# THIRD SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME LITURGY INTRODUCTORY RITE

**Celebrant:** In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Response: Amen.

Celebrant: Lord, bless us with the wisdom to praise You in spirit and in truth, so that by

following Your holy we will gain eternal salvation.

Response: Amen.

#### THE PENITENTIAL RITE

C: My dear brothers and sisters let us confess our sins to God and prepare ourselves that we may worthily participate in this Holy Sacrifice. Please now make an examination of your conscience.

#### Confiteor

Almighty Father, You know my deepest secrets. I confess that I have, through my own fault, sinned against Your holy laws,

striking the breast three times in my thoughts, in my words and in what I have done or failed to do. I sincerely regret my sins and I am truly sorry for offending You. I ask, Father, that in Your mercy You pardon my sins. I promise to change my way of living so that through a deeper holiness I may better serve You throughout the rest of my life. I ask the Blessed Virgin Mary, all the saints and you, my brothers and sisters, to pray for me to the Lord, our God.

C. May almighty God have mercy on us, forgive our sins and bring us to everlasting life.

R: Amen.

**C:** May our Lord Jesus Christ absolve you and, with His authority vested in me, I absolve you from all your sins: in the name of the Father,  $\Box$  the Son and the Holy Spirit.

R: Amen.

### ENTRANCE RITE Matthew 12: 41; Acts 3: 19-20a.

- C: At the judgment, the men of Nineveh will arise with this generation and condemn it, because they repented at the preaching of Jonah; and there is something greater than Jonah here.
- **R:** Repent, therefore, and be converted, that your sins may be wiped away, and that the Lord may grant you times of refreshment.
- C: Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit,
- **R:** As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

#### THE KYRIE

C: Lord, have mercy. R: Lord, have mercy.

C: Christ, have mercy. R: Christ, have mercy.

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#### **GLORIA**

Glory to God in the Highest, and peace to His people on earth. Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship You, we give You thanks, we praise You for Your glory. Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, You take away the sins of

the world: have mercy on us. You are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer. 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.

#### **OPENING PRAYER**

Let us pray. [pause briefly] Heavenly Father, Your Son called us to reform our lives. In Your mercy, lead us beyond sin and death

and grant us the eternal life Your Son has won for us. We ask this through the same Jesus Christ, Who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

#### LITURGY OF THE WORD

#### **First Reading**

Jonah 3: 1-5, 10

The word of the LORD came to Jonah, saying: "Set out for the great city of Nineveh, and announce to it the message that I will tell you." So, Jonah made ready and went to Nineveh, according to the LORD'S bidding Now Nineveh was an enormously large city; it took three days to go through it. Jonah began his journey through the city, and had gone but a single day's walk announcing, "Forty days more and Nineveh shall be destroyed, "when the people of Nineveh believed God; they proclaimed a fast and all of them, great and small, put on sackcloth. When God saw by their actions how they turned from their evil way, he repented of the evil that he had threatened to do to them; he did not carry it out. This is the word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm 25

R: Teach me your ways, O Lord.

Your ways, O LORD, make known to me; teach me your paths, Guide me in your truth and teach me, for you are God my savior. R:

Remember that your compassion, O LORD and your love are from of old. In your kindness remember me, because of your goodness, O LORD. R:

Good and upright is the LORD; thus he shows sinners the way. He guides the humble to justice and teaches the humble his way.

## **Second Reading**

**1 Corinthians 7: 29-31** 

I tell you, brothers and sisters, the time is running out. From now on, let those having wives act as not having them, those weeping as not weeping, those rejoicing as not rejoicing, those buying as not owning, those using the world as not using it fully. For the world in its present form is passing away. This is the Word of the Lord.

Alleluia Verse Mark 1: 15.

C: Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

R: Alleluia, Alleluia!

C: The kingdom of God is at hand. Repent and believe in the Gospel.

R: Alleluia, Alleluia!

