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INTRODUCTORY RITES

Opening Song – please refer to the music pages above in your packet

Priest:

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

People: And with your spirit.

Penitential Act

All: I confess to almighty God and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have greatly sinned, in my thoughts and in my words, in what I have done and in what I have failed to do, through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault; therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin, all the Angels and Saints, and you, my brothers and sisters, to pray for me to the Lord our God.

Priest: May almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us our sins, and bring us to everlasting life.

R. Amen.

V. Lord, have mercy.

V. Christ, have mercy.

V. Lord, have mercy.

R. Lord, have mercy.

R. Christ, have mercy.

R. Lord, have mercy.

Gloria – please refer to the music pages above in your packet

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will.

We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory, Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father.

Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us;
you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

Collect

Priest:

Almighty ever-living God, whose will is to restore all things in your beloved Son, the King of the universe, grant, we pray, that the whole creation, set free from slavery, may render your majesty service and ceaselessly proclaim your praise.

Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

Reading 1: EZ 34:11-12, 15-17

Thus says the Lord GOD:

I myself will look after and tend my sheep. As a shepherd tends his flock when he finds himself among his scattered sheep, so will I tend my sheep. I will rescue them from every place where they were scattered when it was cloudy and dark.

I myself will pasture my sheep; I myself will give them rest, says the Lord GOD. The lost I will seek out, the strayed I will bring back, the injured I will bind up, the sick I will heal, but the sleek and the strong I will destroy, shepherding them rightly.

As for you, my sheep, says the Lord GOD, I will judge between one sheep and another, between rams and goats.

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm: PS 23:1-2, 2-3, 5-6

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

The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want. In verdant pastures he gives me repose.

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

Beside restful waters he leads me; he refreshes my soul. He guides me in right paths for his name's sake.

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

You spread the table before me in the sight of my foes; you anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows.

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

Only goodness and kindness follow me all the days of my life; and I shall dwell in the house of the LORD for years to come.

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

Reading 2: 1 COR 15:20-26, 28

Brothers and sisters:

Christ has been raised from the dead, the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep. For since death came through man, the resurrection of the dead came also through man. For just as in Adam all die, so too in Christ shall all be brought to life, but each one in proper order: Christ the firstfruits; then, at his coming, those who belong to Christ; then comes the end, when he hands over the kingdom to his God and Father, when he has destroyed every sovereignty and every authority and power.

For he must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet. The last enemy to be destroyed is death. When everything is subjected to him, then the Son himself will also be subjected to the one who subjected everything to him, so that God may be all in all.

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Gospel: MT 25:31-46

Jesus said to his disciples:

"When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, he will sit upon his glorious throne, and all the nations will be assembled before him. And he will separate them one from another, as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats. He will place the sheep on his right and the goats on his left.

Then the king will say to those on his right, 'Come, you who are blessed by my Father. Inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world. For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, a stranger and you welcomed me, naked and you clothed me, ill and you cared for me, in prison and you visited me.' Then the righteous will answer him and say, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you drink? When did we see you a stranger and welcome you, or naked and clothe you? When did we see you ill or in prison, and visit you?' And the king will say to them in reply, 'Amen, I say to you, whatever you did for one of the least brothers of mine, you did for me.'

Then he will say to those on his left, 'Depart from me, you accursed, into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels. For I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me no drink, a stranger and you gave me no welcome, naked and you gave me no clothing, ill and in prison, and you did not care for me.' Then they will answer and say, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or ill or in prison, and not minister to your needs?' He will answer them, 'Amen, I say to you, what you did not do for one of these least ones, you did not do for me.' And these will go off to eternal punishment, but the righteous to eternal life."

The Gospel of the Lord. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Homily

Nicene Creed

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth,
of all things visible and invisible.

I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God,
born of the Father before all ages.

God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God,
begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father;
Through him all things were made.

For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven,

[at the words that follow, up to and including “and became man,” all bow.]

and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary,
and became man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate,
he suffered death and was buried,
and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures.
He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead
and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic, and apostolic Church.
I confess one baptism for the forgiveness of sins
and I look forward to the resurrection
of the dead and the life of the world to come.
Amen.

Prayers of the Faithful

Priest:

Jesus Christ is the King of all people and nations; let us ask that his lordship in our lives make us servants of goodwill and justice in our world.

Lector:

1. For the leaders of Church and State: that they might shepherd their people by following Jesus’ example of serving and caring for those they lead, especially the poor and vulnerable...
We pray to the Lord. Lord, hear our prayer.
2. For a peaceful transition of power in our federal and local governments, and that all elected officials as well as citizens will show mutual respect and work together to overcome the challenges we face...
We pray to the Lord. Lord, hear our prayer.
3. As members of God’s kingdom, may we resolve to submit ourselves to Jesus so he may become more and more each day the King and ruler of our hearts and lives...
We pray to the Lord. Lord, hear our prayer.
4. For patience and perseverance as we try to live with the stricter guidelines to overcome the pandemic...

We pray to the Lord. Lord, hear our prayer.

5. For God's blessing upon all those who feed the hungry, and those who minister to immigrants, the sick and the imprisoned...

We pray to the Lord. Lord, hear our prayer.

6. For _____, whom we remember in a special way at this Mass...

5:00 P.M. Vigil Mass: Gina Villero on her 60th birthday

7:30 A.M. Sun. Mass: Deceased members of the Legion of Mary

9:00 A.M. Sun. Mass: Deceased members of the Legion of Mary

11: 00 AM Sun. Mass: Melba Rodriguez Guardado – health and thanksgiving

5:00 PM Sun. Mass: Anna Wood and Family in thanksgiving

We pray to the Lord. Lord, hear our prayer.

7. For the intentions written in our Book of Prayer and for all the intentions we hold in the silence of our hearts (PAUSE)...

We pray to the Lord. Lord, hear our prayer.

Priest:

Lord Jesus, reign in our hearts, restore your image in us, and give us the joy of living in grace, working together as one flock led by you our true King and Shepherd. You live with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God forever and ever. **Amen.**

During this time of Offertory, we invite those of you viewing Mass from home to prepare your donation to the parish which you may send later at your convenience. Thank you for your continued generosity.

THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

Offertory Song – please refer to the music pages above in your packet

Priest:

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation, for through your goodness we have received the bread we offer you: fruit of the earth and work of human hands, it will become for us the bread of life.

People: Blessed be God for ever.

Priest:

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation, for through your goodness we have received the wine we offer you: fruit of the vine and work of human hands, it will become our spiritual drink.

People: Blessed be God for ever.

Priest:

Pray, brothers and sisters, that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.

People:

May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands for the praise and glory of his name, for our good and the good of all his holy Church.

Prayer over the Offerings

Priest:

As we offer you, O Lord, the sacrifice by which the human race is reconciled to you, we humbly pray that your Son himself may bestow on all nations the gifts of unity and peace. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

...The Preface and the Eucharistic Prayer follow...

THE COMMUNION RITE

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father who art in heaven hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us and lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil...

Deliver us, Lord, we pray, from every evil, graciously grant peace in our days, that, by the help of your mercy, we may be always free from sin and safe from all distress, as we await the blessed hope and the coming of our Savior, Jesus Christ.

For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever.

Lord Jesus Christ, who said to your Apostles: Peace I leave you, my peace I give you; look not on our sins, but on the faith of your Church, and graciously grant her peace and unity in accordance with your will. Who live and reign for ever and ever.

R. Amen.

The Sign of Peace

Presider: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

People: And with your spirit.

Presider: Let us offer each other the sign of peace.

The Lamb of God is sung.

Presider:

Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who takes away the sins of the world. Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.

People:

Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.

Act of Spiritual Communion

My Jesus,
I believe that you are present
in the Most Holy Sacrament.

I love you above all things,
and I desire to receive You into my soul.

Since I cannot at this moment
receive you sacramentally,
come at least spiritually into my heart.
I embrace you as if you were already there
and unite myself wholly to you.

Never permit me to be separated from you. Amen.

Prayer after Communion

Priest:

Having received the food of immortality, we ask, O Lord, that, glorying in obedience to the commands of Christ, the King of the universe, we may live with him eternally in his heavenly Kingdom.

Who lives and reigns for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The Concluding Rites

Announcements

1. Thank you all for your concern and prayers for us Dominicans and the parish staff. We are all doing well, and no one is showing any symptoms of COVID. Nevertheless, we must continue our quarantine and cannot celebrate any public Masses or do any kind of face-to-face ministry until Thanksgiving Day.
2. We invite you to join us for our special Thanksgiving Mass this coming Thursday at 9 a.m. on our school grounds across the street from the church. It will be a bilingual Mass – in English and Spanish – so that our entire parish community can join together. We will continue with our outdoor Masses on the school grounds on Friday after Thanksgiving at 9 a.m., on Saturday at 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. and then Sunday with Masses at 7:30, 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. in English and 11:00 a.m. in Spanish.

Final Blessing and Dismissal

Presider: The Lord be with you.

People: And with your spirit.

Presider: May almighty God bless you, the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

Presider: Go in peace, glorifying the Lord by your life.

People: Thanks be to God.

A Message from Fr. Roberto

Collection for Dominican Student Brothers

Thank you to all of our donors who gave to our yearly Rosary Sunday collection for our student brothers in formation. **So far, we have collected \$55,584.00** which is about \$11,000 more than last year! This is amazing given the recession and the fact that there are fewer people attending our Masses this year. If you have not yet given, you can still do so by going to <https://www.opwest.org/rs/> and following the online donation instructions. God bless you all for your generosity!

Gratitude

As we approach the beautiful annual celebration of Thanksgiving Day, I would like to share with you some thoughts on gratitude taken from an article by Fr. Richard M. Gula, P.S.S.



“Gratitude is the appreciative awareness that we are surrounded by blessings. When we begin with the blessing of God’s unmerited favor upon us, then we cannot help but respond with gratitude. It becomes the basic motive governing the whole of our lives. Being unappreciative is simply not paying attention. It is the failure to recognize grace and it takes the bounty around us for granted. Ingratitude is an enormous spiritual failure. It is the root of sin...

“Each of us must now determine what the fundamental stance will be that shapes how we interpret what is going on and how we respond to it. For some, unfortunately, this stance is egocentric. They turn

gifts. But
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everything into possessions that never become when we begin with grace, we give ‘Thanks’ for surrounded by gifts that never become

possessions. When our inner eyes are opened to the amazing fact that grace is everywhere, we see everything as gift to be shared and not a possession to be hoarded...

“When we realize how much we have been given, we are moved to be generous by sharing it. We are indebted to one another and enjoy this mutual indebtedness by living with the dynamic of receiving and giving with grateful hearts. Notice how different it feels when we give out of a spirit of gratitude for gifts received than out of guilt for what we owe...

“The commission Jesus gave his apostles when he sent them on their first missionary journey can be loosely translated as **‘give freely to others what you have received freely as grace’ (Matthew 10:8)**. This biblical imperative identifies gratitude as the foundational virtue that seeks to imitate God’s gracious action toward us. Recognizing grace focuses our attention on gratitude as the attitude that acknowledges that all that we have and are comes to us as gift. We can ask of even the most ordinary happenings, ‘How is God at work here?’...

“To nurture gratitude, consider doing the following:



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- Take an inventory of the ways you have been gifted by others.
- Name the people in your life who have made a difference to you.
- Send a "thank you" note to someone.
- Develop your own gifts, and celebrate the gifts of others.

Un Mensaje de Padre Roberto

Colecta para hermanos estudiantes dominicanos

Gracias a todos nuestros donantes que dieron a nuestra colecta anual del Domingo del Rosario para nuestros hermanos estudiantes en formación. Hasta ahora, hemos recaudado **\$55,584.00 ¡que es alrededor de \$11,000 más que el año pasado!** Esto es asombroso dado la recesión económica que estamos experimentando y que hay menos personas que asisten a nuestras Misas en este tiempo. Si aún no ha donado, aún puede hacerlo yendo a <https://www.opwest.org/rs/> y siguiendo las instrucciones de donación en línea. ¡Dios los bendiga a todos por su generosidad!

La Gratitud

Ya que nos acercamos a la hermosa celebración anual del Día de Acción de Gracias, me gustaría compartir con ustedes algunas reflexiones sobre la gratitud tomada de un artículo del Padre Richard M. Gula, P.S.S.

“La gratitud es la conciencia apreciativa de que estamos rodeados de bendiciones. Cuando empezamos con el favor inmerecido de Dios sobre nosotros, no podemos sino responder con gratitud. Se vuelve el motivo básico que rige nuestras vidas por completo. Ser desagradecido es simplemente no prestar atención. Es no reconocer la gracia y dar por sentada

la prodigalidad que nos rodea. La ingratitud es una enorme falla espiritual. Es la raíz del pecado...

“Cada uno de nosotros debe ahora determinar cuál será la postura fundamental que dé forma a nuestra interpretación de lo que sucede y cómo respondemos ante esto. Lamentablemente, para algunos esta postura es egocéntrica. Transforman todo en posesiones que jamás se convierten en obsequios. Pero cuando empezamos con gracia, ‘agradecemos’ el hecho de estar rodeados

de obsequios que jamás se volverán. Cuando nuestros ojos interiores están increíblemente hechos de que la gracia está en vemos todo como un obsequio que como una posesión que acumular...

posesiones.
abiertos al
todas partes,
compartir y no

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“Cuando nos damos cuenta de todo lo que se nos ha dado, nos sentimos impulsados a ser generosos y compartir. Nos sentimos en deuda con el otro y disfrutamos esta deuda mutua viviendo con la dinámica de dar y recibir con corazones agradecidos. Perciba cuán diferente nos sentimos cuando damos desde un espíritu de gratitud por los dones recibidos que desde un espíritu de culpa por lo que debemos...



“El mandato que Jesús les dio a sus apóstoles cuando los envió al primer viaje misionero puede traducirse libremente como **‘den gratuitamente a los demás lo que han recibido gratuitamente ustedes como gracia’ (Mateo 10, 8)**. Este imperativo bíblico identifica la gratitud como la virtud fundamental que busca imitar la acción graciosa de Dios hacia nosotros. Reconocer la gracia centra nuestra atención en la gratitud como la actitud que reconoce que todo lo que tenemos y somos nos llega como un obsequio. Podemos preguntar incluso con relación a los sucesos más ordinarios: ‘¿Cómo se ve la mano de Dios aquí?’...

“Para alimentar la gratitud, considere lo siguiente:

- Haga un inventario de las formas en que se ha visto obsequiado por los demás.
- Nombre a las personas que han hecho una diferencia en su vida.
- Envíe una nota de agradecimiento a alguien.
- Desarrolle sus propios dones y celebre los dones de los demás.”



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