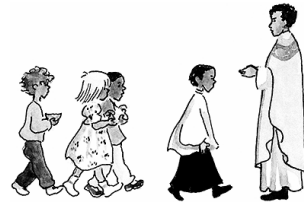


Offertory procession

- ◆ We bring something to remind us of our parents' work.
- ◆ We bring something to remind us of our fathers.
- ◆ We bring some of our own work.



Prayer after Holy Communion

Jesus, I believe in You.
Jesus, I hope in you.
Jesus, I love you with all my heart.
Jesus, I thank you for having come to me.
Welcome to my heart and bless me.

You are the same Jesus
who loved children
and let them come to you.

You are the same Jesus
who gave your life for us on the Cross
and rose from the dead.

And now that you are so close to me,
I ask you to help me
to love you more
and to serve you
as you want me to serve you.



Saint Joseph the Worker



Introduction

At this Mass in honour of Saint Joseph the Worker, we pray

- ◆ for our parents in their work
- ◆ for Saint Joseph to bless our fathers
- ◆ for ourselves that we may work hard in school



First reading

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Colossians

Sing psalms, hymns and spiritual songs to God with thanks in your hearts. Whatever you do in word or in deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

Whatever you do, work with your heart and soul as if it were for the Lord and not for men, knowing that the Lord will give you the reward that is promised. Serve the Lord Jesus Christ.

This is the word of the Lord
Thanks be to God



Psalm

Everyone joins in the response after the reader

Give success to the work of our hands, O Lord.
Give success to the work of our hands, O Lord.

Before the mountains were born
or the earth or the world brought forth,
you are God, without beginning or end.

Give success to the work of our hands, O Lord.

In the morning, fill us with your love;
we shall triumph and rejoice all our days.
Display your work to your servants;
Let your glory shine on their children.

Give success to the work of our hands, O Lord.

Gospel

We all stand up to greet the Gospel. Everyone says together:

Alleluia, alleluia!
May the Lord be blessed day after day;
he bears our burdens, God our saviour.
Alleluia!

The Lord be with you

And also with you

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew
Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus came to his home town and taught the people in their synagogue in such a way that they were astonished and said, 'Where did the man get this wisdom and these miraculous powers? This is the carpenter's son, surely?'

And they would not accept him. But Jesus said to them, 'A prophet is only despised in his own country and in his own house,' and he did not work many miracles there because of their lack of faith.

This is the gospel of the Lord
Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

