



Saints Faith, Hope & Charity Parish
Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time
August 22, 2021

OPENING HYMN

Holy! Lord God Almighty!

Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!
Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee:
Holy, Holy, Holy! merciful and mighty,
God in three Persons, blessed Trinity.

Holy, Holy, Holy! all the saints adore thee,
Casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea;
Cherubim and seraphim falling down before thee,
God everlasting through eternity.

Text: Reginald Heber, 1783-1826, alt.

INTRODUCTORY RITES

GLORIA

LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING

Jos 24:1-2a, 15-17, 18b

Joshua gathered together all the tribes of Israel at Shechem,
summoning their elders, their leaders,
their judges, and their officers.
When they stood in ranks before God,
Joshua addressed all the people:
“If it does not please you to serve the LORD,
decide today whom you will serve,
the gods your fathers served beyond the River
or the gods of the Amorites in whose country you are now dwelling.
As for me and my household, we will serve the LORD.”
But the people answered,
“Far be it from us to forsake the LORD
for the service of other gods.
For it was the LORD, our God,
who brought us and our fathers up out of the land of Egypt,
out of a state of slavery.
He performed those great miracles before our very eyes
and protected us along our entire journey
and among the peoples through whom we passed.
Therefore we also will serve the LORD, for he is our God.”

RESPONSORIAL PSALM *Ps 34:2-3, 16-17, 18-19, 20-21*

Refrain: Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.

I will bless the LORD at all times;
his praise shall be ever in my mouth.
Let my soul glory in the LORD;
the lowly will hear me and be glad.
The LORD has eyes for the just,
and ears for their cry.
The LORD confronts the evildoers,
to destroy remembrance of them from the earth.
When the just cry out, the LORD hears them,
and from all their distress he rescues them.
The LORD is close to the brokenhearted;
and those who are crushed in spirit he saves.

Many are the troubles of the just one,
but out of them all the LORD delivers him;
he watches over all his bones;
not one of them shall be broken.

SECOND READING Eph 5:2a, 25-32

Brothers and sisters:
Live in love, as Christ loved us.
Husbands, love your wives,
even as Christ loved the church
and handed himself over for her to sanctify her,
cleansing her by the bath of water with the word,
that he might present to himself the church in splendor,
without spot or wrinkle or any such thing,
that she might be holy and without blemish.
So also husbands should love their wives as their own bodies.
He who loves his wife loves himself.
For no one hates his own flesh
but rather nourishes and cherishes it,
even as Christ does the church,
because we are members of his body.
*For this reason a man shall leave his father and his mother
and be joined to his wife,
and the two shall become one flesh.*
This is a great mystery,
but I speak in reference to Christ and the church.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

GOSPEL *Jn 6:60-69*

Many of Jesus' disciples who were listening said,
"This saying is hard; who can accept it?"
Since Jesus knew that his disciples were murmuring about this,
he said to them, "Does this shock you?
What if you were to see the Son of Man ascending
to where he was before?
It is the spirit that gives life,
while the flesh is of no avail.

GOSPEL (Cont'd)

Jn 6:60-69

The words I have spoken to you are Spirit and life.
But there are some of you who do not believe.”
Jesus knew from the beginning the ones who would not believe
and the one who would betray him.
And he said,
“For this reason I have told you that no one can come to me
unless it is granted him by my Father.”
As a result of this,
many of his disciples returned to their former way of life
and no longer accompanied him.
Jesus then said to the Twelve, “Do you also want to leave?”
Simon Peter answered him, “Master, to whom shall we go?
You have the words of eternal life.
We have come to believe
and are convinced that you are the Holy One of God.”

HOMILY

PROFESSION OF FAITH

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

OFFERTORY HYMN *In Christ Alone*

In Christ alone my hope is found,
He is my light, my strength, my song;
This Cornerstone, this solid Ground,
Firm through the fiercest drought and storm.
What heights of love, what depths of peace,
When fears are stilled, when strivings cease!
My Comforter, my All in All,
Here in the love of Christ I stand.

In Christ alone! - who took on flesh,
Fullness of God in helpless babe.
This gift of love and righteousness,
Scorned by the ones He came to save:
Till on that cross as Jesus died,
The wrath of God was satisfied -
For every sin on Him was laid;
Here in the death of Christ I live.

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HOLY, HOLY, HOLY - THE LORD'S PRAYER - SIGN OF PEACE - LAMB OF GOD - COMMUNION

COMMUNION HYMN *Bread for the World*

Lord Jesus Christ, you are the bread of life,
Broken to reach and heal the wounds of human pain.
Where we divide your people you are waiting there
On bended knee to wash our feet with endless care.

Lord Jesus Christ, you are the wine of peace,
Poured into heart once broken and where dryness
sleeps.
Where we are tired and weary you are waiting there
To be the way which beckons us beyond despair.

Lord Jesus Christ, you call us to your feast,
At which the rich and pow'rful have become the least.
Where we survive on others in our human greed
You walk among us begging for your ev'ry need.

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Refrain
Bread for the world: a world of hunger.
Wine for all people: people who thirst.
May we who eat, be bread for others.
May we who drink, pour out our love.

CONCLUDING RITES

BLESSING AND DISMISSAL

CLOSING HYMN *Amazing Grace*

Amazing grace! how sweet the sound,
That saved a wretch like me!
I once was lost, but now am found;
Was blind, but now I see.

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear,
And grace my fears relieved;
How precious did that grace appear
The hour I first believed!

The Lord has promised good to me,
His word my hope secures;
He will my shield and portion be
As long as life endures.

Text: St. 1-4, John Newton, 1725-1807; st. 5, attr. to John Rees, fl. 1859

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