



ALL SAINTS
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CCBR English Eucharists
WhatsApp group



Vicar's Tidings

What a consolation and encouragement for us that the Lord Jesus wants to be our guest, our friend, our companion on the road! And this holds true whoever we are, whatever we have done wrong. The Lord Jesus sees us and knows us and he wants to stay with us today, now, in our actual situation. In this Eucharist we ask him that we may become more aware of his offer and accept it with great joy.

There are people who keep searching for higher values in life. Perhaps one is only half satisfied with the kind of life one is leading, or feels guilty about his or her way of life. The Gospel of today shows us a small man, literally and morally, in search of the Lord. To his surprise, Jesus sees the hunger in the man's heart and turns to him. Jesus wishes to encounter him. If we ourselves recognise our smallness, the Lord will show himself to us, and invite himself to go with us and to stay with us. He will make us great in love and goodness.

Rev'd. Hugo Adán

Holy Communion

Collect

Almighty and eternal God, you have kindled the flame of love in the hearts of the saints: grant to us the same faith and power of love, that, as we rejoice in their triumphs, we may be sustained by their example and fellowship; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

First Reading

A reading from Revelation (7:2-4, 9-14)

I, John, saw another angel ascending from the rising of the sun, with the seal of the living God, and he called with a loud voice to the four angels who had been given power to harm earth and sea, saying, 'Do not harm the earth or the sea or the trees, until we have sealed the servants of our God on their foreheads.' And I heard the number of the sealed, one hundred and forty-four thousand, sealed from every tribe of the sons of Israel.

After this I looked, and behold, a great multitude that no one could number, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, clothed in white robes, with palm branches in their hands, and crying out with a loud voice, 'Salvation belongs to our God who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!' And all the angels were standing round the throne and round the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshipped God, saying, 'Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honour and power and might be to our God for ever and ever! Amen.'

Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, 'Who are these, clothed in white robes, and from where have they come?' I said to him, 'Sir, you know.' And he said to me, 'These are the ones coming out of the great tribulation. They have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.'

This is the word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Responsorial Psalm (24)

R./ Such are the people who seek your face, O Lord.

The Lord's is the earth and its fullness, the world, and those who dwell in it. It is he who set it on the seas; on the rivers he made it firm. **R./**

Who shall climb the mountain of the Lord? Who shall stand in his holy place? The clean of hands and pure of heart, whose soul is not set on vain things. **R./**

Blessings from the Lord shall he receive, and right reward from the God who saves him. Such are the people who seek him, who seek the face of the God of Jacob. **R./**

Second Reading

A reading from 1 John (3:1-3)

Beloved: See what kind of love the Father has given to us, that we should be called children of God; and so we are. The reason why the world does not know us is that it did not know him. Beloved, we are God's children now, and what we will be has not yet appeared; but we know that when he appears we shall be like him, because we shall see him as he is. And everyone who thus hopes in him purifies himself as he is pure.

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Gospel Reading

Hear the The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew (5:1-12a)

Glory to you, O Lord.

At that time: Seeing the crowds, Jesus went up on the mountain, and when he sat down, his disciples came to him. And he opened his mouth and taught them, saying: 'Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted. Blessed are the meek, for they shall inherit the earth. Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they shall be satisfied. Blessed are the merciful, for they shall receive mercy. Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God. Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called sons of God. Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are you when others revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you, O Christ.

Prayers of Intercession

We give thanks for all who have built up your Church through their holiness, their witness and their faith in you. We give thanks for those who have inspired us and challenged our way of life. Lord, grant us the power to be the people you want us to be and to do what you want us to do. Bless all who minister to us and teach us your holy word. We pray for all who are being prepared for baptism, confirmation, marriage or ordination.

Lord, make us to be numbered with your saints

in that glory which is everlasting.

As we give thanks for our faith and the world around us, we remember all who are being persecuted for their faith. We ask your blessing upon all who are risking their

lives to maintain peace and order in our world. We ask you to bless and guide all who stand up for the freedom and well-being of the poor and the oppressed.

Lord, make us to be numbered with your saints

in that glory which is everlasting.

We give thanks for all who have revealed your love to us through their own love. We ask your blessing upon our homes and our loved ones. We remember all who are quietly sacrificing their lives and their freedom in the care they are giving to others. We ask you to bless all who are caring for the ill and those who are handicapped or infirm.

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in that glory which is everlasting.

We give thanks for all who have risked pain or death to forward your kingdom. We ask your blessing upon all who are struggling at this time, all who are oppressed or who are in danger. We pray for all who are ill at home or in hospital. We remember all who are suffering because of their faith: the scorned, the persecuted and the ignored.

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in that glory which is everlasting.

We rejoice in the communion of saints, that we are one in you and your love. We remember those whose service on earth is done and now rejoice with you in glory. We ask your blessing upon all who have been an inspiration to us and have enriched our lives by their love but are now departed from us.

Merciful Father, **accept these prayers for the sake of your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.**

Post Communion Prayer

Lord of heaven, in this eucharist you have brought us near to an innumerable company of angels and to the spirits of the saints made perfect: as in this food of our earthly pilgrimage we have shared their fellowship, so may we come to share their joy in heaven; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

REMINDER: CHRIST THE KING BILINGUAL CELEBRATION ON SUNDAY 23RD NOVEMBER AT 12.00PM FOLLOWED BY BRING AND SHARE LUNCH 🙌

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