

### The Collect

Almighty God, who through thine only-begotten Son Jesus Christ has overcome death, and opened unto us the gate of everlasting life: strengthen and increase our faith, that we may know him and the power of his resurrection, and live to thy glory for ever; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with thee and the Holy Spirit, God for ever and ever. Amen.

The Old Testament Reading is taken from the Book of the Prophet Isaiah, at Chapter 12.

12:1 You will say in that day:

“I will give thanks to thee, O Lord,  
for though thou wast angry with me,  
thy anger turned away,  
and thou didst comfort me.

2 “Behold, God is my salvation;  
I will trust, and will not be afraid;  
for the Lord God is my strength and my song,  
and he has become my salvation.”

3 With joy you will draw water from the wells of salvation.

4 And you will say in that day:

“Give thanks to the Lord,  
call upon his name;  
make known his deeds among the nations,  
proclaim that his name is exalted.

5 “Sing praises to the Lord, for he has done gloriously;  
let this be known in all the earth.

6 Shout, and sing for joy, O inhabitant of Zion,  
for great in your midst is the Holy One of Israel.”

The word of the Lord. All: Thanks be to God.

The New Testament Reading is taken from the First Epistle of St Peter, beginning in the 1<sup>st</sup> Chapter at the 3<sup>rd</sup> verse.

3 Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ!  
By his great mercy we have been born anew to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, 4 and to an inheritance which is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you,

5 who by God's power are guarded through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time.

6 In this you rejoice, though now for a little while you may have to suffer various trials,

7 so that the genuineness of your faith, more precious than gold which though perishable is tested by fire, may redound to praise and glory and honor at the revelation of Jesus Christ.

8 Without having seen him you love him; though you do not now see him you believe in him and rejoice with unutterable and exalted joy.

9 As the outcome of your faith you obtain the salvation of your souls.

The word of the Lord. All: Thanks be to God.

**P**salm appointed: 114

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**T**he Easter Anthems (page 122 Green Book)

Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us: therefore let us keep the feast; Not with the old leaven, nor with the leaven of malice and wickedness: but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth.

Christ being raised from the dead dieth no more: death hath no more dominion over him.

For in that he died, he died unto sin once: but in that he liveth, he liveth unto God.

Likewise reckon ye also yourselves to be dead indeed unto sin: but alive unto God, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Christ is risen from the dead: and become the first fruits of them that slept.

For since by man came death: by man came also the resurrection of the dead.

For as in Adam all die: even so in Christ shall all be made alive.

Priest: The Lord be with you.

All: And with your spirit.

**H**ear the Holy Gospel according to St John.  
Glory be to you, O Lord.

20:1 Now on the first day of the week Mary Magdalene came to the tomb early, while it was still dark, and saw that the stone had been taken away from the tomb. 2 So she ran, and went to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved, and said to them, "They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid him." 3 Peter then came out with the other disciple, and they went toward the tomb. 4 They both ran, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first; 5 and stooping to look in, he saw the linen cloths lying there, but he did not go in. 6 Then Simon Peter came, following him, and went into the tomb; he saw the linen cloths lying, 7 and the napkin, which had been on his head, not lying with the linen cloths but rolled up in a place by itself. 8 Then the other disciple, who reached the tomb first, also went in, and he saw and believed; 9 for as yet they did not know the scripture, that he must rise from the dead. 10 Then the disciples went back to their homes.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

**P**ostcommunion Collect

We beseech thee, O Lord, pour into our hearts the love of thy Holy Spirit: that as thou has now fulfilled us with this Paschal Sacrament, so thou wouldest make us to continue in all godly concord. Through Jesus Christ our Lord, who livest and reignest with Thee in the Unity of the same Spirit, One God, world without end. Amen.