

## 9th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - SOLEMNITY OF THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST (C)

### Collect

**O God, whose providence never fails in its design, keep from us, we humbly beseech you, all that might harm us and grant all that works for our good. 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.**

### 1st. READING (Genesis 14, 18-20)

Melchizedek, king of Salem, brought bread and wine; he was a priest of God Most High, and he blessed Abram saying, "Blessed be Abram by God Most High, maker of heaven and earth! And blessed be God Most High who has delivered your enemies into your hands!" And Abram gave him a tenth part of everything.

### RESPONSORIAL PSALM (Ps 110)

The Lord said to my Lord,  
"Sit at my right hand  
till I make your foes your footstool."  
From Zion the Lord will extend  
your mighty scepter  
and you will rule  
in the midst of your enemies.  
Yours is royal dignity  
from the day you were born  
in holy majesty.  
Like dew from the womb of the dawn,  
I have begotten you.  
The Lord has sworn,  
and he will not take back his word:  
"You are a priest forever  
in the order of Melchizedek."

### 2nd. READING (1Cor 11,23-26)

This is the tradition of the Lord that I received and that in my turn I have handed on to you; the Lord Jesus, on the night that he was delivered up, took bread and, after giving thanks, broke it, saying, "This is my body which is broken for you; do this in memory of me." In the same manner, taking the cup after the supper, he said, "This cup is the new Covenant in my blood. Whenever you drink it, do it in memory of me." So, then, whenever you eat of this bread and

drink from this cup, you are proclaiming the death of the Lord until he comes.

### GOSPEL (Lk 9,11-17)

Jesus made the crowds welcome and talked to them about the kingdom of God; curing those who needed healing. The day was drawing to a close and the Twelve drew near to tell him, "Send the crowd away and let them go into the villages and farms around, to find lodging and food, for we are here in a lonely place." But Jesus replied, "You yourselves give them something to eat." They answered, "We have only five loaves and two fish; do you want us to go and buy food enough for all this crowd?" For there were about five thousand men. Then Jesus said to his disciples, "Make people sit down in groups of fifties." So they made all of them settle down. Jesus then took the five loaves and two fish, and raising his eyes to heaven, pronounced a blessing over them; he broke them and gave them to the disciples to distribute to the crowd. They ate and everyone had enough; and when they gathered up what was left, twelve baskets were filled with broken pieces.

### Prayer over the Offerings

**Trusting in your compassion, O Lord, we come eagerly with our offerings to your sacred altar, that, through the purifying action of your grace, we may be cleansed by the very mysteries we serve. Through Christ our Lord.**

### Prayer after Communion

**Govern by your Spirit, we pray, O Lord, those you feed with the Body and Blood of your Son, that, professing you not just in word or in speech, but also in works and in truth, we may merit to enter the Kingdom of Heaven. Through Christ our Lord.**