



YOUTH DAY

**"LET NO ONE DESPISE YOUR YOUTH,
BUT BE AN EXAMPLE TO THE
BELIEVERS IN WORD, IN CONDUCT, IN
LOVE, IN SPIRIT, IN FAITH, IN
PURITY." 1TIMOTHY 4:12.**



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Provincial Youth Council

1. Welcome and greetings

Celebrant: The Lord be with you:

All: And also with you.

Synaxist: O come, let us sing to the Lord:

All: For the Lord is a great God

Synaxist: Come, let us worship and bow down:

All: For God is our God.

Synaxistt: Praise the Lord:

All: The name of the Lord be praised.

Synaxist: Glory to the Father:

All: Glory to the Son.

Synaxistt: Glory to the Holy Spirit:

All: For ever three in One.

1. Canticle: Song of Joy:

**1 O be joyful in the Lord, all the earth;
serve the Lord with gladness
and come before his presence with a song.**

**2 Know that the Lord is God;
it is he that has made us and we are his;
we are his people and the sheep of his pasture.**

**3 Enter his gates with thanksgiving
and his courts with praise;
give thanks to him and bless his name.**

**4 For the Lord is gracious; his steadfast love is everlasting,
and his faithfulness endures from generation to generation.**

Worship songs

Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning is now and shall be for ever. Amen.

2. Collect for Purity

Synaxist: Let us pray:

All:

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Kyrie

Lord have mercy

Lord have mercy

Christ have mercy

Christ have mercy

Lord have mercy

Lord have mercy

3. PENITENCE

Synaxist: If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Synaxist: Let us confess our sins (firmly resolved to keep God's commandments and to live in love and peace with our neighbour).

All:

O God, you have searched us out and known us, and all that we are is open to you. We confess that we have sinned; We have used our power to dominate and our weakness to manipulate; We have evaded responsibility and failed to control evil; We have denied dignity to ourselves and each other and fallen into despair. We turn to you, o God, we renounce evil; We claim your love; we choose to be whole.

Celebrant: Almighty God have mercy on us, pardon our sins and set us free from them, confirm and strengthen us in all goodness and keep us all in eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All: **Amen**

Celebrant: Youth Collect

Father of everlasting compassion you see your children growing up in an uncertain and confusing world: show them the path of life enable them to triumph over failure and frustration to hold fast their faith in you and to keep alive their joy in your creation; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

4. Ministry of the Word

First Reading: Exodus 15: 22-27

Psalm: Psalm 41

Second Reading: 1 John 4: 9-10

Gradual Hymn/Chorus

Gospel reading: John 5: 1-8

Synaxist: Let us confess our faith in the Triune God

**We as young people believe and trust in God the Creator
who made the world.**

**We as young people believe and trust in Jesus Christ who is the
friend of sinners and redeemed humankind.**

**We as young people believe and trust in the Holy Spirit, the
Comfort to those whom are hopeless, and give life to the people
of God irrespective of gender, colour and age.**

**We as young people believe and trust in the Triune God
Creator, Redeemer and Comforter. Amen**

Homily

5. Prayers

- 5.1. Prayer against GBV and Femicide
- 5.2. Prayer for Economy of our country
- 5.3. Prayer for the leadership (Church, country, and world)
- 5.4. Prayer for children and youth.

All: Merciful Father, accept these our prayers for the sake of your Son, Our Saviour Jesus Christ.

6. The Peace:

Celebrant: We are the body of Christ
In the one Spirit we were all baptized into one Body.
Let us then pursue all that makes for peace
and builds up our common life.
The peace of the Lord be with you always.

All: Peace be with you.

7. Offertory Choruses:

EUCCHARIST PRAYER

8. THE PRESENTATION OF GIFTS

Faithful Father, thank you for the gift of eternal life. Everything we have is a gift from you. We bring our offerings to you from the abundant blessings you have given us.
May our gifts be acceptable in your sight; in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

THE TAKING OF THE BREAD AND WINE

At the taking of the bread

Celebrant: 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. For us it becomes the bread of life.

All: Blessed be God for ever.

At the taking of the wine

Celebrant: 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. For us it becomes the cup of salvation.

All: Blessed be God for ever

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Celebrant: Is the Father with us?

All: He is.

Celebrant: Is Christ Jesus among us?

All: He is.

Celebrant: Is the Holy Spirit here?

All: He is.

Celebrant: This is our God:

All: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

Celebrant: We are his people:

All: We are redeemed.

