



Lent 3 March 7 2021

TERRITORIAL ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

PRIEST We acknowledge the traditional territory upon which we worship.

For many thousands of years, the Algonquin people have walked gently on this land. We acknowledge their stewardship and seek a new relationship based in honour and deep respect.

GRACE

PRIEST: The Grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all

PEOPLE: And also with you.

LENT CANDLES

PRIEST: Jesus Christ is the light of the world. Because we are all created in the image of God, each of us reflects that light in our lives. Today we remember those times when we choose to not recognize the light of Christ in others. Each time we do that, we fail to see each other as created in the image and likeness of God, and our humanity is gradually diminished.

We remember this as we extinguish our third candle.

OPENING RESPONSES - LENT

PRIEST: Cast your burden upon the Lord,

ALL: And he will sustain you.

PRIEST: Create in me a clean heart, O God,

ALL: And renew a right spirit within me.

PRIEST: Cast me not away from your presence

ALL: And take not your Holy Spirit from me.

PRIEST: Give me the joy of your saving help again

ALL: And sustain me with your bountiful Spirit.

PRIEST: Blessed be the Lord day by day,

ALL: The God of our salvation, who bears our burdens.

COLLECT LENT 3BC

PRIEST: Father of mercy, alone we have no

power in ourselves to help ourselves. When we are discouraged by our weakness, strengthen us to follow Christ, our pattern and our hope; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen

FIRST READING *Exodus 20: 1-17*

ALL: Thanks be to God

SECOND READING *1 Corinthians 1: 18-25*

ALL: Thanks be to God

GOSPEL (BAS)

PRIEST: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

PEOPLE: Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

John 2: 13-22

PRIEST: This is the Gospel of Christ.

PEOPLE: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

REFLECTION

APOSTLES' CREED

PRIEST: Together we proclaim our faith: I believe in God...

ALL: the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again 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 the life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

PRIEST: Let us pray... Almighty and ever-living God, who by thy holy Apostle hast taught us to make prayers and supplications, and to give thanks, for all people: We humbly beseech thee most mercifully to receive these our prayers, which we offer unto thy Divine Majesty;

beseeking thee to inspire continually the universal Church with the spirit of truth, unity, and concord: And grant that all they that do confess thy holy Name may agree in the truth of thy holy Word, and live in unity and godly love.

We beseech thee also to lead all nations in the way of righteousness; and so to guide and direct their governors and rulers, that thy people may enjoy the blessings of freedom and peace.

Give grace, O heavenly Father, to all Bishops, Priests, and Deacons, and specially to thy servant Shane our Bishop, that they may both by their life and doctrine set forth thy true and living Word, and rightly and duly administer thy holy Sacraments.

And we most humbly beseech thee of thy goodness, O Lord, to comfort and succour all them, who in this transitory life are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity. We remember before thee, O Lord, all thy servants departed this life in thy faith and fear: and we bless thy holy Name for all who in life and death have glorified thee.

Grant this, O Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our only Mediator and Advocate, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be glory, world without end.

ALL: Amen.

THE CONFESSION

PRIEST: Dear friends in Christ, God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy. He welcomes sinners and invites them to his table. Let us confess our sins, confident in God's forgiveness. Most merciful God...

ALL: ...we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves.

We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us, that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your name. Amen

THE ABSOLUTION

PRIEST: Almighty God have mercy upon you,

pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

ALL: Amen

THE PEACE

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

PEOPLE: And also with you.

PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

PRIEST: Offer unto God the sacrifice of thanksgiving, and pay thy vows unto the Most High.

ALL: Blessed be thou, Lord God of Israel, for ever and ever. All that is in the heaven and in the earth is thine. All things come of thee, and of thine own have we given thee.

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER 2

PRIEST: The Lord be with you.

PEOPLE: And also with you.

PRIEST: Lift up your hearts.

PEOPLE: We lift them to the Lord.

PRIEST: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

PEOPLE: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

PRIEST: We give you thanks and praise, almighty God, through your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, our Saviour and Redeemer.

He is your living Word, through whom you have created all things.

By the power of the Holy Spirit he took flesh of the Virgin Mary and shared our human nature. He lived and died as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all. In fulfilment of your will he stretched out his hands in suffering, to bring release to those who place their hope in you; and so he won for you a holy people.

He chose to bear our griefs and sorrows, and to give up his life on the cross, that he might shatter the chains of evil and death, and banish the darkness of sin and despair.

By his resurrection he brings us into the light of your presence.

Now with all creation we raise our voices to proclaim the glory of your name.

ALL: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power

and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna, in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

PRIEST: Holy and gracious God, accept our praise, through your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ; who on the night he was handed over to suffering and death, took bread and gave you thanks, saying, "Take, and eat: this is my body which is broken for you."

In the same way he took the cup, saying, "This is my blood which is shed for you. When you do this, you do it in memory of me."

Remembering, therefore, his death and resurrection, we offer you this bread and this cup, giving thanks that you have made us worthy to stand in your presence and serve you.

We ask you to send your Holy Spirit upon the offering of your holy Church.

Gather into one all who share in these sacred mysteries,

filling them with the Holy Spirit and confirming their faith in the truth, that together we may praise you and give you glory through your Servant, Jesus Christ. All glory and honour are yours, Father and Son, with the Holy Spirit in the holy Church, now and for ever.

PEOPLE: Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

PRIEST: And now, as our saviour Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

ALL: 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.

For Thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen

PRE-COMMUNION

PRIEST: The gifts of God for the People of God.

ALL: Thanks be to God.

DOXOLOGY

ALL: Glory to God whose power, working in us can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine.

Glory to God from generation to generation, in the Church and in Christ Jesus, for ever and ever. Amen.

BLESSING - LENT

PRIEST: May God the Father, who does not despise the broken spirit, give to you a contrite heart.

May God in Christ, who bore our sins in his body on the tree, heal you by his wounds.

May God Holy Spirit, who leads us into all truth, speak to you words of pardon and peace.

And may the blessing of God - Father, Son, and Spirit - be with you and your families this day and always.

ALL: Amen.

DISMISSAL

Priest dismisses the Congregation

ALL: Thanks be to God!