

**Diocese of Northampton  
Cathedral of Our Lady Immaculate and St Thomas**

**MASS for the SICK and HOUSEBOUND**

**30 April 2022 – LiveStream – 3pm Bishop David**

**Processional**

*Alleluia, alleluia, give thanks to the risen Lord.*

*Alleluia, alleluia, give praise to his name.*

Jesus is Lord of all the earth. He is the King of creation.

Spread the good news o'er all the earth. Jesus has died and is risen.

We have been crucified with Christ. now we shall live for ever.

Come let us praise the living God, joyfully sing to our Saviour.

**Greeting and Penitential Rite**

**Opening Prayer**

**LITURGY OF THE WORD**

**From the Acts of the Apostles**

*Acts 6:1-7*

About this time, when the number of disciples was increasing, the Hellenists made a complaint against the Hebrews: in the daily distribution their own widows were being overlooked. So the Twelve called a full meeting of the disciples and addressed them, 'It would not be right for us to neglect the word of God so as to give out food; you, brothers, must select from among yourselves seven men of good reputation, filled with the Spirit and with wisdom; we will hand over this duty to them, and continue to devote ourselves to prayer and to the service of the word.' The whole assembly approved of this proposal and elected Stephen, a man full of faith and of the Holy Spirit, together with Philip, Prochorus, Nicanor, Timon, Parmenas, and Nicolaus of Antioch, a convert to Judaism. They presented these to the apostles, who prayed and laid their hands on them.

The word of the Lord continued to spread: the number of disciples in Jerusalem was greatly increased, and a large group of priests made their submission to the faith.

*The Word of the Lord – THANKS BE TO GOD*

**Responsorial Psalm - Psalm 32(33):1-2,4-5,18-19**

*May your love be upon us, O Lord, as we place all our hope in you.*

Ring out your joy to the Lord, O you just; \* for praise is fitting for loyal hearts.

Give thanks to the Lord upon the harp, \* with a ten-stringed lute sing him songs.

For the word of the Lord is faithful \* and all his works to be trusted.  
The Lord loves justice and right \* and fills the earth with his love.

The Lord looks on those who revere him, \* on those who hope in his love,  
to rescue their souls from death, \* to keep them alive in famine.

### **Gospel Acclamation**

Alleluia, alleluia! Christ has risen, he who created all things,  
and has granted his mercy to all people. Alleluia!

*The Lord be with you - AND WITH YOUR SPIRIT*

*A reading from the holy Gospel according to John GLORY TO YOU, O LORD [6:16-21]*

In the evening the disciples went down to the shore of the lake and got into a boat to make for Capernaum on the other side of the lake. It was getting dark by now and Jesus had still not rejoined them. The wind was strong, and the sea was getting rough. They had rowed three or four miles when they saw Jesus walking on the lake and coming towards the boat. This frightened them, but he said, 'It is I. Do not be afraid.' They were for taking him into the boat, but in no time it reached the shore at the place they were making for.

*The Gospel of the Lord PRAISE TO YOU LORD JESUS CHRIST*

### **Homily**

### **Blessing of Prayer Cards**

### **Intercessions**

## **LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST**

### **At the Preparation of Gifts**

*Do not be afraid for I have redeemed you.*

*I have called you by your name; you are mine.*

When you walk through the waters I 'll be with you.

You will never sink beneath the waves.

When the fire is burning all around you, you will never be consumed by the flames.

When the fear of loneliness is looming, then remember I am at your side.

When you dwell in the exile of the stranger, remember you are precious in my eyes.

You are mine, O my child, I am your Father, and I love you with a perfect love.

## Eucharistic Prayer

### Preface

### Sanctus - *sung*

### Memorial acclamation

SAVE US, SAVIOUR OF THE WORLD,  
FOR BY YOUR DEATH AND RESURRECTION YOU HAVE SET US FREE

### Agnus Dei - *sung*

### Communion Procession

Be still and know that I am God.

I am the Lord that healeth thee.

In thee, O Lord, I put my trust

### Act of spiritual communion

Lord Jesus Christ, I have come before you at this Mass, as at every Mass,  
seeking your blessing and offering you my life.

I am not able to receive you in this Sacrament of your Body and Blood  
but I have received the grace of being called into your presence.

May my present hunger for the Eucharist,  
my longing to be reunited with you, Lord, and your holy people,  
lead me to a deeper appreciation of my faith and its place in my life.

During these days, in particular  
may I draw strength and nourishment from the Scriptures:  
the Gospels which speak directly of you,  
and those passages with which you opened the minds of the disciples  
on the Road to Emmaus. Amen.

*A prayer of Spiritual Communion for the Year of the Word –  
from Birmingham Diocesan website.*

### Communion Thanksgiving

Soul of my Saviour, sanctify my breast;  
Body of Christ, be thou my saving guest;  
Blood of my Saviour, bathe me in thy tide,  
wash me with water flowing from thy side.

Strength and protection may thy passion be;  
O blessed Jesus, hear and answer me;  
deep in thy wounds, Lord, hide and shelter me;  
so shall I never, never part from thee.

Guard and defend me from the foe malign;  
in death's dread moments make me only thine;  
call me, and bid me come to thee on high,  
when I may praise thee with thy saints for aye.

## Blessing

May the God of all consolation bless you in every way  
and grant you hope all the days of your life. AMEN

May God restore you to health  
and grant you salvation. Amen

May God fill your heart with peace  
and lead you to eternal life. Amen.

May almighty God bless you,  
the Father, ✠ and the Son, ✠ and the Holy ✠ Spirit. **Amen.**

Go in peace. **Thanks be to God.**

## Recessional:

Christ be beside me, Christ be before me,  
Christ be behind me, King of my heart.  
Christ be within me Christ be below me,  
Christ be above me, never to part.

Christ on my right hand, Christ on my left hand,  
Christ all around me, shield in the strife.  
Christ in my sleeping, Christ in my sitting,  
Christ in my rising, light of my life.

Christ be in all hearts thinking about me,  
Christ be in all tongues telling of me.  
Christ be the vision in eyes that see me,  
in ears that hear me, Christ ever be.

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