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts:

All: We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God:

All: It is right to give him thanks and praise.

Celebrant: It is right and our delight to give you thanks and praise, Holy Father, living God, supreme over the world, Creator, Provider, Saviour and Giver. From a wandering nomad you created your family; for a burdened people you raised up a leader; for a confused nation you chose a king; for a rebellious crowd you sent your prophets.

In these last days you have sent us your Son, your perfect image, bringing your kingdom, revealing your will, dying, rising, reigning, remaking your people for yourself. Through him you have poured out your Holy Spirit, filling us with light and life.

Therefore, with angels, archangels, and all in heaven, we proclaim your great and glorious name, forever praising you and saying:

THE SANCTUS

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.

Celebrant:

Almighty God, Owner of all things, we thank you for giving up your only Son to die on the cross for us, we who owe you everything. Pour your refreshing Spirit on us as we remember him in the way he commanded. Pour your Holy Spirit upon these gifts of bread and wine to make them holy. On the same night that he was betrayed he took bread and gave you thanks; he broke it and gave it to his disciples saying, "Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me"

All: Amen. His body was broken for us.

Celebrant:

In the same way, after supper he took the cup and gave you thanks; he gave it to them saying, "Drink this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me."

Amen. We are brothers and sisters through his blood. We have died together. We will rise together. We will live together

Celebrant: So, we proclaim the mystery of faith:

All: Christ has died

Christ is risen

Christ will come again.

Celebrant: In memory of his death and resurrection, we offer you, Father, this life-giving bread, this saving cup.

We thank you for counting us worthy to stand in your presence and serve you. May all of us who share in the body and blood of Christ be brought together in unity by the Holy Spirit.

Lord, remember your Church throughout the world; make us grow in love, together with **N**our Bishop, and all the clergy.

Remember our brothers and sisters who have gone to their rest in the hope of rising again; bring them and all the departed into the light of your presence. (Remembering young people who died at taverns, young girls who were brutally murdered and victims of GBV)

Have mercy on us all; make us worthy to share eternal life with Mary, the virgin mother of God, with the apostles, and with all the saints who have done your will throughout the ages. May we praise you in union with them, and give you glory through your Son, Jesus Christ.

Through him, with him, in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honor is yours, almighty Father, for ever and ever. AMEN

Celebrant: THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your Name, your kingdom come, your will be done. on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Celebrant: The bread which we break, Is it not a sharing of the body of Christ?

All: We who are many, are one body for we all partake of the one bread.

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world:
have mercy on us**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world:
have mercy on us**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world:
grant us peace.**

THE COMMUNION

All:

**We do not presume to come to this your table merciful Lord
Trusting in our own righteousness
But in your manifold and great mercies.**

**We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under your table
But you are the same Lord
Whose nature is always to have mercy.**

**Grant us therefore, gracious Lord,
So to eat the flesh of your dear Son Jesus Christ
And to drink His blood
That we may evermore dwell in Him and He in us.**

THE INVITATION

Celebrant: I am because we are:
All: **We are because he is.**
Celebrant: We are one body:
All **We share one bread.**
Celebrant: Draw near with faith:
All: **Christ is the host, and we are his guests.**

**Almighty and everlasting Father
We approach the sacrament
Of your only begotten Son
Our lord Jesus Christ;
As sick, we come the physician of life
As unclean, to fountain of mercy;
As blind to the light of eternal splendour
As needy, to the Lord of heaven and earth
As naked the King of glory.**

Communion Songs:

THE CONCLUSION

Celebrant: Give thanks to the Lord for he is gracious
All: **His mercy endures forever**

Celebrant: Almighty and eternal God, we thank you for feeding us in these holy mysteries with the body and blood of your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ; and for keeping us by your grace in the Body of your Son, the company of all faithful people. Help us to persevere as living members of that holy fellowship, and to grow in love and obedience according to your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen

THE REDEDICATION PRAYER

All: **Almighty God, Holy Father, we have sat at your feet, learned from your word, and eaten from your table. We give you thanks and praise for accepting us into your family. Send us out with your blessing, to live and witness for you in the power of your Holy Spirit, through Jesus Christ, the firstborn from the dead. Amen**

All **Prayer for Youth**

(Young people are invited to the front for a special prayer)

THE BLESSING

Celebrant: The peace of God which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. Amen

THE DISMISSAL

Leader: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord

All: **In the name of Christ. Amen.**

Recessional Hymn/Chorus