



CALASANZ MOVEMENT DAY

EUCHARIST CELEBRATION

May 31, 2026

INTRODUCTION

Welcome, friends, brothers, and sisters, to this gathering, to this GREAT celebration of CALASANZ MOVEMENT DAY.

Today we gather for this Eucharistic celebration under the theme “Your Root,” which invites us to reflect on our deep roots in Christ, the solid foundation of our lives, and our Calasanzian charism. As St. Paul tells us in his letter to the Colossians: “Remain rooted and built up in Christ, firm in the faith, just as you were taught” (Col 2:7).

Deep roots allow us to withstand storms, remain steadfast, and bear abundant fruit. On this day, we remember that our identity as the Calasanzian Movement is nourished by the root that unites us: Christ himself, and the charism that Saint Joseph Calasanz left us as a legacy. Let us return to our roots to grow strong and bear fruit in abundance.

Let us celebrate as brothers and sisters, united in the Calasanz Movement.

ENTRANCE HYMN

Estamos por ti - <https://betaniamusic.blogspot.com/2018/06/estamos-por-ti.html>

Por ti escuché la voz, gritaba en mi interior. Me llamabas.
Por ti empecé a buscar y me atreví a escuchar que me amabas.
Y nace una ilusión que arrastra el corazón. No puedo resistirme más. ¡Ya voy!

ESTAMOS POR TI,
SEGUIDORES DE TU MISIÓN
VIVIENDO PARA TI, SER FELIZ A TU LADO.
ESTAMOS POR TI
PERSIGUIENDO UN SUEÑO DE AMOR,
CONTIGO CAMINAR SIN PARAR,
MOVIMIENTO CALASANZ.

Por ti quiero luchar, amarte en los demás, ser tus manos.
Por ti quiero llenar de luz la oscuridad, ser tus labios.
Y quiero trabajar para anunciar tu amor.
No puedo dejar de entregar mi don.



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ESTAMOS POR TI...

Hoy sé que este es mi hogar, con mil hermanos más,
tras las huellas de Calasanz ¡Ya voy!
ESTAMOS POR TI...

PENITENCIAL RITE

Symbol:

We suggest placing a pot filled with soil and seeds in the center. Each person is given a small seed. After the reader's words, they are invited to plant the seed in the soil while reflecting:

- » When have I lost my connection with Christ, my true root?
- » When have I allowed myself to be led astray by superficial roots that do not nourish my life?
- » What obstacles prevent my faith from taking deep root?
- » Have I forgotten the roots of my Calasancian charism?

Reader: We acknowledge, Lord, that at times we have neglected our (spiritual) roots. We have sought nourishment from fleeting things, forgetting that only in You do we find the sap that gives true life. We have strayed from the solid foundation of your Word, from the richness of our charism, from the community that sustains us.

We ask forgiveness for the times we have been like trees with shallow roots, easily uprooted in the face of difficulties. For forgetting that our identity is rooted in Christ and in the legacy of Saint Joseph Calasanz.

Lord, help us return to our roots, to sink deeply into your love, so that we may grow strong, bear abundant fruit, and be a living witness to others. As we plant this seed, we commit ourselves to cultivating deep roots in You.

Lord Have Mercy (chant)- Kyrie Eleison

Selected by the coordinators.

Collect Prayer

Great and merciful God,

We ask you to help us remain rooted in your love, like a tree planted by streams of water. May our roots sink deeply into Christ, so that we may withstand the storms of life and bear abundant fruit in every season.

Renew in us our fidelity to the charism left to us by Saint Joseph Calasanz, and strengthen our identity as a Piarist family, united in the same root of faith and love.

Through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Reading:

A reading from the prophet Jeremías.

Jeremiah 17, 7-8

Blessed are those who trust in the LORD; The LORD will be their trust.^d They are like a tree planted beside the waters that stretches out its roots to the stream: It does not fear heat when it comes, its leaves stay green; In the year of drought it shows no distress, but still produces fruit.

The word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm Psalm 27:1, 4, 7-8

R. I believe that I shall see the good things of the Lord in the land of the living.

The LORD is my light and my salvation; whom should I fear?

The LORD is my life's refuge; of whom should I be afraid?

R. I believe that I shall see the good things of the Lord in the land of the living.

One thing I ask of the LORD; this I seek: To dwell in the house of the LORD

all the days of my life, That I may gaze on the loveliness of the LORD and contemplate his temple.

R. I believe that I shall see the good things of the Lord in the land of the living.

Hear, O Lord, the sound of my call; have pity on me, and answer me. Of you my heart speaks; you my glance seeks.

