



## **Diocesan Commission for Liturgy, Vasai**

(Prayer Service for those who cannot attend Eucharist due to Corona Virus threat)

**Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> June 2020**

**The Immaculate Heart of Mary**

### **The Angelus**

**Head** : The Angel of the Lord declared unto Mary

**All** : And she conceived by the Holy Spirit

**Head** : Hail Mary .....

**Head** : Behold the handmaid of the Lord

**All** : Be it done unto me according to your word

**Head** : Hail Mary .....

**Head** : And the Word was made Flesh

**All** : And dwelt among us

**Head** : Hail Mary .....

**Head** : Pray for us, O Holy Mother of God

**All** : That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ

**Let us pray:** Pour forth, we beseech you, O Lord, Thy grace into our hearts; that we, to whom the incarnation of Christ, your Son, was made known by the message of an angel, may by His Passion and Cross be brought to the glory of His Resurrection, through the same Christ Our Lord. Amen.

**Hymn: All over the world ..... (26)**

**Head of the family:** In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit,

**All:** Amen

### **Penitential Act**

**Head:** My dear family members, let us acknowledge our sins, and so prepare ourselves for this prayer service:

**Head:** You were sent to heal the contrite of heart, Lord, have mercy

**All:** Lord, have mercy

**Head:** You came to call sinners, Christ have mercy

**All:** Christ, have mercy.

**Head:** You are seated at the right hand of the Father to intercede for us, Lord, have mercy

**All:** Lord, have mercy.

### **Let us pray:**

O God, who prepared a fit dwelling place for the Holy Spirit in the Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary, graciously grant that through her intercession we may be a worthy temple of your glory. 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.

### **Liturgy of the Word**

#### **First Reading:**

**Isaiah 61:9-11**

**Reader:** A Reading from the book of Isaiah

*I exult for joy in the Lord*

Their race will be famous throughout the nations,  
their descendants throughout the peoples.

All who see them will admit  
that they are a race whom the Lord has blessed.

'I exult for joy in the Lord,  
my soul rejoices in my God,  
for he has clothed me in the garments of salvation,  
he has wrapped me in the cloak of integrity,  
like a bridegroom wearing his wreath,  
like a bride adorned in her jewels.

'For as the earth makes fresh things grow,  
as a garden makes seeds spring up,  
so will the Lord make both integrity and praise  
spring up in the sight of the nations.'

The Word of the Lord

**All:** Thanks be to God.

**Responsorial Psalm:**

**1 Samuel 2:1,4-8**

**Response:** My heart exults in the Lord my Saviour.

1. My heart exults in the Lord.  
I find my strength in my God;  
my mouth laughs at my enemies  
as I rejoice in your saving help.

**Response:** My heart exults in the Lord my Saviour.

2. The bows of the mighty are broken,  
but the weak are clothed with strength.  
Those with plenty must labour for bread,  
but the hungry need work no more.  
The childless wife has children now  
but the fruitful wife bears no more.

**Response:** My heart exults in the Lord my Saviour.

3. It is the Lord who gives life and death,  
he brings men to the grave and back;  
it is the Lord who gives poverty and riches.  
He brings men low and raises them on high.

**Response:** My heart exults in the Lord my Saviour.

4. He lifts up the lowly from the dust,  
from the dungheap he raises the poor  
to set him in the company of princes  
to give him a glorious throne.  
For the pillars of the earth are the Lord's,  
on them he has set the world.

**Response:** My heart exults in the Lord my Saviour.

**Gospel Acclamation**      **cf.Lk2:19**

Alleluia, alleluia!  
Blessed is the Virgin Mary,  
who treasured the word of God  
and pondered it in her heart.  
Alleluia!

