

# RITE OF EUCHARISTIC ADORATION AND BENEDICTION

## PENITENTIAL LITURGY

### 24 HOURS FOR THE LORD

While the priest and ministers go to the sanctuary, the assembly sings a hymn or another suitable song.

#### **GREETING**

C: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

R: Amen

C. Mercy and peace be with all of you.

R: And with your spirit.

C: Brothers and sisters, tonight/today we hear David's words in one of his Psalms: "who forgives all your iniquity". How comforting these words are! The certainty and totality of forgiveness is guaranteed to each of us! And in fact, it only depends on us, if we want to turn to him and ask for mercy for our transgressions. Tonight/Today, we also embrace in faith the people who are far from the Church and all those who are unable to come and pray with us, so that in our celebration, dedicated in a particular way to reconciliation, they too may find forgiveness and peace.

Everyone gathers for some time in silent prayer

C: Lord our God, true light of our conscience, open the doors of your mercy to us, call your children back with the strength and sweetness of your love, shatter the hardness of our pride and create a new heart in us. We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ ...

## LITURGY OF THE WORD

### First Reading

Lv 19:1-2,17-18

From the book of Leviticus

The Lord spoke to Moses, saying:

Speak to all the congregation of the people of Israel and say to them: “You shall be holy, for I the Lord God am holy.

You shall not hate in your heart anyone of your kin; you shall reprove your neighbour, or you will incur guilt yourself.

You shall not take vengeance or bear a grudge against any of your people, but you shall love your neighbour as yourself: I am the Lord”.

L: The Word of the Lord

R: Thanks be to God.

### Psalm Response

From Psalm 103

R. The Lord is good and abounding in love.

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

Bless the Lord, O my soul,  
and do not forget all his benefits. R.

Who forgives all your iniquity,  
who heals all your diseases,  
who redeems your life from the pit,  
who crowns you with steadfast love and mercy. R.

The Lord is merciful and gracious,  
slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.

He will not always accuse,  
nor will he keep his anger forever.

He does not deal with us according to our sins, nor repay us according to our iniquities. R.

As far as the east is from the west,  
so far he removes our transgressions from us.  
As a father has compassion for his children,  
so the Lord has compassion for those who fear him. R.

**Gospel Acclamation**

**1 Jn 2:5**

*Praise and honour to you, Lord Jesus Christ!*

Whoever obeys his word,  
truly in this person the love of God has reached perfection:

*Praise and honour to you, Lord Jesus Christ!*

**Gospel**

C. The Lord be with you.

R: And with your spirit

C: From the Gospel according to Matthew

(5:38-48)

R: Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus said to his disciples:

“You have heard that it was said, ‘An eye for an eye and a tooth for a tooth.’ But I say to you, do not resist an evildoer. But if anyone strikes you on the right cheek, turn the other also; and if anyone wants to sue you and take your coat, give your cloak as well; and if anyone forces you to go one mile, go also the second mile. Give to everyone who begs from you, and do not refuse anyone who wants to borrow from you.

“You have heard that it was said, ‘You shall love your neighbour and hate your enemy.’ But I say to you, Love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you, so that you may be children of your Father in heaven; for he makes his sun rise on the evil and on the good, and sends rain on the righteous and on the unrighteous. For if you love those who love you, what reward do you have? Do not even the tax collectors do the same? And if you greet only your brothers and sisters, what more are you doing than others? Do not even the Gentiles do the same? Be perfect, therefore, as your heavenly Father is perfect».

C. The Gospel of the Lord.

R: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ

## **GENERAL CONFESSION OF SINS**

After a brief pause for reflection following the homily, the celebrant says:

On the day we celebrate Christ's victory over sin and death; we too are called to die to sin in order to rise to new life. Let us recognize ourselves in need of the Father's mercy.

C: I confess to Almighty God

R: 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.

C: May Almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us our sins and bring us to everlasting life.

R: Amen.

## **THE LORD'S PRAYER**

*Everyone stands*

C: At the Saviour's command and formed by divine teaching, we dare to say:

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.

## **SIGN OF PEACE**

If the health regulations allow it, the Celebrant says:

C: Confident in the words of Jesus and with a heart willing to receive the grace of forgiveness, let us offer each other a sign of peace.

*All offer one another a sign of peace*

## **EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT**

Proceed with exposition of the Blessed Sacrament followed by Eucharistic Adoration.

At the end of the time of private devotion, the Divine Praises may be recited and a solemn blessing is given with the Blessed Sacrament. Then the Blessed Sacrament is reposed.