

June 2, 2024: The Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ
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First Reading

Exodus 24:3-8

When Moses came to the people and related all the words and ordinances of the LORD, they all answered with one voice, "We will do everything that the LORD has told us."

Moses then wrote down all the words of the LORD and, rising early the next day, he erected at the foot of the mountain an altar and twelve pillars for the twelve tribes of Israel. Then, having sent certain young men of the Israelites to offer holocausts and sacrifice young bulls as peace offerings to the LORD, Moses took half of the blood and put it in large bowls; the other half he splashed on the altar. Taking the book of the covenant, he read it aloud to the people, who answered, "All that the LORD has said, we will heed and do."

Then he took the blood and sprinkled it on the people, saying, "This is the blood of the covenant that the LORD has made with you in accordance with all these words of His."

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 116:12-13, 15-16, 17-18

R. (13) I will take the cup of salvation, and call on the Name of the Lord.

or:

R. Alleluia.

How shall I make a return to the LORD
for all the good He has done for me?

The cup of salvation I will take up,
and I will call upon the Name of the LORD.

R. I will take the cup of salvation, and call on the Name of the Lord.

or:

R. Alleluia.

Precious in the eyes of the LORD

is the death of His faithful ones.

I am Your servant, the son of Your handmaid;

You have loosed my bonds.

R. I will take the cup of salvation, and call on the Name of the Lord.

or:

R. Alleluia.

To You will I offer sacrifice of thanksgiving,
and I will call upon the Name of the LORD.

My vows to the LORD I will pay
in the presence of all His people.

R. I will take the cup of salvation, and call on the Name of the Lord.

or:

R. Alleluia.

Second Reading

Hebrews 9:11-15

Brothers and sisters:

When Christ came as high priest of the good things that have come to be, passing through the greater and more perfect tabernacle not made by hands, that is, not belonging to this creation, He entered once for all into the sanctuary, not with the blood of goats and calves but with His own blood, thus obtaining eternal redemption. For if the blood of goats and bulls and the sprinkling of a heifer's ashes can sanctify those who are defiled so that their flesh is cleansed, how much more will the Blood of Christ, Who through the eternal Spirit offered Himself unblemished to God, cleanse our consciences from dead works to worship the living God.

For this reason He is mediator of a new covenant: since a death has taken place for deliverance from transgressions under the first covenant, those who are called may receive the promised eternal inheritance.

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Laud, O Zion, your salvation,
Laud with hymns of exultation,
Christ, your king and shepherd true:
Bring him all the praise you know,
He is more than you bestow.
Never can you reach his due.
Special theme for glad thanksgiving
Is the quick'ning and the living
Bread today before you set:
From his hands of old partaken,
As we know, by faith unshaken,
Where the Twelve at supper met.
Full and clear ring out your chanting,
Joy nor sweetest grace be wanting,
From your heart let praises burst:
For today the feast is holden,
When the institution olden
Of that supper was rehearsed.
Here the new law's new oblation,
By the new king's revelation,
Ends the form of ancient rite:
Now the new the old effaces,
Truth away the shadow chases,
Light dispels the gloom of night.
What he did at supper seated,
Christ ordained to be repeated,
His memorial ne'er to cease:
And his rule for guidance taking,
Bread and wine we hallow, making
Thus our sacrifice of peace.
This the truth each Christian learns,
Bread into his flesh he turns,
To his precious blood the wine:
Sight has fail'd, nor thought conceives,
But a dauntless faith believes,
Resting on a pow'r divine.
Here beneath these signs are hidden

Priceless things to sense forbidden;
Signs, not things are all we see:
Blood is poured and flesh is broken,
Yet in either wondrous token
Christ entire we know to be.
Whoso of this food partakes,
Does not rend the Lord nor breaks;
Christ is whole to all that taste:
Thousands are, as one, receivers,
One, as thousands of believers,
Eats of him who cannot waste.
Bad and good the feast are sharing,
Of what divers dooms preparing,
Endless death, or endless life.
Life to these, to those damnation,
See how like participation
Is with unlike issues rife.
When the sacrament is broken,
Doubt not, but believe 'tis spoken,
That each sever'd outward token
doth the very whole contain.
Nought the precious gift divides,
Breaking but the sign betides
Jesus still the same abides,
still unbroken does remain.

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(The shorter form of the sequence begins here.)

Lo! the angel's food is given
To the pilgrim who has striven;
 see the children's bread from heaven,
 which on dogs may not be spent.
Truth the ancient types fulfilling,
Isaac bound, a victim willing,
 Paschal lamb, its lifeblood spilling,
 manna to the fathers sent.
Very bread, good shepherd, tend us,
Jesu, of your love befriend us,
 You refresh us, you defend us,
 Your eternal goodness send us
In the land of life to see.
You who all things can and know,
Who on earth such food bestow,
 Grant us with your saints, though lowest,
 Where the heav'nly feast you show,
Fellow heirs and guests to be. Amen. Alleluia.

Gospel Reading

Mark 14:12-16, 22-26

On the first day of the Feast of Unleavened Bread, when they sacrificed the Passover lamb, Jesus' disciples said to Him, "Where do You want us to go and prepare for You to eat the Passover?" He sent two of His disciples and said to them, "Go into the city and a man will meet you, carrying a jar of water. Follow him. Wherever he enters, say to the master of the house, 'The Teacher says, "Where is My guest room where I may eat the Passover with My disciples?'" Then he will show you a large upper room furnished and ready. Make the preparations for us there." The disciples then went off, entered the city, and found it just as He had told them; and they prepared the Passover. While they were eating, He took bread, said the blessing, broke it, gave it to them, and said, "Take it; this is My Body." Then He took a cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, and they all drank from it. He said to them, "This is My Blood of the covenant, which will be shed for many. Amen, I say to you, I shall not drink again the fruit of the vine until the day when I drink it new in the Kingdom of God." Then, after singing a hymn, they went out to the Mount of Olives.

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First Reading

Genesis 3:9-15

After the man, Adam, had eaten of the tree, the LORD God called to the man and asked him, "Where are you?" He answered, "I heard you in the garden; but I was afraid, because I was naked, so I hid myself." Then he asked, "Who told you that you were naked? You have eaten, then, from the tree of which I had forbidden you to eat!" The man replied, "The woman whom you put here with me—she gave me fruit from the tree, and so I ate it." The LORD God then asked the woman, "Why did you do such a thing?" The woman answered, "The serpent tricked me into it, so I ate it."

Then the LORD God said to the serpent:

"Because you have done this, you shall be banned from all the animals and from all the wild creatures; on your belly shall you crawl, and dirt shall you eat all the days of your life. I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your offspring and hers; he will strike at your head, while you strike at his heel."

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 130: 1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8

R. With the Lord there is mercy, and fullness of redemption.

Out of the depths I cry to You, O LORD;
Lord, hear my voice!

Let Your ears be attentive
to my voice in supplication.

R. With the Lord there is mercy, and fullness of redemption.

If You, O LORD, mark iniquities,
LORD, who can stand?

But with You is forgiveness,
that You may be revered.

R. With the Lord there is mercy, and fullness of redemption.

I trust in the LORD;

my soul trusts in His word.

More than sentinels wait for the dawn,
let Israel wait for the LORD.

R. With the Lord there is mercy, and fullness of redemption.

For with the LORD is kindness

and with Him is plenteous redemption;

And He will redeem Israel

from all their iniquities.

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Second Reading**2 Corinthians 4:13 – 5:1**

Brothers and sisters:

Since we have the same spirit of faith, according to what is written, *I believed, therefore I spoke*, we too believe and therefore we speak, knowing that the One Who raised the Lord Jesus will raise us also with Jesus and place us with you in His presence. Everything indeed is for you, so that the grace bestowed in abundance on more and more people may cause the thanksgiving to overflow for the glory of God. Therefore, we are not discouraged; rather, although our outer self is wasting away, our inner is being renewed day after day. For this momentary light affliction is producing for us an eternal weight of glory beyond all comparison, as we look not to what is seen but to what is unseen; for what is seen is transitory, but what is unseen is eternal. For we know that if our earthly dwelling, a tent, should be destroyed, we have a building from God, a dwelling not made with hands, eternal in Heaven.

Gospel Reading**Mark 3:20-35**

Jesus came home with His disciples. Again the crowd gathered, making it impossible for them even to eat. When His relatives heard of this they set out to seize Him, for they said, “He is out of His mind.” The scribes who had come from Jerusalem said, “He is possessed by Beelzebul,” and “By the prince of demons He drives out demons.”

Summoning them, He began to speak to them in parables, “How can Satan drive out Satan? If a kingdom is divided against itself, that kingdom cannot stand. And if a house is divided against itself, that house will not be able to stand. And if Satan has risen up against himself and is divided, he cannot stand; that is the end of him. But no one can enter a strong man’s house to plunder his property unless he first ties up the strong man. Then he can plunder the house. Amen, I say to you, all sins and all blasphemies that people utter will be forgiven them. But whoever blasphemes against the Holy Spirit will never have forgiveness, but is guilty of an everlasting sin.” For they had said, “He has an unclean spirit.”

