

# THIRD EASTER SUNDAY

## ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI CHURCH—JEBEL ALI

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### INTRODUCTORY RITE

#### Entrance Antiphon

**Let all the earth cry out to God with joy; praise the glory of his name; proclaim his glorious praise, alleluia!**

#### Entrance Hymn

1. Jesus Christ is risen today, Alleluia!  
Our triumphant holy day, Alleluia!  
Who did once upon the cross, Alleluia!  
Suffer to redeem our loss, Alleluia!
2. Hymns of praise then let us sing, Alleluia!  
Unto Christ, our heavenly King, Alleluia!  
Who endured the cross and grave, Alleluia!  
Sinners to redeem and save, Alleluia!
3. But the pains which he endured, Alleluia!  
Our salvation have procured, Alleluia!  
Now above the sky he's King, Alleluia!  
Where the angels ever sing, Alleluia!
4. Sing we to our God above, Alleluia!  
Praise eternal as his love, Alleluia!  
Praise him, all ye heav'nly host, Alleluia!  
Father, Son and Holy Ghost, Alleluia!



#### Greeting

**C:** In the name of the Father, and of the Son, ✠ and of the Holy Spirit.

**All:** AMEN

**C:** The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**All:** And also with you.

#### Penitential Rite

**C:** My brothers and sisters, to prepare ourselves to celebrate the sacred mysteries, let us call to mind our sins.

*Pause for silent reflection. After a brief silence all say:*

**All:** I confess to almighty God, and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have sinned through my own fault in my thoughts and in my words, in what I have done, and in what I have failed to do; and I ask blessed Mary, ever virgin, all the angels and saints, and you, my brothers and sisters, to pray for me to the Lord, our God.

**C:** May almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us our sins, and bring us to everlasting life.

**P:** AMEN

#### The Kyrie

- C:** Lord, have mercy.  
**P:** Lord, have mercy.  
**C:** Christ, have mercy.  
**P:** Christ, have mercy.  
**C:** Lord, have mercy.  
**P:** Lord, have mercy.



Worthy is the Lamb that was slain

#### The Gloria

**All:** Glory to God in the highest, and peace to His people on earth, Lord God, heavenly King, Almighty God and Father, we worship You, we give You thanks, we praise You for Your glory. Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us; You are seated at the right hand of the Father; receive our prayer. 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.

#### Opening Prayer

God our Father, may we look forward with hope to our resurrection, for you have made us your sons and daughters, and restored the joy of our youth.

### LITURGY OF THE WORD

#### First Reading

5:27–32. 40–41

**A reading from the Acts of the Apostles**

*We are witnesses of all this, we and the Holy Spirit.*

The high priest demanded an explanation of the apostles. "We gave you a formal warning," he said "not to preach in this name, and what have you done? You have filled Jerusalem with your teaching, and seem determined to fix the guilt of this man's death on us." In reply Peter and the apostles said, "Obedience to God comes before obedience to men; it was the God of our ancestors who raised up Jesus, but it was you who had him executed by hanging on a tree. By his own right hand God has now raised him up to be leader and saviour, to give repentance and forgiveness of sins through him to Israel. We are witnesses to all this, we and the Holy Spirit whom God has given to those who obey him." They warned the apostles not to speak in the name of Jesus and released them. And so they left the presence of the Sanhedrin glad to have had the honour of suffering humiliation for the sake of the name. This is the word of the Lord.

**All:** Thanks be to God.

#### Responsorial Psalm

Ps 29:2. 4–6. 11–13. R̥ v. 2

**R̥** I will praise you, Lord, you have rescued me.

1. I will praise you, Lord, you have rescued me and have not let my enemies rejoice over me. O Lord, you have raised my soul from the dead, restored me to life from those who sink into the grave. **R̥**
2. Sing psalms to the Lord, you who love him, give thanks to his holy name. His anger lasts but a moment; his favour through life. At night there are tears, but joy comes with dawn. **R̥**
3. The Lord listened and had pity. The Lord came to my help. For me you have changed my mourning into dancing; O Lord my God, I will thank you for ever. **R̥**

