

TEXTS FOR USE IN THE WORSHIP AND PROCESSION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

READINGS FROM THE OLD TESTAMENT

113.

GENESIS 14:18-20

Melchisedech brought bread and wine.

114.

EXODUS 12:21-27

When the Lord sees the blood on the door, he will pass over your home.

115.

EXODUS 16:2-4, 12-15

I will rain bread from heaven upon you.

116.

EXODUS 24:3-8

This is the blood of the covenant that the Lord God has made with you.

117.

DEUTERONOMY 8:2-3, 15-16

He gave you food which you and your fathers did not know.

118.

1 KINGS 19:4-8

Strengthened by the food, he walked to the mountain of the Lord.

119.

PROVERBS 9:1-6

Come and eat my bread, drink the wine I have prepared.

READINGS FROM THE NEW TESTAMENT

120.

ACTS 24:2-47

They continued in fellowship with the apostles and in the breaking of the bread.

121.

ACTS 10:34, 37-43

After he was raised from the dead, we ate and drank with him.

122.

1 CORINTHIANS 10:16-17

Though we are many, we are one bread and one body.

123.

1 CORINTHIANS 11:23-26

Each time you eat this bread and drink this cup, you are proclaiming the death of the Lord Jesus.

124.

HEBREWS 9:11-15

The blood of Christ purifies our hearts from sin.

125.

HEBREWS 12:18-19, 22-24

Jesus brings you to the Father by shedding his blood for you.

126.

1 PETER 1:17-21

You have been redeemed by the precious blood of Jesus Christ.

127.

1 JOHN 5:4-8

The Spirit, the water, and the blood give witness.

128.

REVELATION 1:5-8

Because he loves us, he has saved us from sin with his blood.

129.

REVELATION 7:9-14

They have washed their robes in the blood of the Lamb.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

130.

PSALM 22:1-6

R. The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

131.

PSALM 33:2-9

R. Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.

132.

PSALM 39:4, 7-10

R. Here I am, Lord; I come to do your will.

133.

PSALM 77:3-4, 7, 23-25, 54

R. The Lord gave them bread from heaven.

134.

PSALM 109: 1-4

R. You are a priest for ever, in the line of Melchisedech.

135.

PSALM 115:12-13, 15-18

R. I will take the cup of salvation, and call on the name of the Lord.

or

R. Our blessing-cup is a communion with the blood of Christ.

136.

PSALM 144:10-11, 15-18

R. The hand of the Lord feeds us; he answers all our needs.

137.

PSALM 147:12-15, 19-20

R. Praise the Lord, Jerusalem.

or

R. Whoever eats this bread will live for ever.

ALLELUIA VERSE AND VERSE BEFORE THE GOSPEL

138.

JOHN 6:51

I am the living bread from heaven, says the Lord;
if anyone eats this bread he will live for ever.

139.

JOHN 6:56

Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood, says the Lord,
will live in me and I in him.

140.

JOHN 6:57

As the living Father sent me, and I live because of the Father,
so he who eats me will live because of me.

141.

SEE REVELATION 1:5

Jesus Christ, you are the faithful witness,
firstborn from the dead.

142.

REVELATION 5:9

You are worthy, O Lord,
to receive the book and open its seals.

GOSPEL

143.

MARK 14:12-16, 22-26

This is my body. This is my blood.

144.

MARK 15:16-20

They dressed Jesus up in purple and put a crown of thorns on him.

145.

LUKE 9:11-17

All the people ate and were satisfied.

146.

LUKE 22:39-44

His sweat became like drops of blood falling to the ground.

147.

LUKE 24:13-35 (LONGER) OR 13-16, 28-35 (SHORTER)

They recognised him at the breaking of the bread.

148.

JOHN 6:1-15

They gave the people all the food they wanted.

149.

JOHN 6:24-35

If you come to me, you will never be hungry. He who believes in me will never know thirst.

150.

JOHN 6:41-51

I am the living bread from heaven.

151.

JOHN 6:51-58

My flesh and blood are true food and drink.

152.

JOHN 19:31-37

When they pierced his side with a spear, blood and water flowed out.

153.

JOHN 21:1-14

Jesus took the bread and gave it to them.

READING FROM THE VOTIVE MASS OF THE SACRED HEART

READINGS FROM THE OLD TESTAMENT

154.

EXODUS 34:4-9

Our God is merciful and compassionate.

155.

DEUTERONOMY 7:6-11

God has chosen you because he loves you.

156.

DEUTERONOMY 10:12-22

God loves his chosen ones and their children.

157.

ISAIAH 49:13-15

Even if a mother forgets her child, I will never forget you.

158.

JEREMIAH 31:1-4

I have loved you with a love that will never end.

159.

EZEKIEL 34:11-16

I will take care of my flock.

160.

HOSEA 11:1, 3-4, 8-9

My heart is saddened at the thought of parting.

READINGS FROM THE NEW TESTAMENT

161.

ROMANS 5:5-11

God has poured out his love into our hearts.

162.

EPHESIANS 1:3-10

He has lavished his rich graces upon us.

163.

EPHESIANS 3:8-12

God has given me the privilege of proclaiming the riches of Christ to all the nations.

164.

EPHESIANS 3:14-19

I pray that you will grasp the unbounded love of Christ.

165.

PHILIPPIANS 1:8-11

May your life be filled with the perfection which comes through Jesus Christ.

166.

1 JOHN 4:7-16

We love God because he has loved us first.

167.

REVELATION 3:14, 20-22

I will come to eat with you.

168.

REVELATION 5:6-12

You brought us back to God by shedding your blood for us.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

169. ISAIAH 12:2-6

R. You will draw water joyfully from the springs of salvation.

170.

PSALM 22:1-6

R. The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

171.

PSALM 24:4-10, 14

R. Remember your mercies, O Lord.

172.

PSALM 32:1-2, 4-5, 11-12, 18-21

R. The earth is full of the goodness of the Lord.

173.

PSALM 33:2-7

R. Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.

174.

PSALM 102:1-4, 6-8, 10

R. The Lord's kindness is everlasting to those who fear him.

ALLELUIA VERSE AND VERSE BEFORE THE GOSPEL

175.

SEE MATTHEW 11:25

Blessed are you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth;
you have revealed to little ones the mysteries of the kingdom.

176.

MATTHEW 11:28

Come to me, all you that labour and are burdened,
and I will give you rest, says the Lord.

177.

MATTHEW 11:29

Take my yoke upon you; learn from me,
for I am gentle and lowly in heart.

178.

JOHN 10:14

I am the good shepherd, says the Lord;
I know my sheep, and mine know me.

179.

JOHN 15:9

As the Father has loved me, so have I loved you;
remain in my love.

180.

1 JOHN 4:10

God first loved us
and sent his Son to take away our sins.

GOSPEL

181.

MATTHEW 11:25-30

I am gentle and humble of heart.

182.

LUKE 15:1-30

Heaven is filled with joy when one sinner turns back to God.

183.

LUKE 15:1-3, 11-32

We are celebrating because your brother has come back from death.

184.

JOHN 10:11-18

A good shepherd is ready to die for his flock.

185.

JOHN 15:1-8

Live in me as I live in you.

186.

JOHN 15:9-17

Love one another as much as I love you.

187.

JOHN 17:20-26

Father, you loved them as you loved me.

188.

JOHN 19:31-37

When they pierced his side with a spear, blood and water flowed out.