

Padre Serra Parish – Camarillo, California

6th Sunday of Easter
First Communion Weekend
May 4 & 5, 2024

Introductory Rites

Reverencing the altar at the end of the entrance procession, the presider goes to the blessed water. Deacon(s) will assist with the sprinkling rite.

Introduction to the Liturgy of the Day

Presider: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

All: Amen.

Presider: Grace to you and peace from God our Father and Lord Jesus Christ.

All: And with your spirit.

Presider: Love is our calling. Love is the calling of the friends of God in the Risen Lord. May we faithfully discern the ways God calls us to be his disciples.

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Standing in front of the blessed water the presider says:

Presider: Recalling our baptism, we pause to pray....

Almighty ever-living God,
you willed that souls be cleansed
and receive the gift of eternity
through water, the fountain of life.

On this, your day,
we seek your protection through this water.
Renew the living spring of your grace within us,
and defend us from all ills of body and spirit,
so we may approach you with hearts made clean
and receive your salvation.

We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.

To Sung Gloria & Sprinkling Rite

The presider, accompanied by a server carrying the bowl, sprinkles the inner circle. The deacon and his wife and two other ministers, sprinkle the outer circle while the Gloria is sung.

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Collect

Let us pray.

Pause for silent prayer

Grant, almighty God,
that we may celebrate with heartfelt devotion
these days of joy,
which we keep in honor of the risen Lord.
What we relive in remembrance
may we always hold to in what we do.
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
God, forever and ever.

OR:

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God of all nations,

in the gift of your Son
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you have embraced the world

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with a love that takes away our sin
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and bestows perfect joy.
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Grant to all who have been reborn in baptism
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fidelity in serving you
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and generosity in loving one another.
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We ask this through Jesus Christ, the firstborn from the dead,
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who lives and reigns with you now and always
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in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
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God forever and ever.

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General Intercessions

Presider: God's love has been revealed in our midst in his Son, the risen Christ. With confidence, we offer our prayers to God in Jesus' name.

Lector: That through the grace of the Holy Spirit the church may grow in holiness through Jesus' commandment of love... We pray to the Lord:

Response: O Lord, hear our prayer, Lord hear us, O Lord, hear our prayer.

Lector: That our elected officials may succeed in overcoming the world's present problems with justice and peace... We pray to the Lord:

Response: O Lord, hear our prayer, Lord hear us, O Lord, hear our prayer.

Lector: That the children receiving their first communion this weekend may grow in their love of Jesus all their lives... We pray to the Lord:

Response: O Lord, hear our prayer, Lord hear us, O Lord, hear our prayer.

Lector: That our parish families are blessed by the Spirit with steadfast love and supportive connections... We pray to the Lord:

O Lord, hear our prayer, Lord hear us, O Lord, hear our prayer.

11 AM Mass Intention

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Lector: That all those who are sick find comfort and healing, especially,
Armida Cajator (Armida), Helen Galang (Helen),

_____ ...

and for all those included in our parish book of intentions...

We pray to the Lord:

Response: O Lord, hear our prayer, Lord hear us, O Lord, hear our prayer.

Lector: That all those who have died find rest, especially,

_____ ...

We pray to the Lord:

5:00 PM and for Kevin Lower (Kevin)...

7:30 AM and for Jack Hanley (Jack)...

9:00 AM and for Rudy Perez (Rudy)...

We pray to the Lord:

