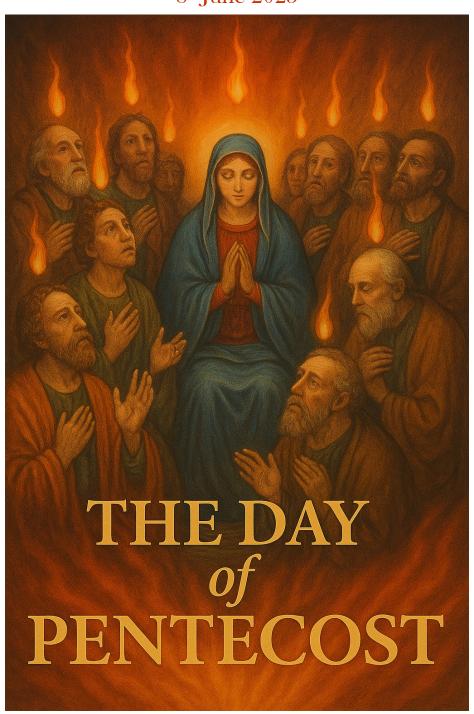
# Saint George the Martyr Parish

WHITSUNDAY 8<sup>th</sup> June 2025



THE CHRISTIAN EPISCOPAL CHURCH OF CANADA

# PENTECOST: THE SPIRIT'S POWER AND PRESENCE

Pentecost marks the moment when God fulfilled His promise to send the Holy Spirit to empower His people. It is a celebration of God's abiding presence in our lives – a reminder that we are never alone.

The Presence of God in our Lives. Jesus promised the Holy Spirit as our Helper, Comforter, and Advocate (John 14:16-17). Unlike Jesus' physical presence during his earthly ministry, the Spirit dwells within believers, offering guidelines, peace, and reassurance.

**Source of Power and Transformation.** The Holy Spirit empowers believers to live out their faith with boldness and strength. At Pentecost (Acts 2), He came like as a rushing wind and tongues of fire, equipping the disciples to spread the Gospel across nations. He continues to transform hearts today, convicting us of sin, refining our character, and producing the fruits of the Spirit – love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control (Galatians 5:22-23).

Teacher and Guide. Jesus said the Holy Spirit would lead us into all truth (John 16:13). When we seek wisdom in prayer, Scripture, or difficult moments, He illuminates the right path, helping us discern God's will and deepening our understanding of spiritual matters.

Unity and Fellowship. The Spirit unites believers as one body in Christ, breaking down barriers and fostering community. Through Him we share a common faith, are given spiritual gifts for service, and are bound together in love and encouragement.

The Seal of Salvation. The Holy Spirit is the guarantee of inheritance in Christ (Ephesians 1:13-14). His presence assures us that we belong to God, securing our salvation and leading us toward eternal life.

This Sunday, may we open our hearts to the movement of the Holy Spirit, welcoming His power and presence into our lives. May we boldly proclaim the love of Christ, not only with words but through our actions, reflecting His peace, joy, and compassion to the world.

# Let us Pray.

LORD GOD, thank You for the gift of Your Holy Spirit. Fill us anew with Your presence, empowering us to be instruments of Your love and truth. May we walk boldly in faith, trusting in Your guidance and strength; in Jesus' Name we pray. Amen.

# WHITSUNTIDE 2025.

SUNDAY, June 8th - WHITSUNDAY: THE DAY OF PENTECOST.

MONDAY, June 9th - 10:30 a.m., Holy Eucharist, Windermere Care Centre.

TUESDAY, June 10th - 10:30 a.m., Mattins via Zoom.

Please click on the link below, then follow the instructions on your screen.

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Meeting ID: 844 7370 8840

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TUESDAY, June 10th - 2:00 p.m., Hymn Sing, Dr. Al Hogg Pavilion, 3rd Floor.

WEDNESDAY, June 11th - 10:30 a.m., Hymn Sing, Dr. Al Hogg Pavilion, 1st Floor.

2:00 p.m., Hymn Sing, Dr. Al Hogg Pavilion, 2<sup>rd</sup> Floor.

