

BLESSED VIRGIN MARY PARISH

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August 25, 2024



Worship Schedule:

Saturday 5:00 pm - Vigil Holy Mass
Sunday 9:00 am - Holy Mass (also livestream on Facebook)

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Twenty—first Sunday in Ordinary Time B
August 25, 2024

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Mass Intentions:

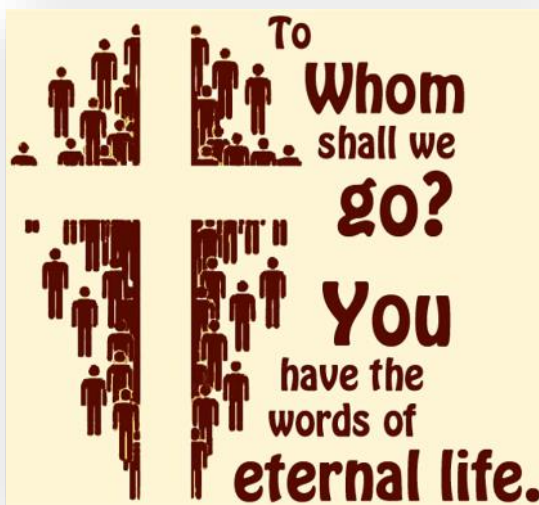
Sat. Aug. 24 - **In Memory of †Manuel Jardim Duarte.**

Sat. Aug. 31 - **In Memory of ††Penny & Jorge Vaz.**

Sun. Sept. 1 - **In Memory of †Fred Carlson, 12th Anniversary** (req. by Sondra Carlson).

Sun. Sept.15 - **In Memory of ††Thomas & Mary Krajewski on their Birthdays**
(req. by Rich & Mary Ellen Cadalso).

Sun. Sept.22 - **In Memory of †Mary Krajewski, 16th Anniversary** (req. by Rich & Mary Ellen Cadalso).

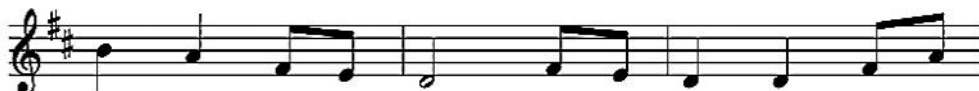


GOD, WE PRAISE YOU

NETTLETON



1. God, we praise you! God, we bless you! God, we
2. True a - pos - tles, faith - ful proph - ets, Saints who



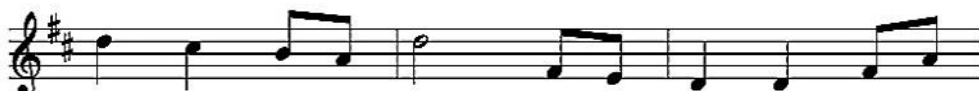
1. name you sov-'reign Lord! Might - y King whom an - gels
2. set their world a - blaze, Mar - tyrs, once un - known, un -



1. wor - ship, Fa - ther, by your Church a - dored:
2. heed - ed, Join one grow - ing song of praise,



1. All cre - a - tion shows your glo - ry, Heav'n and
2. While your Church on earth con - fess - es One ma -



1. earth draw near your throne, Sing - ing "Ho - ly, ho - ly,
2. jes - tic Trin - i - ty: Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly



1. ho - ly," Lord of hosts and God a - lone!
2. Spir - it, God, our hope e - ter - nal - ly.

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STAND**INTRODUCTORY RITE**

C. In the name of the Father + and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

R/. Amen.

C. Lord bless us with the wisdom to praise You in spirit and in truth,
so that by following Your holy will we may gain eternal salvation.

R/. Amen.

THE PENITENTIAL RITE

The celebrant invites the faithful to join in the prayer of confession.

C. We may sometimes be unfaithful, but the Lord is always faithful. He loves us He calls us back to Him. Let us come to Him in love and penitence, as we prepare to celebrate His coming to us. Please, make an examination of your consciences.

During a moment of silent reflection evoke spirit of contrition.

Silently confess your sins to God, and then join the celebrant in acknowledging your sins:

KNEEL or SIT

All: I confess to almighty God

**in the presence of the Blessed Virgin Mary, all the saints
and you, my brothers and sisters,
that I have sinned through my own fault**

striking the breast three times and continuing

**in my thoughts, in my words, in what I have done or failed to do.
I ask the Blessed Virgin Mary, all the saints,
and you, my brothers and sisters,
to pray for me to the Lord, our God.**

Penance is given.

C. May almighty God have mercy on us, forgive our sins,
and bring us to everlasting life.

R/. Amen.

The celebrant imparts the absolution, saying

C. May our Lord Jesus Christ absolve you and,
with His authority vested in me,
I absolve you from all your sins:
in the name of the Father, + the Son and the Holy Spirit.

R/. Amen.

THE KYRIE

C. Lord, have mercy. R/. Lord, have mercy.
C, Christ, have mercy. R/. Christ, have mercy.
C. Lord, have mercy. R/. Lord, have mercy.

THE GLORIA

STAND

All: Glory to God in the Highest,
and peace to His people on earth.
Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father,
we worship You, we give You thanks,
we praise You for Your glory.
Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God,
You take away the sins of the world: have mercy on us.
You are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.
For You alone are the Holy One, You alone are the Lord,
You alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of + God the Father. Amen.

