

**Blessed Sacrament Parish**  
**Liturgy of the Word**  
**Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
**February 10<sup>th</sup> 2024**

**Entrance antiphon:**

(All) **Be my protector, O God, a mighty stronghold to save me. For you are my rock, my stronghold! Lead me, guide me, for the sake of your name.** (Psalm 30, 3-4)

To commemorate our baptism, and to begin our celebration, let us bless ourselves with the sign of the cross:

(All) **In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.**

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

(All) **And with your spirit.**

Brothers and sisters, let us acknowledge our sins, and so prepare our hearts to hear the Word of God: (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.
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May almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us our sins, and bring us to everlasting life. (All) **Amen.**

We are gathered to hear the Word of the Lord, to give thanks to God for his blessings, to seek his guidance and to give Glory for his abundant grace. With the entire Church, let us recite together:

(All)

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.
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**Collect prayer**

O God, who teach us that you abide in hearts that are just and true, grant that we may be so fashioned by your grace as to become a dwelling pleasing to you. 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.

(All) **Amen.**

**FIRST READING** *please be seated.*

*A reading from the Book of Leviticus (13, 1-2, 45-46)*

The Lord spoke to Moses and Aaron, saying: "When a person has on the skin of his body a swelling or an eruption or a spot, and it turns into a leprous disease on the skin of his body, he shall be brought to Aaron the priest or to one of his sons the priests.

"Anyone who has the leprous disease shall wear torn clothes and let the hair of his head be disheveled; and he shall cover his upper lip and cry out, "Unclean, unclean." That person shall remain unclean as long as the disease persists; and being unclean, such a one shall live alone with their dwelling outside the camp."

The Word of the Lord: (All) **Thanks be to God**

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM** (Psalm 32)

**R. You are my refuge, Lord,  
with deliverance you surround me.**

Blessed is the one whose transgression is forgiven, whose sin is covered.

Blessed is the one to whom the Lord imputes no iniquity, and in whose spirit there is no deceit.

**R. You are my refuge, Lord,  
with deliverance you surround me.**

I acknowledged my sin to you,  
and I did not hide my iniquity;  
I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the Lord,"  
and you forgave the guilt of my sin.

**R. You are my refuge, Lord,  
with deliverance you surround me.**

Be glad in the Lord and rejoice, O righteous,  
and shout for joy, all you upright in heart.

**R. You are my refuge, Lord,  
with deliverance you surround me.**

**FIRST READING** *please be seated.*

*A reading from the First Letter of Paul to the Corinthians (10,31-11,1)*

Brothers and sisters: whether you eat or drink, or whatever you do, do everything for the glory of God. Give no offense to Jews or to Greeks or to the Church of God, just as I try to please everyone in everything I do, not seeking my own advantage, but that of many, so that they may be saved. Be imitators of me, as I am of Christ.

The Word of the Lord: (All) **Thanks be to God**

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION** *please stand*

(All) **Alleluia. Alleluia. A great prophet has risen among us; God has looked favourably on his people. Alleluia.** (Luke 7, 16)

The Lord be with you. (All) **And with your spirit.**

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Mark (1, 40-45)

(All) **Glory to You, O Lord.**

A man with leprosy came to Jesus begging him, and kneeling he said to Jesus, "If you choose, you can make me clean." Moved with pity, Jesus stretched out his hand and touched him, and said to him, "I do choose. Be made clean!" Immediately the leprosy left him, and he was made clean.

After sternly warning him he sent him away at once, saying to him, "See that you say nothing to anyone; but go, show yourself to the priest, and offer for your cleansing what Moses commanded, as a testimony to them."

But the man went out and began to proclaim it freely, and to spread the word, so that Jesus could no longer go into a town openly, but stayed out in the country; and people came to him from every quarter.

The Gospel of the Lord.

(All) **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

**HOMILY**

*please be seated*

**PROFESSION OF FAITH:**

With the entire Church, let us now proclaim our Faith:

(All)

I believe in God,  
the Father almighty,  
Creator of heaven and earth,  
and in Jesus Christ,  
his only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived  
by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the Virgin Mary,  
suffered under  
Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died  
and was buried;  
he descended into hell;  
on the third day he rose  
again from the dead;

he ascended into heaven,  
and is seated at the right hand  
of God the Father almighty;  
from there he will come to judge  
the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the Holy Catholic Church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and life everlasting. Amen.

**PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL**

(Deacon) Let us now present our requests to the Lord, for the Church, for the world and for ourselves; let us pray with confidence to the Lord our God:

For the Church, communicating Jesus's healing presence to the world, we pray to the Lord:

(All) **Lord, hear our prayer.**

For world leaders, called to lead all nations in harmony, we pray to the Lord:

(All) **Lord, hear our prayer.**

For the sick and those who minister to them, we pray to the Lord:

(All) **Lord, hear our prayer.**

For us, called to follow Christ in service, prayer and witness, we pray to the Lord:

(All) **Lord, hear our prayer**

(Deacon) God, our Father, to your greatness, there is no limit. In your great goodness, look at our desire to collaborate for a more just world and grant us the grace to work tirelessly for your greater glory and the good of all. We ask this through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord.

(All) **Amen.**

**COMMUNION RITE**

As we prepare ourselves to receive the Body of Christ in Holy Communion, and following the teaching and command given by our Saviour, we dare to say,

(All) **Our Father, who art in Heaven...**

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. You who live and reign forever and ever. (All) **Amen.**

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

(All) **And with your spirit.**

Let us offer each other the sign of Peace.

*(The Holy Ciborium is brought to the altar).*

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.

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

We shall now receive the Body of Christ, in Holy Communion. Let us recite together the communion antiphon:

(All) **God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten Son, so that all who believe in him may not perish, but may have eternal life.** (John 3, 16)

**PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

*remain seated*

With you, O God our Father, we have the happiness of your presence. You warm our hearts, you raise our hope, you light our way, and you remind us of what you expect of us. Let us not be an obstacle to anyone. Grant that we may take as our model Jesus Christ our Lord. Enable us to hear Him better, in our prayers and in those we encounter. We ask this through Christ our Lord, him who lives and reigns with you for ever and ever.

(All) **Amen.**

**FINAL PRAYER AND BLESSING**

The Lord be with you.

(All) **And with your spirit.**

May the Lord look over each of us and each of our families, may he protect us from all evil and bring us to everlasting life, and may the blessing of almighty God, † *the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit*, come down on you and remain with you.

(All) **Amen.**

Let us go, in peace, to love and to serve the Lord.

(All) **Thanks be to God.**