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EASTER SUNDAYCatholic Centre
Broadcast

Good morning, and a very happy Easter to you as we celebrate today the Resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ. For the next 50 days of Paschaltime the Church celebrates the fullness of the redemption won for us by Christ in His dying and rising from death and making us sharers of His glory. The principal celebration of this, which is the meaning of Easter, took place last night in the Paschal Vigil ceremonies; this morning, here in the Catholic Centre chapel, we have a Low Mass, not sung, marking Easter Day again in commemoration of Christ's resurrection. For those of you, in particular, whom illness or indisposition have prevented your taking part in last night's celebration or at Mass today, we hope that this broadcast of Mass will be a help and encouragement to your joining in spirit with the whole Church rejoicing today in the presence of our risen saviour. For the first time in a broadcast in Hong Kong we're using today one of the newly-introduced new Eucharistic Prayers, or Canon of the Mass, the fourth one which, in recalling the whole history of salvation by God, is most appropriate for this Easter day. But the Mass begins with the Liturgy of the Word, which is introduced by preparatory prayers of repentance and praise; and first, the Entry antiphon, from Ps 138.

Confit.
Kyrie, Gloria
ORATIO :

After the Prayer for today's assembly, the three scripture readings; first, from the Acts of the Apostles, St Peter's preaching about the Resurrection; then, from a letter of St Paul

GOSPEL: The gospel reading is St Mark's account of what happened early on the first Easter morning. It's read by the celebrant of this Mass, Fr Peter Morris, who will then preach the Easter homily.

Creed: The congregation stand now to recite together the act of faith, the Nicene Creed; and this is followed by the prayers of intercession for the whole Church.

Offertory: The Prayer of the Faithful concludes the first part of the Mass, which is a service of prayer and attention to God's word. Now, with the verse of the Offertory antiphon, the preparation begins for the central part of the Mass which is the Prayer of the Eucharist, the memorial and enactment of Christ's passover, His thanksgiving and offering of Himself to His Father for all of us. The Eucharistic Prayer includes the recital and repetition of Christ's action in His Pascal Supper, and the bread and wine needed for this are now brought up to the altar by one of the assistants. There the priest takes the paten which holds the round, flat piece of unleavened bread, and raising it slightly in a gesture of blessing and dedication prays silently: *Suscipe...* Next, he goes to the corner of the altar where he receives a cruet of wine which he pours into the chalice together with a drop of water which he blesses with this prayer recited privately: *Deus qui...* Returning then to the centre of the altar, he makes a prayer of offering over the chalice, then prays: *In spiritu... Veni sanctif....* The Offertory rite ends with an invitation to the congregation to join in offering the Eucharist, and then the formal Prayer over the Gifts.

leading up to

Preface: The Eucharist Prayer begins now, with the Preface ~~and~~ Sanctus -- as I commented earlier, this morning we're using one of the new Prayers, and this one has its own, fixed Preface, which is not changed with the season or feast.

Consecr.: The priest raises the consecrated Host for the adoration of the congregation; then genuflects himself.

Per Ipsum: The Prayer of the Eucharist ends, as always, with that praise and glory to God the Father through Christ our Lord. And now, to begin the Communion rite and in preparation for the Sacrament, the whole congregation say the Our Father together.

Ecce: The priest now communicates himself, taking first the Body of Christ. Then after a short pause for reflection he drinks from the chalice of the Blood of Christ. Meanwhile the congregation approach the altar-rail to receive Christ in Holy Communion, and the Communion Song is recited. **READER**

The celebrant of the Mass goes now to give Holy Communion to the congregation. These Easter communions will take some minutes, during which time you who are listening but are unable to be at Mass today may like to make your own spiritual communion with our risen Lord. Together with the people in this chapel, we also have some time to reflect on on this Sacrament of the Body and Blood of Christ which we receive this Easter, rejoicing in His presence. **MUSIC** From an Easter hymn of Hippolytus of Rome, who died in 235: **QQ (PYC 240)**

Christ makes us shareers in His new life that He has won for us by His death and resurrection in the sacraments of

