

New Translation of the Mass - Part 19

The Consecration

The Consecration is the high-point of the Mass. It is the reason for the Mass, and also the oldest part of the Mass. The words and actions of Jesus at the Last Supper, which he commanded us to do, form the core of the Mass – the consecration of the Body and Blood of Christ. The words of consecration, in all the different rites of the Catholic Church (the Latin one is only one of twenty-three rites that go back to the apostles), never completely match each other, and none of them match the words of Our Lord in the Bible exactly either. The reason for this is that these particular words of the Mass have been said right from the beginning, from the time of Jesus and his apostles, even before the New Testament was written. In their core, they are of course identical.

At the consecration the priest's gestures begin to match Our Lord's, so that it is more evident that Christ is the High Priest who offers the sacrifice of himself. He takes the bread (the priest takes it), looks up to his Father (the priest looks up), blesses (the priest blesses the bread), offers (the priest offers), and says the words (the same words of consecration the priest must say). The same applies to the chalice filled with wine mixed with water. The Body and Blood of Christ are consecrated separately, which shows forth the sacrifice of Christ – his suffering and death on the Cross, which separated his Blood from his Body. Notice that the priest's words declare that Christ broke the bread, yet the priest's action of breaking the bread is delayed a little. The fraction (its technical name) symbolises the sacrifice and death of Christ, and the addition of a little portion of the Host to the Precious Blood symbolises the Resurrection (since Body and Blood are reunited).

At each consecration, the priest elevates the Body or the Blood of Christ high above, to give glory to God, to offer the sacrifice of the Son to God the Father, and for us to look upon the Sacred Species (that is, what appears to be mere bread and wine, but what is really, truly and substantially the Body and Blood of Christ himself), to reverence and to adore him. Pope St Pius X indulged the act of looking upon the Sacred Species and saying quietly the words of St Thomas, *'My Lord and my God!'* In Spain there is an ancient liturgical tradition of saying at the elevation of the Host, *'My Lord and my God, we adore Thee, Body of our Lord Jesus Christ, because by Thy holy Cross Thou hast redeemed the world.'* And at the elevation of the consecrated chalice, *'My Lord and my God, we adore Thee, sacred Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ, which was shed on the Cross for the salvation of the world.'*

21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

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| Entrance Antiphon: | Listen, Lord and answer me. Save your servant who trusts in you. I call to you all day long, have mercy on me, O Lord. |
| 1st Reading: | Isaiah 66: 18-21 |
| Psalm R: | Go into all the world and preach the Gospel. (Ps 117) |
| 2nd Reading: | Hebrews 12: 5-7. 11-13 |
| Alleluia: | I am the way, and the truth, and the life, says the Lord; no one comes to the Father, but by me. |
| Gospel: | Luke 13: 22-30 |
| Communion Antiphon: | <u>Either</u> – Lord, the earth is filled with your gift from heaven; man grows bread from earth, and wine to cheer his heart, oil to make his face shine and bread to strengthen man's heart. <u>Or</u> – The Lord says: The man who eats my flesh and drinks my blood will live for ever; I shall raise him to life on the last day. |

The Muslim-Christian Dialogue Group will meet on Wednesday, at St Philip's Church, Evington Road, at 7:30pm, to discuss 'The Christian perspective on the Prophet Muhammed (PBUH)'.

Blessed Tansi Pilgrimage at Mount St Bernard Abbey. The annual pilgrimage will take place on Saturday 28 August, starting at 11am. There will be Mass, Rosary Procession and Blessing of the Sick. The Abbey is near Whitwick, postcode LE67 5UL.

A Newman symposium will be held on Saturday 25 September, from 10am to 5pm at St. Dominic's convent in Stone. Tea & coffee will be provided but please bring a picnic lunch. For more information contact angelaleydon@btinternet.com.

Grenada church rebuilding. As the latest pictures show this is almost complete and the church will be consecrated on 7th October. The Grenada community and the English Dominican Province is deeply grateful for your generosity. The brethren ask you to continue to help them pay off the debt. To express their appreciation they are saying a monthly Mass for all their benefactors.

We would welcome more volunteers to read at the 7pm Sunday Mass. If you are interested, please see one of the friars.

Social Committee: We're now on 'Facebook'! Log on and search for us. All the latest news on our social events will appear there.