#### Second Reading

5:11–14

**A reading from the book of the Apocalypse**

*The Lamb that was sacrificed is worthy to be given riches and power.*

In my vision, I, John, heard the sound of an immense number of angels gathered round the throne and the animals and the elders; there were ten thousand times ten thousand of them and thousands upon thousands, shouting, "The Lamb that was sacrificed is worthy to be given power, riches, wisdom, strength, honour, glory and blessing." Then I heard all the living things in creation — everything that lives in the air, and on the ground, and under the ground, and in the sea, crying, "To the One who is sitting on the throne and to the Lamb, be all praise, honour, glory and power, for ever and ever." And the four animals said, "Amen"; and the elders prostrated themselves to worship.

This is the word of the Lord.

**All:** Thanks be to God.

#### Gospel Acclamation

cf. Lk 24:32

**Alleluia, Alleluia!**

Lord Jesus, explain the scriptures to us. Make our hearts burn within us as you talk to us.

**Alleluia!**

#### Gospel

21:1–19

**C:** The Lord be with you.

**All:** And also with you.

**C:** A reading from the holy Gospel according to John.

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

*Jesus stepped forward, took the bread and gave it to them, and the same with the fish.*

\* Jesus showed himself again to the disciples. It was by the Sea of Tiberias, and it happened like this: Simon Peter, Thomas called the Twin, Nathanael from Cana in Galilee, the sons of Zebedee and two more of his disciples were together. Simon Peter said, "I'm going fishing." They replied, "We'll come with you." They went out and got into the boat but caught nothing that night.

It was light by now and there stood Jesus on the shore, though the disciples

did not realise that

it was Jesus. Jesus

called out, "Have

you caught anything,

friends?" And when

they answered, "No",

he said, "Throw the

net out to starboard

and you'll find

something." So they

dropped the net,

and there were so

many fish that they

could not haul it in.

The disciple Jesus

loved said to Peter,

"It is the Lord." At

these words "It is the

Lord", Simon Peter,

who had practically

nothing on, wrapped

his cloak round him

and jumped

into the water. The

other disciples came

on in the boat, towing

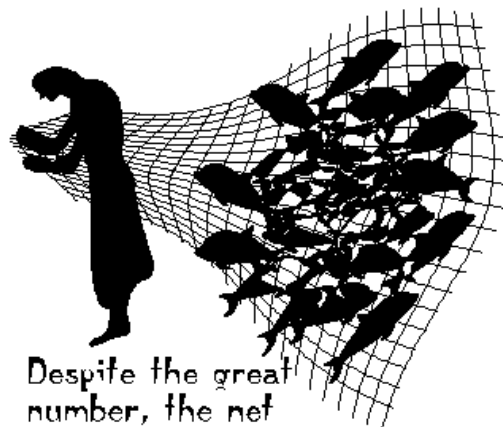
the net and the

fish; they were only

about a hundred

yards from land.

As soon as they came ashore they saw that there was some bread there, and a charcoal fire with fish cooking on it. Jesus said, "Bring some of the fish you have just caught." Simon Peter went aboard and dragged the net to the shore, full of big fish, one hundred and fifty-three of them; and in spite of there being so many the net was not broken. Jesus said to them, "Come and have breakfast." None of the disciples was bold enough to ask, "Who are you?"; they knew quite well it was the Lord. Jesus then stepped forward, took the bread and gave it to them, and the same with the fish. This was the third time that Jesus showed himself to the disciples after rising from the dead.\*



Despite the great  
number, the net  
was not torn

After the meal Jesus said to Simon Peter, "Simon son of John, do you love me more than these others do?" He answered, "Yes, Lord, you know I love you." Jesus said to him, "Feed my lambs." A second time he said to him, "Simon son of John, do you love me?" He replied "Yes, Lord, you know I love you." Jesus said to him, "Look after my sheep." Then he said to him a third time, "Simon son of John, do you love me?" Peter was upset that he asked him the third time, "Do you love me?" and said, "Lord, you know everything; you know I love you." Jesus said to him, "Feed my sheep.

"I tell you most solemnly, when you were young you put on your own belt and walked where you liked; but when you grow old you will stretch out your hands, and somebody else will put a belt round you and take you where you would rather not go."

