

## SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTERTIDE

**EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER I (Roman Canon) - see Mass book page 12**  
*N.b. For the acclamation after the Consecration – see Mass book page 18*  
**The Lord's Prayer – see Mass book page 21**  
*Agnus Dei - from plainsong Mass I Lux et Origo:*



Agnus De- i, \* qui tol-lis peccá- ta mun-di: mi-se-ré- re no- bis. Agnus De- i,\*  
 qui tol-lis peccá- ta mun-di: mi-se-ré- re no- bis. Agnus De- i, \* qui tol-  
 lis peccá-ta mun-di: dona no- bis pa- cem.

**K COMMUNION** *I have chosen you out of this world, that you should go, and should bring forth fruit; and your fruit should remain, alleluia*  
 Ego vos elegi de mundo, ut eatis, et fructum afferatis: et fructus vester maneat. alleluia

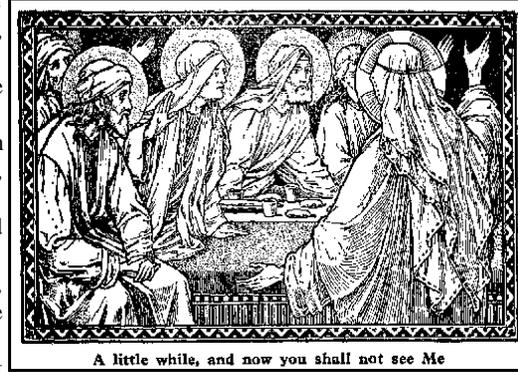
**Communion Motet “Scio Enim” by Orlando di Lasso (1532-1594)**  
*I know that my Redeemer lives and that at the last day I shall rise out of the earth. I shall again be clothed in my body, and in my flesh shall I see God my Saviour, whom I shall see for myself, my eyes looking upon Him and no other. This is the hope in my breast.*

**L POST COMMUNION PRAYER** *Almighty and eternal God, who dost restore us to everlasting life by Christ's resurrection; multiply within us the fruit of the Easter mysteries, and pour into our hearts the strength of thy saving food. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.*  
 Omnipotens sempiternus Deus, qui ad aeternam vitam in Christi resurrectione nos reparas, fructum in nobis paschalis multiplicata sacramenti, et fortitudinem cibi salutaris nostris infunde pectoribus. Per Christum Dominum nostrum. Amen.

Organ Voluntary—“Praeludium in C (Bux WV137) by Diderik Buxtehude (1637-1707)

**YOU ARE REMINDED THAT**  
**VESPERS & BENEDICTION**  
**ARE SUNG HERE TONIGHT AT 7.30 P.M.**  
 YOU RE VERY WELCOME TO TAKE THIS SHEET HOME  
**BUT PLEASE DO NOT REMOVE THE MASS BOOK**

The season of Eastertide lasts for eight weeks, during which time we celebrate the resurrection, the appearances of the Risen Lord to the disciples, and His preparing them for His Ascension and for the Coming of the Holy Spirit. So today, the last Sunday before the Ascension, Our Lord tells His disciples that He is about to leave the



world to return to the Father. But this does not mean that the disciples will be bereaved of His presence; He promises to send the Holy Spirit, who will lead Our Lord's followers into all truth, and who will make the risen Lord present in his

Body, the Church. For it is only with the promised coming of the Holy Spirit that Christ's followers can be formed into a single body, that is, into the mystical Body of Christ. Moreover, this same Holy Spirit will give the disciples a new understanding of the relationship between God the Father and God the Son, and thereby enable all Christ's followers to share in that relationship; in other words, to share the very life of the Blessed Trinity.

**A INTROIT** *Proclaim the joyful news to the ends of the earth so that all may hear it: “the Lord has set His people free, alleluia, alleluia.”*  
 Vocem iucunditatis annuntiate, et audiatur, alleluia: nuntiate usque ad extremum terrae: liberavit Dominus populum suum, alleluia, alleluia. Ps. Iubilate Deo omnis terra: psalmum dicite nomini eius, date gloriam laudi eius. Ps. Cry out with joy to God all the earth, sing a psalm to His name; praise Him with magnificence.

**Introductory rite - see Mass book page 3.**  
**Kyrie & Gloria from “Spatzen Messe” (KV220) by Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart**

**B COLLECT** *Grant us, O Almighty God, to celebrate with eagerness these days of rejoicing in which we honour the Lord's resurrection, so that what we recall in our annual commemoration we may hold fast in all we do. Through Our Lord Per Dominum nostrum Jesum Christum... Jesus Christ...for ever and ever. Amen.*  
 Fac nos, omnipotens Deus, hos laetitiae dies, quos in honorem Domini resurgentis exsequimur, affectu sedulo celebrare, ut quod recordatione percurrimus semper in opere teneamus. Per Dominum nostrum Jesum Christum... Jesus Christ...for ever and ever. Amen.

**C First Reading from the Acts of the Apostles;**  
 As Peter reached the house Cornelius went out to meet him, knelt at his feet and prostrated himself. But Peter helped him up. Stand up, he said, I am only a man after all! Then Peter addressed them: The truth I have now come to realise, he said, is that God does not have favourites, but that anybody of any nationality who fears God and does what is right is acceptable to him. While Peter was still speaking the Holy Spirit came down on all the listeners. Jewish believers who had accompanied Peter were all astonished that the gift of the Holy Spirit should be poured out on the pagans too, since they could hear them speaking strange languages and proclaiming the greatness of God. Peter himself

then said, Could anyone refuse the water of baptism to these people, now they have received the Holy Spirit just as much as we have? He then gave orders for them to be baptised in the name of Jesus Christ. Afterwards they begged him to stay on for some days.

Verbum Domini. **R. Deo gratias.**

**D ALLELUIA PSALM**

Exivi a Patre, et veni in mundum: iterum  
relinquo mundum et vado ad Patrem.

*I came forth from the Father, and am  
come into the world: again I leave the  
world and I go to the Father.*

**E The second reading is taken from the first letter of St. John**

My dear people, let us love one another since love comes from God and everyone who loves is begotten by God and knows God. Anyone who fails to love can never have known God, because God is love. God's love for us was revealed when God sent into the world his only Son so that we could have life through him; this is the love I mean: not our love for God, but God's love for us when he sent his Sonto be the sacrifice that takes our sins away.

Verbum Domini. **R. Deo gratias.**

**F GOSPEL ALLELUIA**

Ego vos elegi de mundo, ut eatis, et  
fructum afferatis: et fructus vester maneat.

*I have chosen you out of the world, that  
you should go, and should bring forth  
fruit; and your fruit should remain.*

**G GOSPEL - A reading from the Holy Gospel according to John**

At that time: Jesus said to His disciples "As the Father has loved me, so have I loved you; abide in my love. If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. These things I have spoken to you, that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be full. "This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. Greater love has no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends. You are my friends if you do what I command you. No longer do I call you servants, for the servant does not know what his master is doing; but I have called you friends, for all that I have heard from my Father I have made known to you. You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you that you should go and bear fruit and that your fruit should abide; so that whatever you ask the Father in my name, he may give it to you. This I command you, to love one another.

Verbum Domini. **R. Laus, tibi Christe.**

**CREDO III—see Mass book page 27 or 28**

*O Queen of  
heaven, rejoice,  
alleluia! For He  
whom you were  
worthy to bear,  
alleluia! Has  
risen as He  
foretold, alle-  
luia! Pray for us  
to God, alleluia!*

VI  
**R** Egí-na cæ-li \* læ-tá-re, alle-lú-ia: Qui- a quem me-  
ru- í-sti portá-re, alle-lú-ia: Re-surréxit, sic-ut di-xit, al-  
le-lú-ia: O-ra pro no-bis De- um, alle-lú-ia.

**Offertory Motet: "Exutate justi" by Ludovico Viadana (1564-1645)**

*"Let the just rejoice in the Lord: it is fitting for the upright to praise Him. Sing to Him to the psaltery and the ten-stringed lute. Make Him a new song: sing to Him well with strong voice"*

**H PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS**

Ascendant ad te, Domine, preces  
nostrae cum oblationibus  
hostiarum, ut, tua dignatione mundati,  
sacramentis magnae pietatis aptemur. Per  
Christum Dominum nostrum. Amen.

*May our prayers arise, O Lord, together  
with the offering of our sacrifices, so that  
cleansed by Thy merciful justice, we may  
be made worthy to receive the sacraments  
of Thy great mercy. Through Christ our  
Lord. Amen.*

**J PREFACE**

Vere dignum et justum est,  
aequum et salutare: Te quidem,  
Domine, omni tempore confiteri, sed in  
hoc potissimum gloriosius praedicare,  
cum Pascha nostrum immolatus est  
Christus.

*It is truly meet and right and incumbent  
upon us for our salvation at all times to  
acknowledge Thee, O Lord, but chiefly and  
more exultantly at this time when Christ our  
Paschal offering was slain.*

Quia vetustate destructa renovantur  
universa deiecta et vitae nobis in Christo  
reparatur integritas.

*For with the destruction of ancient  
corruption, all that had fallen has been  
renewed, and the wholeness of our life has  
been restored in Christ.*

Quapropter, profusis paschalibus  
gaudiis, totus in orbe terrarum mundus  
exultat. Sed et supremae virtutes atque  
angelicae potestates hymnum gloriae  
tuae concinunt, sine fine dicentes:

*Wherefore, out of abounding Paschal joy,  
the whole world breaks into praise, and the  
heavenly spirits and angelic powers likewise  
sing the praise of Thy glory, saying  
evermore:*

**Sanctus from plainsong Mass I Lux et Origo:**

Sanctus, \* Sanctus, Sanctus Dóminus De- us Sába- oth. Ple- ni sunt cæ- li et terra  
gló- ri- a tu- a. Ho- sánna in ex- celsis. Be- ne- díc- tus qui ve- nit in nó- mine Dó-  
mi- ni. Ho- sánna in ex- cél- sis.