

AN ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

✠ In the Name of the Father,
and of the Son,
and of the Holy Spirit. Amen

CONFESSION

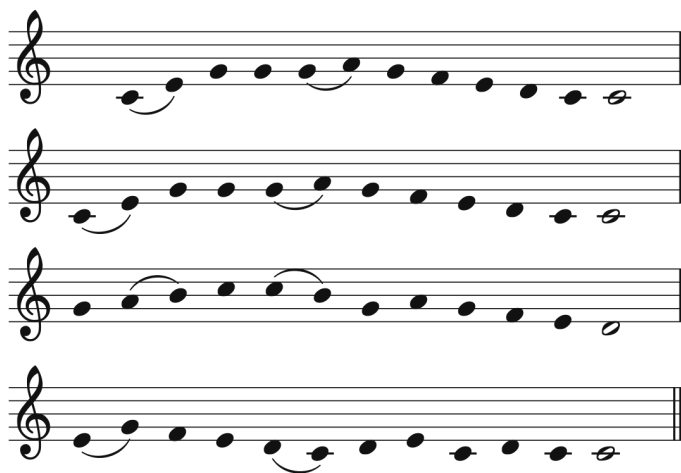
Lord, have mercy.
Christ, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy.

SCRIPTURE READING

John 6:35

Jesus said,
'I am the bread of life.
Whoever comes to me
will never be hungry,
and whoever believes in me
will never thirst.'

HYMN



Thee we adore, O hidden Saviour, thee,
Who in thy Sacrament art pleased to be;
Both flesh and spirit in thy presence fail,
Yet here thy presence we devoutly hail.

O blest memorial of our dying Lord,
Who living bread to men doth here afford!
O may our souls forever feed on thee,
And thou, O Christ, forever precious be.

Fountain of goodness, Jesu, Lord and God,
Cleanse us, unclean,
with thy most cleansing blood;
Increase our faith and love,
that we may know
The hope and peace
which from thy presence flow.

O Christ, whom now beneath a veil we see,
May what we thirst for soon our portion be:
To gaze on thee unveiled, and see thy face,
The vision of thy glory and thy grace.

*Latin, S. Thomas Aquinas; tr. James Woodford
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My Jesus,
I believe that you are present
in the Most Holy Sacrament.
I love you above all things,
and I desire to receive you into my soul.
Since I cannot at this moment
receive you sacramentally,
come at least spiritually into my heart.
I embrace you as if you were already there,
and unite myself wholly to you.
Never permit me to be separated from you.
Amen

HYMN