**NEXT SUNDAY: TRINITY SUNDAY** 

1:30 p.m. Holy Eucharist.

# PAROCHIAL NOTICE: PASTORAL CARE

In times of need, you are never alone. Our Pastor is here to offer spiritual care, comfort, and support. If you require guidance, comfort, or prayer, please connect with us. Our phone number is (604) 275-7422. Together, we find strength and hope.

# THE ORDER OF THE HOLY EUCHARIST

INTROIT HYMN - 180 "When God of old came down from heaven"

The Preparation before the Lord Supper - (Kneel)

THE INTROIT. *Psalm* 122. 1-9 - (<u>Kneel</u>)

The Lord's Prayer, Collect for Purity, and the Greeting - (Kneel)

Our Blessed Lord's Summary of the Law - (Kneel)

Gloria in Excelsis (Glory be to God on high) - (Stand)

The Collect for the King's Majesty - (Stand)

The Collect for Whitsunday - (Stand)

THE EPISTLE. *Acts* 2. 1-11. - (Sit)

THE GRADUAL. Psalm 68. 7-9. - (Stand)

THE GOSPEL. Saint John 14. 15-29. - (Stand)

THE NICENE CREED - (Stand)

THE SERMON.

OFFERTORY HYMN - 487 "Come down, O Love divine"

The Offertory and Doxology - (Stand)

The Prayer of Intercession - (Kneel)

The Preparation of the Faithful - (Kneel)

The Preparation of the Lord's Table - (Kneel)

The Exhortation of the Faithful - (Kneel)

The Eucharistic Preface for Whitsuntide - (Stand)

Sanctus and Benedictus - (Kneel)

THE PRAYER OF CONSECRATION AND OBLATION - (Kneel)

The Lord's Prayer - (<u>Kneel</u>)

The Preparation for Holy Communion - (Kneel)

Agnus Dei (O Lamb of God) - (Kneel)

The Ministration of Holy Communion - (Kneel)

Post-Communion Hymn - 480 "Come Holy Ghost, our souls inspire"

The Thanksgiving after Holy Communion - (Kneel)

The Collect after Communion for Whitsunday - (Kneel)

The Dismissal Anthem for Whitsunday - (Stand)

The Blessing and Dismissal - (Kneel)

DISMISSAL HYMN - 179 "Joy! because the circling year"

# THE DAY OF PENTECOST

# which is called WHITSUNDAY

INTROIT HYMN - "When GOD of old came down from heaven"

Hymn 180 - Tune: Winchester Old. C.M.

The Reverend John Keble, 1827.

When GoD of old came down from Heaven, In power and wrath He came; Before His feet the clouds were riven, Half darkness and half flame:

But when He came the second time, He came in power and love; Softer than gale at morning prime Hovered his holy Dove.

The fires that rushed on Sinai down In sudden torrents dread, Now gently light, a glorious crown, On every sainted head.

And as on Israel's awe-struck ear
The voice exceeding loud,
The trump, that angels quake to hear,
Thrilled from the deep, dark cloud;

So, when the SPIRIT of our GOD
Came down His flock to find,
A voice from Heaven was heard abroad,
A rushing, mighty wind.

It fills the Church of GoD; it fills The sinful world around; Only in stubborn hearts and wills No place for it is found.

Come LORD, come Wisdom, Love and Power,
Open our ears to hear;
Let us not miss the accepted hour;
Save, LORD, by Love or Fear. Amen.

# AN OFFICE OF PREPARATION

The Priest shall stand at the foot of the Altar, and there he shall make the Sign of the Cross, saying, In the Name of the Eather, and of the Sor

➤ In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Amen.

Then shall the Priest say,

I WILL go unto the altar of God,

Answer. Even unto the God of my joy and gladness.

# Then shall the Priest say,

GIVE sentence with me, O God, and defend my cause against the ungodly people; O deliver me from the deceitful and wicked man.

**People.** For Thou art the God of my strength; why hast Thou put me from Thee? and why go I so heavily while the enemy oppresseth me?

*Priest.* O send out Thy light and Thy truth, that they may lead me, and bring me unto Thy holy hill, and to Thy dwelling.

