

the lord's supper



The International Catholic Faith Community of
Utrecht heartily welcomes you!

HOLY MASS IN ENGLISH
Sunday, May 17th, 2026
Hymns, Prayers, Announcements

Today, the Church celebrates:
Seventh Sunday of Easter

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1. ENTRANCE

The wind Cat Stevens (1971)

I listen to the wind
to the wind of my soul
where I'll end up well I think,
only God really knows

I've set upon the setting sun,
but never, never,
I never wanted water once
no never, never, never.

I listen to my words
but they fall far below
I let my music take me
where my heart wants to go.

I've swam upon the devil's lake,
but never, never, never
I'll never make the same mistake...
no never, never, never.

2. KYRIE

Kyrie Eleison (2x)
Christe Eleison (2x)
Kyrie Eleison (2x)

Priest: The Lord be with you.
All: And with your Spirit
Priest: A reading from the Holy Gospel
according to ...
All: ✠ **Glory to you, Lord.**

Apostle's creed (optional)

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord: Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary; suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come 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 life everlasting. Amen.

3. ALLELUIA

Alleluia, Alleluia
Give thanks to the risen Lord
Alleluia, Alleluia
Give praise to his name.



ENTRANCE ANTIPHON
**Men of Galilee, why gaze
in wonder at the heavens?
This Jesus whom you saw
ascending into heaven will
return as you saw him go,
alleluia**



PENITENTIAL ACT

Lord Jesus, you came to gather the nations
into the peace of God's kingdom:
Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**
You come in word and sacrament to
strengthen us in holiness:
Christ, have mercy. **Christ, have mercy.**
You will come in glory with salvation for your
people:
Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**
May almighty God have mercy on us... **Amen.**

THE GLORIA

**Glory to God in the highest,
and on earth peace to people of good will.**
**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.**
**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.**
**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.**

OPENING PRAYER

Grant, we pray, almighty God, that we, who
believe that your Only Begotten Son, our
Redeemer, ascended this day to the heavens,
may in spirit dwell already in heavenly realms.
Who lives and reigns with you in the unity of
the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

✠ LITURGY OF THE WORD ✠

FIRST READING Acts 1: 1-11

In my earlier work, Theophilus, I dealt with everything Jesus had done and taught from the beginning until the day he gave his instructions to the apostles he had chosen through the Holy Spirit, and was taken up to heaven. He had shown himself alive to them after his Passion by many demonstrations: for forty days he had continued to appear to them and tell them about the kingdom of God. When he had been at table with them, he had told them not to leave Jerusalem, but to wait there for what the Father had promised. 'It is ' he had said' what you have heard me speak about: John baptised with water but you, not many days from now, will be baptised with the Holy Spirit.'

Now having met together, they asked him, 'Lord, has the time come? Are you going to restore the kingdom to Israel?' He replied, 'It is not for you to know times or dates that the Father has decided by his own authority, but you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you, and then you will be my witnesses not only in Jerusalem but throughout Judaea and Samaria, and indeed to the ends of the earth.'

As he said this he was lifted up while they looked on, and a cloud took him from their sight. They were still staring into the sky when suddenly two men in white were standing near them and they said, 'Why are you men from Galilee standing here looking into the sky? Jesus who has been taken up from you into heaven, this same Jesus will come back in the same way as you have seen him go there.'

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

RESPONSORIAL PSALM (Ps. 46: 2-3, 6-9)

**R. God goes up with shouts of joy;
the Lord goes up with trumpet blast.
or Alleluia!**

1. All peoples, clap your hands,
cry to God with shouts of joy!
For the Lord, the Most High, we must fear,
great king over all the earth. (R)

2. God goes up with shouts of joy;
the Lord goes up with trumpet blast.

4. INTERCESSORY PRAYERS

5. OFFERTORY HYMN

Ubi Caritas (Ola Gjeilo, 1999)

Ubi Caritas et amor, Deus ibi est.
Congregavit nos in unum Christi amor.
Exsultemus et in ipso jucundemur.
Timeamus et amemus Deum vivum.
Et ex corde diligamus nos sincero.
Amen.

6. SANCTUS

Sanctus, Sanctus, Sanctus,
Dominus, Deus Sabaoth.
Pleni sunt coeli et terra gloria tua.
Hosanna in excelsis.
Benedictus qui venit in nomine Domini.
Hosanna in excelsis

7. THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father (Mexico)

Our Father who art in heaven
Hallowed be Thy name
Thy kingdom, Thy kingdom come
Thy will be done
On earth as in heaven,
On earth as in heaven
Give us this day our daily bread
And forgive us our trespasses
As we forgive
And lead us not into temptation
But deliver us from evil.

[**Priest:** *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.]

