

COMMUNION OF THE SICK

Invitation: My brothers and sisters, to prepare ourselves for this celebration, let us call to mind our sins.

I confess to almighty God,
and to you, here present,
that I have sinned through my own
fault
in my thoughts and in my words,
in what I have done,
and in what I have failed to do;
and I ask blessed Mary, ever virgin,
all the angels and saints,
and you, here present,
to pray for me to the Lord our God.

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

Amen.

Now let us pray as Christ the Lord has
taught us:

Lord's Prayer:

Communion:

This is the Lamb of God
who takes away the sins of the world.
Happy are those who are called to His
supper.

*Lord, I am not worthy that You
should enter under my roof.,*

*but only say the word and my soul
shall be healed.*

The body of Christ.

Prayer after Communion:

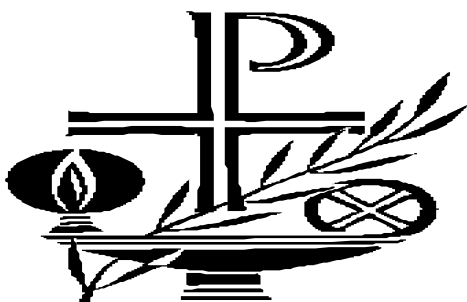
Let us pray.

Father,
may the food we receive in the
Eucharist
help our eternal redemption.
Keep within us the vigour of Your
Spirit
and protect the gifts You have
given to Your Church.

We ask this in the name of Jesus
the Lord

Amen

May almighty God bless you,
the Father, and the Son, and the Holy
Spirit. **Amen**



12.11.2023 The Thirtieth-second Sunday in Ordinary Time



Communion to the Sick & Housebound Elizabeth Catholic Parish



*“An inclusive Eucharistic Community in the
Catholic Tradition united in Jesus reaching out to
all”*

First Reading:- A reading from the book of Wisdom.

Wisdom is bright, and does not grow dim.
By those who love her she is readily seen,
and found by those who look for her.
Quick to anticipate those who desire her, she
makes herself known to them.
Watch for her early and you will have no trouble;
you will find her sitting at your gates.
Even to think about her is understanding fully
grown;
be on the alert for her and anxiety will quickly
leave you.
She herself walks about looking for those who
are worthy of her
and graciously shows herself to them as they go,
in every thought of theirs coming to meet them.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm:-

R. My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God.

O God, you are my God, for you I long;
for you my soul is thirsting.
My body pines for you
like a dry, weary land without water. **R.**

So I gaze on you in the sanctuary
to see your strength and your glory.
For your love is better than life,
my lips will speak your praise. **R.**

So I will bless you all my life,
in your name I will lift up my hands.
My soul shall be filled as with a banquet,
my mouth shall praise you with joy. **R.**

On my bed I remember you.
On you I muse through the night
for you have been my help;
in the shadow of your wings I rejoice. **R.**



Second Reading:- A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Thessalonians.

We want you to be quite certain, brothers,
about those who have died, to make sure that
you do not grieve about them, like the other
people who have no hope. We believe that Jesus
died and rose again, and that it will be the same
for those who have died in Jesus: God will bring
them with him.

We can tell you this from the Lord's own
teaching, that any of us who are left alive until
the Lord's coming will not have any advantage
over those who have died. At the trumpet of God,
the voice of the archangel will call out the
command and the Lord himself will come down
from heaven; those who have died in Christ will
be the first to rise, and then those of us who are
still alive will be taken up in the clouds, together
with them, to meet the Lord in the air. So we shall
stay with the Lord for ever. With such thoughts as
these you should comfort one another.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel:- A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew.

Jesus told this parable to his disciples:
'The kingdom of heaven will be like this:
Ten bridesmaids took their lamps and went to
meet the bridegroom. Five of them were foolish
and five were sensible: the foolish ones did take
their lamps, but they brought no oil, whereas the
sensible ones took flasks of oil as well as their
lamps. The bridegroom was late, and they all
grew drowsy and fell asleep. But at midnight
there was a cry, "The bridegroom is here! Go
out and meet him." At this, all those bridesmaids
woke up and trimmed their lamps, and the foolish
ones said to the sensible ones, "Give us some of
your oil: our lamps are going out." But they replied,
"There may not be enough for us and for you; you
had better go to those who sell it and buy some
for yourselves." They had gone off to buy it when
the bridegroom arrived. Those who were ready
went in with him to the wedding hall and the door
was closed. The other bridesmaids arrived later.
"Lord, Lord," they said, "open the door for us."
But he replied, "I tell you solemnly, I do not know
you." So stay awake, because you do not know
either the day or the hour.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.