

Seventh Sunday of Easter

16th May 2021



OPENING HYMN

Alleluia, sing to Jesus,
His the sceptre, His the throne;
Alleluia, His the triumph,
His the victory alone:
Hark! the songs of peaceful Sion,
Thunder like a mighty flood;
Jesus, out of every nation,
Hath redeemed us by His Blood.

Alleluia, not as orphans
Are we left in sorrow now;
Alleluia, He is near us;
Faith believes, nor questions how.
Though the cloud from sight received Him
When the forty days were o'er,
Shall our hearts forget His promise,
"I am with you evermore"?

Alleluia, King eternal,
Thee the Lord of lords we own;
Alleluia, born of Mary,
Earth Thy footstool, heaven Thy throne;
Thou within the veil hast entered,
Robed in flesh our great High Priest;
Thou on earth both Priest and Victim
In the Eucharistic Feast.

FIRST READING: Acts 1:15-17, 20-26

We must choose one of these to be a witness to His resurrection with us.

PSALM RESPONSE:

The Lord has set His sway in heaven.

SECOND READING: 1 John 4:11-16

Anyone who lives in love lives in God, and God lives in Him.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, alleluia! I will not leave you orphans, says the Lord;
I will come back to you, and your hearts will be full of joy. Alleluia!

GOSPEL: John 17:11-19

That they may be one like us!

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.

ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

For those who are unable to attend Mass, and for those physically present who are not receiving Holy Communion, we 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.

RECESSIONAL HYMN

Immaculate Mary, our hearts are on fire:
That title so wondrous fills all our desire.

Ave, ave, ave Maria! Ave, ave, ave Maria!

We pray for God's glory: may His Kingdom come.
We pray for His vicar, our father and Rome.

For poor, sick, afflicted, thy mercy we crave;
And comfort the dying, thou light of the grave.

To God be all glory and worship for aye,
And to God's virgin mother an endless 'Ave'.