

## **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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20th 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”*

## A reading from the prophet Jeremiah

The king's leading men spoke to the king. 'Let Jeremiah be put to death: he is unquestionably disheartening the remaining soldiers in the city, and all the people too, by talking like this. The fellow does not have the welfare of this people at heart so much as its ruin.' 'He is in your hands as you know,' King Zedekiah answered 'for the king is powerless against you.' So they took Jeremiah and threw him into the well of Prince Malchiah in the Court of the Guard, letting him down with ropes. There was no water in the well, only mud, and into the mud Jeremiah sank.

Ebed-melech came out from the palace and spoke to the king. 'My lord king,' he said, 'these men have done a wicked thing by treating the prophet Jeremiah like this: they have thrown him into the well where he will die.' At this the king gave

Ebed-melech the Cushite the following order: 'Take three men with you from here and pull the prophet Jeremiah out of the well before he dies.'

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## Psalm

***R. Lord, come to my aid!***

I waited, I waited for the Lord  
and he stooped down to me;  
he heard my cry. ***R.***

He drew me from the deadly pit,  
from the miry clay.

He set my feet upon a rock  
and made my footsteps firm. ***R.***

He put a new song into my mouth,  
praise of our God.

Many shall see and fear  
and shall trust in the Lord. ***R.***

As for me, wretched and poor,  
the Lord thinks of me.

You are my rescuer, my help,  
O God, do not delay! ***R.***



## A reading from the letter to the Hebrews

With so many witnesses in a great cloud on every side of us, we too, then, should throw off everything that hinders us, especially the sin that clings so easily, and keep running steadily in the race we have started. Let us not lose sight of Jesus, who leads us in our faith and brings it to perfection: for the sake of the joy which was still in the future, he endured the cross, disregarding the shameful of it, and from now on has taken his place at the right of God's throne. Think of the way he stood such opposition from sinners and then you will not give up for want of courage. In the fight against sin, you have not yet had to keep fighting to the point of death.

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

Jesus said to his disciples: 'I have come to bring fire to the earth, and how I wish it were blazing already! There is a baptism I must still receive, and how great is my distress till it is over!

'Do you suppose that I am here to bring peace on earth? No, I tell you, but rather division. For from now on a household of five will be divided: three against two and two against three; the father divided against the son, son against father, mother against daughter, daughter against mother, mother-in-law against daughter-in-law, daughter-in-law against mother-in-law.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

