

CONFIRMATION

Mass of Commitment

SATURDAY, 18 MAY 2019

SAINT TERESA OF THE CHILD JESUS CHURCH





“I give you a new commandment. Love one another, just as I have loved you.”

ENTRANCE HYMN

*A new commandment I give unto you,
that you love one another as I have loved you,
that you love one another as I have loved you.*

- 1 By this shall all mankind know
you are my disciples,
if you have love for one another.
By this shall all mankind know you
are my disciples,
if you have love for one another

- 2 You are my friends if you do what
I command you.
Without my help you can do
nothing.
- 3 I am the true vine, my Father is the
gard'ner;
abide in me; I will be with you.
- 4 True love is patient, not arrogant
nor boastful;
love bears all things, love is
eternal.

PENITENTIAL ACT

Repeat after the cantor:
Kyrie, eleison. Kyrie, eleison.
Christe, eleison. Christe, eleison.
Kyrie, eleison. Kyrie, eleison.



GLORIA

Chorus:

Glory to God in the highest and on
earth peace to people of goodwill.

- 1 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.
- 2 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.
- 3 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.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING

Acts 14:21-27

They gave an account to the church of all that God had done with them.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

I will bless your name for ever, O God my King.

SECOND READING

Apocalypse 21:1-5

A vision of the heavenly Jerusalem, the bride of the Lamb.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

Jesus said: I give you a new commandment.

Love one another, just as I have loved you.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL ACCORDING

TO JOHN

13:31-33,34-35

In the Son of Man, God has been glorified.



THE RITE OF COMMITMENT

Catechist: Fr Antonio, I present to you and to the parish our young people who have been preparing for the Sacrament of Confirmation.

As the catechist calls out each name the candidate stands and says:

Candidate: I am ready.

The candidates remain standing until all the names have been called.

Fr Antonio addresses the Catechists:

Fr Antonio: In your opinion are these candidates ready to go forward to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation?

Catechists: They are.

The candidates are called forward to the sanctuary steps.

Fr Antonio: Dear candidates, to be a confirmed member of the Church brings the responsibility of witnessing to Christ, and trying to live each day as a true follower of Christ Jesus. I now ask you:

Do you wish to continue growing in the life of faith which was begun in Baptism, and has continued in you through the Eucharist?

Candidate: I do.

Fr Antonio addresses parents and parishioners:

Fr Antonio: Are you willing to continue to support and pray for these young people as they prepare for the Sacrament of Confirmation?

Parents: We are.

Fr Antonio: In the name of God the Father, Jesus the Son, and the Holy Spirit, and in the name of our Parish Community, we are proud to send you forward to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation. May God who has begun this good work in you, bring it to fulfilment, through Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE RENEWAL OF FAITH

Fr Antonio: Do you renounce Satan, and all his works and empty promises?

Candidate: I do.

Fr Antonio: Do you believe in God, the Father almighty,
Creator of heaven and earth?

Candidate: I do.

Fr Antonio: Do you believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
who was born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered death and was buried,
rose again from the dead
and is seated at the right hand of the Father?

Candidate: I do.

Fr Antonio: Do you believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who through the Sacrament of Confirmation will be given to
you in a special way just as he was given to the Apostles on the
day of Pentecost?

Candidate: I do.

Fr Antonio: Do you believe in the holy Catholic Church,
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting?

Candidate: I do.

Fr Antonio: This is our faith.
This is the faith of the Church.
We are proud to profess it in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Candidate: Amen.

PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL

All stand for bidding prayers written by the candidates.

PREPARATION OF THE GIFTS

OFFERTORY HYMN

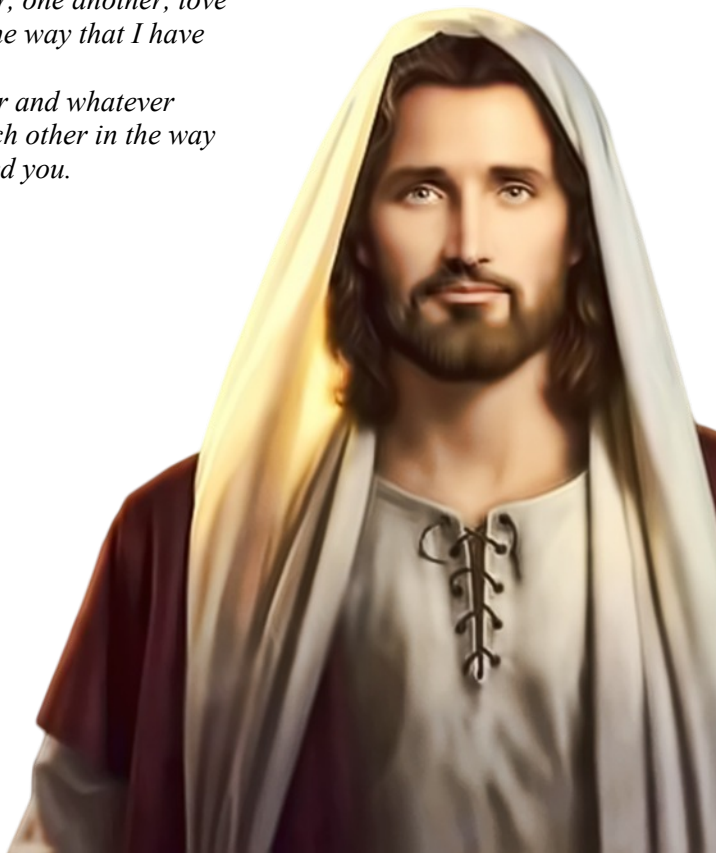
LOVE EACH OTHER

1 All the room was hushed and still
and when the bowl was filled,
He stooped to wash their feet and
when it was complete, he said:
This is what I'm asking you to do,
this is why I'm kneeling here
beside you.
This is what I want my Church to
be, this is what I want the world to
see who it is you follow.

