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**



18.07.2021 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time



Communion to the Sick & Housebound Elizabeth Catholic Parish



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

First Reading:

A reading from the prophet Jeremiah

'Doom for the shepherds who allow the flock of my pasture to be destroyed and scattered - it is the Lord who speaks! This, therefore, is what the Lord, the God of Israel, says about the shepherds in charge of my people: You have let my flock be scattered and go wandering and have not taken care of them. Right, I will take care of you for your misdeeds - it is the Lord who speaks! But the remnant of my flock I myself will gather from all the countries where I have dispersed them, and will bring them back to their pastures: they shall be fruitful and increase in numbers. I will raise up shepherds to look after them and pasture them; no fear, no terror for them any more; not one shall be lost - it is the Lord who speaks!

'See the days are coming - it is the Lord who speaks -

when I will raise a virtuous Branch for David.

who will reign as true king and be wise, practising honesty and integrity in the land.

In his days Judah will be saved and Israel dwell in confidence. and this is the name he will be called: The Lord-our-integrity.'

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm:

R. The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want. Fresh and green are the pastures where he gives me repose. Near restful waters he leads me, to revive my drooping spirit. R.

He guides me along the right path; he is true to his name.

If I should walk in the valley of dark

If I should walk in the valley of darkness no evil would I fear.

You are there with your crook and your staff; with these you give me comfort. R.

You have prepared a banquet for me in the sight of my foes.

My head you have anointed with oil; my cup is overflowing. R.

Surely goodness and kindness shall follow me all the days of my life.
In the Lord's own house shall I dwell for ever and ever. R.

Second Reading:

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Ephesians

In Christ Jesus, you that used to be so far from us have been brought very close, by the blood of Christ. For he is the peace between us, and has made the two into one and broken down the barrier which used to keep them apart, actually destroying in his own person the hostility caused by the rules and decrees of the Law. This was to create one single New Man in himself out of the two of them and by restoring peace through the cross, to unite them both in a single Body and reconcile them with God. In his own person he killed the hostility. Later he came to bring the good news of peace, peace to you who were far away and peace to those who were near at hand. Through him, both of us have in the one Spirit our way to come to the Father.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel:

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark

The apostles rejoined Jesus and told him all they had done and taught. Then he said to them, 'You must come away to some lonely place all by yourselves and rest for a while'; for there were so many coming and going that the apostles had no time even to eat. So they went off in a boat to a lonely place where they could be by themselves. But people saw them going, and many could guess where; and from every town they all hurried to the place on foot and reached it before them. So as he stepped ashore he saw a large crowd; and he took pity on them because they were like sheep without a shepherd, and he set himself to teach them at some length.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

