

## Monday in Holy Week

March 29, 2021

Reader 1: Opening sentence  
Reader 2: Lesson (Hebrews)  
Readers 3 (TWO): Prayers of the People  
Reader 4: Lord's Prayer

### Opening Sentence

*Leader:* Blessed be the God of our salvation.

*Reader1:* Who bears our burdens and forgives our sins.

### Collect of the Day

*Leader:* Almighty God, whose most dear Son went not up to joy but first he suffered pain, and entered not into glory before he was crucified: Mercifully grant that we, walking in the way of the cross, may find it none other than the way of life and peace; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

*All:* **Amen.**

### Introduction to the Lessons

*Leader:* During the reading of the lesson, please be aware of a word, phrase or image that grabs your attention. Please consider adding them in the comments.

*Hebrews 9:11-15 and John 12:1-11*

### New Testament: Hebrews 9:11-15

*Reader2:* A reading from the letter to the Hebrews.

When Christ came as a high priest of the good things that have come, then through the greater and perfect tent (not made with hands, that is, not of this creation), he entered once for all into the Holy Place, not with the blood of goats and calves, but with his own blood, thus obtaining eternal redemption. For if the blood of goats and bulls, with the sprinkling of the ashes of a heifer, sanctifies those who have been defiled so that their flesh is purified, how much more will the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered himself without blemish to God, purify our conscience from dead works to worship the living God!

For this reason he is the mediator of a new covenant, so that those who are called may receive the promised eternal inheritance, because a death has occurred that redeems them from the transgressions under the first covenant.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

Gospel: John 12:1-11

*Leader:* The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to John.

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

Six days before the Passover Jesus came to Bethany, the home of Lazarus, whom he had raised from the dead. There they gave a dinner for him. Martha served, and Lazarus was one of those at the table with him. Mary took a pound of costly perfume made of pure nard, anointed Jesus' feet, and wiped them with her hair. The house was filled with the fragrance of the perfume. But Judas Iscariot, one of his disciples (the one who was about to betray him), said, "Why was this perfume not sold for three hundred denarii and the money given to the poor?" (He said this not because he cared about the poor, but because he was a thief; he kept the common purse and used to steal what was put into it.) Jesus said, "Leave her alone. She bought it so that she might keep it for the day of my burial. You always have the poor with you, but you do not always have me." When the great crowd of the Jews learned that he was there, they came not only because of Jesus but also to see Lazarus, whom he had raised from the dead. So the chief priests planned to put Lazarus to death as well, since it was on account of him that many of the Jews were deserting and were believing in Jesus.

The Gospel of our Savior.

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

The Sermon

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Prayers of the People: Form 3

*Clergy:* In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

*Readers3:*

Father, we pray for your holy catholic church;

**That we all may be one.**

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;

**That your Name may be glorified by all people.**

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;

**That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.**

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;

**That there may be justice and peace on the earth.**

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;

**That our works may find favor in your sight.**

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;

**That they may be delivered from their distress.**

Give to the departed eternal rest.

**Let light perpetual shine upon them.**

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;

**May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.**

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

*Space for prayer. The People may add their own petitions.*

*When the time is right...*

*Leader:* Keep watch, dear Lord, with those who work, or watch, or weep this night, and give your angels charge over those who sleep. Tend the sick, Lord Christ; give rest to the weary, bless the dying, soothe the suffering, pity the afflicted, shield the joyous; and all for your love's sake. *All:* **Amen.**

#### Lord's Prayer

*Leader:* And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us we are bold to say:

*Reader4:* 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. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever.

*All:* **Amen.**

#### Blessing

*Leader:*...now and always. *All:* **Amen.**

#### Dismissal

*Leader:* Let us bless the Lord. *All:* **Thanks be to God.**