R. I believe that I shall see the good things of the Lord in the land of the living.

Aleluya

Selected by the coordinators.

Evangelio: Matthew 7:16-20

The Gospel according to Matthew

By their fruits you will know them. Do people pick grapes from thornbushes, or figs from thistles? Just so, every good tree bears good fruit, and a rotten tree bears bad fruit. A good tree cannot bear bad fruit, nor can a rotten tree bear good fruit. Every tree that does not bear good fruit will be cut down and thrown into the fire. So by their fruits you will know them.

HOMILY

Prayer of the Faithful or Universal Prayer

We respond to the following prayers:

R: Lord, root us in your love.

1. For the universal Church, that it may remain rooted in Christ and bear witness to a deep faith in a world seeking solid foundations. Especially for Pope Leo, that he may guide the people of God with wisdom and love. Let us pray.
2. For the Piarist Fathers, that they may constantly return to the roots of their charism and live it with renewed enthusiasm, as educators in Piety and the Liberal Arts. Let us pray.
3. For the communities of the Fraternity of the Pious Schools, that they may be like trees planted by streams of water, rooted in prayer and service, bearing witness to the Calasanctian charism in the world. Let us pray.
4. For all the groups of the Calasanz Movement—children, adolescents, young people, and adults—that they may discover and cultivate their roots in Christ and in the Calasanctian charism and be a leaven of transformation in their communities. Let us pray.
5. For our educators, catechists, and leaders, that they may help the new generations put down deep roots in the faith and in the values of the Gospel, forming people of integrity and commitment who are faithful witnesses to the Gospel. Let us pray.
6. For children and young people who suffer from displacement: migrants, those who have lost their families, those living in poverty or violence,

so that they may find in our communities a place to put down roots and grow in dignity. Let us pray.

7. For all of us gathered here, that this day may help us return to our spiritual roots, renew our commitment to Christ and to the Calasanctian charism, and bear abundant fruit in our lives. Let us pray.

OFFERTORY

A procession of offerings may be held in which members of the Calasanz Movement, accompanied by a hymn or refrain, present the following symbols:

BREAD and WINE

(Presented and carried to the altar)

We offer you, good God, in this bread and wine, our desire to be rooted in You. Just as wheat and grapes take root in the earth to bear fruit, so we wish to sink our roots into your love to bear the fruit of eternal life.

POT WITH A PLANT OR SEEDS

(A pot with a plant whose roots are visible or with planted seeds is presented)

We offer you, good God, these roots that sustain the life of the plant, a symbol of our desire to remain rooted in Christ. May our spiritual roots be deep, may our faith be solid, may our Calasanctian charism be the foundation of our mission.

LOGO OF THE CALASANZ MOVEMENT

(A banner or large image of the logo is carried, presented, and brought close to the altar)

We offer you, good God, in this logo of our Calasanz Movement, our common identity, our shared roots in Christ and in the charism of Saint Joseph Calasanz. We are diverse, but we share the same root: love for children and young people, a passion for educating in Piety and the Liberal Arts.

IMAGE OR ICON OF SAINT JOSEPH CALASANZ

(An image or icon of the founder is presented)

We offer you, good God, the grateful memory of Saint Joseph Calasanz, the root of our Piarist tree. Through his example and his charism, we have come to know the path of education as evangelization. May we honor this heritage by living out the charism with fidelity and creativity.

WRITTEN COMMITMENT

(Each group or community presents a written commitment on a scroll)

We offer you, O good God, our commitment to return to our roots, to cultivate prayer, community, the study of our charism, and service to the least among us. May this commitment take root in our hearts and bear abundant fruit.

Offertory Hymn

Holy, Holy, Holy...

Lamb of God

Communion Hymn

Thanksgiving

Thank you, God, for this celebration of the Calasanz Movement.

Thank you for inviting us to return to our roots, to remain rooted in Christ, and to immerse ourselves deeply in your love.

Thank you for Saint Joseph Calasanz, the root of our Piarist tree, for his example and his charism that continue to inspire us.

Thank you for this community that sustains us, for the brothers and sisters who walk with us, sharing the same root of faith and mission.

Thank you, God, for so much life.

Closing Prayer

Our God, we thank you for gathering us together in this Eucharistic celebration under the theme “Your Root.”

May this Eucharist strengthen us and fill us with your peace, so that we may be witnesses of solid faith and firm hope for all those around us, especially for the children and young people you have entrusted to us.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.