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30th Sunday of Year

Rosary Church  
Broadcast

Good morning, from the parish church of the Holy Rosary, in Tsimshatzui. And welcome to join in spirit with the people now gathered here for worship and prayer this Sunday morning. Especially if you're unable through illness to take part personally in the community celebration of your fellow-Christians on this Day of the Lord, may you find help and consolation in listening in to this celebration of Mass here. In our calendar, today is the 30th ordinary Sunday of the year and in the readings of scripture you'll be hearing from a continuing passage of St Matthew's gospel being read these Sundays, and a parallel piece from the O.T. Book of Exodus, as well as a N.T. reading from St Paul's <sup>1st</sup> letter to the Christians of Thessalonica. That comes after the opening, introductory rites of the Mass, which are about to begin now as the celebrant and his assistants have made their way to the altar : we begin with prayers of repentance, and then of praise to God.

**Intro.:Kyrie:Gloria: ORATIO**

The Assembly Prayer for today's celebration.

Now come the readings of scripture: first the O.T. one, and this is followed by a responsory from Ps 17.

**Creed**

Following the scriptures and the homily given by Fr John Collins, the celebrant here this morning, the Creed is now recited by all.

James Lea  
Derek Reid

**OFFERTORY:** The Prayers of general intercession you've just heard end the first part of the Mass liturgy, centred on the Word of God. The second part, centred on the Eucharist, begins now with the preparation rite of the Offertory, when the priest receives the gifts of bread and wine and water presented to him from the congregation, for the action of the Eucharist.

*Paul Anderson*

**PREFACE:** The formal Prayer over the Gifts, concluding the Offertory rite. Now follows the introduction to the Sunday Preface-Prayer, leading into the prayer and action of the Eucharist itself.

**PER IPSUM:** The conclusion to the Prayer of the Eucharist. Now the Communion rite begins, as we pray together in the words of the Lord's Prayer, the 'Our Father'.

**COMMUNION:** Now it's communion time : at the altar, the priest receives from his own hands the sacrament of Holy Communion in the body and blood of Christ. Meanwhile, priests of the parish go to the altar to help in the distribution of Holy Communion to the people here who begin to come up to the [altar-rail at] the front of the church to share in the sacrament of the Eucharist. While the giving of Holy Communion goes on, the choir will be singing: it's a time when you at home (or wherever you're listening) may wish to make your own personal communion with God in prayer and in union with the thanksgiving prayers of people here for the gifts of God's love and grace and life that He offers us to share. You might like to reflect again on the Gospel we heard earlier, which puts the commands of God in a nutshell: to love God and to love others -- and how

*O Esca  
Viatorum  
Ave  
Part.*

this Eucharist is a sign and pledge of doing that, as we share together the gifts of God we receive.

CHOIR

The giving of Holy Communion is now finished, and the priest has returned to the altar. After putting away in the tabernacle the Hosts that remain over, he briefly cleans the chalice that's been used; and after some moments of quiet for his personal reflection and prayer, he will recite the formal Thanksgiving Prayer for today's Mass and then give the Blessing after the church announcements have been made.

*Totus tuus*

END

The Blessing and Dismissal, ending the celebration of Mass for this Sunday. As the priest leaves the altar now, and the people begin to disperse, the choir sings a recessional hymn. And with this we end too this live broadcast which you've been listening to direct from the Rosary Church on Chatham Road South, in Kowloon.