*Love each other, one another, love
each other in the way that I have
loved you.*

*Love each other and whatever
comes, love each other in the way
that I have loved you.*

2 Let the room be hushed and still.
Let us go to where he kneels
And join him as he serves and
learn his ways of love. He said:
This is what I'm asking you to do,
this is why I'm kneeling here
beside you.
This is what I want my Church to
be, this is what I want the world to
see who it is you follow.



HOLY HOLY

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts.

Heaven and earth, heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he, blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.

THE MYSTERY OF FAITH

Save us, save us Saviour of the World

for by your Cross and Resurrection

you have set us free

THE GREAT AMEN

Amen siyakudumisa

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Amen, Bawo; Amen Bawo;

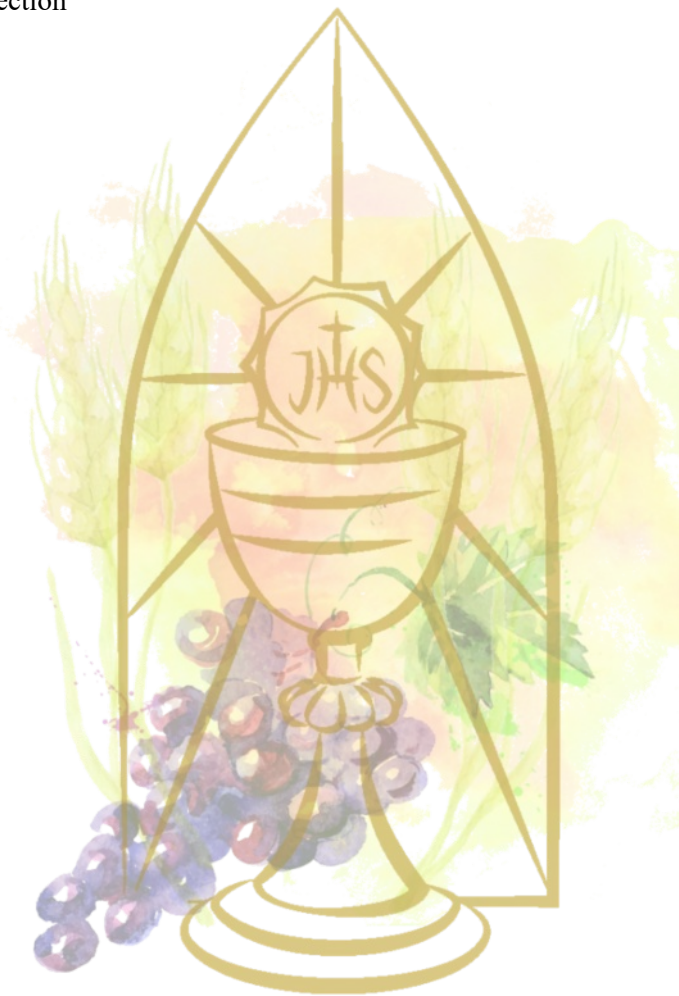
Amen siyakudumisa.

AGNUS DEI

Lamb of God,
you take away
the sins of the world,
have mercy on us.

Lamb of God,
you take away
the sins of the world,
have mercy on us.

Lamb of God,
you take away
the sins of the world,
grant us peace.
Grant us peace.



COMMUNION HYMNS

THIS IS MY BODY, BROKEN FOR YOU

- 1 This is my body, broken for you,
Bringing you wholeness, making you free.
Take it and eat it.
And as you do, do it in love for Me.
- 2 This is my blood poured out for you,
Bringing forgiveness, making you free.
Take it and drink it,
And as you do, do it in love for Me.
- 3 Back to my Father soon I shall go
Do not forget me, then you will see
I am still with you, and you will know
you're very close to me.
- 4 Filled with my Spirit, how you will grow
You are my branches, I am the tree
If you are faithful, others will know
you are alive in me.
- 5 Love one another, I have loved you
and I have shown you how to be free
serve one another, and when you do
do it in love for me.



HOLY SPIRIT COME TO US

Holy Spirit, come to us,
Kindle in us the fire of your love.
Holy Spirit, come to us,
Holy Spirit, come to us.

RECESSIONAL HYMN

BREATHE ON ME, BREATH OF GOD

- 1 Breathe on me, breath of God:
fill me with life anew,
that I may love as you have loved
and do as you would do.
- 2 Breathe on me, breath of God,
until my heart is pure,
until my will is one with yours
to do and to endure.
- 3 Breathe on me, breath of God;
fulfil my heart's desire,
until this earthly part of me
glows with your heavenly fire.
- 4 Breathe on me, breath of God;
so shall I never die,
but live with you the perfect life
of your eternity.



A LETTER OF THANK YOU

Thanks to your support and generosity, the Rich Man Poor Man meal raised a staggering £2,300 which will go towards paying for school uniforms for children in Addo, South Africa. The annual meal took place in St Teresa's Parish Centre on Saturday, 6 April 2019 and it was made possible with the hard work of this year's Confirmation candidates who did everything, from setting up the venue to cooking the food under Fr Dominic and catechists' supervision. We received this letter of thanks from Sr Maureen, General Bursar of the Sisters of Mercy.

Dear Fr Dominic,

Once more I thank you and your parishioners most sincerely for your generosity in giving so much to help the mission of our Sisters in Addo.

What wonderful work you do with the Confirmation Candidates and lots more in your parishes.

May you and your congregation always be blessed.

Sr Maureen



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