

Requiem for All Souls

INTRODUCTION

INTROIT HYMN— **497**

Hymns Old & New

INTROIT SENTENCE

We look not to the things that are seen but to the things that are unseen; for the things that are seen are transient but the things that are unseen are eternal.

2 Cor. 4:18

In the name of the Father, and of ✠ the Son,
and of the Holy Spirit.

All respond: Amen.

Grace, mercy and peace from God our Father
and the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

And also with you.

The priest may introduce the service.

The PRAYERS OF PENITENCE are introduced.

God has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of his glory in the face of Christ. But we have this treasure in earthen vessels to show that the transcendent power belongs to God and not to us.

2 Cor. 4:6-7

As we acknowledge our human frailty, we call to mind our sins of word, deed and omission, and confess them before God our Father.

You raise the dead to life in the Spirit:

Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

You bring pardon and peace to the sinner:

Christ, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

You bring light to those in darkness:

Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

May almighty God have mercy on us,
forgive us ✠ our sins,
and bring us to everlasting life.

Amen.

Let us pray for the peace and well-being of the whole Church, living and departed.

All remain standing for the COLLECT.

Eternal God, our maker and redeemer, grant us, with all the faithful departed, the sure benefits of your Son's saving passion and glorious resurrection; that in the last day, when you gather up all things in Christ, we may with them enjoy the fullness of your promises; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING

Wis. 3:1-9

A reading from the book of Wisdom.

The souls of the righteous are in the hand of God, and no torment will ever touch them. In the eyes of the foolish they seemed to have died, and their departure was thought to be a disaster, and their departure was thought to be their destruction; but they are at peace. For though in the sight of others they were punished, their hope is full of immortality. Having been disciplined a little, they will receive great good, because God tested them and found them worthy of himself; like gold in the furnace he tried them, and like a sacrificial burnt offering he accepted them. In the time of their visitation they will shine forth, and will run like sparks through the stubble. They will govern nations and rule over peoples, and the Lord will reign over them for ever. Those who trust in him will understand truth, and the faithful will abide with him in love, because grace and mercy are upon his holy ones, and he watches over his elect.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

R. God's love has been poured into our hearts.

(All repeat)

The Lord is my light and my salvation;
whom then shall I fear?

The Lord is the stronghold of my life;
of whom then shall I be afraid? R.

When evildoers came upon me to consume me,
it was my foes and my adversaries who
stumbled and fell.

Though an army should encamp against me,
yet my heart shall not be afraid. R.

One thing have I asked of the Lord, one thing
I seek:

to dwell in the Lord's house all the days of my
life;

to behold the fair beauty of the Lord
and to seek him in his temple. R.

I am sure I shall see the Lord's goodness,
in the land of the living.

Be strong and he shall comfort your heart,
and put your trust in the Lord. R.

SECOND READING

1 Pet. 1:3–9

A reading from the first letter of Peter.

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! By his great mercy he has given us a new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, and into an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you, who are being protected by the power of God through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time. In this you rejoice, even if now for a little while you have had to suffer various trials, so that the genuineness of your faith – being more precious than gold that, though perishable, is tested by fire – may be found to result in praise and glory and honour when Jesus Christ is revealed. Although you have not seen him, you love him; and even though you do not see him now, you believe in him and rejoice with an indescribable and glorious joy, for you are receiving the outcome of your faith, the salvation of your souls.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GRADUAL HYMN—235

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Jn. 3:16

Alleluia.

God so loved the world that he gave his only
Son:

that all who believe in him might have
eternal life.

Alleluia.

GOSPEL READING

Jn. 6:37–40

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Hear the Gospel ✠ of our Lord Jesus Christ
according to John.

Glorify to you, O Lord.

Jesus said to the crowds:

“All that the Father gives me will come to me, and anyone who comes to me I will never turn away; for I have come down from heaven, not to do my own will, but the will of him who sent me. And this is the will of him who sent me, that I should not lose even one of those he has given me, but should raise them up on the last day. This is indeed the will of my Father, that all who see the Son and have faith in him may have eternal life; and I will raise them up on the last day.”

