

# MASS OF THE DIVINE COMPASSION OF JESUS

## THE OPENING RITES

### Entry Antiphon:

The counsel of the Lord shall endure for ever and the designs of his heart from generation to generation. To deliver their soul from death and to feed them in time of famine. *Psalm 32: 11, 19*

### The Opening Prayer

Let us pray

Almighty God,  
whose Son, Jesus Christ,  
was moved with compassion for all  
and with indignation for those who suffer wrong:  
inflame our hearts with the burning fire of your love,  
that we may seek out the lost,  
have mercy on the fallen  
and stand fast for truth and righteousness.  
We make this prayer through the same  
Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord ...

## THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

Reading: *Ephesians 3: 14b – 19*

Responsorial Psalm: 102

*R. The Lord is full of compassion and mercy.*

Bless the Lord, O my soul,  
and all that is within me bless his holy name.  
Bless the Lord, O my soul,  
and forget not all his benefits. *R.*

Who forgives all your sins  
and heals all your infirmities;  
Who redeems your life from the Pit  
and crowns you with faithful love and compassion. *R.*

The Lord executes righteousness  
and judgement for all who are oppressed.  
He made his ways known to Moses  
and his works to the children of Israel. *R.*

The Lord is full of compassion and mercy,  
slow to anger and of great kindness.  
He will not always accuse us,  
neither will he keep his anger for ever. *R.*

*Alleluia* Alleluia, alleluia! Shoulder my yoke and learn from me,  
for I am gentle and humble of heart. Alleluia.

*Gospel Reading: John 15: 7-17*

*The Peace*

The love of God in Jesus Christ  
brings peace to all who touch him. May his peace be with you.

**THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST**

*Prayer over the Gifts:*

Lord Jesus Christ,  
you told your disciples that the pure in heart will see God.  
Purify our hearts as we partake of these Divine offerings  
that we might reflect your compassion to all in need  
and so reveal your glory in the world. Amen.

## Preface

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy,  
always and everywhere to give you thanks,  
almighty God and eternal Father,  
through Christ our Lord.

For raised up high on the Cross,  
he gave himself up for us with profound compassion  
and poured out blood and water from his pierced side,  
the wellspring of the Church's Sacraments,  
so that, won over to the open heart of the Saviour,  
all might draw water joyfully from the springs of salvation.

And so, with choirs of angels  
and with all the heavenly host,  
we proclaim your glory  
and join their unending song of praise:

*Holy, holy, holy Lord ...*

## Communion:

The Lord says: 'Let anyone who is thirsty come to me, and let the one who believes in me drink. As the scripture has said, "Out of the believer's heart shall flow rivers of living water."'

*John 7: 37-38*

## Prayer after Communion

Priest: Let us pray:

God of life and love,  
from the pierced heart of your Son  
flowed the life of the world.  
Renew within us  
the love we have celebrated in this Eucharist  
and keep us always faithful to your Word,  
the same Christ our Lord. Amen.