

Loving Service

Hymn: You kingdom come

Your Spirit, Oh Lord, is a roving fire
Racing through the land,
Blazing ready hearts and mind,
Awaiting your command
To bring the good news to the poor,
Proclaiming to prisoners
To give the blinded sight, to set the shackled free.

So send your spirit forth, O Lord,
And recreate our broken world
With eagerness we pray, your kingdom come today.

Priest: Blessed and praised every moment. [3 times]

All: Be the Most Holy and Divine Sacrament.

Introduction:

Service is the heartbeat of our love for Jesus. After Peter said yes to the Savior's question "Do you love me?" Jesus quickly added "Feed my sheep". So, automatically service follows, service is not optional. It is the fruit of faith. Through service, we express our thanksgiving to God for His Goodness shown towards us.

Adoration: (All Together)

My sweet Jesus, I adore you in the most Blessed Sacrament of the altar. What a novel way of hiding Yourself under the appearance of bread, in order to make Yourself be loved and found on earth by all those who desire You. O most loving heart of my Jesus worthy to possess the hearts of all creatures- Heart full of flames of most pure love. O consuming fire, consume me, my whole being, and give me a new life of love and grace. Unite me to yourself in such a way that I may never more be separated from you. How great an honour it is my sweet Jesus to be admitted among the servants of your divine majesty. Your service is not hard, heavy or dishonourable but rather, it is sweet, easy and glorious. You have said "to serve God is to reign". My yoke is sweet and my burden is light. O you angels of the celestial court, ever ready to execute the commands of God, obtain for me a great promptness in the divine service so that I may one day deserve to hear that sweet invitation: "Come then faithful servant, thou hast been faithful in little things, enter into the joy of the Lord."

Hymn: Holy god, we praise thy name

Holy God we praise Thy name,
Lord of all we bow before Thee,
All on earth Thy scepter claim,
All in heaven above adore Thee,
Infinite Thy vast domain,
Everlasting is Thy reign.



Hark! The loud celestial hymn,
Angel choirs above are rising,
Cherubim and Seraphim
In unceasing chorus praising,
Fill the heavens with sweet accord,
Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord!

Penitential Rite:

O heart of Jesus, open to be the refuge of souls, receive me. O heart which was so agonized for the sins of the world, give me true sorrow for my sins. I am determined by your grace to give you pleasure by surrendering myself completely into Your Holy hands .While I examine Myself, I am at the loss to know the actual status of my soul.

(Response: Search me O God and know my heart today)

1. Very often I have neglected my duties toward God. (R)
2. Sometimes I have not offered a helping hand to my neighbour who was hurt and lonely. (R)
3. I have not cared about my family members the way I should have. (R)
4. I neither have nor made up with my friends and my neighbours. (R)
5. I have not forgiven the wrongs done to me. (R)
6. I was not generous and gave little even though I received much
7. I nurtured feelings of pride over my position and prosperity and despised others. (R)
8. I have Received Jesus in the Eucharist without the sacrament of reconciliation. (R)
9. I have been ungrateful to many who have done me service. (R)
10. I have remained stagnant in the knowledge of my faith which was given to me freely at the cost of the Blood of Jesus. (R)

Let us pause to reflect on the many offences we have committed and be truly sorry for them.

All: These and many other sin of omission and commission I confess to you. My Jesus, help me to be determined to stay on the path on righteousness and to serve you devoutly. Increase in me the strength to love you more and to reach out to others in need. Mary, you who are all powerful with God, obtain for me the grace to be a faithful servant of the pure love of Jesus.

Hymn: Cleanse me

Search me O God, and know my heart today,
Try me, O Saviour, know my thoughts I pray,
See, if there be, some wicked way in me,
Cleanse me from every sin and set me free.

I praise Thee, Lord, for cleansing me from sin,
Fulfill Thy word and make me pure within,
Fill me with fire, where once I burned with shame,
Grant my desire to magnify thy name

Scripture Reading (St. Mat 25: 14-30)

Reflection:

Jesus wants us to assume responsibilities for our lives. Whatever we have is like "Goods entrusted to us". God has trusted us, and given us a share of "His goods". I am God's private property whatever gifts, values or riches are in me, belongs to Him. But they are "in deposit" with me. And God expects me to use them with initiative. Each one is asked to give "what he can and should give". The man who makes his two talents yield two more is rewarded on an equal footing with the man who made his five talents yield five more. For God no two persons are identical, each one is unique. There is a certain 'note' in me, which I alone am able to play. Every human being is irreplaceable in the eyes of God. So today let us promise God to use our whole self for God and for the other without counting the cost.

