



The Tabernacle. The Mission Church Saint Xavier Del Bac

*The Grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,
And the Love of our God,
And the Fellowship of the Holy Spirit, Be with you all!*

Prayer: Radiating Christ - Blessed Cardinal John Henry Newman¹

Please listen to a beautiful prayer by Blessed Cardinal John Henry Newman.

This Prayer was recited daily after Communion by Saint Teresa of Calcutta, Mother Teresa, and her Sisters of Charity.² This Prayer is also known as the Fragrance Prayer.

- 1 Dear Jesus, help us to spread Your fragrance everywhere we go. Flood our souls with Your Spirit and Life. Penetrate and possess our whole being so utterly that our lives may only be a radiance of Yours.
- 2 Shine through us and be so in us that every soul we come in contact with may feel Your presence in our souls. Let them look up, and see no longer us, but only Jesus!
- 3 Stay with us
and then we shall begin to shine as You shine, so to shine as to be a light to others.
- 4 The light, O Jesus, will be all from You; none of it will be ours.
It will be You, shining on others through us. Let us thus praise You in the way You love best, by shining on those around us.
- 5 Let us preach You without preaching, not by words but by example, by the catching force, the sympathetic influence of what we do, the evident fullness of the love our hearts bear for You. Amen.

¹ cf. <http://www.newmanreader.org>

² cf. <https://www.franciscanmedia.org/saint-teresa-of-calcutta/>

Let us now listen to the word of St. Paul:

Reading: 1 Corinthians 11:23-29

(A reading from the letter of Saint Paul to the Corinthians)

23* For I received from the Lord what I also handed on to you, that the Lord Jesus, on the night he was handed over, took bread, 24and, after he had given thanks, broke it and said, “This is my body that is for you. Do this in remembrance of me.” 25 In the same way also the cup, after supper, saying, “This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.”¹ 26 For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the death of the Lord until he comes. 27 Therefore whoever eats the bread or drinks the cup of the Lord unworthily will have to answer for the body and blood of the Lord.* 28 A person should examine himself,* and so eat the bread and drink the cup. 29 For anyone who eats and drinks without discerning the body, eats and drinks judgment* on himself.

Reflection

Paul provides us with the earliest written account of the institution of the Lord’s Supper in the New Testament. The narrative emphasizes Jesus’ action of self-giving – expressed in the words over the bread and the cup – and his double commend to repeat his own action. When you look at the picture of the Tabernacle at the Mission Church Saint Xavier Del Bac, you might be reminded of sacred art depictions of the Last Supper and the Holy Eucharist in your own church. Where are they located? When did you actively “see” them last time? How do they help you understanding the mystery of the Holy Eucharist?

Responsorial Psalm Ps 117:1bc, 2

R. Because the loaf of bread is one, we, though many, are one body, for we all partake of the one loaf.

(1 Cor 10:17)

Praise the LORD, all you nations; glorify him, all you peoples!

R. Because the loaf of bread is one, we, though many, are one body, for we all partake of the one loaf.

For steadfast is his kindness toward us, and the fidelity of the LORD endures forever.

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Chant, all: O Lord Hear My Prayer - Taizé³ - cf. music sheet

We will sing this chant around five times – and every time after the stanza “Come and listen to me” one table should stand and proclaim with a loud voice their petition

**O Lord, hear my prayer,
O Lord, hear my prayer: When I call, answer me.
O Lord, hear my prayer,
O Lord, hear my prayer: Come and listen to me.**

And now, let us pray together:

Prayer, all:

O God, who taught the whole world through the preaching of the blessed Apostle Paul, draw us, we pray, nearer to you through the example of him whose writings we study today, and so make us witnesses to your truth in the world.

Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen

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