
SOLEMNITY OF THE MOST PRECIOUS BLOOD
PENTECOST VI
JULY 9, 2023
LOW MASS

Before Mass Read this explanation: *“I have compassion on the multitude.”* This sentiment of the Divine and Human Heart (**Gospel**), so endearing to us, inspires our pleas to God in the **Introit**, that He save us because we belong to Him. The **Prayer**, alluding to our Baptism, when He implanted in us a love of His Name, (which means *“to save”*) beseeches God to foster and then to protect *“what is good.”* What is *“good?”* It is to *“foster”* the *“new life”* in Christ Jesus begun at Baptism (**Epistle**); *“dead to sin”* is its negative side; *“alive to God”* is its positive. To *“protect”* and to nourish this Life is the object of the Eucharist, which is its food. A hunger for the Divine Life and *“Goodness”* is universal to all times and places, as prefigured in the **Gospel**. *“Can anyone fill them in the wilderness”* of life, where the mind hungers for Truth, the will and heart hunger for Love? At the altar of sacrifice God will not *“allow the hopes of anyone to be in vain”* (**Secret**); but only at the altar of the Sacrament are we really *“filled”* (**Postcommunion**).

COLLECT: PENTECOST VI

GOD of all power and might, who art the giver of all good things; implant in our hearts the love of Thy name, increase in us true religion, nourish us with all goodness and by Thy mercy keep us in the same. Through Christ our Lord, Amen.

COLLECT: OF OUR LADY

GRANT us, Thy servants, we beseech Thee, O Lord God, to enjoy continual health of soul and body; and by the glorious intercession of blessed Mary, ever Virgin, to be delivered from present sorrow, and to attain everlasting joy. Through Christ our Lord, Amen.

EPISTLE: ROMANS 6 (3-11)

BRETHREN, all we who are baptized in Christ Jesus are baptized in His death. For we are buried together with Him by baptism into death; that as Christ is risen from the dead by the glory of the

Father, so we also may walk in newness of life. For if we have been planted together in the likeness of His death, we shall be also in the likeness of His resurrection. Knowing this, that our old man is crucified with Him, that the body of sin may be destroyed, and that we may serve sin no longer. For he that is dead is justified from sin. Now if we be dead with Christ, we believe that we shall live also together with Christ. Knowing that Christ rising again from the dead, dieth now no more, death shall no more have dominion over Him. For in that He died to sin, He died once; but in that He liveth, He liveth unto God. So do you also reckon yourselves to be dead indeed to sin, but alive to God; in Christ Jesus our Lord.

GOSPEL: MARK 8 (1-9)

AT THAT time, when there was a great multitude with Jesus, and had nothing to eat, calling His disciples together, He saith to them: I have compassion on the multitude, for behold they have now been with Me three days, and have nothing to eat; and if I shall send them away fasting to their home, they will faint in the way: for some of them came from afar off. And His disciples answered Him: From whence can any one fill them here with bread in the wilderness? And He asked them: How many loaves have ye? Who said: Seven. And He commanded the people to sit down on the ground. And taking the seven loaves, giving thanks, He broke and gave to His disciples to set before the people. And they had a few little fishes, and He blessed them, and commanded them to be set before them. And they did eat, and were filled; and they took up that which was left of the fragments, seven baskets: and they that had eaten were about four thousand: and He sent them away. that had eaten were about four thousand: and He sent them away.

PRAYERS AFTER LAST GOSPEL:

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Lord, have mercy on us.

Christ, have mercy on us.

Lord, have mercy on us. Christ, hear us.

Christ, graciously hear us.

God, the Father of Heaven, *Have mercy on us.*

God, the Son, Redeemer of the world, ***Have mercy on us.***
God, the Holy Ghost, ***Have mercy on us.***
Holy Trinity, One God, ***Have mercy on us.***
Blood of Christ, only-begotten Son of the Eternal Father, ***Save us.***
Blood of Christ, Incarnate Word of God,
Blood of Christ, of the New and Eternal Testament,
Blood of Christ, falling upon the earth in the Agony,
Blood of Christ, shed profusely in the Scourging,
Blood of Christ, flowing forth in the Crowning with Thorns,
Blood of Christ, poured out on the Cross,
Blood of Christ, price of our salvation.
Blood of Christ, without which there is no forgiveness,
Blood of Christ, Eucharistic drink and refreshment of souls,
Blood of Christ, stream of mercy,
Blood of Christ, victor over demons,
Blood of Christ, courage of martyrs,
Blood of Christ, strength of confessors,
Blood of Christ, bringing forth virgins,
Blood of Christ, help of those in peril,
Blood of Christ, relief of the burdened,
Blood of Christ, solace in sorrow,
Blood of Christ, hope of the penitent,
Blood of Christ, consolation of the dying,
Blood of Christ, peace and tenderness of hearts,
Blood of Christ, pledge of Eternal Life,
Blood of Christ, freeing souls from Purgatory,
Blood of Christ, most worthy of all glory and honor,

Save us.

Lamb of God, Who takest away the sins of the world,
Spare us, O Lord.

Lamb of God, Who takest away the sins of the world,
Graciously hear us, O Lord.

Lamb of God, Who takest away the sins of the world,
Have mercy on us.

V. Thou hast redeemed us, O Lord, in Thy Blood.

R. And made us, for our God, a kingdom.

Let us pray: Almighty and Eternal God, Thou hast appointed Thine

only-begotten Son the Redeemer of the world, and willed to be appeased by His Blood. Grant, we beseech Thee, that we may worthily adore this price of our salvation, and through its power be safeguarded from the evils of this present life, so that we may rejoice in its fruits forever in heaven. Through the same Christ our Lord.
R. Amen.

V. May the Divine assistance remain always with us.

R. And may the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

CLOSING HYMN:

HOLY GOD, WE PRAISE THY NAME

**1. 1. Holy God, we praise Thy name,
Lord of all, we bow before Thee;
All on earth Thy sceptre claim,
All in Heav'n above adore Thee.
: Infinite Thy vast domain,
Everlasting is Thy reign. :**

**2. Therefore we do pray Thee Lord,
Help Thy servants whom, redeeming.
By Thy Precious Blood outpoured,
Thou hast saved from Satan's scheming.
: Give to them eternal rest,
In the glory of the Blest. :**

