

there must be
more to **life...**



*Discover
Jesus.*

Mary Magdalene, 22 July, White

Invitation to Confession

If anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; everything becomes new. That we may put behind us all that is past, let us call to mind our sins. *cf 2 Corinthians 5.17*

Kyrie Confession

Lord Jesus, in your love you invite us to be your friends:

Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

Lord Jesus, in your joy you choose us to go out and bear fruit:

Christ, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

Lord Jesus, in your power you send us to be your faithful witnesses:

Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

Collect

Almighty God, whose Son restored Mary Magdalene to health of mind and body and called her to be a witness to his resurrection: forgive our sins and heal us by your grace, that we may serve you in the power of his risen life; who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Intercession

With Mary Magdalene and all holy women, let us praise our God and call upon him in prayer Father, your Son said of the woman who was a sinner, 'Her many sins are forgiven because she has loved much.' Forgive the sins of all who love you and strengthen your Church to show forth your love in today's world.

Lord, hear us.

Lord, graciously hear us.

Many women ministered to the needs of your Son on his saving journeys.
Open our eyes to see you in those in need or sickness and hear our prayer for (...) and all those we hold before you.

Lord, hear us.

Lord, graciously hear us.

Mary Magdalene was the first to greet your risen Son and carried the news of his triumph over death to the disciples. Strengthen us to be faithful witnesses to the gospel in the world and grant your grace to all who preach and teach the faith.

Lord, hear us.

Lord, graciously hear us.

Your Son called those who do your will his brother and sister and mother. Teach us to live as members of one family, united in faith and love.

Lord, hear us.

Lord, graciously hear us.

Joining in fellowship with Mary Magdalene and all your saints, we thank you for (...), recently departed, and all those who have gone before us in the faith. Grant that with them we may see your Son face to face in everlasting glory.

Merciful Father, accept these prayers for the sake of your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ.

Amen.

Introduction to the Peace

God is love and those who live in love live in God and God lives in them.

Prayer at the Preparation of the Table

God of life and health, in your Son Jesus Christ we find the forgiveness of all that is past; grant that in this Eucharist today we may find the healing of all our sins.

This we ask through Jesus Christ our Lord.

or

Lord Jesus Christ, grant that by the mystery of your body and blood we may watch at your cross, weep at your tomb and witness to your resurrection; for you are alive and reign, now and for ever.

Preface

And now we give you thanks that Mary Magdalene, who followed Christ in love, was first to announce to his apostles that he had risen from the dead.

Extended Preface

It is indeed right and good, our duty and our salvation, to praise you, the all-powerful Father, in every season, and on this holy day to celebrate the glory of your saints.

In Mary Magdalene you kindled a fire of love for Christ, whose word had set her free. You gave her the courage of love to follow him even to the cross.

Seeking her teacher after his death, so great was her longing that you made her the first to behold him risen from the dead, and the first to announce to the apostles his new and glorious risen life.

Her words still ring throughout your Church, to strengthen faith and encourage hope in those who gather faithfully for prayer.

And so with her, and all the citizens of heaven, we join our voices to acclaim your glory in this their joyful hymn of praise:

Post Communion

God of life and love, whose risen Son called Mary Magdalene by name and sent her to tell of his resurrection to his apostles: in your mercy, help us, who have been united with him in this Eucharist, to proclaim the good news that he is alive and reigns, now and for ever.

Blessing

May Christ, who makes saints of sinners, who has transformed those we remember today, raise and strengthen you that you may transform the world; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always.

Short Passages of Scripture

Go quickly and tell his disciples: Jesus has been raised from the dead. *Matthew 28.7*

Jesus said to Mary Magdalene, 'Go to my brothers and say to them: I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God.' *John 20.17*

Those who live, live no longer for themselves, but for him who died and was raised for them. *2 Corinthians 5.15*

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