

MORNING PRAYER IN EASTER



Gathering of the Community

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Let us praise our God

who has given us life and hope by raising Jesus from the dead.

Let us rejoice, then, even in our distress.

We shall be counted worthy when Christ appears.

O God, you have claimed us as your own

and called us from our darkness into the light of your day.

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The Psalm

... Glory ...

as it was in the beginning, is now and will be for ever. Amen.

The 1st and 2nd Readings

... **Thanks be to God.**

The Canticle

... Glory ...

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The Gospel Reading

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to . . .

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

At the conclusion of the Gospel, the reader says,

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

Thanksgiving for Baptism and Affirmation of Faith

Joined to Christ in the waters of baptism,

we are clothed with God's mercy and forgiveness.

Let us give thanks for the gift of baptism.

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Dear friends, through the paschal mystery we have been buried with Christ in baptism, so that we may rise with him to a new life.

Do you believe and trust in God the Father?

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

Do you believe and trust in his Son Jesus Christ?

I believe 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 to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

Do you believe and trust in the Holy Spirit?

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

The Prayers of the Community & Collect(s) of the Day

The Lord's Prayer

Rejoicing in God's new creation and gathering our prayers and praises into one, let us pray as our Saviour taught us:

The community joins in saying or singing The Lord's Prayer

The Blessing and Dismissal

... Let us bless the Lord. Alleluia. Alleluia.

Thanks be to God. Alleluia. Alleluia.

May the risen Christ grant us the joys of eternal life. **Amen.**