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

A SERMON *may follow.*

The INTERCESSIONS are introduced, and all kneel. This response follows each prayer:

✠. Hear us, risen Lord,

R. **Our resurrection and our life.**

The Intercessions end:

May God in his infinite love and mercy bring the whole Church, living and departed in the Lord Jesus, to a joyful resurrection and the fulfilment of his eternal kingdom. **Amen.**

LITURGY OF THE SACRAMENT

All stand as the priest introduces the PEACE.
The peace of the risen Lord be always with you.
And also with you.

OFFERTORY HYMN— 153

The people unite their prayers with the priest, who says the PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS.

Pray, my brothers and sisters, that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.

May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands, for the praise and glory of his name, for our good, and the good of all his Church.

Look favourably, Lord, on our offerings which we unite with your Son's loving sacrifice, and grant that your departed servants may be taken up into glory with him: who lives and reigns for ever and ever. **Amen.**

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give him thanks and praise.

The PREFACE follows.

All respond with the SANCTUS & BENEDICTUS.

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he ✠ who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

All kneel. After the Consecration, all acclaim:

Great is the mystery of faith:

Christ has died;

Christ is risen;

Christ will come again.

The Eucharistic Prayer continues, and ends:

... for ever and ever. **Amen.**

RITE OF COMMUNION

The priest introduces the LORD'S PRAYER.

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come; thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

The priest breaks the Host; AGNUS DEI is sung.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: grant us peace.

The priest gives the COMMUNION INVITATION.

Behold the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world. Blessed are those who are called to his supper.

Lord, I am not worthy to receive you, but only say the word, and I shall be healed.

Visitors: If you normally receive Communion in your home church, you are welcome to do so at this altar. Otherwise, we invite you to come forward, *holding this leaflet*, for a Blessing.

COMMUNION HYMN



1. **Jesu, Son of Mary,
Fount of life alone,
Here we hail thee present
On thine altar-throne.
Humbly we adore thee,
Lord of endless might,
In the mystic symbols
Veiled from earthly sight.**



2. **Think, O Lord, in mercy**
On the souls of those
Who, in faith gone from us,
Now in death repose.
Here 'mid stress and conflict
Toils can never cease;
There, the warfare ended,
Bid them rest in peace.

3. **Often were they wounded**
In the deadly strife;
Heal them, Good Physician,
With the balm of life.
Every taint of evil,
Frailty and decay,
Good and gracious Saviour,
Cleanse and purge away.

4. **Rest eternal grant them,**
After weary fight;
Shed on them the radiance
Of thy heavenly light.
Lead them onward, upward,
To the holy place,
Where thy saints made perfect
Gaze upon thy face.

The priest says the POST-COMMUNION prayer.
God of love, may the death and resurrection of Christ which we have celebrated in this eucharist bring all the faithful, living and departed in the Lord, into the peace of your eternal home. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ, our rock and our salvation, to whom be glory for time and for eternity. **Amen.**

LITURGY OF COMMEMORATION

All stand

Rev. 4.11; 5.9–12

Glory and honour and power:
are yours by right, O Lord our God;
For you created all things:
and by your will they have their being.

Glory and honour and power:
are yours by right, O Lamb who was slain;
For by your blood you have ransomed for
God a kingdom of priests
from every race and language,
from every people and nation.

The names of those to be remembered are read.

After all the names have been read:

This is the will of him that sent me, that I should
lose not one of those he has given me;
And I will raise them up at the last day.

Jn. 6.39

Rest eternal ✠ grant unto them, O Lord;
And let light perpetual shine upon them.

Lord God, creator of all, you have made us creatures of this earth, but have also promised us a share in life eternal. According to your promises, may all who have died in the peace of Christ share in the joy of heaven, where, released from all their sins, they may praise you for ever in the company of the blessed.

Give rest, O Christ,
to your servants with the saints:
where sorrow and pain are no more,
neither sighing, but life everlasting.

CONCLUSION

Notices may be announced.

The priest gives the BLESSING and DISMISSAL.
The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

May God give you his comfort and his peace, his light and his joy, in this world and the next; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, ✠ and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Go in the peace of Christ.
Thanks be to God.