

Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish

3rd SUNDAY OF LENT

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Sunday 7 March 2021

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| **ENTRANCE HYMN**  **5 CITY OF GOD**  **(see the words on another page)**  **GREETINGS**  **PENITENTIAL ACT**  **No GLORY in Lent**  **COLLECT**  O God, author of every mercy and of all goodness,  who in fasting, prayer and almsgiving  have shown us a remedy for sin,  look graciously on this confession of our lowliness, that we, who are bowed down by our conscience, may always be lifted up by your mercy.  Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  God, for ever and ever. **Amen**    **FIRST READING**  Ex 20:1-17  *The Law given at Sinai*  God spoke all these words. He said, ‘I am the Lord your God who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery.  ‘You shall have no gods except me.  ‘You shall not make yourself a carved image or any likeness of anything in heaven or on earth beneath or in the waters under the earth; you shall not bow down to them or serve them. For I, the Lord your God, am a jealous God and I punish the father’s fault in the sons, the grandsons, and the great-grandsons of those who hate me; but I show kindness to thousands of those who love me and keep my commandments.  ‘You shall not utter the name of the Lord your God to misuse it, for the Lord will not leave unpunished the man who utters his name to misuse it. Remember the sabbath day and keep it holy. For six days you shall labour and do all your work, but the seventh day | is a sabbath for the Lord your God. You shall do no work that day, neither you nor your son nor your daughter nor your servants, men or women, nor your animals nor the stranger who lives with you. For in six days the Lord made the heavens and the earth and the sea and all that these hold, but on the seventh day he rested; that is why the Lord has blessed the sabbath day and made it sacred.  ‘Honour your father and your mother so that you may have a long life in the land that the Lord your God has given to you.  ‘You shall not kill.  ‘You shall not commit adultery.  ‘You shall not steal.  ‘You shall not bear false witness against your neighbour.  ‘You shall not covet your neighbour’s house. You shall not covet your neighbour’s wife, or his servant, man or woman, or his ox, or his donkey, or anything that is his.’  **The word of the Lord.**  **Thanks be to God.**  **RESP PSALM** Ps 18(19):8-11  *Lord, you have the words of everlasting life.*  The law of the Lord is perfect,  it revives the soul.  The rule of the Lord is to be trusted,  it gives wisdom to the simple. **R.**  The precepts of the Lord are right,  they gladden the heart.  The command of the Lord is clear,  it gives light to the eyes. **R.**  The fear of the Lord is holy,  abiding for ever.  The decrees of the Lord are truth  and all of them just. **R.**  They are more to be desired than gold,  than the purest of gold  and sweeter are they than honey,  than honey from the comb. **R.**  **SECOND READING** 1 Cor 1:22-25  *The crucified Christ, the power and wisdom of God*  While the Jews demand miracles and the Greeks look for wisdom, here are we preaching a crucified Christ; to the | Jews an obstacle that they cannot get over, to the pagans madness, but to those who have been called, whether they are Jews or Greeks, a Christ who is the power and the wisdom of God. For God’s foolishness is wiser than human wisdom, and God’s weakness is stronger than human strength.  **The Word of the Lord.**  **Thanks be to God.**  **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION** Jn 3:16  Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!  God loved the world so much, he gave us his only Son, that all who believe in him might have eternal life.  Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!  **GOSPEL** Jn 2:13-25  The Lord be with you.  And with your spirit.  A reading from the Holy Gospel according to John  Glory to you, O Lord.  *Destroy this sanctuary and in three days I will raise it up*  Just before the Jewish Passover Jesus went up to Jerusalem, and in the Temple he found people selling cattle and sheep and pigeons, and the money-changers sitting at their counters there. Making a whip out of some cord, he drove them all out of the Temple, cattle and sheep as well, scattered the money-changers’ coins, knocked their tables over and said to the pigeon-sellers, ‘Take all this out of here and stop turning my Father’s house into a market.’ Then his disciples remembered the words of scripture: Zeal for your house will devour me. The Jews intervened and said, ‘What sign can you show us to justify what you have done?’ Jesus answered, ‘Destroy this sanctuary, and in three days I will raise it up.’ The Jews replied, ‘It has taken forty-six years to build this sanctuary: are you going to raise it up in three days?’ But he was speaking of the sanctuary that was his body, and when Jesus rose from from the dead, his disciples remembered that he had said this, and they believed the scripture and the words he had said. |

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| During his stay in Jerusalem for the Passover many believed in his name when they saw the signs that he gave, but Jesus knew them all and did not trust himself to them; he never needed evidence about any man; he could tell what a man had in him.  **Gospel of the Lord.**  **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**  **HOMILY**  **PROFESSION OF FAITH**  **Apostle’s Creed**  I believe in God,  the Father almighty,  Creator of heaven and earth,  and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,  who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  born of the Virgin Mary,  suffered under Pontius Pilate,  was crucified, died and was buried;  he descended into hell;  on the third day he rose again from the dead;  He ascended into heaven,  and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty; from there he will come to judge the living and the dead.  I believe in the Holy Spirit,  the holy catholic Church,  the communion of saints,  the forgiveness of sins,  the resurrection of the body,  and life everlasting. Amen.  **PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL**  Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation,  for through your goodness we have received the bread we offer you…  **Blessed be God for ever.**  Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation,  for through your goodness we have received the wine we offer you…  **Blessed be God for ever.**  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.** | **PREP GIFTS HYMNS**  **51 ONE BREAD ONE BODY**  **(see the words on the third page)**  **PRAYER OVER THE OFFERING**  Be pleased, O Lord, with these sacrificial offerings,  and grant that we who beseech pardon for our own sins, may take care to forgive our neighbour.  Through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**  **THE 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.  **Holy, Holy, Holy**  Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts.  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.  **THE MEMORIAL ACCLAM**    At the Saviour’s command  and formed by divine teaching, we dare to say:  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.  Deliver us, Lord, we pray, from every evil, graciously grant peace in our days, that, by the help of your mercy, we may be always free from sin and safe from all distress, as we await the blessed hope and the coming of our Saviour, Jesus Christ.  For the kingdom, the power and the glory are your now and for ever. | **SIGN OF PEACE**  Lord Jesus Christ,  who said to your Apostles:  Peace I leave you, my peace I give you,  look not on our sins,  but on the faith of your Church,  and graciously grant her peace and unity  in accordance with your will.  Who live and reign for ever and ever.  Amen.  The peace of the Lord be with you always.  And with your spirit.  Let us offer each other the sign of peace.  **LAMB OF GOD**  Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,  have mercy on us.  Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,  have mercy on us.  Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,  grant us peace  **INVITATION TO COMMUNION**  **COMMUNION HYMN**  **48 MICAH’S THEME**  **(see the words on the third page)**  **PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**  As we receive the pledge  of things yet hidden in heaven  and are nourished while still on earth  with the Bread that comes from on high,  we humbly entreat you, O Lord,  that what is being brought about in us in mystery  may come to true completion. Amen.  **FINAL SONG**  **68 HOLY GOD WE PRAISE THY NAME**  **(see the words on another page)** |