

The People's Mass

The bread for God's true children meant,

That may not unto dogs be given:
 Off in the olden types freshowen;
 In Isaac on the altar bowed,
 And in the ancient paschal food,
 And in the manna sent from heaven.
 Come then, good shepherd, bread divine,
 Still show to us thy mercy sign;
 Oh, feed us still, still keep us thine;
 So may we see thy glories shine
 In fields of immortality;
 O thou, the wisest, mightiest, best,
 Our present food, our future rest,
 Come, make us each thy chosen guest,
 Co-heirs of thine, and comrades blest
 With saints whose dwelling is with thee.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (Jn 6:51-52)

Alleluia, alleluia!
 I am the living bread which has come down from heaven, says the Lord.
 Anyone who eats this bread will live for ever. Alleluia!

GOSPEL (Mk 14:12-16:22-26)

The Lord be with you. And with your spirit.
 A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark. **Glorify to you, O Lord.**

On the first day of Unleavened Bread, when the Passover lamb was sacrificed, his disciples said to Jesus, "Where do you want us to go and make the preparations for you to eat the Passover?" So he sent two of his disciples, saying to them, "Go into the city and you will meet a man carrying a pitcher of water. Follow him, and say to the owner of the house which he enters, 'The Master says: Where is my dining room in which I can eat the passover with my disciples?' He will show you a large upper room furnished with couches, all prepared. Make the preparations for us there." The disciples set out and went to the city and found everything as he had told them, and prepared the Passover.

And as they were eating he took some bread, and when he had said the blessing he broke it and gave it to them. "Take it," he said, "this is my body." Then he took a cup, and when he had returned thanks he gave it to them, and all drank from it, and he said to them, "This is my blood, the blood of the covenant, which is to be poured out for many. I tell you solemnly, I shall not drink any more wine until the day I drink the new wine in the kingdom of God."

After psalms had been sung they left for the Mount of Olives.

The Gospel of the Lord.
 Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Profession of Faith (Nicene Creed)

I believe in one God, / the Father almighty, / maker of heaven and earth, / of all things visible and invisible. / I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, / the Only Begotten Son of God, / born of the Father before all ages. / God from God, / Light from Light, / true God from true God, / begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; / through him all things were made. / For us men and for our salvation / he came down from heaven,

At the words that follow, up to and including and became man, all bow.

and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, / and became man. / For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, / he suffered death and was buried, / and rose again on the third day / in accordance with the Scriptures. / He ascended into heaven / and is seated at the right hand of the Father. / He will come again in glory / to judge the living and the dead / and his Kingdom will have no end. / I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, / who proceeds from the Father and the Son, / who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, / who has spoken through the prophets. / I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. / I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins / and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead / and the life of the world to come. Amen.

The priest introduces the Prayer of the Faithful.

THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

Pray, brethren (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 holy Church.

Eucharistic Prayer

The Lord be with you. And with your spirit. Lift up your hearts. We lift them up to the Lord. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right and just.

Sanctus
 Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts. ...

After the Consecration
 The mystery of faith.

We proclaim your Death, O Lord, and profess your Resurrection until you come again.

THE COMMUNION RITE

Communion Antiphon (Jn 6:57)

Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood remains in me and I in him, says the Lord.

THE INTRODUCTORY RITES

Entrance Antiphon (Cf. Ps 90:17)

He fed them with the finest wheat and satisfied them with honey from the rock.

In the name of the Father, ... Amen.
 The grace of our Lord ... And with your spirit.

Penitential Act

Brethren (brothers and sisters), ...

A brief pause for silence follows.

I confess to almighty God / and to you, my brothers and sisters, / that I have greatly sinned, / in my thoughts and in my words, / in what I have done and in what I have failed to do,

And, striking their breast, they say:

through my fault, through my fault, / through my most grievous fault; / therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin, / all the Angels and Saints, / and you, my brothers and sisters, / to pray for me to the Lord our God.

May almighty God have mercy on us, ... Amen.
 Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.
 Christ, have mercy. Christ, have mercy.
 Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

Gloria

Glory to God in the highest, / and on earth peace to people of good will. / We praise you, / we bless you, / we adore you, / we glorify you, / we give you thanks for your great glory. / Lord God, heavenly King, / O God, almighty Father, / Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, / Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, / you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us; / you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer; / you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us. / For you alone are the Holy One, / you alone are the Lord, / you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, / with the Holy Spirit, / in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING (Ex 24:3-8)

A reading from the book of Exodus.