In these words he indicated the kind of death by which Peter would give glory to God. After this he said, "Follow me."

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

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

#### Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day He rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. He will come again 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 THE EUCHARIST

#### Offertory Hymn

1. Lord accept the gifts we offer at this Eucharistic feast. Bread and wine to be transformed now through the action of thy priest. Take us, too, Lord, and transform us; be thy grace in us increased.
2. May our souls be pure and spotless as the host of wheat so fine. May all stain of sin be crushed out like the grape that forms the wine, as we, too, become partakers in this sacrifice divine.



#### The Offering

(If no song is sung, then the people may make the responses to the prayer of offering given here.)

- C:** Blessed are you, Lord, God of all creation. Through your goodness we have this bread to offer, which earth has given and human hands have made. It will become for us the bread of life.
- P:** Blessed be God for ever.
- C:** Blessed are you, Lord, God of all creation. Through your goodness we have this wine to offer, fruit of the vine and work of human hands. It will become our spiritual drink.
- P:** Blessed be God for ever.
- C:** Pray, brethren, that our sacrifice may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.
- P:** 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 Church.

#### Prayer over the gifts

Lord, receive these gifts from your Church. May the great joy you give us come to perfection in heaven.

#### Eucharistic Prayer

- C:** The Lord be with you.
- P:** And also with you.
- C:** Lift up your hearts.
- P:** We lift them up to the Lord.
- C:** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- P:** It is right to give him thanks and praise.

#### The Acclamation

**All:** Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, 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.

#### Memorial Acclamation

- C:** Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:
- P:** Christ has died,  
Christ is risen,  
Christ will come again.

#### Communion Rite

- C:** Let us pray with confidence to the Father in the words our Saviour gave us:
- All:** Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed by 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.

- C:** Deliver us, Lord, from every evil, and grant us peace in our day. In your mercy keep us free from sin and protect us from all anxiety as we wait in joyful hope for the coming of our Saviour, Jesus Christ.
- All:** For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever.

#### Breaking of the Bread

- All:** 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.
- C:** This is the Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world. Happy are those who are called to his supper.
- All:** Lord, I am not worthy to receive you, but only say the word and I shall be healed.

#### Communion Antiphon

**Jesus said to his disciples: Come and eat. And he took the bread, and gave it to them, alleluia.**

#### Communion Hymn

1. Shepherd of souls, refresh and bless your chosen pilgrim flock with manna in the wilderness, with water from the rock.
2. We would not live by bread alone, but by your word of grace, in strength of which we travel on, to our abiding place.
3. Be known to us in breaking bread, but do not then depart. Saviour, abide with us and spread your table in our heart,
4. Lord, dine with us in love divine; your Body and your Blood, that living bread, that heavenly wine, be our immortal food.



1. Let's all join together in communion sweet, walk, walk in the light. And love one another till our Saviour we meet, walk, walk in the light. *Walk in the light, (3x) walk in the light of the Lord.*
2. The Spirit lives to set men free, walk, walk in the light. He binds us all in unity, walk, walk in the light.
3. When Jesus died on Calvary, walk, walk in the light. He saved the lost like you and me, walk, walk in the light.
4. And Jesus did just what He said, walk, walk in the light. He healed the sick and He raised the dead, walk, walk in the light.

#### Prayer After Communion

Lord, look on your people with kindness and by these Easter mysteries bring us to the glory of the resurrection.

#### Concluding Rite

- C:** The Lord be with you.
- P:** And also with you.
- C:** May almighty God bless you, the Father, and the Son, ✠ and the Holy Spirit.
- P:** Amen.
- C:** The Mass is ended, go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
- P:** Thanks be to God.

#### Recessional Hymn

1. We are one in the Spirit, we are one in the Lord, (2x) and we'll pray that all unity may one day be restored. *And they'll know we are Christians by our love, by our love. Yes, they'll know we are Christians by our love.*
2. We will walk with each other, we will walk hand in hand, (2x) and together we'll spread the news that God is in our land.
3. We will work with each other, we will work side by side, (2x) and we'll guard each one's dignity and save each one's pride.