*People.* And that I may go unto the altar of God, even unto the God of my joy and gladness; and upon the harp will I give thanks unto Thee, O God, my God.

*Priest.* Why art thou so heavy, O my soul, and why art thou so disquieted within me? *People.* O put thy trust in God, for I will yet give Him thanks, which is the Help of my countenance, and my God.

## And the Priest shall say,

GLORY be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; *People.* As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

## Then shall the Priest say,

I WILL go unto the altar of God,

Answer. Even unto the God of my joy and gladness.

**Priest.** Our help standeth in the Name of the Lord;

Answer. Who hath made heaven and earth.

**Priest.** Wilt Thou not turn again and quicken us, O God;

Answer. That Thy people may rejoice in Thee?

*Priest.* O Lord, shew Thy mercy upon us;

Answer. And grant us Thy salvation.

**Priest.** O Lord, hear our prayer;

Answer. And let our cry come unto Thee.

# *Priest.* Let us pray.

TAKE away from us, we beseech Thee, O Lord, our iniquities; and so purify our minds, that we may worthily enter into the Holy of Holies, and there in Thy presence

worship Thee acceptably before Thy throne; through the merits of Thine only Son our Saviour Jesus Christ. *Amen*.

# THE LITURGY OF THE WORD OF GOD

THE INTROIT. Psalm 122. 1-9.

The Psalm, or the portion thereof, appointed to be used for the Introit Psalm, shall be said or sung as the Priest proceedeth up to the Lord's Table. And at high and solemn celebrations, the Priest may cense the Holy Table as the Introit Psalm is being sung.

I WAS glad when they said unto me, / We will go into the house of the Lord. Our feet shall stand in thy gates, / O Jerusalem. Jerusalem is built as a city / that is at unity in itself. For thither the tribes go up, even the tribes of the Lord, / to testify unto Israel, to give thanks unto the Name of the Lord. For there is the seat of judgement, / even the seat of the house of David. O pray for the peace of Jerusalem; / they shall prosper that love thee. Peace be within thy walls, / and plenteousness within thy palaces. For my brethren and companions' sakes, / I will wish thee prosperity. Yea, because of the house of the Lord our God, / I will seek to do thee good.

GLORY be to the Father, and to the Son, / and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, / world without end. Amen.

# THE PREPARATION.

And the Priest, standing at and facing the Lord's Table, shall say in an audible voice the Lord's Prayer, with the Collect following, the people kneeling.

Our Father, which art in heaven, hallowed be Thy Name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done, in earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; But deliver us from evil. Amen.

**A**LMIGHTY God, unto Whom all hearts be open, all desires known, and from Whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of Thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love Thee, and worthily magnify Thy holy Name; through Christ our Lord. *Amen*.

#### THE GREETING.

The Priest shall first kiss the Holy Table; and then turning himself to face the people, he shall greet them in the Name of the Lord, saying,

GRACE be unto you, and peace, from God our Father, and the Lord Jesus Christ.

Answer. And with thy spirit.

THE COMMANDMENTS.

# The Priest shall rehearse the Commandments, reciting our Blessed Lord's Summary of the Law, as followeth,

OUR Lord Jesus Christ said: Hear, O Israel, THE LORD OUR GOD IS ONE LORD; and thou shalt love the LORD thy GOD with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind, and with all thy strength. This is the first and great Commandment. And the second is like unto it, Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself. On these two Commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets.

*People.* Lord, have mercy upon us, and write both these Thy laws in our hearts, we beseech Thee.

# KYRIE ELEISON.

Then shall the Priest return to his place standing before the Holy Table, and this following shall then be said or sung in Greek or in English, the people all still humbly kneeling as before.

KYRIE, eleison. / Lord, have mercy upon us. Christe, eleison. / Christ, have mercy upon us. Kyrie, eleison. / Lord, have mercy upon us.

# GLORIA IN EXCELSIS.

# Then may be said or sung by all standing,

**G**LORY be to God on high, and in earth peace, good will towards men. We praise Thee, we bless Thee, (*Here all shall bow.*) we worship Thee, we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee for Thy great glory, O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father Almighty.

