

Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

13th September 2020



OPENING HYMN

Praise, my soul, the King of Heaven;
To His feet thy tribute bring;
Ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven,
Who like me His praise should sing?
Praise Him, praise Him, praise Him, praise Him,
Praise the everlasting King.

Praise Him for His grace and favour
To our fathers in distress;
Praise Him still the same for ever,
Slow to chide and swift to bless.
Praise Him, praise Him, praise Him, praise Him,
Glorious in His faithfulness.

Father-like, He tends and spares us;
Well our feeble frame He knows;
In His hand He gently bears us,
Rescues us from all our foes.
Praise Him, praise Him, praise Him, praise Him,
Widely as His mercy flows.

FIRST READING: Ecclesiasticus 27:30-28:7

Forgive your neighbour the hurt he does you, and when you pray, your sins will be forgiven.

PSALM RESPONSE:

The Lord is compassion and love, slow to anger and rich in mercy.

SECOND READING: Romans 14:7-9

Alive or dead we belong to the Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, alleluia. Speak, Lord, Your servant is listening. You have the message of eternal life. Alleluia!

GOSPEL: Matthew 18:21-35

I do not tell you to forgive seven times, but seventy-seven times.

NICENE CREED

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible. I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through Him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation He came down from heaven, (*as we say the words in italics, we bow*) and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man. For our sake He was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and His kingdom will have no end. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

OFFERTORY

Mary immaculate, star of the morning,
Chosen before the creation began,
Chosen to bring, for thy bridal adorning,
Woe to the serpent and rescue to man.

Sinners, we honour thy sinless perfection;
Fallen and weak, for thy pity we plead;
Grant us the shield of thy sovereign protection,
Measure thine aid by the depth of our need.

ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

As the congregation are unable to receive Holy Communion at this time, we are invited to pray a prayer of Spiritual Communion:

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.

HOLY COMMUNION

Sweet Sacrament divine, hid in Thy earthly home,
Lo ! round Thy lowly shrine, with suppliant hearts we come.
Jesus, to Thee our voice we raise in songs of love and heartfelt praise,
Sweet Sacrament divine.

Sweet Sacrament of peace, dear home of every heart,
Where restless yearnings cease, and sorrows all depart.
There in Thine ear, all trustfully we tell our tale of misery,
Sweet Sacrament of peace.

Sweet Sacrament of rest, Ark from the ocean's roar,
Within Thy shelter blest soon may we reach the shore.
Save us, for still the tempest raves; save, lest we sink beneath the waves,
Sweet Sacrament of rest.

Sweet Sacrament divine, Earth's light and jubilee,
In Thy far depths doth shine Thy Godhead's majesty.
Sweet light, so shine on us, we pray, that earthly joys may fade away,
Sweet Sacrament divine.

RECESSIONAL HYMN

Forgive our sins as we forgive You taught us, Lord, to pray,
But You alone can grant us grace to live the words we say.

How can Your pardon reach and bless the unforgiving heart
That broods on wrongs and will not let old bitterness depart?

In blazing light Your cross reveals the truth we dimly knew:
What trivial debts are owed to us; how great our debt to You!

Lord, cleanse the depths within our souls and bid resentment cease;
Then, bound to all in bonds of love our lives will spread Your peace.