

6 June 2021

## **The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ Sunday Year B**

### **Prayer of the Faithful**

Priest: Jesus is present in the Eucharist: body, blood, soul, and divinity; really, truly and substantially. May we worship and honour him in this mystery which establishes the everlasting covenant between God and man and pray that the Church will live this sacrifice and sacrament with gratitude.

1. We pray for Pope Francis, Archbishop Anthony, all bishops and priests. May they always believe in the Real Presence and celebrate every Mass in truth and in love and as Holy Church intends. (Pause) Lord, hear us.
2. We pray for those who assist in the celebration of holy Mass: Acolytes, altar servers, extraordinary ministers of Holy Communion, readers, musicians, money collectors, greeters. May their service to the Church impel them to a deeper commitment to the Christian life, a richer faith and a more profound urgency to do what is right and good. (Pause) Lord, hear us.
3. We pray for all who share in the Lord's table. May we always partake of the Body and Blood of Christ in a state free of mortal sin, thus gaining for ourselves a glimpse of heaven and nourishment for our souls as well as winning grace for the whole world. (Pause) Lord, hear us.
4. We pray for a desire to be united with Jesus in our hearts, minds and wills. May we practice the virtues of humility, patience and generosity and transform ourselves so that we may be one with our Lord and one with each other. (Pause) Lord, hear us.
5. We pray for those who are deprived of the Eucharist because of religious persecution, COVID restrictions, the lack of priests or the isolation of their situation. May they ask Jesus to come into their hearts in an act of spiritual communion as we pray that they will soon be able to receive him sacramentally. (Pause) Lord, hear us.
6. Grant patience, healing and comfort to those who are sick and suffering: Susanne Care, Steven Candiloro. (Pause) Lord, hear us.
7. Let us pray for the souls of our recently departed relatives and friends: Patricia Ludlam, Eve Cox, Jane Morris, Joseph Park.

Let us pray for those whose death anniversary occurs about now.

Let us also pray for the Holy Souls in Purgatory. (Pause) Lord, hear us.

Priest: Merciful Father, grant the petitions we make, united in celebrating the holy mystery of the Body and Blood of Christ your Son, who lives and reigns for ever and ever.

All: Amen.