

Presider: Let us ask Christ our Lord, ever present among those who love him, to bless this food for the Easter table.

Lord Jesus Christ,

You ordered your disciples to prepare the Paschal Meal the night before your passion and death. On the Day of Resurrection you accepted the invitation of two of the disciples and shared a table with them, and then late in the evening you came to the Apostles and ate with them. Give us the grace, we ask you, to experience your presence among us as we gather at the meal on the day of your victory, and always to participate in your life and resurrection.

Living Bread, who came down from heaven and in the Eucharist give life to the world, bless + this bread and all festive bakery products, in memory of the bread, you used to feed the people who listened to you in the wilderness and the bread you prepared at the lake for your disciples after the resurrection.

Lamb of God, who conquered evil and washed the world from sin, bless + this meat, and all other food we will eat in memory of the Paschal Lamb and the meal you shared with the Apostles at the Last Supper. Bless, too our salt so that it protects us from corruption.

Christ, our Life and Resurrection, bless + these eggs, sign of the new life, so that when we share them with family and friends we may also share the joy of your presence among us.

Lead us all to your eternal banquet, where you live and reign for ever and ever.

All: Amen