Moses went and told the people all the commands of the Lord and all the ordinances. In answer, all the people said with one voice, "We will observe all the commands that the Lord has decreed." Moses put all the commands of the Lord into writing, and early next morning he built an altar at the foot of the mountain, with twelve standing-stones for the twelve tribes of Israel. Then he directed certain young Israelites to offer holocausts and to immolate bullocks to the Lord

as communion sacrifices. Half of the blood Moses took up and put into basins, the other half he cast on the altar. And taking the Book of the Covenant he read it to the listening people, and they said, "We will observe all that the Lord has decreed; we will obey." Then Moses took the blood and cast it towards the people. "This," he said, "is the blood of the Covenant that the Lord has made with you, containing all these rules." The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

RESPONSORIAL PSALM (Ps 115:12-13, 15-18)

1 The cup of salvation I will raise; I will call on the Lord's name.
 1. How can I repay the Lord for his goodness to me? The cup of salvation I will raise; I will call on the Lord's name. **1**
 2. O precious in the eyes of the Lord is the death of his faithful. Your servant, Lord, your servant am I; you have loosened my bonds. **1**
 3. A thanksgiving sacrifice I make: I will call on the Lord's name. My vows to the Lord I will fulfil before all his people. **1**

SECOND READING (Heb 9:11-15)

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews.

Now Christ has come, as the high priest of all the blessings which were to come. He has passed through the greater, the more perfect tent, which is better than one made by men's hands because it is not of this created order; and he has entered the sanctuary once and for all, taking with him not the blood of goats and bull calves, but his own blood, having won an eternal redemption for us. The blood of goats and bulls and the ashes of a heifer are sprinkled on those who have incurred defilement and they restore the holiness of their outward lives; how much more effectively the blood of Christ, who offered himself as the perfect sacrifice to God through the eternal Spirit, can purify our inner self from dead actions so that we do our service to the living God.

He brings a new covenant, as the mediator, only so that the people who were called to an eternal inheritance may actually receive what was promised: his death took place to cancel the sins that infringed the earlier covenant.

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SEQUENCE

The Sequence may be said or sung.

Behold the bread of angels, sent For pilgrims in their banishment.

(Footed on black paper)

PARISH NEWSLETTER



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 Banogue Adoration: Tuesdays 3 – 6pm
 Croom Hospital Mass Sunday 8am. Thursday 11am. Followed by Holy Hour. Public Welcome
 Last Sundays Offertory Collection: Banogue €295
 Croom €1,100

Recent Death
 Please pray for the happy repose of the souls of Bernie Fitzgerald, New Road, Croom and Willie Cregan, Skagh, Croom. May they Rest in Peace.

First Friday 7th June
 Mass in Banogue 9.30am and Croom 7pm



Novena in Honour of St. Anthony
 St. John's Cathedral Wednesday 5th June – Thursday 13th June. Mass each day at 10am & 5.45pm (Saturday 10am & 6pm) (Sunday 10.30am only) with Novena Prayers, Homily and blessing with Relic.
 Tuesday 11th Prayers for Expectant Mothers 5.45pm
 Wednesday 12th Prayers for the Sick 10am & 5.45pm
 Thursday 13th Blessing of Flowers (Lilies) 10am & 5.45pm

Knock Summer Programme
 Stations of the Cross & Rosary Weekdays at 2pm
 Mass times: Weekdays and Saturdays
 9.00am Parish Church
 12 noon Basilica
 3.00pm Basilica with Anointing of the Sick
 7.30pm Parish Church (Rosary at 7pm)

Examinations
 We wish every success for all those students who will be beginning their state examinations on next Wednesday.

Exam Prayer
 Lord, I know you are with me and love me.
 Give me peace of mind as I prepare for this time of study.
 Help me to focus on my books and notes.
 Keep me from all distractions so that I will make the best use of this time that is available to me.
 Give me insight that I might understand what I am studying and help me to remember it when the time comes.
 Above all, I thank you for the ability to be able to study and for the many gifts and talents you have given me.
 Help me always to use them in such a way that they honour you and do justice to myself. Amen.

Reflection
 'Blessed are the hungry; they shall get their fill.'
 It is in our emptiness that we are filled.
 It is in our confusions that we are guided.
 It is in our weakness that we are strengthened.
 It is in our sins that we are forgiven.
 It is in our hunger that we are fed.
 We believe that God has a homeland prepared for us where all our hungers will be satisfied, and all our hopes will be fulfilled.
 This conviction makes it possible for us to travel onwards with an ache in our hearts and an unquenchable longing in our souls.