Intercessory Prayers:

O sovereign Lord and King, all that the father has is yours. We come to you knowing that you will not send us away. You are generous to all who call upon you. We place all our petitions at your holy feet.

(Response to be sung: Make me a servant today)

1. Lord may I be your true apostle and work for your kingdom. (R)
2. That I may serve willingly with a joyful heart. (R)
3. That I may offer at least one hour of service in my capacity every week. (R)
4. That I may make you known and loved where ever I am. (R)
5. That I may help to have a clean and healthy environment. (R)
6. For peace in my country, India. (R)
7. Eradicate tension and violence in various states in our Country. (R)
8. For strength and fortitude to all those in danger of life. (R)
9. That Christians always stand firm in their faith in all circumstances. (R)
10. Where the whole world to unite under a common banner of love. (R)
11. That I may always be willing to serve rather than be served. (R)
12. Pray for any personal and local petitions. (R)

Hymn: Make me a servant

Make me a servant, humble and meek
Lord let me lift up those who are weak
And may the prayer of my heart always be
Make me a servant today.
Even though you were in the form of God
You took the form of a slave
You accepted death even on a cross
So God exalted your name.

Ere you formed me in my mother's womb
You called me by my name
And you touched my mouth and appointed me
A prophet to the world.



Thanksgiving Prayer: (All Together)

"It is good to give thanks to the Lord and to sing praises to your name, o Most High" (Psalms 92:1).

Yes Lord, we thank you for Your loving presence in the adorable sacrament of the altar, for your coming to us in Holy communion to be our food and drink, our strength and consolation.

(Response: Thank you Jesus, thank you Lord for loving me.)

- 1. You have honoured me by accepting me into your church. (R)**
- 2. You shepherd me and find me when I'm lost. (R)**
- 3. You have given me your own Father to be my Father. (R)**
- 4. You have given me your mother to be my Mother. (R)**
- 5. You have placed an angel by my side to watch over me. (R)**
- 6. Throughout life you offer me the sacraments to keep me in Your grace and make me ready for heaven. (R)**
- 7. For the church you have placed at my disposal where I can praise and worship you. (R)**
- 8. For all the talents you have given me. (R)**
- 9. For my comfortable home, family and friends. (R)**
- 10. For good health, food and clothing. (R)**
- 11. For the beautiful world you have me to explore and enjoy. (R)**
- 12. For all the enjoyable and happy moments of my life. (R)**
- 13. For the times trials made me stronger and I came closer to you. (R)**
- 14. For salvation and heaven you have kept ready for me. (R)**

Lord Jesus, my heart is filled with deep thanks and praise for all that you have done for me. I shall live a life of thanksgiving and service to you proclaiming your greatness. I pray that I may always be generous in service to all those in need and that I may be able to put into practice all that I have prayed for.

Adoration Hymn: Let us bow in adoration


**To the Sacrament so great so great
Here is new and perfect worship
All the old must terminate
Senses cannot grasp this marvel
Faith must serve to compensate
Glory, honour adoration
Let us sing with one accord
Praised be God, almighty Father
Praise be Christ, his son, Our Lord
Praise be God, the Holy Spirit
Triune God head be adored. Amen**

Final Blessing (Priest)

Celebrant: You have given them bread from heaven.

Response: containing in itself all sweetness.

Father your will your church to be the sacrament of salvation for all people. Make us feel more urgently the call to work for the salvation of all nations, until you have made us into one people. Inspire the hearts of



all to continue the saving work of Jesus everywhere until the end of the world. Grant us this through Christ our lord Amen.

Divine Praises

Blessed be God

Blessed be His holy name

Blessed be Jesus Christ, true God and true man

Blessed be the name of Jesus

Blessed be His most Sacred Heart

Blessed be His most precious blood

Blessed be Jesus in the most holy Sacrament of the altar

Blessed be the Holy Spirit, the Paraclete

Blessed be the great Mother of God, Mary most holy

Blessed be her holy and Immaculate Conception

Blessed be glorious assumption

Blessed be the name of Mary, virgin and Mother

Blessed be St. Joseph, her most chaste spouse

Blessed be God in his angels and in his saints.

Final Hymn: People all over the world

I give my hands to do your work

And Jesus Lord I give them willingly,

I give my feet to go your way

And every step I shall take cheerfully.

O the joy of the Lord is my strength, my strength

O the joy of the Lord is my help, my help

For the power of His Spirit is in my soul

And the joy of the Lord is my strength.

I give my eyes to see the world

And everyone in just the way you do