**Gospel** Mark 1: 14-20

After John had been arrested, Jesus came to Galilee proclaiming the gospel of God: "This is the time of fulfillment. The kingdom of God is at hand. Repent, and believe in the gospel." As he passed by the Sea of Galilee, he saw Simon and his brother Andrew casting their nets into the sea; they were fishermen.

Jesus said to them, "Come after me, and I will make you fishers of men." Then they abandoned their nets and followed him.

He walked along a little farther and saw James, the son of Zebedee, and his brother John. They too were in a boat mending their nets. Then he called them. So, they left their father Zebedee in the boat along with the hired men and followed him. This is the Gospel of the Lord.

## SACRAMENT OF THE WORD OF GOD PROFESSION OF FAITH

I believe in One God, the Father, the Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. I believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten not made, of one being with the Father. Through Him all things were made. For us and for our salvation He came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit, He was born of the Virgin Mary,

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AND BECAME MAN. For our sake He was crucified under Pontius Pilate; He suffered death and was buried. On the third day He rose again in fulfillment of 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 and Giver of Life Who proceeds from the Father. With the Father and the Son. He is worshipped and glorified. He has spoken through the prophets. I believe in One, Holy, Catholic and Apostolic Church. I acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. I look for the resurrection of the dead and the + life of the world to come. Amen.

#### **GENERAL INTERCESSION**

Celebrant: We have heard the word of God proclaimed to us. He sees our sincere efforts to lead good lives and once again we ask him for his help.

Lector: Our response is "Lord hear our prayer"

- L: That the Church of God will fearlessly call people to repentance and belief in the Good News, let us pray to the Lord.
- L: That, like citizens of Nineveh, people will believe in God and renounce their evil behavior, let us pray to the Lord.
- L: That men and women will follow Christ and, as missionaries, we become true "fisher of people", let us pray to the Lord.
- L: That there be a cure for Covid-19, let us pray to the Lord.
- L: That we see an increase in sacred vocations, let us pray to the Lord.

- L: That lapse members return to the Church Family of God, let us pray to the Lord.
- L: That in this passing world we will hold on to the eternal truths of the Good News of Christ and His church, let us pray to the Lord.
- L: That those who have died may enter the kingdom of God, especially N., let us pray to the Lord.

Celebrant: Father, hear the prayers of your people. Do not look on our sinful ways but show us your gentle mercy. We ask this, through Christ our Lord.

#### **OFFERTORY VERSE**

C: Seek good and not evil, that you may live; then truly the Lord, the God of hosts, will be with you as you claim!

Amos 5: 14

#### PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

Lord our God look upon these gifts, our offering, and welcome us into Your presence that we may be transformed to do the works that please You. We ask this through our Lord, Jesus Christ, Your Son, Who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

#### PREFACE-THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

#### **SANCTUS**

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might, Heaven and earth are full of Your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed  $+\Box$  is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

#### Canon 2

We give thanks to You, God our Father, through Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, Whom in these last days You have sent us as Savior, Redeemer and Messenger of Your will. He is Your Word, inseparable from You. Through Him You have made all things and in Him You were well pleased. You sent Him from heaven to a virgin's womb. There He dwelt and was made flesh. He was revealed as Your Son, born through the Holy Spirit and of the Virgin. When He suffered, He fulfilled Your will and gained for You a holy people. He stretched out His hands to free from suffering those who believed in You. When He was betrayed to His freely chosen suffering, thereby to destroy death, to break the chains of darkness, to crush hell beneath His feet, to give light to the just, to make a covenant and to manifest His resurrection. He took bread; He gave You thanks and said: TAKE AND EAT: THIS IS MY BODY WHICH IS BROKEN FOR YOU. In like manner He took the cup and said: THIS IS MY BLOOD WHICH IS POURED OUT FOR YOU. Whenever you do this, do it in memory of Me. Calling then His death and resurrection to mind, we offer You the Bread and the Cup. We thank You for allowing us to come before You and to serve You. We ask You to send Your Holy Spirit upon the offering of Your holy Church to gather all in unity. Grant to all who partake of these Holy

Mysteries the fullness of the Holy Spirit for the strengthening of their faith in the truth. So, may we praise and glorify You through Your Son, Jesus Christ.

Holding the Sacred Host above the Chalice, he elevates them and says or sings: Through Him may glory and honor be Yours, with the Holy Spirit, in Your holy Church, now and for ever and ever.

R. Amen.

#### **COMMUNION RITE**

**C:** Let us pray with confidence to the Father in the words our Savior gave us: 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.

C: Deliver us Lord, from every evil, and grant us peace in our day. In Your mercy keep us free from sin and protect us from all anxiety as we wait in joyful hope for the coming of our Savior, Jesus Christ.

**R:** For the kingdom, the power and the glory are Yours, now and forever.

### **Breaking of the Bread**

C: The Cup of Blessing which we bless, is it not a participation in the Blood of Christ?

C: The Bread which we break, is it not a participation in the Body of Christ?

**R:** Because there is one Bread, we who are many, are one body,

for we all partake of the one Bread.

**C:** May the union of divinity and humanity in Jesus Christ bring us sanctification and eternal life.

R: Amen.

C: Lord Jesus Christ, You said to Your apostles: I leave you peace, My peace I give you. Do not look at our sins, but on the faith of Your Church, and grant us the peace and unity of Your kingdom where You live for ever and ever. Amen.

**C:** The peace of the Lord be with you always.

R: And also, with you.

C: Let us *Give a* 

Lamb of have mercy Lamb of have mercy Lamb of grant us



offer each other a sign of peace.

nod or a wave of hand as a sign of peace

God, You take away the sins of the world, on us.

God, You take away the sins of the world, on us.

God, You take away the sins of the world, peace.

#### **COMMUNION PRAYER**

Lord Jesus Christ, Son of the Living God, by the will of the Father and the work of the Holy Spirit, Your death brought life to the world. By Your holy Body and Blood free me from all my sins and from every evil. Keep me faithful to Your teaching and never let me be parted from You.

C: I will take the Bread of Heaven and call upon the name of the Lord.

## The celebrant and congregation together say only once:

Lord, I am not worthy to receive You, but only say the word and I shall be healed.

May the Body of Christ bring me to everlasting life. May the Blood of Christ bring me to everlasting life.

#### THE COMMUNION OF THE FAITHFUL

This is the Lamb of God Who takes away the sins of the world. Happy are those who are called to the table of the Lord.

C: Lord, may I possess with a pure heart that which I have taken as food, and may the Gift I have received bring me healing and strength now and forever.

# ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION TO BE PRAYED AT HOME IF NOT ATTENDING HOLY MASS OR AT MASS AND NOT RECEIVING THE EUCHARIST.

Most loving Jesus, I adore You in the Most Blessed Sacrament, in Which You are truly present. I love You above all things and I long for You in my soul. Since I cannot receive You sacramentally, I ask You to come spiritually into my heart and heal my soul. I embrace You and unite myself with You; may I never be separated from You. Inflame my heart with the fire of Your love, my Lord and Savior.

## **COMMUNION VERSE**

Or do you hold His priceless kindness, forbearance and patience in low esteem, unaware that the kindness of God would lead you to repentance? **Romans 2: 4** 

#### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray. [pause briefly] Blessed are You, Lord our God. You have given us life through the Body and Blood of Your Son.

Strengthen us with the assurance of Your love that we may live for You here, and with You hereafter. We ask this through the same Jesus Christ, Who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

## **CONCLUDING RITE**

- **C:** The Lord be with you.
- **R:** And also, with you.
- C: May the blessing of almighty God: the Father, + the Son and the Holy Spirit come upon you and remain with you forever.
- C: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
- **R:** Thanks be to God.