His mother and his brothers arrived. Standing outside they sent word to Him and called Him. A crowd seated around Him told Him, “Your mother and Your brothers and Your sisters are outside asking for You.” But He said to them in reply, “Who are My mother and My brothers?” And looking around at those seated in the circle He said, “Here are My mother and My brothers. For whoever does the will of God is My brother and sister and mother.”

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June 16, 2024: The 11th Sunday in Ordinary Time**First Reading****Ezekiel 17:22-24**

Thus says the Lord GOD:

I, too, will take from the crest of the cedar,
from its topmost branches tear off a tender
shoot,
and plant it on a high and lofty mountain;
on the mountain heights of Israel I will plant
it.
It shall put forth branches and bear fruit,
and become a majestic cedar.
Birds of every kind shall dwell beneath it,
every winged thing in the shade of its boughs.
And all the trees of the field shall know
that I, the LORD,
bring low the high tree,
lift high the lowly tree,
wither up the green tree,
and make the withered tree bloom.
As I, the LORD, have spoken, so will I do.

Responsorial Psalm**Psalm 92:2-3, 13-14, 15-16**

R. (cf. 2a) Lord, it is good to give thanks to You.

It is good to give thanks to the LORD,
to sing praise to Your Name, Most High,
To proclaim Your kindness at dawn
and Your faithfulness throughout the night.

R. Lord, it is good to give thanks to You.

The just one shall flourish like the palm tree,
like a cedar of Lebanon shall he grow.
They that are planted in the house of the LORD
shall flourish in the courts of our God.

R. Lord, it is good to give thanks to You.

They shall bear fruit even in old age;
vigorous and sturdy shall they be,
Declaring how just is the LORD,

my Rock, in Whom there is no wrong.

R. Lord, it is good to give thanks to You.

Second Reading**2 Corinthians 5:6-10**

Brothers and sisters:

We are always courageous, although we know that while we are at home in the body we are away from the Lord, for we walk by faith, not by sight. Yet we are courageous, and we would rather leave the body and go home to the Lord. Therefore, we aspire to please Him, whether we are at home or away. For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ, so that each may receive recompense, according to what he did in the body, whether good or evil.

Gospel Reading**Mark 4:26-34**

Jesus said to the crowds:

“This is how it is with the Kingdom of God; it is as if a man were to scatter seed on the land and would sleep and rise night and day and through it all the seed would sprout and grow, he knows not how. Of its own accord the land yields fruit, first the blade, then the ear, then the full grain in the ear. And when the grain is ripe, he wields the sickle at once, for the harvest has come.”

He said, “To what shall we compare the Kingdom of God, or what parable can we use for it? It is like a mustard seed that, when it is sown in the ground, is the smallest of all the seeds on the earth. But once it is sown, it springs up and becomes the largest of plants and puts forth large branches, so that the birds of the sky can dwell in its shade.” With many such parables He spoke the word to them as they were able to understand it. Without parables He did not speak to them, but to His own disciples He explained everything in private.

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June 23, 2024: The 12th Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading

Job 38:1, 8-11

The Lord addressed Job out of the storm and said:

Who shut within doors the sea,
when it burst forth from the womb;
when I made the clouds its garment
and thick darkness its swaddling bands?
When I set limits for it
and fastened the bar of its door,
and said: Thus far shall you come but no
farther,
and here shall your proud waves be stilled!

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 107:23-24, 25-26, 28-29, 30-31

R. (1b) Give thanks to the Lord, His love is everlasting.

or:

R. Alleluia.

They who sailed the sea in ships,
trading on the deep waters,
These saw the works of the LORD
and his wonders in the abyss.

R. Give thanks to the Lord, His love is everlasting.

or:

R. Alleluia.

His command raised up a storm wind
which tossed its waves on high.
They mounted up to heaven; they sank to the depths;
their hearts melted away in their plight.

R. Give thanks to the Lord, His love is everlasting.

or:

R. Alleluia.

They cried to the LORD in their distress;
from their straits he rescued them,
He hushed the storm to a gentle breeze,
and the billows of the sea were stilled.

R. Give thanks to the Lord, His love is everlasting.

or:

R. Alleluia.

They rejoiced that they were calmed,
and he brought them to their desired haven.
Let them give thanks to the LORD for his kindness
and his wondrous deeds to the children of men.

**R. Give thanks to the Lord, His love is everlasting.
or:**

R. Alleluia.

Second Reading

2 Corinthians 5:14-17

Brothers and sisters:

The love of Christ impels us, once we have come to the conviction that one died for all; therefore, all have died. He indeed died for all, so that those who live might no longer live for themselves but for Him Who for their sake died and was raised.

Consequently, from now on we regard no one according to the flesh; even if we once knew Christ according to the flesh, yet now we know Him so no longer. So whoever is in Christ is a new creation: the old things have passed away; behold, new things have come.

