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11th Sunday of YearRosary Church
Broadcast

Welcome to Rosary Church this morning, to join with the people here for the celebration of Mass, this 11th ordinary Sunday of the year. This is the first time that a broadcast of Mass is coming from the Rosary Church in Chatham Rd. But the church itself is one of the oldest in Hong Kong, and was the first Catholic church to be built in Kowloon. That was back in 1904; and they built it to accommodate 600 people, then thought to be an optimistic provision for the future. At the time, of course, there weren't too many buildings in the area, and though low-profile in design the church for many years was a notable feature on Chatham Rd near the junction of Austin Rd. Now, needless to say, it's rather lost among the surrounding tall buildings; and it's really too small for the size of the parish, with 7 Sunday Masses each having large congregations. The regular choir for the 11 o'clock Mass now sings an Entry hymn as the priest and assistants go the altar.

CHOIR

Intro.:Kyrie:Gloria:ORATIO

The Prayer for this morning's assembly. Now come the readings of scripture assigned for this 11th Sunday of the year.

CREED: After the scriptures and the homily given by the celebrant here this morning at Roasay Church, Fr William Joyce, the Creed is now recited.

OFFERTORY: The Prayers of General Intercession conclude the first section of the Mass, the Liturgy of the Word. Going to the altar now, the priest begins the preparatory rite for the Liturgy of the Eucharist, receiving from the assistants the gifts of bread wine and water brought to him in the name of us all, to become the Gift of Christ Himself to us.

PREFACE: The formal Prayer over the Gifts, concluding the Offertory rite. And now begins the central prayer and action of the Eucharist, with a special Preface-prayer for Sundays.

PER IPSUM: The concluding doxology of the prayer of the Eucharist. Now comes the rite of Communion, prefaced by the recitation of the Lord's own prayer, Our Father.

COMMUNION: At the altar now the priest himself first receives in Holy Communion, the Body and Blood of Christ, taking first the sacred Host and then drinking from the consecrated chalice. As he does so, people in the congregation here who wish to share in this sacrament of the Eucharist begin to approach the sanctuary-area of the church, and assistant ministers for the giving of Holy Communion also come to the altar. During the few minutes that it'll take for all who wish to share in this sacrament of the Eucharist to come to receive it, there is a time for personal prayer and communion with Christ. You may like to use your own words of praise & glory to God, in thanksgiving and petition, while here in the church now the choir sings two songs for communion time.

III With the giving of Holy Communion now over, the priest and other ministers have returned to the altar to put away in the tabernacle the Hosts that remain over. Then after briefly cleaning the sacred vessels used during the Mass, and a few moments for personal prayer and reflection, the celebrant recites the formal thanksgiving prayer and then gives the Blessing.

E N D After the Blessing and Dismissal, the priest and assistants leave the altar, and as the choir sings a recessional hymn, the congregation here begins to disperse. You've been listening to this broadcast of Mass this morning coming for the first time from the Rosary Church in Chatham Road, Kowloon.