

Memorial of St. Peter Claver
Monday, September 9, 2019
Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception

Entrance Hymn: How Great Thou Art

Penitential Rite

Collect:

O God, who made Saint Peter Claver a slave of slaves
and strengthened him
with wonderful charity and patience
as he came to their help,
grant, through his intercession,
that, seeking the things of Jesus Christ,
we may love our neighbor in deeds and in truth.
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
who lives and reigns with you
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, for ever and ever.

Reading 1 Isaiah 58:6-11

Thus says the LORD:
This is the fasting that I wish:
releasing those bound unjustly,
untying the thongs of the yoke;
Setting free the oppressed,
breaking every yoke;
Sharing your bread with the hungry,
sheltering the oppressed and the homeless;
Clothing the naked when you see them,
and not turning your back on your own.
Then your light shall break forth like the dawn,
and your wound shall quickly be healed;
Your vindication shall go before you,
and the glory of the LORD shall be your rear guard.
Then you shall call, and the LORD will answer,
you shall cry for help, and he will say: Here I am!
If you remove from your midst oppression,
false accusation and malicious speech;

If you bestow your bread on the hungry
and satisfy the afflicted;
Then light shall rise for you in darkness,
and the gloom shall become for you like midday;
Then the LORD will guide you always
and give you plenty even on the parched land.
He will renew your strength,
and you shall be like a watered garden,
like a spring whose water never fails.

Responsorial Psalm Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4, and 6

R. (92:13-14) **The just will flourish like the palm tree in the garden of the Lord.**

Blessed the man who follows not
the counsel of the wicked
Nor walks in the way of sinners,
nor sits in the company of the insolent,
But delights in the law of the LORD
and meditates on his law day and night.

R. (92:13-14) **The just will flourish like the palm tree in the garden of the Lord.**

He is like a tree
planted near running water,
That yields its fruit in due season,
and whose leaves never fade.
Whatever he does, prospers.

R. (92:13-14) **The just will flourish like the palm tree in the garden of the Lord.**

Not so, the wicked, not so;
they are like chaff which the wind drives away.
For the LORD watches over the way of the just,
but the way of the wicked vanishes.

R. (92:13-14) **The just will flourish like the palm tree in the garden of the Lord.**

Verse before the Gospel Jn 13:34

I give you a new commandment:
love one another as I have loved you.

Gospel Mt 25:31-40

Jesus said to his disciples:
"When the Son of Man comes in his glory,
and all the angels with him,
he will sit upon his glorious throne,
and all the nations will be assembled before him.
And he will separate them one from another,
as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats.
He will place the sheep on his right and the goats on his left.
Then the king will say to those on his right,
'Come, you who are blessed by my Father.
Inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world.
For I was hungry and you gave me food,
I was thirsty and you gave me drink,
a stranger and you welcomed me,
naked and you clothed me,
ill and you cared for me,
in prison and you visited me.'
Then the righteous will answer him and say,
'Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you,
or thirsty and give you drink?
When did we see you a stranger and welcome you,
or naked and clothe you?
When did we see you ill or in prison, and visit you?'
And the king will say to them in reply,
'Amen, I say to you, whatever you did
for one of the least brothers of mine you did for me.'"

Prayers of the Faithful

*Knowing that God is kind and merciful,
we entrust Him with our needs
and the needs of the whole world.*

Deacon/Lector

For our Church's leaders, that the Holy Spirit will guide their efforts to carry out their responsibility to protect children, youth, and adults and to promote healing among those who have suffered abuse,
Let us pray to the Lord.

For our country, that we may be united in building a society in which all people have the opportunity to live with dignity and hope, especially the poor, immigrants and refugees, the elderly, and the unborn,
Let us pray to the Lord...

That all people may live in greater harmony and work to put an end to racial prejudice and discrimination, believing that God can heal every wound and right every wrong,
Let us pray to the Lord.

That the Lord, will raise up saints in our time who will be leaders in the particular fight to rid the nation of evil of racism,
Let us pray to the Lord.

For all who have died, may they come to know the peace of God in the heavenly kingdom,
Let us pray to the Lord...

*Loving Father,
help us to grow more fervent in our love
for you and for our neighbor.
Through Christ Our Lord. (Amen.)*

Hymn: His Eye Is on the Sparrow

Prayer over the Offerings

Through the present oblation, O Lord,
which we offer in commemoration of blessed St. Peter Claver,
bestow on your faithful, we pray,
the gifts of unity and peace.
Through Christ our Lord.

Preface of Pastors

Communion Hymn: Give Me Jesus

Prayer after Communion

May the Sacrament we have received, O Lord,
in commemoration of blessed St. Peter Claver,
sanctify our minds and hearts,
that we may merit to be made sharers in the divine nature.
Through Christ our Lord.

Recessional Hymn: Lift Ev'ry Voice and Sing