O Lord, the only-begotten Son, (And here all shall bow with reverence.) Jesu Christ; O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us. Thou that takest away the sins of the world, (And here all again shall bow.) receive our prayer. Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us.

For Thou only art holy, Thou only art the Lord, Thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost, ♣ art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

#### THE COLLECTS.

Then shall the Priest turn himself to the people, and shall say or sing,
THE Lord be with you.

Answer. And with thy spirit.

Priest. Let us pray.

Then shall the Priest turn again to the Lord's Table, and shall say or sing this Collect for the King's Majesty following.

ALMIGHTY God, Whose kingdom is everlasting, and power infinite: Have mercy

upon Thy people in this Dominion, and all the realms and countries of our Commonwealth; and so rule the heart of Thy chosen servant *CHARLES*, our King and Governor, that he (knowing Whose minister he is) may above all things seek Thy honour and glory: and grant that we, and all his subjects (duly considering Whose authority he hath) may faithfully serve, honour, and humbly obey him, in Thee, and for Thee, according to Thy blessed Word and ordinance; through Jesus Christ our Lord, Who with Thee and the Holy Ghost liveth and reigneth, ever one God, world without end. *Amen*.

GOD, Who as at this time didst teach the hearts of Thy faithful people, by the sending to them the light of Thy Holy Spirit: Grant us by the same Spirit to have a right judgement in all things, and evermore to rejoice in His holy comfort; through the Merits of Christ Jesus our Saviour, Who liveth and reigneth with Thee, in the unity of the same Spirit, ever one God, world without end. *Amen*.

# FOR THE EPISTLE. Acts 2. 1-11.

Then shall the Priest, or some other Minister, read the Epistle, first saying,
The Epistle is written in the second chapter of the Acts of the Apostles
beginning at the first verse.

WHEN the day of Pentecost was fully come, they were all with one accord in one place. And suddenly there came a sound from heaven as of a rushing mighty wind, and it filled all the house where they were sitting. And there appeared unto them cloven tongues like as of fire, and it sat upon each of them. And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost, and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance. And there were dwelling at Jerusalem Jews, devout men, out of every nation under heaven. Now when this was noised abroad, the multitude came together, and were confounded, because that every man heard them speak in his own language. And they were all amazed and marvelled, saying one to another, Behold, are not all these which speak Galilaeans? And how hear we every man in our own tongue, wherein we were born? Parthians, and Medes, and Elamites, and the dwellers in Mesopotamia, and in Judaea, and Cappadocia, in Pontus, and Asia, Phrygia, and Pamphylia, in Egypt, and in the parts of Libya about Cyrene, and strangers of Rome, Jews and proselytes, Cretes and Arabians, we do hear them speak in our tongues the wonderful works of God.

And the Epistle ended, the Minister shall say,
Here endeth the Epistle. This is the Word of the Lord.

And all shall answer saying, Thanks be to God.

THE GRADUAL. Psalm 68, 7-9.

# Then shall all the people stand, and the Gradual Psalm, shall be said or sung.

ALLELUIA, Alleluia. O God, when Thou wentest forth before the people, / when Thou wentest through the wilderness; The earth shook, and the heavens dropped at the presence of God, / even as Sinai also was moved at the presence of God, Who is the God of Israel. Thou, O God, sentest a gracious rain upon Thine inheritance, / and refreshedst it when it was weary. Alleluia.

THE GOSPEL. Saint John 14. 15-29.

Then shall the Priest or the Deacon read the Gospel appointed for that day, the people all still standing as before.

And the Minister that shall read the Gospel shall first say,
THE Lord be with you.

And all the people shall answer, And with thy spirit.

Then shall the Minister announce that portion of the Gospel which is to be read, saying,

**▼** THE holy Gospel is written in the fourteenth chapter of the Gospel according to Saint John beginning at the fifteenth verse.

Then shall be said or sung, GLORY be to Thee, O Lord.