Gospel Reading

Mark 4:35-41

On that day, as evening drew on, Jesus said to His disciples: "Let us cross to the other side." Leaving the crowd, they took Jesus with them in the boat just as He was. And other boats were with Him. A violent squall came up and waves were breaking over the boat, so that it was already filling up. Jesus was in the stern, asleep on a cushion. They woke Him and said to Him, "Teacher, do You not care that we are perishing?" He woke up, rebuked the wind, and said to the sea, "Quiet! Be still!" The wind ceased and there was great calm. Then He asked them, "Why are You terrified? Do You not yet have faith?" They were filled with great awe and said to one another, "Who then is this Whom even wind and sea obey?"

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First Reading**Wisdom 1:13-15; 2:23-24**

God did not make death,
nor does He rejoice in the destruction of the
living.
For He fashioned all things that they might have
being;
and the creatures of the world are
wholesome,
and there is not a destructive drug among them
nor any domain of the netherworld on earth,
for justice is undying.
For God formed man to be imperishable;
the image of His Own nature He made him.
But by the envy of the devil, death entered the
world,
and they who belong to his company
experience it.

Responsorial Psalm**Psalm 30:2, 4, 5-6, 11, 12, 13****R. (2a) I will praise You, Lord, for You have rescued me.**

I will extol You, O LORD, for You drew me clear
and did not let my enemies rejoice over me.
O LORD, You brought me up from the netherworld;
You preserved me from among those going down into
the pit.

R. I will praise You, Lord, for You have rescued me.

Sing praise to the LORD, you His faithful ones,
and give thanks to His holy Name.

For His anger lasts but a moment;
a lifetime, His good will.

At nightfall, weeping enters in,
but with the dawn, rejoicing.

R. I will praise You, Lord, for You have rescued me.

Hear, O LORD, and have pity on me;

O LORD, be my helper.

You changed my mourning into dancing;

O LORD, my God, forever will I give You thanks.

R. I will praise You, Lord, for You have rescued me.**Second Reading****2 Corinthians 8:7, 9, 13-15**

Brothers and sisters:

As you excel in every respect, in faith, discourse,
knowledge, all earnestness, and in the love we have for
you, may you excel in this gracious act also.

For you know the gracious act of our Lord Jesus Christ,
that though He was rich, for your sake He became poor,
so that by His poverty you might become rich. Not that
others should have relief while you are burdened, but
that as a matter of equality your abundance at the
present time should supply their needs, so that their
abundance may also supply your needs, that there may
be equality. As it is written:

*Whoever had much did not have more,
and whoever had little did not have less.*

Gospel Reading**Mark 5:21-43**

When Jesus had crossed again in the boat to the other
side, a large crowd gathered around Him, and He stayed
close to the sea. One of the synagogue officials, named
Jairus, came forward. Seeing Him he fell at His feet and
pleaded earnestly with Him, saying, "My daughter is at
the point of death. Please, come lay Your hands on her
that she may get well and live." He went off with him,
and a large crowd followed Him and pressed upon Him.

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There was a woman afflicted with hemorrhages for twelve years. She had suffered greatly at the hands of many doctors and had spent all that she had. Yet she was not helped but only grew worse. She had heard about Jesus and came up behind Him in the crowd and touched His cloak.

She said, "If I but touch His clothes, I shall be cured." Immediately her flow of blood dried up. She felt in her body that she was healed of her affliction. Jesus, aware at once that power had gone out from Him, turned around in the crowd and asked, "Who has touched My clothes?" But His disciples said to Jesus, "You see how the crowd is pressing upon You, and yet You ask, 'Who touched Me?'" And He looked around to see who had done it. The woman, realizing what had happened to her, approached in fear and trembling. She fell down before Jesus and told Him the whole truth. He said to her, "Daughter, your faith has saved you. Go in peace and be cured of your affliction."

While He was still speaking, people from the synagogue official's house arrived and said, "Your daughter has died; why trouble the Teacher any longer?" Disregarding the message that was reported, Jesus said to the synagogue official, "Do not be afraid; just have faith." He did not allow anyone to accompany Him inside except Peter, James, and John, the brother of James. When they arrived at the house of the synagogue official, He caught sight of a commotion, people weeping and wailing loudly. So He went in and said to them, "Why this commotion and weeping? The child is not dead but asleep." And they ridiculed Him. Then he put them all out. He took along the child's father and mother and those who were with Him and entered the room where the child was.

He took the child by the hand and said to her, "*Talitha kum,*" which means, "Little girl, I say to you, arise!" The

girl, a child of twelve, arose immediately and walked around. At that they were utterly astounded. He gave strict orders that no one should know this and said that she should be given something to eat.

OR:**Mark 5:21-24, 35b-43**

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