Introductory Rites

A hymn may be sung. Then, making the Sign of the Cross, the family begins:

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Leader:

A11: Amen.

Leader: We gather today to celebrate the Lord's Day. We are unable to be with our

> parish family. However, one with our brothers and sisters at Saint Andrew Parish, and with the entire Church, let us now listen to God's Word and

join in prayer.

Penitential Act

Leader: Coming together as God's family, with confidence let us acclaim the

Father's forgiveness, for God is full of gentleness and compassion.

Lord Jesus, you heal the sick. Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

Lord Jesus, you forgive sinners. Christ, have mercy. Christ, have mercy.

Lord Jesus, you feed us with your Body and Blood. Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

Opening Prayer

Leader: Let us pray.

> Almighty and ever-living God, whose will is to restore all things in your beloved Son, the King of the universe, grant, we pray, that the whole creation, set free from slavery, may render your majesty service and ceaselessly proclaim your praise. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one

God, forever and ever. Amen.

Liturgy of the Word

A Reading from the Book of the Prophet Ezekiel

EZ 34:11-12. 15-17

Thus says the Lord GOD: I myself will look after and tend my sheep. As a shepherd tends his flock when he finds himself among his scattered sheep, so will I tend my sheep. I will rescue them from every place where they were scattered when it was cloudy and dark. I myself will pasture my sheep; I myself will give them rest, says the Lord GOD. The lost I will seek out, the strayed I will bring back, the injured I will bind up, the sick I will heal, but the sleek and the strong I will destroy, shepherding them rightly.

As for you, my sheep, says the Lord GOD, I will judge between one sheep and another, between rams and goats.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm

R. (1) The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want.

In verdant pastures he gives me repose.

R. The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

Beside restful waters he leads me;

he refreshes my soul.

He guides me in right paths

for his name's sake.

R. The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

You spread the table before me in the sight of my foes;

you anoint my head with oil;

my cup overflows.

R. The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

Only goodness and kindness follow me all the days of my life;

and I shall dwell in the house of the LORD

for years to come.

R. The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

A Reading from the first Letter of Paul to the Corinthians

1 COR 15:20-26, 28

PS 23: 1-2, 2-3, 5-6

Brothers and sisters: Christ has been raised from the dead, the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep. For since death came through man, the resurrection of the dead came also through man. For just as in Adam all die, so too in Christ shall all be brought to life, but each one in proper order: Christ the firstfruits; then, at his coming, those who belong to Christ; then comes the end, when he hands over the kingdom to his God and Father, when he has destroyed every sovereignty and every authority and power.

For he must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet. The last enemy to be destroyed is death. When everything is subjected to him, then the Son himself will also be subjected to the one who subjected everything to him, so that God may be all in all.

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Gospel MT 25:31-46

Jesus said to his disciples: "When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, he will sit upon his glorious throne, and all the nations will be assembled before him. And he will separate them one from another, as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats. He will place the sheep on his right and the goats on his left. Then the king will say to those on his right, 'Come, you who are blessed by my Father. Inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world. For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, a stranger and you welcomed me, naked and you clothed me, ill and you cared for me, in prison and you visited me.' Then the righteous will answer him and say, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you drink? When did we see you a stranger and welcome you, or naked and clothe you? When did we see you ill or in prison, and visit you?' And the king will say to them in reply, 'Amen, I say to you, whatever you did for one of the least brothers of mine, you did for me.' Then he will say to those on his left, 'Depart from me, you accursed, into the eternal fire prepared

for the devil and his angels. For I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me no drink, a stranger and you gave me no welcome, naked and you gave me no clothing, ill and in prison, and you did not care for me.' Then they will answer and say, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or ill or in prison, and not minister to your needs?' He will answer them, 'Amen, I say to you, what you did not do for one of these least ones, you did not do for me.' And these will go off to eternal punishment, but the righteous to eternal life."

The Gospel of the Lord Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ

The Apostle's Creed

All: I believe in God, the Father almighty,
Creator of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,

At the words that follow, up to and including the Virgin Mary, all bow.

who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried; he descended into hell; on the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty; from there he will come 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 life everlasting. Amen.

Prayers of the Faithful – The Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

Leader: The Lord is King. His throne stands firm from of old. Coming before the throne of heaven, we voice our petitions to our merciful Father:

Our response is: "Lord, Hear our Prayer"

That the Church will always be a place of mercy freely given, where everyone is encouraged to live the holy life of the Gospel, let us pray to the Lord.

For all world leaders, that they will see their power as a sharing in the authority of God and witness to that truth in the way they govern, let us pray to the Lord.

For a transformation of our society, that the culture of life proclaimed by Christ the King will reign in every human heart and relationship, let us pray to the Lord.

For those who struggle with addictions, that Christ the King will liberate them from every destructive enslavement and bless them with the freedom of knowing that they are His children, let us pray to the Lord.

For the grace this week to surrender ourselves in obedience to the kingdom of God, let us pray to the Lord.

That God will protect from all evil and harm all those who serve in the protection and defense of life, especially our first responders and our service men and women serving at home and abroad, let us pray to the Lord.

That the prayers we hold in our hearts will be united with those of Mary, the Mother of Jesus, our patron Saint Andrew, and all the saints in light, let us pray to the Lord.

For all our relatives and friends who have died, and for the people of the parish, let us pray to the Lord.

Leader: Loving Father, Christ the King has made us into a kingdom. Renew our obedience and faithfulness and be pleased with the prayers we offer. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Lord's Prayer is recited by all.

Act of Spiritual Communion

All: 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.

Thanksgiving

After a period of silence, the following Psalm is recited together.

Psalm 116

I trusted, even when I said:
"I am sorely afflicted,"
and when I said in my alarm:
"No man can be trusted."

How can I repay the Lord for his goodness to me? The cup of salvation I will raise; I will call on the Lord's name. My vows to the Lord I will fulfill before all his people.
O precious in the eyes of the Lord is the death of his faithful.

Your servant, Lord, your servant am I; you have loosened my bonds. A thanksgiving sacrifice I make; I will call on the Lord's name.

My vows to the Lord I will fulfill before all his people, in the courts of the house of the Lord, in your midst, O Jerusalem.

Blessing

Making the Sign of the Cross, we say together:

May the Lord bless us, protect us from evil, and bring us into everlasting life. Amen.

A concluding hymn may be sung.