# Then shall the Minister read the Gospel.

JESUS said unto His disciples, If ye love me, keep my commandments. And I will pray the Father, and He shall give you another Comforter, that He may abide with you for ever; even the Spirit of truth; Whom the world cannot receive, because it seeth Him not, neither knoweth Him: but ye know Him; for He dwelleth with you, and shall be in you. I will not leave you comfortless: I will come to you. Yet a little while, and the world seeth me no more; but ye see me: because I live, ye shall live also. At that day ye shall know that I am in my Father, and ye in me, and I in you. He that hath my commandments, and keepeth them, he it is that loveth me: and he that loveth me shall be loved of my Father, and I will love him, and will manifest myself to him. Judas saith unto Him, (not Iscariot,) Lord, how is it that Thou wilt manifest Thyself unto us, and not unto the world? Jesus answered and said unto him, If a man love me, he will keep my words: and my Father will love him, and we will come unto him, and make our abode with him. He that loveth me not keepeth not my sayings: and the word which ye hear is not mine, but the Father's which sent me. These things have I spoken unto you, being yet present with you. But the Comforter, which is the Holy Ghost, Whom the Father will send in my Name, He shall teach you all things, and bring all things to your remembrance, whatsoever I have said unto you. Peace I leave with you, my peace I give unto you: not as the world giveth, give I unto you. Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid. Ye have heard how I said unto you, I go away, and come again unto you. If ye loved me, ye would rejoice, because I said, I go unto the Father: for my Father is greater than I. And now I have told you before it come to pass, that, when it is come to pass, ye might believe.

And the reading of the holy Gospel ended, all shall then together in like manner as before say or sing,

PRAISE be to Thee, O Christ.

Then shall the Minister say,

AND through the Words of the Gospel may our sins be blotted out.

## THE NICENE CREED.

Then shall be said or sung the Nicene Creed as followeth, the Priest and people still standing as before.

I BELIEVE in one God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, And of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord (And here all shall bow with reverence.) Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, Begotten of His Father before all worlds: God, of God; Light, of Light; Very God, of very God; Begotten, not made; Being of one substance with the Father; Through Whom all things were made: (And here all shall kneel or bow.) Who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven, And was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary, AND WAS MADE MAN, (And here all shall again rise.) And was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried, And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures, And ascended into heaven, And sitteth on the right hand of the Father. And He shall come again with glory to judge both the quick and the dead: Whose kingdom shall have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Ghost, The Lord and Giver of Life, Who proceedeth from the Father and the Son, Who with the Father and the Son together (And here all shall reverently bow.) is worshipped and glorified, Who spake by the Prophets. And I believe One Holy Catholic and Apostolic Church. I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins. And I look for the Resurrection of the dead, And the Life of the world to come. Amen.

# THE SERMON.

And here at the principal Eucharist upon the Lord's Day and greater Holy-days, a Sermon shall be preached or an Homily read out to the faithful.

## THE OFFERTORY.

Then shall the Priest return to the Lord's Table and begin the Offertory; and first kissing the Altar, he shall turn to the people, and say,

LET us present our offerings unto the Lord

# with reverence and godly fear.

Then shall the Priest say or sing one or more of these Sentences following, as he thinketh most convenient in his discretion.

AND they came every one whose heart stirred him up, and every one whom his spirit made willing, and they brought the Lord's offering.

Exodus xxxv.

Offer unto God the sacrifice of thanksgiving, and pay thy vows unto the Most High.

\*Psalm 1.\*\*

Give unto the Lord the honour due unto His Name; bring an offering and come into His courts.

\*\*Psalm xcvi.\*\*

I will offer to Thee the sacrifice of thanksgiving, and will call upon the Name of the Lord; I will pay my vow unto the Lord in the sight of all His people.

Psalm cxvi.

Whitsuntide. Whatsoever ye would that men should do unto you, even so do unto them; for this is the Law and the Prophets.

Saint Matthew vii.

OFFERTORY HYMN - "Come down, O Love divine" Hymn 487 - Tune: Down Ampney, 6.6 11. D. Blanco da Siena, d. 1434. Translated (1867) The Reverend R.F. Littledale.

Come down, O Love divine,
Seek Thou this soul of mine,
And visit it with Thine own ardour glowing;
O Comforter, draw near,
Within my heart appear,
And kindle it, Thy holy flame bestowing.

O let it freely burn,
Till earthly passions turn
To dust and ashes in its heat consuming;
And let Thy glorious light
Shine ever on my sight,
And clothe me round, the while my path illuming.

Let holy charity
Mine outward vesture be,
And lowliness become mine inner clothing;
True lowliness of heart
Which takes the humbler part,
And o'er its own shortcomings weeps with loathing.

And so the yearning strong,
With which the soul will long,
Shall far outpass the power of human telling;
For none can guess its grace,
Till He become the place
Wherein the HOLY SPIRIT makes His dwelling. Amen.

# THE PRESENTATION OF THE GIFTS.

And when the Tithes and Offerings are presented, the following shall be sung,
PRAISE GOD from Whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him all creatures here below;
Praise Him above ye heavenly host;
Praise FATHER, SON, and HOLY GHOST,
All things come of Thee, O LORD;
And of Thine own have we given Thee. Amen.

Or else this following may be said or sung instead,

**B**LESSED be Thou, O Lord God of Israel, forever and ever. All that is in the heaven and in the earth is Thine. All things come of Thee; and of Thine own have we given Thee. Amen.

And when there is a Eucharist, the Priest at the time of the Offertory shall also place upon the Lord's Table the oblations of so much Bread and Wine as he shall think sufficient (laying the same upon a fair linen cloth). And the Bread shall be the best and purest unleavened wheat Bread, and the Wine the purest grape Wine, that may be gotten. And at high and solemn celebrations, the Holy Table and oblations may then be censed by the Priest.

## THE INTERCESSION.

Then shall the Priest say,
Let us pray for Christ's holy Catholic Church.

## Then shall the Priest say this Prayer following.

ALMIGHTY and everliving God, Who by Thy holy Apostle hast taught us to make prayers, and supplications, and to give thanks, for all men: We humbly beseech Thee most mercifully to accept our alms and oblations, and to receive these our prayers, which we offer unto Thy Divine Majesty; beseeching Thee to inspire continually the universal Church with the spirit of truth, unity, and concord: And grant that all they that do confess Thy holy Name may agree in the truth of Thy holy Word, and live in unity and godly love.

We beseech Thee also to save and defend all Christian Kings, Princes, and Governors; and specially Thy servant *CHARLES* our King; that under him we may be godly and quietly governed: And grant unto all his councils, and to all that are put in authority under him, that they may truly and impartially minister justice, to the

punishment of wickedness and vice, and to the maintenance of Thy true religion and virtue.

Give grace, O heavenly Father, to all Bishops, Priests, and Deacons, and specially to Thy servant Robert. our Archbishop, that they may both by their life and doctrine set forth Thy true and living Word, and rightly and duly administer Thy holy Sacraments. And we beseech Thee also to bless all others who minister in Thy Name; that every one according to his calling and ministry may truly and godly serve Thee, to Thy honour and glory, and the edifying of Thy holy Church.

And to all Thy people give Thy heavenly grace; and specially to this congregation here present; that, with meek heart and due reverence, they may hear and receive Thy holy Word, truly serving Thee in holiness and righteousness all the days of their life. And we most humbly beseech Thee of Thy goodness, O Lord, to comfort and succour all them who, in this transitory life, are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity, *especially those for whom our prayers are desired*.

And here we remember before Thee, O Lord, and commend to Thy gracious keeping, all Thy servants departed this life in Thy faith and fear. And we bless Thy holy Name for all who in life and death have glorified Thee, remembering chiefly the most Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of Thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord and God; together with all Thy blessed Apostles, Prophets, Evangelists, Pastors and Doctors; Martyrs and Confessors; Virgins, Widows, and Matrons; and all Thy blessed Saints, in every place, and in every age: beseeching Thee to give us grace that, rejoicing in their fellowship, and assisted by their prayers, we may follow their good examples, and with them be partakers of Thy heavenly kingdom. Grant this, O Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our only Mediator and Advocate, to Whom, with Thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honour and glory, world without end. *Amen*.

