire for good in these elect,
whom you have chosen for your sacraments.

Let them rejoice in your harvest
that they may prove to be staunch and fearless witnesses to the faith,
and come to the joy of your Kingdom
for you are Lord for ever and ever.

Amen.

Dismissal of the Elect

Dear elect, go in peace,
and join us again at the next scrutiny.
May the Lord remain with you always.

Profession of Faith

THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

Preparation of the Offerings

Prayer over the Offerings

Pray, brethren (brothers and sisters),
that my sacrifice and yours
may be acceptable to God,
the almighty Father.

**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.**

O God, who in the one perfect sacrifice
brought to completion varied offerings of the law,
accept, we pray, this sacrifice from your faithful servants
and make it holy, as you blessed the gifts of Abel,
so that what each has offered to the honour of your majesty
may benefit the salvation of all.

Through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

The Eucharistic Prayer

The Communion Rite

Communion Antiphon

The Lord, the gracious, the merciful,
has made a memorial of his wonders;
he gives food to those who fear him.

Prayer after Communion

Let us pray.

Graciously be present to your people, we pray, O Lord,
and lead those you have imbued with heavenly mysteries
to pass from former ways to newness of life.

Through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

THE CONCLUDING RITES

[Announcements]

Greeting

The Lord be with you.
And with your spirit.

Blessing

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

Dismissal

Go forth, the Mass is ended.
Thanks be to God.

Recessional Song