The Order of the Mass



5th Sunday of Easter 10.30am Mass

Entrance Hymn

Gather your people, O Lord. Gather your people, O Lord. One bread, one body, one spirit of love. Gather your people, O Lord.

Draw us forth to the table of life: brothers and sisters, each of us called to walk in your light.

We are parts of the body of Christ, needing each other, each of the gifts the Spirit provides.

No more harm on the mountain of God; swords into plowshares. Free us, O Lord, from hardness of heart.

Wash us, Lord, in the waters of life; waters of mercy, waters of hope that flow from your side.

Gloria

Glory to God in the highest and on earth peace to people of goodwill

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 Glory

Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotton Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, You take away the sins of the world: have mercy, have mercy on us.

You take away the sins of the world: receive our prayer, 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

Liturgy of the Word

First Reading Acts 9:26-31

When Saul got to Jerusalem he tried to join the disciples, but they were all afraid of him: they could not believe he was really a disciple. Barnabas, however, took charge of him, introduced him to the apostles, and explained how the Lord had appeared to Saul and spoken to him on his journey, and how he had preached boldly at Damascus in the name of Jesus. Saul now started to go round with them in Jerusalem, preaching fearlessly in the name of the Lord. But after he had spoken to the Hellenists, and argued with them, they became determined to kill him. When the brothers knew, they took him to Caesarea, and sent him off from there to Tarsus. The churches throughout Judaea, Galilee and Samaria were now left in peace, building themselves up, living in the fear of the Lord, and filled with the consolation of the Holy Spirit.'

Responsorial Psalm (SUNG)

\Re . All the ends of the earth have seen the power of God.

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Sing to the Lord a new song, for he has done wondrous deeds; his right hand has won the vict'ry for us, his holy arm.

The Lord has made his salvation known, his justice revealed to all. Remembering kindness and faithfulness to Israel.

All of the ends of the earth have seen salvation by our God. Joyfully sing out all you lands, break forth in song.

Sing to the Lord with harp and song, with trumpet and with horn. Sing in joy before the King, the King our Lord

Second Reading 1 John 3:18-24

My children,

our love is not to be just words or mere talk,

but something real and active;

only by this can we be certain

that we are children of the truth

and be able to quieten our conscience in his presence,

whatever accusations it may raise against us,

because God is greater than our conscience and he knows everything.

My dear people,

if we cannot be condemned by our own conscience,

we need not be afraid in God's presence,

and whatever we ask him,

we shall receive,

because we keep his commandments

and live the kind of life that he wants.

His commandments are these:

that we believe in the name of his Son Jesus Christ

and that we love one another

as he told us to.

Whoever keeps his commandments

lives in God and God lives in him.

We know that he lives in us

by the Spirit that he has given us.

Alleluia

Alleluia, alleluia! Make your home in me, as I make mine in you. Whoever remains in me bears fruit in plenty. Alleluia!

Gospel John 15:1-8

Jesus said to his disciples

'I am the true vine, and my Father is the vinedresser. Every branch in me that bears no fruit he cuts away. and every branch that does bear fruit he prunes to make it bear even more. You are pruned already. by means of the word that I have spoken to you. Make your home in me, as I make mine in you. As a branch cannot bear fruit all by itself, but must remain part of the vine, neither can you unless you remain in me. I am the vine, you are the branches. Whoever remains in me, with me in him, bears fruit in plenty; for cut off from me you can do nothing. Anyone who does not remain in me is like a branch that has been thrown away he withers: these branches are collected and thrown on the fire, and they are burnt. If you remain in me and my words remain in you, you may ask what you will and you shall get it. It is to the glory of my Father that you should bear much

The Gospel of the Lord

R Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ

fruit, and then you will be my disciples.

Profession of Faith

I believe in God, the Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, 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.

Offertory Hymn

A new commandment
I give unto you
That you love one another
As I have loved you,
That you love one another
As I have loved you.
By this shall all men
Know you are My disciples
If you have love one to another.

Communion Hymn

Unless a grain of wheat shall fall upon the ground and die, it remains but a single grain with no life.

If we have died with him then we shall live with him; if we hold firm, we shall reign with him.
Unless a grain of wheat shall fall upon the ground and die, it remains but a single grain with no life.

If anyone serves me then they must follow me; wherever I am my servants will be.
Unless a grain of wheat shall fall upon the ground and die, it remains but a single grain with no life.

Make your home in me as I make mine in you; those who remain in me bear much fruit.
Unless a grain of wheat shall fall upon the ground and die, it remains but a single grain with no life.

If you remain in me and my word lives in you, then you will be my disciples. Unless a grain of wheat shall fall upon the ground and die, it remains but a single grain with no life.

Those who love me are loved by my Father; we shall be with them and dwell in them.
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Recessional Hymn

We are marching in the light of God We are marching, we are marching, oh We are marching in the light of God We are marching, we are marching, oh We are marching in the light of God

- 2. We are living in the love of God
- 3. We are moving in the power of God
- 4. Siyahamb' ekukhanyen' kwenkhos'