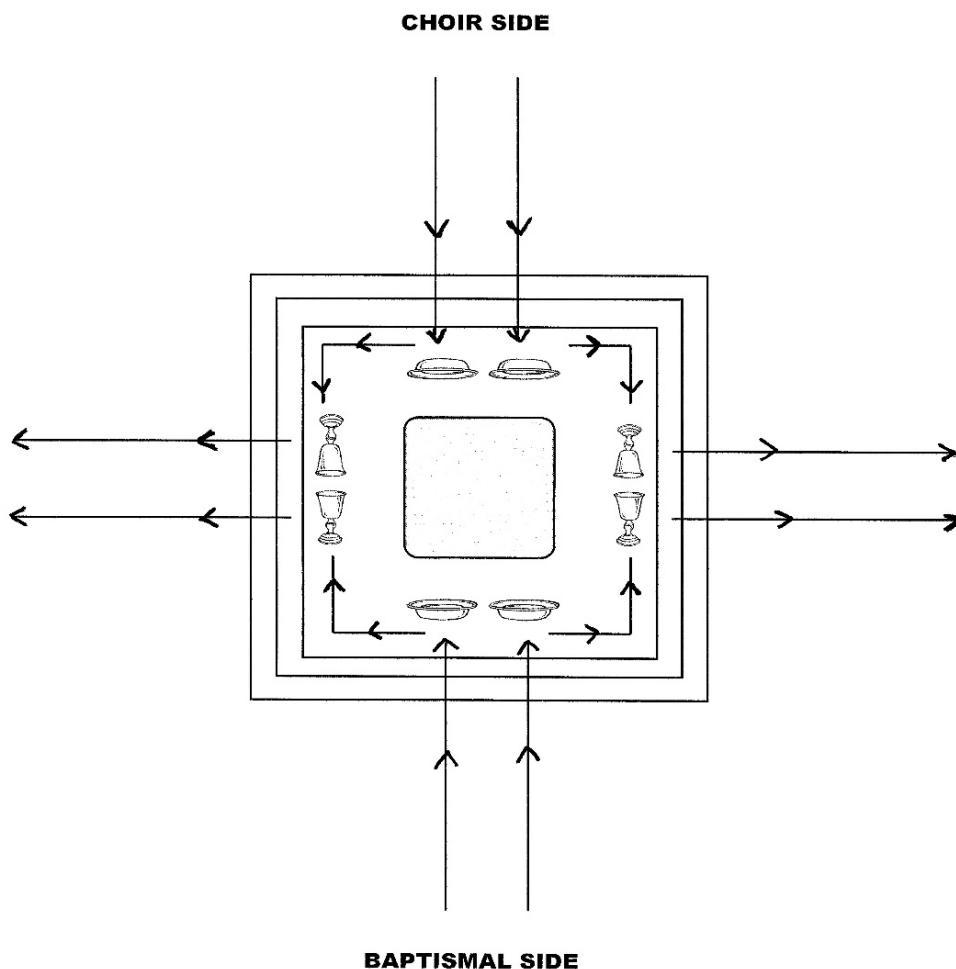
Response: O Lord, hear our prayer, Lord hear us, O Lord, hear our prayer.

Presider: God of love, grant that your joy may be in us so that we may
love our neighbors and serve you in all we do. We ask this
through Christ our Lord. Amen.

5 pm, 9 am & 11 am only
See the next page for Communion procedure

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Communion procedure: After the Communion Invitation and its response (“Lord, I am not worthy. . .”), the presider and the deacons remain on the top step. The first five (six, if only one deacon) EMs who will serve the candidates (chosen and rehearsed previously) receive communion and go to their positions on the top step. EMs leave ciboria on the altar & distribute hosts to 1st Communicants from ciboria on altar. Meanwhile the candidates will line up in the north and south – going all the way to the carpet – and will receive communion on the top step of the altar:



After all the candidates have received, the EMs who were serving on the top, the presider and deacons move to their usual places. Any remaining EMs will receive then, and go to their usual places. Ushers will delay the assembly lining up for communion until the candidates have all received. As the EMs get into their normal positions, the assembly can line up for communion which continues in the usual way.

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Prayer after Communion

Let us pray.

Pause for silent prayer, if this has not preceded

Almighty ever-living God,
you restore us to eternal life in the Resurrection of Christ.
Increase in us, we pray,
the fruits of this paschal Sacrament
and pour into our hearts the strength of this saving food.
Through Christ our Lord.

OR:

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All-powerful and ever-living God,
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in the resurrection of Christ you restore us to eternal life.
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Increase within us the effects of this Easter mystery
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and pour out in our hearts the strength of this saving food.
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We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord.

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Announcements

Lectors: please step down as soon as you finish the announcements. Do not wait for the final blessing or dismissal. The cantor needs time to get in place for the closing song. Thank you!

Mother's Day corsages, to benefit Life Centers, are available for purchase next weekend in the courtyard. Thank Mom for all she does with some beautiful flowers.

Parking lot??

Presider: Remember to introduce the children.

Attention: Prior to adding an announcement please contact Dominic MacAller or Fr. Patrick Mullen.

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Concluding rites

Greeting

Presider: The Lord be with you.

All: And with your spirit.

Deacon **Please, bow down for the blessing.**
(if present)

Final Blessing and Dismissal

Revised Roman Missal

Presider: By the Resurrection of his Only Begotten Son, God conferred on us the gifts of redemption and adoption. May he give us gladness by his blessing. Amen.

Through Jesus Christ's redeeming work we have received the gift of everlasting freedom. May he make us heirs to an eternal inheritance. Amen.

And may we, who have already risen with Christ in Baptism through faith, be united with him in heaven, by living rightly on earth. Amen.

May the blessing of almighty God, the Father, and the Son, ✠ and the Holy Spirit, come down upon us and remain with us forever.

Deacon: **Go in peace, glorifying the Lord by your life.**
(if present)

Thanks be to God.

Sending Song: