

COMMUNION OF THE SICK

Invitation: My brothers and sisters, to prepare ourselves for this celebration, let us call to mind our sins.

I confess to almighty God,
and to you, here present,
that I have sinned through my own
 fault
in my thoughts and in my words,
in what I have done,
and in what I have failed to do;
and I ask blessed Mary, ever virgin,
all the angels and saints,
and you, here present,
to pray for me to the Lord our God.
May almighty God have mercy on us,
forgive us our sins,
and bring us to everlasting life.

Amen.

Now let us pray as Christ the Lord has
taught us:

Lord's Prayer:

Communion:

This is the Lamb of God
who takes away the sins of the world.
Happy are those who are called to His
supper.

*Lord, I am not worthy that You
should enter under my roof.,*

*but only say the word and my soul
shall be healed.*

The body of Christ.

Prayer after Communion:

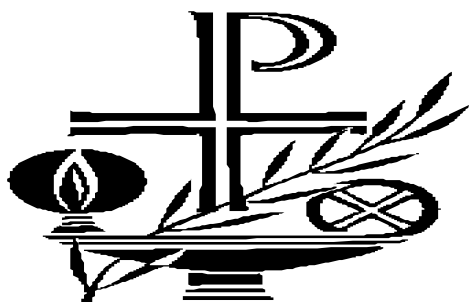
Let us pray.

Father,
may the food we receive in the
Eucharist
help our eternal redemption.
Keep within us the vigour of Your
Spirit
and protect the gifts You have
given to Your Church.

We ask this in the name of Jesus
the Lord

Amen

May almighty God bless you,
the Father, and the Son, and the Holy
Spirit. **Amen**



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Communion to the Sick & Housebound Elizabeth Catholic Parish



*"An inclusive Eucharistic Community in the
Catholic Tradition united in Jesus reaching out to
all"*

A reading from the prophet Isaiah

A shoot springs from the stock of Jesse,
a scion thrusts from his roots:
on him the spirit of the Lord rests,
a spirit of wisdom and insight,
a spirit of counsel and power,
a spirit of knowledge and of the fear of the Lord.

(The fear of the Lord is his breath.)

He does not judge by appearances,
he gives no verdict on hearsay,
but judges the wretched with integrity,
and with equity gives a verdict for the poor
of the land.

His word is a rod that strikes the ruthless;
his sentences bring death to the wicked.

Integrity is the loincloth round his waist,
faithfulness the belt about his hips.

The wolf lives with the lamb,
the panther lies down with the kid,
calf and lion cub feed together with a little
boy to lead them.

The cow and the bear make friends, their
young lie down together.

The lion eats straw like the ox.

The infant plays over the cobra's hole;
into the viper's lair the young child puts his
hand.

They do no hurt, no harm, on all my holy
mountain,
for the country is filled with the knowledge of
the Lord
as the waters swell the sea.

That day, the root of Jesse
shall stand as a signal to the peoples.
It will be sought out by the nations
and its home will be glorious.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm

***R. Justice shall flourish in his time,
and fullness of peace for ever.***

O God, give your judgement to the king,
to a king's son your justice,
that he may judge your people in justice
and your poor in right judgement. **R.**

In his days justice shall flourish
and peace till the moon fails:
He shall rule from sea to sea,
from the Great River to earth's bounds. **R.**

For he shall save the poor when they cry
and the needy who are helpless.
He will have pity on the weak
and save the lives of the poor. **R.**

May his name be blessed for ever
and endure like the sun.

Every tribe shall be blessed in him,
all nations bless his name. **R.**

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

In due course John the Baptist appeared;
he preached in the wilderness of Judaea
and this was his message: 'Repent, for the
kingdom of heaven is close at hand.' This
was the man the prophet spoke of when
he said:

A voice cries in the wilderness:

Prepare a way for the Lord,
make his paths straight.

This man John wore a garment made of
camel-hair with a leather belt round his
waist, and his food was locusts and wild
honey. Then Jerusalem and all Judaea
and the whole Jordan district made their
way to him, and as they were baptised by
him in the river Jordan they confessed
their sins. But when he saw a number of
Pharisees and Sadducees coming for
baptism he said to them, 'Brood of vipers,
who warned you to fly from the retribution
that is coming? But if you are repentant,
produce the appropriate fruit, and do not
presume to tell yourselves, "We have
Abraham for our father," because, I tell
you, God can raise children for Abraham
from these stones. Even now the axe is
laid to the roots of the trees, so that any
tree which fails to produce good fruit will
be cut down and thrown on the fire. I

baptise you in water for repentance, but
the one who follows me is more powerful
than I am, and I am not fit to carry his
sandals; he will baptise you with the Holy
Spirit and fire. His winnowing-fan is in his
hand; he will clear his threshing-floor and
gather his wheat into the barn; but the
chaff he will burn in a fire that will never
go out.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

