

## FRIDAY OF THE SIXTH WEEK OF EASTER

May 22, 2020

10 AM

### Gathering Song: *Holy Darkness*

Refrain: Holy darkness, blessed night, heaven's answer hidden from our sight.  
As we await you, O God of silence, we embrace your holy night.

1. Were you there when I raised up the mountains? Can you guide the morning star?  
Does the hawk take flight when you give command? Why do you doubt my pow'r?

2. In your deepest hour of darkness I will give you wealth untold.  
When the silence stills your spirit, will my riches fill your soul.

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### First Reading - 18:9-18

*I have many people in this city.*

#### A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

One night while Paul was in Corinth, the Lord said to him in a vision,  
“Do not be afraid.

Go on speaking, and do not be silent, for I am with you.

No one will attack and harm you, for I have many people in this city.”

He settled there for a year and a half and taught the word of God among them.

But when Gallio was proconsul of Achaia,

the Jews rose up together against Paul and brought him to the tribunal, saying,

“This man is inducing people to worship God contrary to the law.”

When Paul was about to reply, Gallio spoke to the Jews,

“If it were a matter of some crime or malicious fraud,

I should with reason hear the complaint of you Jews;

but since it is a question of arguments over doctrine and titles

and your own law, see to it yourselves.

I do not wish to be a judge of such matters.”

And he drove them away from the tribunal.

They all seized Sosthenes, the synagogue official,

and beat him in full view of the tribunal.

But none of this was of concern to Gallio.

Paul remained for quite some time, and after saying farewell to the brothers he sailed for Syria, together with Priscilla and Aquila.

At Cenchreae he had shaved his head because he had taken a vow.

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

**Responsorial Psalm:** Psalm 47:2-3, 4-5, 6-7

**God is king of all the earth.**

All you peoples, clap your hands,  
shout to God with cries of gladness,  
For the LORD, the Most High, the awesome,  
is the great king over all the earth.  
He brings people under us;  
nations under our feet.  
He chooses for us our inheritance,  
the glory of Jacob, whom he loves.  
God mounts his throne amid shouts of joy;  
the LORD, amid trumpet blasts.  
Sing praise to God, sing praise;  
sing praise to our king, sing praise.

**God is king of all the earth.**

**Gospel Acclamation** - John 14:6

**R.** Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Christ had to suffer and rise from the dead,  
and so enter into his glory.

**R.** Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

**Gospel** - John 16:20-23

**No one will take your joy away from you.**

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John  
Jesus said to his disciples:

“Amen, amen, I say to you, you will weep and mourn,  
while the world rejoices;  
you will grieve, but your grief will become joy.

When a woman is in labor, she is in anguish because her hour has arrived;  
but when she has given birth to a child,  
she no longer remembers the pain because of her joy  
that a child has been born into the world.

So you also are now in anguish.

But I will see you again, and your hearts will rejoice,  
and no one will take your joy away from you.

On that day you will not question me about anything.

Amen, amen, I say to you,

whatever you ask the Father in my name he will give you.”

The Gospel of the Lord. **All:** Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

### **Spiritual Communion Prayer**

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.

### **First Friday Holy Hour of Adoration of Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament**

#### Hymn

*(Saint Thomas Aquinas)*

O Salutaris Hostia

Quae caeli pandis ostium:

Bella premunt hostilia,

Da robur, fer auxilium.

Uni trinoque Domino

Sit sempiterna gloria,

Qui vitam sine termino

Nobis donet in patria.

O Saving Victim opening wide

The gate of heaven to us below.

Our foes press on from every side;

Your aid supply, Your strength bestow.

To Your great name be endless praise

Immortal Godhead, One in Three;

Oh, grant us endless length of days,

In our true native land with Thee. Amen.

#### **Prayer**

Lord our God,

in this great sacrament we come into the presence of Jesus Christ, your Son,  
born of the Virgin Mary and crucified for our salvation.

May we who declare our faith in this fountain of love and mercy  
drink from it the water of everlasting life.

Through Christ our Lord. - *All: Amen.*

#### **Silent Adoration**

#### **Adoration Song**

Most sacred heart of Jesus truly present in the holy Eucharist, I place all my trust in you.

1. By the power of your presence here, work a miracle in me,

Drive away the darkness as you reveal your glory

2. In your tender compassion, Lord, let your dawn of mercy shine

Through the humble hearted; make known your truth and wisdom

3. Late have I loved you, Lord, late have I believed in your power to rescue me

From prisons I have fashioned

**Hymn***Tantum Ergo**(Saint Thomas Aquinas)*

Down in adoration falling,  
This great Sacrament we hail;  
Over ancient forms of worship,  
Newer rites of grace prevail;  
Faith will tell us Christ is present,  
When our human senses fail.

To the everlasting Father,  
And the Son who made us free,  
And the Spirit, God proceeding  
From them each eternally,  
Be salvation, honor, blessing,  
Might and endless majesty. Amen.

*Leader:* You have given them bread from heaven,

*All:* Having all sweetness within it.

*Leader:* Let us pray.

O God, who in this wonderful Sacrament left us a memorial of your Passion: grant us, we pray, so to revere the sacred mysteries of your Body and Blood, that we may always experience in ourselves the fruits of your redemption. You who live and reign forever and ever.

*All:* Amen.

**Benediction** *(Please kneel or stand for the blessing from Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament)*

**The Divine Praises** - *(repeat each line after Leader)*

Blessed be God.

Blessed be His Holy Name.

Blessed be Jesus Christ, true God and true Man.

Blessed be the Name of Jesus.

Blessed be His Most Sacred Heart.

Blessed be His Most Precious Blood.

Blessed be Jesus in the Most Holy Sacrament of the Altar.

Blessed be the Holy Spirit, the Paraclete.

Blessed be the great Mother of God, Mary most Holy.

Blessed be her Holy and Immaculate Conception.

Blessed be her Glorious Assumption.

Blessed be the name of Mary, Virgin and Mother.

Blessed be St. Joseph, her most chaste spouse.

Blessed be God in His Angels and in His Saints. Amen.



SO ALSO YOU HAVE SORROW NOW,  
BUT I WILL SEE YOU AGAIN, AND  
YOUR HEARTS WILL REJOICE,  
AND NO ONE WILL  
TAKE YOUR JOY FROM YOU.