

HEY, CHURCH – DEAL ME IN

DAY 6 COMPANION SHEET

EUCCHARIST – AN ESSENTIAL SERVICE

The grace to ask for today is:

Greater Gratitude for the gift of being able to participate in Eucharist

Let us pray today's Scripture Passage
(Luke 24.30-34)

**So, Jesus went in to stay with them.
When he was at the table with them,
he took bread, blessed and broke it,
and gave it to them.**

**Then their eyes were opened,
and they recognized him;
and he vanished from their sight.**

**They said to each other,
“Were not our hearts burning within us,
while he was talking to us on the road,
while he was opening the scriptures to us?”**

During the day if you wish (but only if you find it helpful) you can do the following:

Invite Holy man Joseph Chiwatenhwa (1602-1640) to walk with you throughout the day.

Chiwatenhwa has not yet been canonized a Saint. He is a Huron who really grasped Jean de Brébeuf's message. He was the first one to make the Spiritual Exercises in New France, and was a man of deep prayer. He left us a prayer – *I know how to build a canoe, but you Lord, made us and live in us!* He helped Brébeuf as a catechist. He was martyred for his Christian Faith. Fr. Jerome Lalemant wrote in a letter, “It is true that we had great hopes for him with regard to conversion of these people, for whom he had become an apostle during the course of this year. But since the saints have more power when they are in heaven than when they are down here on earth, we should believe that we have gained more than we have lost in his death. We will see in time what it will produce.”

Read and reflect on what Pope Francis says:

“We want to be a Church that serves, that leaves home and goes forth from its places of worship, goes forth from its sacristies, in order to accompany life, to sustain hope, to be the sign of unity... to build bridges, to break down walls, to sow seeds of reconciliation.” (*Homily, Santiago de Cuba, 09/22/15*)

“For many Christians, the journey of fraternity has a Mother, whose name is Mary. Having received this universal motherhood at the foot of the cross (cf. Jn 19.26), she cares not only for Jesus but also for ‘the rest of her children’ (cf. Rev 12.17) In the power of the risen Lord, she wants to give birth to a new world, where all of us are brothers and sisters, where there is room for all those whom our societies discard, where justice and peace are resplendent.” *Fratelli Tutti, 278*

“Let us not soundproof our hearts; let us not remain barricaded in our certainties. Certainties often close us off. Let us listen to one another,” *Homily, 10/21/21*

“Opposed to hopes and dreams that generate decisions, there is always the temptation to complain or give up. We can leave that to those who worship the ‘goddess of lament.’ She is a false goddess; she makes you take the wrong road. When everything seems to be standing still and stagnant, when our personal issues trouble us, and social problems do not meet with the right response, it does no good to give up. Jesus is the way; welcome him into your ‘boat’ and put out into the deep. He is the Lord. He changes the way we see life. Faith in Jesus leads to greater hope, to a certainty based not on our qualities and skill, but on the word of God, on the invitation that comes from him.” (*Christus Vivit, #141*)

Sing to yourself or recite: *Jerusalem, Jerusalem*

Google: *The Holy City: Stanford Olsen and the Mormon Tabernacle Choir*

Last night I lay asleping
There came a dream so fair
I stood in old Jerusalem

Beside the temple there
I heard the children singing
And ever as they sang
Methought the voice of Angels
From Heaven in answer rang
"Jerusalem, Jerusalem!
Lift up you gates and sing
Hosanna in the highest
Hosanna to your King!"

And then methought my dream was chang'd
The streets no longer rang
Hush'd were the glad Hosannas
The little children sang
The sun grew dark with mystery
The morn was cold and chill
As the shadow of a cross arose
Upon a lonely hill
"Jerusalem, Jerusalem!
Hark! How the Angels sing
Hosanna in the highest
Hosanna to your King!"

And once again the scene was chang'd
New earth there seem'd to be
I saw the Holy City
Beside the tideless sea
The light of God was on its streets
The gates were open wide
And all who would might enter
And no one was denied
No need of moon or stars by night
Or sun to shine by day
It was the new Jerusalem
That would not pass away
"Jerusalem! Jerusalem
Sing for the night is o'er
Hosanna forevermore.

Google: *Of Gods and Men, Official Trailer #1 (2010)*

Additional Scripture Passages:

Acts 10.34-43; Isaiah 43.8-13;
Revelation 21.1-7; Ephesians 1.3-14