# THE LITURGY OF THE SUPPER OF THE LORD

(This sacred portion of the Mass is reverently conducted in the Church.)

# THE DISMISSAL COLLECTS

The Collects following one or more are appointed to be said by the Minister after the Offertory before the Dismissal when there is no Communion.

ASSIST us mercifully, O Lord, in these our supplications and prayers, and dispose the way of Thy servants towards the attainment of everlasting salvation; that, among all the changes and chances of this mortal life, they may ever be defended by Thy most gracious and ready help; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen*.

O ALMIGHTY Lord, and everlasting God, vouchsafe, we beseech Thee, to direct, sanctify, and govern, both our hearts and bodies, in the ways of Thy laws, and in the works of Thy commandments; that through Thy most mighty protection, both here

and ever, we may be preserved in body and soul; through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. *Amen*.

**G**RANT, we beseech Thee, Almighty God, that the words, which we have heard this day with our outward ears, may through Thy grace be so grafted inwardly in our hearts, that they may bring forth in us the fruit of good living, to the honour and praise of Thy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen*.

PREVENT us, O Lord, in all our doings with Thy most gracious favour, and further us with Thy continual help; that in all our works begun, continued, and ended in Thee, we may glorify Thy holy Name, and finally by Thy mercy obtain everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen*.

ALMIGHTY God, the Fountain of all wisdom, Who knowest our necessities before we ask, and our ignorance in asking: We beseech Thee to have compassion upon our infirmities; and those things, which for our unworthiness we dare not, and for our blindness we cannot ask, vouchsafe to give us, for the worthiness of Thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen*.

ALMIGHTY God, Who hast promised to hear the petitions of them that ask in Thy Son's Name: We beseech Thee mercifully to incline Thine ears to us that have now made our prayers and supplications unto Thee; and grant, that those things, which we have faithfully asked according to Thy will, may effectually be obtained, to the relief of our necessity, and to the setting forth of Thy glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.* 

WE humbly beseech Thee, O Father, mercifully to look upon our infirmities; and for the glory of Thy Name turn from us all those evils that we have most justly deserved; and grant that, in all our troubles, we may put our whole trust and confidence only in Thy mercy, and evermore serve Thee in holiness and pureness of living, to Thy honour and glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen*.

O GOD, Whose nature and property is ever to have mercy and to forgive: Receive our humble petitions, we beseech Thee, O heavenly Father; and though we be tied and bound with the chain of our sins, yet let the pitifulness of Thy great mercy loose us, and let our prayers and supplications rise up before Thee; for the honour of Jesus Christ, Thy beloved Son and our only Saviour. *Amen*.

# THE BLESSING.

Then shall the Priest kiss the Lord's Table; and turning himself again to face the people, he shall let them depart with this Blessing, the people all kneeling.

THE peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of His Son Jesus Christ our Lord: And the blessing of God Almighty,  $\ ^{\ }$  the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be amongst you and remain with you always. *Amen*.

Then shall this Dismissal Hymn following be sung as the Priest and Minsters leave the Church.

DISMISSAL HYMN - "Joy! because the circling year"

Hymn 179 - Tune: Saint Bees, 77. 77.

The Reverend J. S. B. Monsell, 1857.

Joy! because the circling year Brings our day of blessings here; Day when first the light divine On the Church began to shine.

Like to quivering tongues of flame Unto each the SPIRIT came, Tongues, that earth might hear their call, Fire, that love might burn in all.

So the wondrous works of GOD Wondrously were spread abroad; Every tribe's familiar tone Made the glorious marvel known.

Hardened scoffers vainly jeered; Listening strangers heard and feared, Knew the prophets' word fulfilled, Owned the work which GOD had willed.

Still Thy SPIRIT'S fullness, LORD, On Thy waiting Church be poured; Grant our burdened hearts release; Grant us Thine abiding peace. Amen.

## THE DISMISSAL.

The Priest or Deacon shall dismiss the people as followeth.

THE Lord be with you.

Answer. And with thy spirit.

Priest. Let us depart in peace.

Answer. In the Name of the Lord. Amen.