Our parish is now using Twitter. To see at a glance what's going on on any particular day, go to http://twitter.com/holycross_leic and sign up for tweets on your mobile phone.

Please join us in the Parish Hall after the 9:30am and 11:00am Sunday Masses for tea, coffee, fruit-juice etc. There is the opportunity for a chat with members of the Dominican Community and with parishioners. We particularly welcome newly-arrived students and other visitors.

MONEY MATTERS: Last Weekend's collections – Offertory Collection £1344.52; SVP £14.41; Friends of Holy Cross £9.70; Holy Souls £10.95; Grenada Church Restoration £6.26. The McNabb Appeal stands at £9438.38.

This week there is a retiring collection for the Diocesan Quota.

Very many thanks for your continuing generosity.

Family Events at Launde Abbey in August. Afternoon teas are available on Sundays in August from 2pm to 4pm. And there are Open Days over the Bank Holiday weekend from 28 to 30 August, with a Viking village, craft stalls, bouncy castle, etc, and a Car Boot Sale from 11am on the Monday. Details from 01572 717254 and www.launde.org.uk.



“Strive to enter by the narrow door; for many, will seek to enter and will not be able.”

Copies of ‘The Black Friars’, the newsletter of the English Dominican Province (Summer issue), are available by the church doors. Find out what Fr Richard Finn and Fr David Goodill are up to, and see progress on the rebuilding of the priory in Grenada. Please pick up a copy and keep abreast of everything that’s going on in the Province.

The latest issue of the Nottingham Diocesan *Catholic News* is now available by the Wellington Street door. Read all about the diocesan pilgrimages to Walsingham and Padley. There is also a photograph of the participants in the Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes on the noticeboard in the Wellington Street entrance.

Forthcoming events for your diary

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| Sat 25 Sep | Late Summer Ball – raising funds for the McNabb appeal |
| Sat 30 Oct | All Saints’ Holy X Factor – a karaoke with a difference |

Centenary Celebrations for Blessed Mother Teresa of Calcutta’s birth. Light Bearers Ministries U.K, spiritually united with the Missionaries of Charity, will be commemorating the centenary of Blessed Teresa of Calcutta’s birth this Thursday. We will be praying the novena to Blessed Mother Teresa of Calcutta and meditating on her writings on Wednesday at 11.45am. Please do come and join us in praying and sharing the spirituality of Blessed Mother Teresa.

Pilgrimage to Medjugorje, led by Fr Leon Pereira O.P., from September 4-11 (£499 shared room, half board). Please contact Kath Gambin, 234 0103. The status of Medjugorje is still undecided. Remember though that Fatima was only approved 13 years after the apparitions ceased. This therefore does not preclude our visit to the parish of Medjugorje and joining them in prayer. Come and deepen your love for Our Lord and Our Lady.

Leicester, City of Sanctuary, is a movement to build a culture of hospitality for asylum seekers and refugees. Its latest project is ‘Community Reporters 2012’, part of an ambitious plan to recruit 2012 members of the public to help capture community news in partnership with the Leicester Mercury. If you are interested in supporting this venture, contact Gill Buttery, Development Worker, at leicester@cityofsanctuary.org.

| Year II | This week’s calendar & Mass Intentions | Psalter Week 1 |
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| Confessions | 10.30 to 11.30 Fr Thomas, and 17.00 to 18.00 Fr Fabian | |
| Sunday | 21 st Sunday <i>per annum</i> . | |
| | Vigil 18.00 <i>Pro populo</i> | |
| | 8.00 † Thamas Eva Dathan | |
| | Family 9.30 † Lena Willis | |
| | Solemn 11.00 Anne Potterton (sick) | |
| | OP Rite 12.30 Duc & Maureen Belton (wedding anniversary) | |
| | Students 17.00 No Mass now until next term | |
| | 19.00 † Joseph Willis | |
| Monday | St Rose of Lima, virgin, lay Dominican | |
| | 10.00 John Paul Fong (intentions) | |
| | 12.30 Al Mary Shaw | |
| Tuesday | ST BARTHOLOMEW, APOSTLE | |
| | 10.00 † Dead of the Order of Preachers | |
| | 12.30 † Lew Hunt | |
| Wednesday | Feria | |
| | 10.00 † Eric Collier | |
| | 12.30 Private Intention | |
| Thursday | Bl Dominic Barberi of the Mother of God, priest | |
| | 10.00 † John Downing | |
| | 12.30 Thanksgiving: Centenary of Bl. Theresa of Calcutta | |
| Friday | St Monica, wife and mother | |
| | 10.00 Ann Ball (sick) | |
| | 12.30 Sheila O’Connell | |
| Saturday | OUR FATHER ST AUGUSTINE, BISHOP, DOCTOR | |
| | 10.00 † Bridie Corcoran | |
| | 12.30 † Martin Francis Durkin | |
| Confessions | 10.30 to 11.30 Fr Isidore, and 17.00 to 18.00 Fr Thomas | |
| | WEEKDAY MASS IN LATIN. Holy Mass will be offered in the older form from Monday to Saturday at 8am | |
| | Next Sunday – 22nd Sunday <i>per annum</i>. Readings: | |
| | Sirach 3: 17-20. 28-29 Hebrews 12: 18-19. 22-24 Luke 14: 1. 7-14 | |

Please pick up a flyer on the abortion ads planned for TV – it is important that we make a stand against the attempts of abortion providers to normalise the destruction of ‘unwanted’ unborn children. For more info contact the Leicester branch of SPUC on 0775 88 44 918.

Red Cross Appeal for Refugees & Asylum Seekers. The full list of items needed to support these destitute and vulnerable people is:

- ◆ Dried items: rice, pasta, cous-cous, maize meal-meal, sugar, salt, porridge, cooking oil, flour (self-raising), spices, palenta, mashed potato (Smash), tea, coffee, powdered milk, water, fruit juice, semolina;
- ◆ Tins: fish, meat, pulses, baked beans, soup, fruit, rice pudding, sauces, vegetables;
- ◆ Pre-prepared food: cereal bars, chocolate, biscuits, nuts, crisps, pot noodles;
- ◆ Baby items: nappies (sizes 2-4), baby wipes, food, milk, lotion, talc, clothing, equipment;
- ◆ Toiletries: sanitary towels, shaving equipment, toothpaste, tooth brush, soap, moisturiser, shampoo, conditioner, toilet paper;
- ◆ Others: Tin openers, pans, cutlery, towels and sleeping bags.

Please leave these items at any Mass. Thank you.

| REGULAR SERVICE TIMES |
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| MONDAYS TO FRIDAYS |
| 7.30 Lauds |
| 10.00 Mass |
| 12.30 Mass |
| 17.45 Vespers |
| Old Rite Masses as announced. |
| Church is open from 7.30 - 18.00 |
| WEDNESDAYS |
| 10.30 Exposition until 12.30 |
| 11.45 Divine Mercy Chaplet, Rosary & Benediction |
| SATURDAYS |
| 9.00 Lauds |
| 10.00 Mass |
| 10.30 Novena to Our Lady |
| 10.30 Confessions until 11.30 |
| 12.30 Mass |
| 17.00 Confessions until 18.00 |
| 17.45 Vespers |
| 18.00 Vigil Mass for Sunday |
| Old Rite Masses as announced. |
| HOLIDAYS |
| 18.00 (previous day) Vigil Mass |
| 7.30 Lauds |
| 10.00 Mass |
| 12.30 Mass |
| 17.45 Vespers |
| 19.00 Mass |
| BANK HOLIDAYS (& MON TO FRI AROUND XMAS & NEW YEAR) |
| 7.30 Lauds |
| 12.30 Mass, after which the church is closed |
| SUNDAYS |
| 8.00 Mass |
| 9.00 Lauds |
| 9.30 Mass (Family) |
| 11.00 Mass (Solemn: Latin on 2 nd , 4 th and 5 th Sundays) |
| 12.30 Mass (Old rite in Latin) |
| 17.00 Mass (for Students, term time only) |
| 17.45 Vespers |
| 18.00 Rosary |
| 18.20 Sung Latin Compline |
| 18.40 Benediction |
| 19.00 Mass |
| Leicester Royal Infirmary Catholic Chaplaincy: For urgent visits, ask ward staff to bleep the Roman Catholic Chaplain. |
| For non-urgent visits leave message at the Priory or the LRI Chaplains’ Office. Messages may not be picked up until the end of the day. |
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