

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 book of Wisdom

What man can know the intentions of God?
Who can divine the will of the Lord?
The reasonings of mortals are unsure
and our intentions unstable;
for a perishable body presses down the
soul,
and this tent of clay weighs down the teeming
mind.
It is hard enough for us to work out what is
on earth,
laborious to know what lies within our reach;
who, then, can discover what is in the
heavens?
As for your intention, who could have learnt
it, had you not granted Wisdom
and sent your holy spirit from above?
Thus have the paths of those on earth been
straightened
and men been taught what pleases you,
and saved, by Wisdom.
The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Psalm

**R. In every age, O Lord, you have been
our refuge.**

You turn men back in to dust
and say: 'Go back, sons of men.'
To your eyes a thousand years
are like yesterday, come and gone,
no more than a watch in the night. **R.**

You sweep men away like a dream,
like grass which springs up in the morning.
In the morning it springs up and flowers:
by evening it withers and fades. **R.**

Make us know the shortness of our life
that we may gain wisdom of heart.
Lord, relent! Is your anger for ever?
Show pity to your servants. **R.**

In the morning, fill us with your love;
we shall exult and rejoice all our days.
Let the favour of the Lord be upon us:
give success to the work of our hands. **R.**



A reading from the letter of St Paul to Philemon

This is Paul writing, an old man now and, what
is more, still a prisoner of Christ Jesus. I am
appealing to you for a child of mine, whose
father I became while wearing these chains: I
mean Onesimus. I am sending him back to
you, and with him - I could say - a part of my
own self. I should have liked to keep him with
me; he could have been a substitute for you,
to help me while I am in the chains that the
Good News has brought me. However, I did
not want to do anything without your consent;
it would have been forcing your act of kind-
ness, which should be spontaneous. I know
you have been deprived of Onesimus for a
time, but it was only so that you could have
him back for ever, not as a slave any more,
but something much better than a slave, a
dear brother; especially dear to me, but how
much more to you, as a blood-brother as well
as a brother in the Lord. So if all that we have
in common means anything to you, welcome
him as you would me.

The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

Great crowds accompanied Jesus on his way
and he turned and spoke to them. 'If any man
comes to me without hating his father,
mother, wife, children, brothers, sisters, yes,
and his own life too, he cannot be my disciple.
Anyone who does not carry his cross and
come after me cannot be my disciple.

'And indeed, which of you here, intending to
build a tower, would not first sit down and
work out the cost to see if he had enough to
complete it? Otherwise, if he laid the
foundation and then found himself unable to
finish the work, the onlookers would all start
making fun of him and saying, "Here is a man
who started to build and was unable to finish."
Or again, what king marching to war against
another king would not first sit down and

consider whether with ten thousand men he
could stand up to the other who advanced
against him with twenty thousand? If not, then
while the other king was still a long way off,
he would send envoys to sue for peace. So in
the same way, none of you can be my
disciple unless he gives up all his posses-
sions.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.