



HOLY HOUR FOR JULY JUBILEE OF THE SCCs

“Remain in my love” (John 15:9)

(The Blessed Sacrament is exposed while all kneel and a brief moment of silence is observed.)

Leader: We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you, because by your holy presence, you fill our lives with grace.

Hymn: *(You could sing a hymn of adoration and praise)*

Introduction: Dear brothers and sisters in Christ, as our Archdiocese celebrates the Jubilee of the Small Christian Communities, we give thanks for the gift they have been to our Church—bringing faith into our homes, neighbourhoods, and daily lives. The Jubilee is a sacred time of grace—a moment to return to the Lord, to renew communion, and to recommit ourselves to the mission of justice, mercy, and love. SCCs have played a vital role in this mission: communities rooted in the Word, united in prayer, caring for one another, and witnessing to Christ in a divided world.

They are signs of a synodal Church—a Church that listens, walks together, and reaches out. As the Church teaches, the human person is not only sacred but also social. SCCs live this truth by promoting participation, solidarity, and care for the poor. Let us now place ourselves before the Lord who has walked with us—who nourishes us with His Word and His Body, and who sends us forth as salt of the earth and light of the world. Let us adore Christ in the Eucharist, listen to Him, and give Him thanks.

(Pause for Moments of Silent and Personal Prayer)

Lord Jesus, Word of the Father, we come before You in humble adoration.
You are the face of the Father’s mercy, the voice of love calling us to repentance,
and the compassionate hand lifting us from our weaknesses.
Pour Your mercy into our hearts, and may we know the depth of the Father’s love
and become visible signs of that love in our hurting world.
May the fruit of our prayer and communion with You make us reach out to those in need.
Speak to us in the quiet of our hearts, for we are here to listen, to be transformed,
and to love You in return in our brothers and sisters. Amen.

Hymn: *(A hymn of praise and worship)*

Hymn: *(A prayer or a short hymn to the Holy Spirit could be sung)*

Scripture reading: John 15:1-11

Reflections: The words of Christ in the Gospel reminds us that the source of our life and fruitfulness is remaining in Him. As a Small Christian Community, we have learned what it means to be branches of the same Vine—how we depend on Him and one another. We have borne fruits—of love, hospitality, solidarity, and faith. But let this Jubilee also be a pruning: an invitation to shed what is dry or dead in our lives, to let go of apathy, gossip, individualism, or spiritual fatigue. Let us commit to regularly gather in the name of Jesus, to listen deeply to the Word, to supporting one another



through joys and sufferings, and living out our baptismal mission in society, especially among the poor.

This Jubilee reminds us that the Church, like the family, is shaped by shared journeys—moments of challenge and consolation, growth and grace. When Christ remains at the centre, the Church becomes not only strong and holy but a credible witness in the world. In our Small Christian Community, we have experienced the Church as this spiritual home: where faith is shared, burdens are carried together, and joys are celebrated as one. Our mutual support—in prayer, in conversation, in moments of suffering and celebration—has made real the love of Christ in our midst.

Let us give thanks for every time our community has lived as a family in Christ. And let us renew our mission to be not only domestic churches in our homes, but also living cells of the Church—where God is honoured, faith is passed on, love is practiced, and the journey of one becomes the journey of all. For in sharing our faith experiences, bearing one another's burdens, and rejoicing together, we build up the Church and become a light to the world.

(Pause for Moments of Silent and Personal Prayer)

Thanksgiving Prayer

Lord Jesus, we thank You for walking with us throughout these years.
You called us together as a Small Christian Community,
And You remained with us through Your Word, Your Sacraments, and Your Spirit.
We thank You for the bonds of love formed,
For the healing that took place in our hearts,
For the courage we found to live our faith in daily life.
Thank You for making our homes places of prayer,
our meetings sources of hope, And our actions signs of Your Kingdom.
In this Jubilee, renew us, that we may be fruitful branches,
Alive with Your joy and love. Amen.

(Optional sharing by members – invite 1 or 2 to share briefly their experience of growth in the SCC.)

(Pause for Moments of Silent and Personal examination of conscience)

Points for Self-Examination

My Relationship with the Church as Family: Do I recognize that my actions, words, and attitudes—whether good or bad—affect the spiritual health of the larger community? Am I concerned for the needs of others in the Church, or have I remained indifferent to their joys and struggles?

Participation in the SCC and Parish Life: Have I contributed to the building up of the Small Christian Community through my participation, prayer, service, or encouragement?

Bearing One Another's Burdens: Have I reached out to support those who are suffering or going through a difficult time? Have I carried grudges or refused to forgive a fellow member of my community or parish and therefore remain uninvolved?



Living the Domestic Church: Is Christ truly at the centre of my home and family life? Have I led or supported my family in becoming a witness of faith, love, and service to our neighbours and the wider Church?

Hymn: *(A hymn of Repentance, forgiveness or resolution)*

General Intercessions:

For Pope Leo IV and the Church, that they may continue to foster small communities rooted in the Gospel and mission, we pray...

For our Small Christian Community, that we may remain united in faith and continue to grow in charity and service, we pray...

For all members who have gone before us, who helped build this community with faith and love, (Mention Names.... if you know) that they may rest in God's peace, we pray...

For our neighbourhood and Parish, that they may experience the light and warmth of Christian witness through our SCC, we pray...

For the poor, the sick, the lonely, and the marginalized in our midst, that our hearts may be open to serve them, we pray...

For a renewal of faith among young people and families in our community, that they may find in us a true home in Christ, we pray...

(Pause for silent personal intentions)

Benediction:

The Divine Praises:

Blessed be God.

Blessed be His Holy Name.

Blessed be Jesus Christ, true God and true man.

Blessed be the name of Jesus.

Blessed be His Most Sacred Heart.

Blessed be His Most Precious Blood.

Blessed be Jesus in the Most Holy Sacrament of the Altar.

Blessed be the Holy Spirit, the Paraclete.

Blessed be the great Mother of God, Mary most holy.

Blessed be her holy and Immaculate Conception.

Blessed be her glorious Assumption.

Blessed be the name of Mary, Virgin and Mother.

Blessed be Saint Joseph, her most chaste spouse.

Blessed be God in His angels and in His Saints.

Closing Hymn:

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