For Thine is the kingdom
The power and glory
Forever and ever, amen, amen

8. COMMUNION HYMNS

Set me as a seal upon your heart (Rene Clausen)

Set me as a seal upon your heart
as a seal upon your arm
for love is strong as death
set me as a seal upon your heart
as a seal upon your arm
for love is strong as death

Many waters cannot quench love
neither can the floods drown it
neither can the floods drown it
(neither can the floods drown it
neither can they drown it)
set me as a seal upon your heart
as a seal upon your arm
for love is strong as death

Falling in love (Janna)

Falling in love
with the heavens above
with the heavens above
with the heavens above

Falling in love
with the heavens above
with the heavens above
with the heavens above

Falling in love
Falling in love
(Falling in love) 2nd time
repeat

Ave Maria (F.Schubert, solo by Rea)

3. God is king of all the earth.
sing praise to our king, sing praise. (R)
Sing praise with all your skill.
God is king over the nations;
God reigns on his holy throne. (R)

SECOND READING Ephesians 1: 17 - 23

A reading from St. Paul's 2nd letter to the Ephesians
May the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, give you a spirit of wisdom and perception of what is revealed, to bring you to full knowledge of him. May he enlighten the eyes of your mind so that you can see what hope his call holds for you, what rich glories he has promised the saints will inherit and how infinitely great is the power that he has exercised for us believers. This you can tell from the strength of his power at work in Christ, when he used it to raise him from the dead and to make him sit at his right hand, in heaven, far above every Sovereignty, Authority, Power, or Domination, or any other name that can be named, not only in this age, but also in the age to come. He has put all things under his feet, and made him as the ruler of everything, the head of the Church; which is his body, the fullness of him who fills the whole creation.

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!
Go, make disciples of all the nations; I am with you always; yes, to the end of time. Alleluia!

GOSPEL Matthew 28:16-20

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

The eleven disciples set out for Galilee, to the mountain where Jesus had arranged to meet them. When they saw him they fell down before him, though some hesitated. Jesus came up and spoke to them. He said, 'All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go, therefore, make disciples of all the nations; baptise them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teach them to observe all the commands I gave you. And know that I am with you always; yes, to the end of time.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.

APOSTLES CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,

All bow for following two lines:

who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried; he descended into hell; on the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty; from there he will come 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 life everlasting. Amen.

✠ LITURGY OF EUCHARIST ✠

PREPARATION OF THE GIFTS

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation, for through your goodness we have received the bread we offer you:

fruit of the earth and work of human hands, it will become for us the bread of life.

Blessed be God for ever.

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation, for through your goodness we have received the wine we offer you:

fruit of the vine and work of human hands, it will become our spiritual drink.

Blessed be God for ever.

Pray, brothers and sisters, that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.

May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands for the praise and glory of his name, for our good and the good of all his holy Church.

PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

We offer sacrifice now in supplication, O Lord, to honour the wondrous Ascension of your Son: grant, we pray, that through this most holy exchange we, too, may rise up to the heavenly realms. Through Christ our Lord.

EUCHARISTIC PRAYER I

The Lord be with you. **And with your spirit.**

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.



9. RECESSIONAL HYMN

Mother dearest, mother fairest

Mother dearest, Mother fairest,
Help of all, who call on thee.
Virgin purest, brightest, rarest,
Help us, help, we cry to thee.

Refrain-Mary, help us, help we pray.
Mary, help us, help we pray.
Help us in all care and sorrow.
Mary, help us, help we pray.

2. Lady, help in pain and sorrow,
Soothe those rack'd on beds of pain,
May the golden light of morrow,
Bring them health and joy again.

3. Help our priests, our sisters lowly,
Help our Pope, long may he reign,
Pray that we who sing their praises
May in Heaven all meet again

4. Lady, help the absent loved ones.
How we miss their presence here.
May the hand of Thy protection
Guide and guard them far and near.

10. ANNOUNCEMENTS

English Mass is every Sundays at 12.45 in St. Augustine's Church.

For more information visit our website:
<https://englishmassutrecht.nl/>

Katholiek Utrecht website:
<https://www.katholiekutrecht.nl/>

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Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right and just

Preface 2 of the Ascension of the Lord

It is truly right and just, our duty and our salvation,
always and everywhere to give you thanks,
Lord, holy Father, almighty and eternal God,
through Christ our Lord.

For after his Resurrection
he plainly appeared to all his disciples
and was taken up to heaven in their sight,
that he might make us sharers in his divinity.

Therefore, overcome with paschal joy,
every land, every people exults in your praise
and even the heavenly Powers, with the
angelic hosts, sing together the unending
hymn of your glory, as they acclaim:

**Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts.
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.

To you, therefore, most merciful Father,
we make humble prayer and petition
through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord:
that you accept and bless ✠ these gifts,
these offerings, these holy and unblemished
sacrifices, which we offer you firstly
for your holy catholic Church.

Be pleased to grant her peace,
to guard, unite and govern her
throughout the whole world,
together with your servant N. our Pope
and N. our Bishop and all those who, holding
to the truth, hand on the catholic and apostolic
faith.