Baptism and the Eucharist especially. Last night, in celebrating our redemption in the Pasch of Christ, His presence and our meeting with Him were particularly expressed in the ceremonies concerned with Baptism -- the actual sacrament given, and the renewal for each of us of what our own Baptism means; and the Easter eucharist we then offered together brought the high-point of the Easter celebration. During these Communions now, we've time again to reflect on our Risen Lord and how we meet him and are united with Him in the Eucharist. What we are celebrating today, and for the next 50 days in particular, is not just something that happened once upon a time a long time ago -- Christ rose from death; He is now alive, and it is the living Christ we receive into ourselves in Holy Communion -- or rather, it is He who makes us part of Himself, uniting us to Himself in a sharing of the life which is His. But it is only because of the death He underwent, and which is expressed in the signs under which He is present in the sacrament of the Eucharist, that we can now share in His life and risen joy. All of us in our turn have to go through trouble, sorrow, even suffering, and then death. Being united with Christ who has gone this way before us and for us means that through these very real human things, in fact through any truly human experience, we can come, with Him to God our Father. In truth, by being brought into His family and sharing His love, in Christ, we are already beginning to live our destiny; the Eucharist we receive is also a sign of the completion of it in the community and joy of the heavenly banquet, eternal life and love. / The Eucharist unites us together in Christ; its joy should permeate all the rest of our

lives and activity. But not only ours, who believe in Christ. The joy of Christ, the message of His being risen, alive, with us, is for all mankind; it was for all men that He died and rose from death. So, through the community of those who accept Him in faith and love, and are united with Him through Baptism and the Eucharist, His joy, His glory, His life have to reach other people who don't yet know Him or who He is or what He has done for them. We should be, for our world, the sign and living proof that Christ has indeed risen from death and is among us. This is the work of God's power and love in us -- something we can't achieve by human effort alone, why we need the force and strength the Eucharist gives us daily; but it does need our cooperation. We are bearers of joy, even in the hardships and difficulties of life, our own and others'; for Christ has overcome, He has entered a new life, bringing us with Him, and nothing but our own choice will separate us from Him now or in the risen life that, through His rising, is to be our final destiny too.

Communions now over, the priest returns to the altar where he covers the ciborium which holds the sacred hosts, and then places it in the tabernacle. After cleaning the chalice and paten (sayin...) he will recite the final Communion Pray. and then give the Easter blessing and dismissal.

Has a- ris- en, as he prom- ised, al- le- lu- ia!

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Pray for your chil- dren, Ma- ry, al- le- lu- ia!

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請 為 我 們 轉 求 主, 亞 肋 路 亞。

PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

Accept, we ask you O Lord, the prayers of your people with the offering of this sacrifice. May what we have begun in these Easter mysteries obtain for us by your power, an everlasting remedy: through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who is God, living and reigning with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, for ever and ever. ALL: Amen.

AFTER CONSECRATION

ALL SING :
Your glory, O Lord, we com- memo- rate, A- MEN.
Your glory as our Risen Lord, now we ce- le- brate. A- MEN.
Your re- turn, as Lord in glo- ry, to- geth- er we a- wait. A- MEN.

COMMUNION SONG

READER : Christ our Paschal Victim has been sacrificed, alleluia: therefore let us celebrate the feast with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth, alleluia, alleluia.

ALL SING :

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Thou who dost sleep, wake to the Light; thou who art

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dead, rise to new life, and the Christ shall shine on thee.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Pour out upon us, Lord, the spirit of your love. In your gracious kindness, may you make to be of one mind those whom you have fed with these Easter Sacraments: through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who is God, living and reigning with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, for ever and ever. ALL: Amen.

EASTER SUNDAY DAY

ENTRANCE SONG:

READER : I rose up and I am still with you. Alleluia. You have laid your hand upon me. Alleluia. Wonderful for me is this knowledge. Alleluia. Alleluia. O Lord, you have searched me, you know me; you have known my sitting and my rising.

ALL : Glory be to the Father.....

ALL SING :

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我 主 復 活 遵 聖 父 命, 神 能 大 顯 重 獲 新 生。

Raised by the Fa-ther, Christ our Lord Comes forth in power to life re-stored,

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亞 肋 路 亞, 亞 肋 路 亞! 我 衆 齊 來 愉 快 高

Al- le- lu- ia, al- le- lu- ial God's peo- ple sing in new de-

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歌, 慶 得 脫 免 死 亡 黑 夜。 亞 肋 路 亞, 亞 肋

light, Res- cued from sin and death's dark night, Al- le- lu- ia, al- le-

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lu- ia, Al- le- lu- ia, al- le- lu- ia, Ab- le- lu- ial

PRAYER OF THE ASSEMBLY

P. Let us pray.
O God, today you have opened for us the gate of eternity by your only-begotten Son's conquest of death. We ask you that the prayer which you have inspired in us may be fulfilled with your help; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who is God, living and reigning with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, for ever and ever. ALL: Amen.

