

# HOLY SATURDAY

Resurrection of Our Lord: Vigil of Easter

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## WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS

## CONFESSION/FORGIVENESS

P We come to the Lord's tomb, meditating on his passion and death, and on his descent into hell, awaiting his resurrection with prayer and confession,

**C: Merciful God, I repent of all my sins, known and unknown. I am truly sorry, and I pray for forgiveness. I firmly intend to amend my life, and to seek help in mending what is broken. I ask for strength to turn from sin and to serve you in newness of life. Amen.**

P By the cross and suffering of Christ, God has saved us all from the death we inherited from sinful Adam. We have been given the precious gift of the forgiveness of sins. May we forgive each other and strive for justice and peace in all the earth.

**C Amen.**

**HYMN #91 "Savior, When in Dust to You"**

## THE TOMB

P This night Christ is in the tomb

**C alone before everyone**

P this night Christ is in the tomb

**C alone before the world**

P this night Christ is in the tomb

**C alone before suffering**

P this night Christ is in the tomb

**C alone before death**

P this night Christ is in the tomb

**C alone before sin**

P this night Christ is in the tomb

**C alone before Satan**

P this night Christ is in the tomb

**C: alone before God**

P this night Christ is in the tomb

**C alone so that *we* are not left in the tomb.**

**ALL This night, while all is still, Christ feels sharply the sting of solitude, as the world waits for redemption. Amen.**

## PRAYER

Let us pray,

**C O Lord, like the seed buried in the ground, You have produced the harvest of eternal life for us; make us always dead to sin and alive to God. You have allowed us through baptism to be buried with You; grant that we may also rise with You in baptism and walk in newness of life. Amen.**

## READINGS

Ezek. 37: 1-14

1 Cor. 5: 6-8

Matt. 27: 62-66

## HOMILY

### \*APOSTLE'S CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.

He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit  
and born of the virgin Mary.

He suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried.

He descended into hell.\*

On the third day he rose again.

He ascended into heaven,  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,

the holy catholic Church,

the communion of saints,

the forgiveness of sins,

the resurrection of the body,

and the life everlasting.

**Amen.**

**\*PEACE**

**P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**C** **And also with you.**

**OFFERING**

**PRAYERS**

**LORD'S PRAYER**

**BENEDICTION**

**CLOSING HYMN #92**

“Were You There”