Remember, Lord, your servants N. and N.
and all gathered here, whose faith and
devotion are known to you.

For them, we offer you this sacrifice of praise
or they offer it for themselves
and all who are dear to them:
for the redemption of their souls,
in hope of health and well-being,
and paying their homage to you,
the eternal God, living and true.

Celebrating the most sacred day



On the day which you Only Begotten Son, our Lord,
placed at the right hand of your glory
our weak human nature,
which he had united to himself, and in
communion with those whose memory we
venerate, especially the glorious ever-Virgin
Mary, Mother of our God and Lord, Jesus
Christ, ✠ and blessed Joseph, her Spouse,
your blessed Apostles and Martyrs, Peter and
Paul, Andrew, and all your Saints; we ask that
through their merits and prayers, in all things
we may be defended by your protecting help.
Therefore, Lord, we pray:

graciously accept this oblation of our service,
that of your whole family;
order our days in your peace, and command
that we be delivered from eternal damnation
and counted among the flock of those you
have chosen.

Be pleased, O God, we pray, to bless,
acknowledge, and approve this offering
in every respect; make it spiritual and
acceptable, so that it may become for us
the Body and ✠ Blood of your most beloved
Son, our Lord Jesus Christ.

On the day before he was to suffer, he took
bread in his holy and venerable hands, and with
eyes raised to heaven to you,
O God, his almighty Father, giving you
thanks, he said the blessing, broke the
bread and gave it to his disciples, saying:

**TAKE THIS, ALL OF YOU, AND EAT OF IT,
FOR THIS IS MY BODY,
WHICH WILL BE GIVEN UP FOR YOU.**

In a similar way, when supper was ended,
he took this precious chalice in his holy and
venerable hands, and once more giving you
thanks, he said the blessing and gave the
chalice to his disciples, saying:

**TAKE THIS, ALL OF YOU, AND DRINK FROM IT,
FOR THIS IS THE CHALICE OF MY BLOOD,
THE BLOOD OF THE NEW AND ETERNAL
COVENANT, WHICH WILL BE Poured OUT
FOR YOU AND FOR MANY FOR THE
FORGIVENESS OF SINS.
DO THIS IN MEMORY OF ME.**

The mystery of faith.

**When we eat this Bread and drink this
Cup, we proclaim your Death, O Lord,
until you come again.**

Therefore, O Lord,
as we celebrate the memorial of the blessed
Passion, the Resurrection from the dead,
and the glorious Ascension into heaven
of Christ, your Son, our Lord,
we, your servants and your holy people,
offer to your glorious majesty
from the gifts that you have given us,
this pure victim, this holy victim,
this spotless victim,
the holy Bread of eternal life
and the Chalice of everlasting salvation.

Be pleased to look upon these offerings
with a serene and kindly countenance,
and to accept them, as once you were
pleased to accept the gifts of your servant
Abel the just, the sacrifice of Abraham, our
father in faith, and the offering of your high
priest Melchizedek,
a holy sacrifice, a spotless victim.
In humble prayer we ask you, almighty God:
command that these gifts be borne
by the hands of your holy Angel
to your altar on high in the sight of your divine
majesty, so that all of us, who through this
participation at the altar receive the most
holy Body and Blood of your Son, may be filled
with every grace and heavenly blessing.

Remember also, Lord, your servants N. and N.,
who have gone before us with the sign of faith
and rest in the sleep of peace.
Grant them, O Lord, we pray,
and all who sleep in Christ,
a place of refreshment, light and peace.
To us, also, your servants, who, though
sinners, hope in your abundant mercies,
graciously grant some share and fellowship
with your holy Apostles and Martyrs:
with John the Baptist, Stephen, Matthias,
Barnabas, and all your Saints; admit us, we
beseech you, into their company, not weighing
our merits, but granting us your pardon,
through Christ our Lord.

Through whom you continue to make all
these good things, O Lord;
you sanctify them, fill them with life,
bless them, and bestow them upon us.

Through him, and with him, and in him,
O God, almighty Father,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and
honour is yours, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

COMMUNION RITE

Our Father.....

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.

**For the kingdom, the power and the glory
are yours now and for ever.**

Lord Jesus Christ, who said to your Apostles:
Peace I leave 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 for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The peace of the Lord be with you always.
And with your spirit.

**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.**

Behold the Lamb of God.....

**Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter
under my roof, but only say the
word and my soul shall be healed.**

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

**Behold, I am with you always,
even to the end of the age, alleluia.**

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Almighty ever-living God, who allow those on
earth to celebrate divine mysteries, grant, we
pray, that Christian hope may draw us onward
to where our nature is united with you.
Through Christ our Lord.

CONCLUDING RITE

The Lord be with you. **And with your spirit.**

May the blessing of almighty God,
the Father, and the Son, ✠ and the Holy Spirit,
come down on you and remain
with you for ever. **Amen.**

Go in peace. **Thanks be to God.**