First Reading: A reading from the Acts of the Apostles (10.34a+37-43)
Peter addressed them: 'You must have heard about the recent happenings in Judaea; about Jesus of Nazareth and how he began in Galilee, after John had been preaching baptism. God had anointed him with the Holy Spirit and with power, and because God was with him, Jesus went about doing good and curing all who had fallen into the power of the devil. Now I,

and those with me, can witness to everything he did throughout the countryside of Judaea and in Jerusalem itself: and also to the fact that they killed him by hanging him on a tree, yet three days afterwards God raised him to life and allowed him to be seen, not by the whole people but only by certain witnesses God had chosen beforehand. Now we are those witnesses — we have eaten and drunk with him after his resurrection from the dead — and he has ordered us to proclaim this to his people and to tell them that God has appointed him to judge everyone, alive or dead. It is to him that all the prophets bear this witness: that all who believe in Jesus will have their sins forgiven through his name.' ALL: Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORY PSALM (Psalm 117)

READER : This is the day made memorable by Yahweh, what immense joy for us!*

ALL : (repeat the refrain*)

READER : Give thanks to Yahweh, for he is good, his love is everlasting! Let the House of Israel say it; 'His love is everlasting!'

ALL : (repeat the refrain*)

READER : Yahweh's right hand is winning, Yahweh's right hand is wreaking havoc! No, I shall not die, I shall live to recite the deeds of Yahweh.

ALL : (repeat the refrain*)

READER : It was the stone rejected by the builders that proved to be the keystone; this is Yahweh's doing and it is wonderful to see.

ALL : (repeat the refrain*)

Second Reading: Letter of St. Paul to the Colossians (3.1-4)

Brethren: Since you have been brought back to true life with Christ, you must look for the things that are in heaven, where Christ is, sitting at God's right hand. Let your thoughts be on heavenly things, not on the things that are on earth, because you have died, and now the life you have is hidden with Christ in God. But when Christ is revealed — and he is your life — you too will be revealed in all your glory with him.

ALL: Thanks be to God.

ALLELUIA (All stand)

READER SINGS :



ALL : (repeat)

READER : Christ, our Passover, has been sacrificed.

ALL : (sing alleluia)

Third Reading: The continuation of the Holy Gospel according to Mark (16.1-7)

ALL: Glory be to thee, Lord.

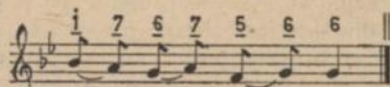
When the sabbath was over, Mary of Magdala, Mary the mother of James, and Salome, bought spices with which to go and anoint him. And very

early in the morning on the first day of the week they went to the tomb, just as the sun was rising. They had been saying to one another, 'Who will roll away the stone for us from the entrance to the tomb?' But when they looked they could see that the stone — which was very big — had already been rolled back. On entering the tomb they saw a young man in a white robe seated on the right-hand side, and they were struck with amazement. But he said to them, 'There is no need for alarm. You are looking for Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified: he has risen, he is not here. See, here is the place where they laid him. But you must go and tell his disciples and Peter, "He is going before you to Galilee; it is there you will see him, just as he told you"'. ALL: Praise be to thee, O Christ.

PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL

PRIEST : The Lord be with you . . . We pray to him who is our mighty Lord.

LEADER : That we may all grow in understanding / of the mystery of his Death and Resurrection, we pray to Lord.



Lord of glo-ry, hear our prayer.

That all baptized into Christ / be more deeply committed to his love, we pray to the Lord.

For peace among the nations, based on justice and charity, we pray to the Lord.

For the sick, the poor and the lonely, and for all in need of help, we pray to the Lord.

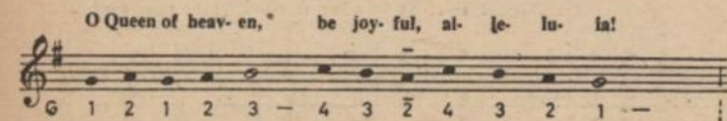
That the souls of the faithful departed / may enter eternal rest, we pray to the Lord.

PRIEST : O God, our refuge and our strength, hear the prayer of your Church and grant that we may be worthy to receive what we ask with faith. Through Christ our Lord. ALL : Amen. (Sit)

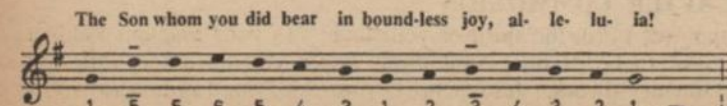
OFFERTORY SONG

READER : The earth trembled and was silent, when God arose in judgment, alleluia.

ALL SING :



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因妳在歡忻中生的耶穌, 亞肋路亞,