**Gospel :**

**Luke 2:41-51**

**Reader :** A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

**All :** Glory to you, O Lord.

*Mary stored up all these things in her heart*

Every year the parents of Jesus used to go to Jerusalem for the feast of the Passover. When he was twelve years old, they went up for the feast as usual. When they were on their way home after the feast, the boy Jesus stayed behind in Jerusalem without his parents knowing it. They assumed he was with the caravan, and it was only after a day's journey that they went to look for him among their relations and acquaintances. When they failed to find him they went back to Jerusalem looking for him everywhere.

Three days later, they found him in the Temple, sitting among the doctors, listening to them, and asking them questions; and all those who heard him were astounded at his intelligence and his replies. They were overcome when they saw him, and his mother said to him, 'My child, why have you done this to us? See how worried your father and I have been, looking for you.'

‘Why were you looking for me?’ he replied. ‘Did you not know that I must be busy with my Father’s affairs?’ But they did not understand what he meant.

He then went down with them and came to Nazareth and lived under their authority. His mother stored up all these things in her heart.

The Gospel of the Lord

**All** : Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

**Reflection:** A mother’s heart is a reservoir of love, care, generosity, compassion, understanding, sacrifice and suffering. Mary is our Mother who went through ineffable pain and an indescribable ordeal to keep alive her YES to God. Simeon had foretold that a sword would pierce her heart. Yet she stood in faith, enveloped in her love for God and her child. She knew for sure, it was not her Son who should grow towards her but she who had to grow deeper towards him to understand all that she treasured in her heart. In every step that Jesus took in his life towards the fulfilment of His Father’s will for us, Mary accompanied him, even to the cross, participating in his self-sacrificing offering. May the Immaculate Heart of Mary ever intercede for us!

**Let us pray:**

Look, O Lord, upon the prayers of your faithful, presented in commemoration of Blessed Mary, the Mother of God, that they may be pleasing to you and may confer on us your help and forgiveness. Through Christ our Lord.

**All** : Amen.

**The Lord’s Prayer**

**Head:** At the Saviour’s command and formed by divine teaching, we dare 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.

**Head** : Deliver us, Lord, we pray, from every evil, graciously grant peace in our days,  
that, by the help of your mercy, we may be always free from sin and safe from all  
distress, as we await the blessed hope and the coming of our Saviour, Jesus Christ.

**All**: For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours now and forever.

**Head** : Lord Jesus Christ, who said to your Apostles; peace I leave to 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, who live and reign forever and ever.

**All** : Amen.

**Head** : The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**All** : And with your spirit.

**Head** : Let us offer each other the sign of peace.

### **An Act of Spiritual Communion**



My Jesus,  
I believe that You are present in the  
Most Holy Sacrament.

I love You above all things,  
and I desire to receive you into my soul.  
Since I cannot at this moment receive  
You Sacramentally,  
come at least spiritually into my heart.  
I embrace You as if You were already  
there  
and unite myself wholly to You.  
Never permit me to be separated from  
You  
Amen.

## **The concluding rites**

### **Let us pray:**

Having been made partakers of eternal redemption, we pray, O Lord, that we, who commemorate the Mother of your Son, may glory in the fullness of your grace and experience its continued increase for our salvation. Through Christ our Lord.

**All** : Amen

**Head** : May almighty God bless us, keep us from all evil and bring us to everlasting life.

**All** : Amen

**Head** : Let us go in the peace of the Lord,

**All** : Thanks be to God.

## **Prayer for those infected by the Corona Virus**

Almighty and ever merciful God,  
You show your love to the entire universe.

Hear our prayers as we lift up  
all the people infected by Corona virus  
in different parts of the world.

We beg you to touch the victims and  
their families with your healing touch.

We thank you for the persistent efforts  
put in by the doctors to research  
an effective solution to this virus.

May you bring success to their  
tireless efforts in this field

We pray for the people working  
through the governmental and health  
organizations that they may be guided by you to  
take appropriate measures to overcome this difficult situation  
and work towards the safety of the people.

We make this prayer through Christ, our Lord. Amen.

**Hymn: Holy Virgin ..... (176)**