

Liturgy Alive of St. Mark Evangelist Feast

Introduction

A disciple of Peter, Mark writes in simple words how with Jesus came the time of salvation and repentance. He shows Jesus both as the Son of God and the Son of Man, whose life led to his death, but who revealed himself fully in the resurrection. The disciple must follow his master.

Opening Prayer

Lord our God,
there is much in us that obscures your word
and keeps us from being truly your Church.
We pray you today:
Call us, as once you called Mark,
to speak and live your word.
Inspire us through your Spirit
and teach us to live in the hope
that your kingdom will come
and remain among us
through Jesus Christ, our Lord,

now and for ever.

General Intercessions

- For all who speak the word of God, that they themselves may be filled with it and out of this fullness proclaim it with conviction and warmth, we pray:
- For all who hear the word of God, that they may receive and treasure it in their hearts and bear fruits of goodness and peace, we pray:
- For those who do not yet know Jesus Christ, God's living Word and image, that the lives of many convinced Christians may open their eyes to Jesus, the true light who came among people, we pray:

Prayer over the Gifts

Lord our God,
you invite us to gather around your Son,
that he may share himself with us
in the signs of bread and wine.
May he also share his Spirit with us,
to speak his word
and to become to all those around us
signs of your goodness and peace,
that people may praise your name

through Christ our Lord.

Prayer after Communion

Lord our God,
accept our thanks for making known to us
how good and inspiring your Son is.
May we bring something
of his goodness and his good news
in the world of today
and may the way we live
be part of this message.

We ask you this through Christ our Lord.

Blessing

May we too be people of the word of God, who know it and put it into practice, with the blessing of almighty God, the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit.