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SUNDAY 1 MAY 2022

3RD SUNDAY OF EASTER

Year C



Tell God all about your week so far.



ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Cry out with joy to God, all the earth;
O sing to the glory of his name.
O render him glorious praise, alleluia.

We say these words or sing a hymn as the priest approaches the altar.

COLLECT

May your people exult for ever, O God,
in renewed youthfulness of spirit,
so that, rejoicing now in the restored glory of our adoption,
we may look forward in confident hope
to the rejoicing of the day of resurrection...

We ask for God's help. Listen now to the priest as he offers this prayer.



FIRST READING ACTS 5:27-32, 40-41

Respecting authority is very important. However, sometimes it is even more important to do what is right. Today we hear how the apostles are warned by the people in charge not to keep on talking about Jesus. They are worried that

the apostles are causing trouble, blaming them for Jesus' death. Peter and the apostles know that it is far more important to do what God asks. They continue to spread the good news about Jesus – and even feel happy to have suffered for Jesus.

LOOK at the reader and LISTEN.

The apostles continue to tell everyone about Jesus, despite official warnings.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM PSALM 29

I will praise you, Lord,
you have rescued me.
Or Alleluia!

The cantor or psalmist sings or says the psalm. Listen to the verses, and then respond by using these words.



SECOND READING APOCALYPSE 5:11-14

All of creation is praising Jesus in John's vision of heaven. Angels, people and even animals are gathered round the throne and are worshipping God. All of John's visions are written in code, as the first

Christians were in trouble with the authorities. Jesus is "the Lamb" who has sacrificed himself to show us all just how much God loves us. Let us all join in with the thanks and praise to God!

LOOK at the reader and LISTEN.

John's vision shows that heaven is full of praise for Jesus, the Lamb.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!
Lord Jesus, explain the scriptures to us.
Make our hearts burn within us as you talk to us.
Alleluia!

We give a shout of praise to God, using these words taken from the Bible.



DO YOU KNOW?

In today's Gospel, Jesus asks Peter **if he loves him**. When Peter says he does, Jesus asks him to **look after his sheep**. We are all Jesus' sheep! **If we love Jesus, we need to look after each other.**



THINK

Tuesday 3 May is the feast of **Ss Philip and James, Apostles**. We don't know much about these men, but both were **chosen by Jesus** to spread the message of **God's love**. Each one of us, even if no one ever knows much about us, is **very precious to God** and each one of us has an **important job to do**.



GOSPEL JOHN 21:1-19

The Good News about Jesus is told to us by St John.

The disciples have been fishing but caught nothing. When a man on the shore points out where to find fish and they are overloaded, they realise it is Jesus! In his excitement, Peter jumps into the water and wades to the shore. Jesus has prepared a fire and they

sit down to a breakfast of fresh fish and bread. After eating, Peter is shown that he is forgiven for failing to stand up for Jesus when he was on trial. The three times Jesus invites Peter to say he loves him, cancelling out the three times Peter denied knowing Jesus.

STAND to LISTEN

to the priest or deacon as he prepares to read the Gospel.

Before he reads the Gospel, what does the priest do to his forehead, his lips and his heart? Can you copy him?



PRAY

“Do you love me?”

Yes, Lord, you know I love you. Help me to show you how much I love you by the way that I treat the people I meet today.



PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL

Dear Lord, I am thinking about anyone who feels bad for letting someone down. Let them know they are forgiven and help them to feel your peace. Lord, hear my prayer.

Listen to the reader as he or she encourages us to pray for situations and people in need. Here is a prayer you could say privately.



OFFERTORY PROCESSION

As we take our gifts of bread, wine and money to the altar, think about any time this week when you didn't do something properly and then think about the other times when you did a great job.

Watch as the gifts are made ready and the priest washes his hands and prepares for the Eucharistic Prayer.

Say a little prayer offering these thoughts up to God.



THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

Today's special prayer thanks God for fulfilling all God's promises to us.

What can you give special thanks for today?

We listen to the prayer of praise and thanks to God.



THE LORD'S PRAYER

As the priest extends his hands, we say the prayer that Jesus taught us.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Jesus said to his disciples: Come and eat.
And he took bread and gave it to them, alleluia.

You are invited to sing a Communion song or say this verse, which has been especially chosen for today's celebration.



MY PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

I want to praise and thank you, Jesus, for loving me. Thank you! Amen.



IXΘΥΣ

is the Greek word for “fish” and was used in the catacombs as a sign for early Christians. It is made up from the first letter of five Greek titles for the Lord:

- I (Jesus)
- X (Christos)
- Θ (Theou/God's)
- Υ (Uios/Son)
- Σ (Soter/Saviour)

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We take Jesus with us to carry on the work that he did on earth, until we meet again next Sunday.

Go in peace.

