

Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish

**The ASSUMPTION of the BLESSED VIRGIN MARY**

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**SUNDAY 15 August 2021**

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| **INTRODUCTORY RITES**  **ENTRANCE HYMN**  **20. HERE I AM LORD**  **FROM PARISH SONG BOOKLET**  **GREETING**  **PENITENTIAL ACT**  **THE 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.  **COLLECT**  Almighty ever-living God,  who assumed the Immaculate Virgin Mary, the Mother of your Son, body and soul into heavenly glory, grant, we pray, that, always attentive to the things that are above, we may merit to be sharers of her glory.  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 | **THE LITURGY OF THE WORD**  **FIRST READING** Rev 11:19,12:1-6,10  *A great sign appeared in heaven: a woman adorned with the sun*  The sanctuary of God in heaven opened and the ark of the covenant could be seen inside it.  Now a great sign appeared in heaven: a woman, adorned with the sun, standing on the moon, and with the twelve stars on her head for a crown. She was pregnant, and in labour, crying aloud in the pangs of childbirth. Then a second sign appeared in the sky, a huge red dragon which had seven heads and ten horns, and each of the seven heads crowned with a coronet. Its tail dragged a third of the stars from the sky and dropped them to the earth, and the dragon stopped in front of the woman as she was having the child, so that he could eat it as soon as it was born from its mother. The woman brought a male child into the world, the son who was to rule all the nations with an iron sceptre, and the child was taken straight up to God and to his throne, while the woman escaped into the desert, where God had made a place of safety ready.  Then I heard a voice shout from heaven, ‘Victory and power and empire for ever have been won by our God, and all authority for his Christ.’  **The word of the Lord.**  **Thanks be to God.**    **RESPONSORIAL PS.** Ps 45:10-12, 16  *The queen stands at your right hand, arrayed in gold.*  The daughters of kings are among your loved ones.  On your right stands the queen in gold of Ophir.  Listen, O daughter, give ear to my words:  forget your own people and your father’s house.  *The queen stands at your right hand, arrayed in gold.*  So will the king desire your beauty:  He is your lord, pay homage to him.  They are escorted amid gladness and joy;  they pass within the palace of the king.  *The queen stands at your right hand, arrayed in gold.* | **SECOND READING** 1 Cor 15:20-26  *Christ will be brought to life as the first-fruits and then those who belong to him*  Christ has been raised from the dead, the first-fruits of all who have fallen asleep. Death came through one man and in the same way the resurrection of the dead has come through one man. Just as all men die in Adam, so all men will be brought to life in Christ; but all of them in their proper order: Christ as the first-fruits and then, after the coming of Christ, those who belong to him. After that will come the end, when he hands over the kingdom to God the Father, having done away with every sovereignty, authority and power. For he must be king until he has put all his enemies under his feet and the last of the enemies to be destroyed is death, for everything is to be put under his feet.  **The word of the Lord.**  **Thanks be to God.**  **GOSPEL ACCLAM. Mt 27:55**  Alleluia, alleluia!  Mary is taken up to heaven,  and the angels of God shout for joy.  Alleluia!  **GOSPEL** Lk !:39-56  *The Almighty has done great things for me*  Mary set out and went as quickly as she could to a town in the hill country of Judah. She went into Zechariah’s house and greeted Elizabeth. Now as soon as Elizabeth heard Mary’s greeting, the child leapt in her womb and Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit. She gave a loud cry and said, ‘Of all women you are the most blessed, and blessed is the fruit of your womb. Why should I be honoured with a visit from the mother of my Lord? For the moment your greeting reached my ears, the child in my womb leapt for joy. Yes, blessed is she who believed that the promise made her by the Lord would be fulfilled.’  And Mary said:  ‘My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord  and my spirit exults in God my saviour;  because he has looked upon his lowly handmaid.  Yes, from this day forward all generations will call me blessed,  for the Almighty has done great things for me. |

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| Holy is his name, and his mercy reaches from age to age for those who fear him.  He has shown the power of his arm, he has routed the proud of heart.  He has pulled down princes from their thrones and exalted the lowly.  The hungry he has filled with good things, the rich sent empty away.  He has come to the help of Israel his servant, mindful of his mercy – according to the promise he made to our ancestors – of his mercy to Abraham and to his descendants for ever.’  Mary stayed with Elizabeth about three months and then went back home.  **The Gospel of the Lord.**  **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**  **HOMILY**  **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**  **THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST**  **OFFERTORYHYMN**  **31. AS GENTLE AS SILENT**  **FROM PARISH SONG BOOKLET**  Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation, for through your goodness we have received the bread we offer you:  fruit of the earth and work of human hands, it will become for us the bread of life.  **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:  fruit of the vine and work of human hands, it will become our spiritual drink.  **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.**  **PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS**  May this oblation, our tribute of homage, rise up to you, O Lord,  and, through the intercession of the Most Blessed Virgin Mary, whom you assumed into heaven, may our hearts, aflame with the fire of love, constantly long for you.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**  **COMMUNION RITE**  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 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 HYMNS:**  **33. CHANNEL OF YOUR PEACE**  **FROM PARISH SONG BOOKLET**  **PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**  Having received the Sacrament of salvation, we ask you to grant, O Lord,  that, through the intercession of the Blessed Virgin Mary, whom you assumed into heaven, we may be brought to the glory of the resurrection. Through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**  **THE CONCLUDING RITES**  **DISMISSAL**  **FINAL SONG:**  **66. THE MASTERPISE OF GOD**  **FROM PARISH SONG BOOKLET** |