OPENING PRAYER

C. The Lord be with you.

R/. And also with you.

C. Let us pray.

Heavenly Father,

Your Son offers us the gift of eternal life,

yet at times we cannot fully perceive His teaching.

Give us the conviction to accept Him completely and follow Him faithfully.

We ask this through the same Jesus Christ,

Who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit,

one God, for ever and ever.

R/. Amen.

SIT

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

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

A reading from the first Book of Joshua.

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."

L. The Word of the Lord.

R/. Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm Ps 34:2-3, 16-17, 18-19, 20-21

L. Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.

R/. 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.

R/. Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.

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.

R/. Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.

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.

R/. Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.

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.

R/. Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.



Second Reading [Eph 5:21-32 or 5:2a, 25-32](#)

A reading from the Letter of Saint Paul to the Ephesians.

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.

L. The Word of the Lord.

R/. Thanks be to God.

STAND

Gospel Acclamation [Jn 6:66c, 68c](#)

L. Alleluia, alleluia!

R/. Alleluia, alleluia!

Your words, Lord, are Spirit and life;
you have the words of everlasting life.

R/. Alleluia, alleluia!

Gospel [Jn 6:60–69](#)

C. The Lord be with you.

R/. And also with you.

C. A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Saint John.

R/. Glory be to You, Lord.

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.
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."

C. This is the Gospel of the Lord.
R/. Praise be to You, Lord Jesus Christ!



*...You have the words of eternal life.
John 6:68*

SIT

♦ HOMILY

C. I believe in One God,
All: the Father, the Almighty,
Maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.
I believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father
God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God,
begotten not made, of one being with the Father.
Through Him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation He came down from heaven:
by the power of the Holy Spirit
He was born of the Virgin Mary *(here genuflect or bow)*
AND BECAME MAN.
For our sake He was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
He suffered death and was buried.
On the third day He rose again in fulfillment of the Scriptures;
He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and His kingdom will have no end.
I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord and Giver of Life
Who proceeds from the Father.
With the Father and the Son
He is worshipped and glorified.
He has spoken through the prophets.
I believe in One, Holy, Catholic and Apostolic Church.
I acknowledge one baptism
for the forgiveness of sins.
I look for the resurrection of the dead
and the + life of the world to come.
Amen.

C. Jesus has the message of eternal life. Let us come through Him to the Father and pray for all our needs.

1. For all Christians throughout the world: That we will recognize the need to work for unity and harmony with each other. We pray to the Lord.

R/. Lord, hear our prayer.

2. For peace in all places of conflict and injustice throughout the world, and that we may begin peacemaking within our own homes and families. We pray to the Lord.

R/. Lord, hear our prayer.

3. For those who are sick: we ask for God's peace for those who are emotionally or mentally ill; for those who suffer from depression, addictions or from wounds inflicted on them in the past. We pray to the Lord.

R/. Lord, hear our prayer.

4. For good weather, for warm sunshine, life-giving rain and for the crowning of the year with an abundant harvest. We pray to the Lord.

R/. Lord, hear our prayer.

5. For those who have gone before us: That through their faith in Christ they may be welcomed into the fullness of life with Him. We pray to the Lord.

R/. Lord, hear our prayer.

6. For our own intentions ... [long pause for silent prayer] We pray to the Lord.

R/. Lord, hear our prayer.

C. Loving Lord, God our Father, help us to live with confidence and trust, so that our lives may be blessed, and our hope assured. We make our prayers through Jesus Christ our Lord.

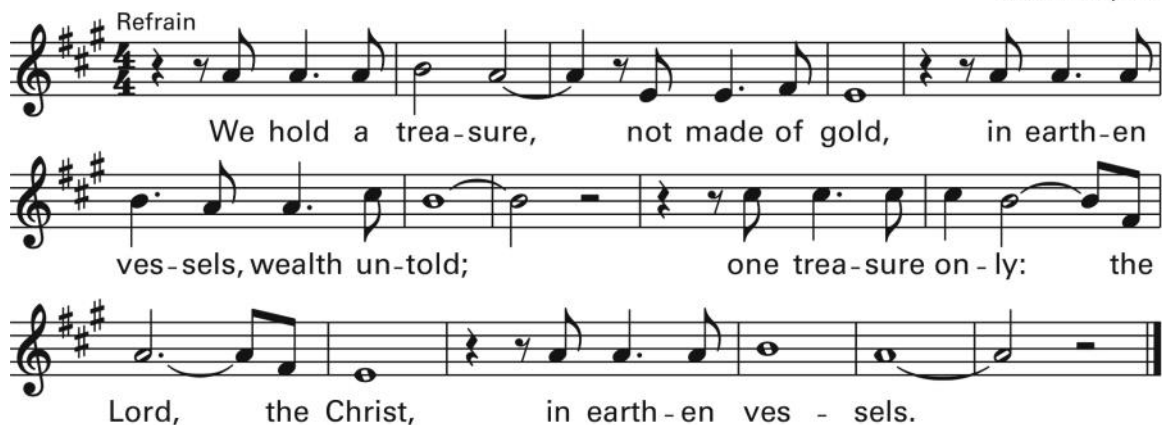
R/. Amen.

OFFERTORY HYMN

EARTHEN VESSELS

John Foley, S.J.

Refrain



We hold a trea-sure, not made of gold, in earth-en
ves-sels, wealth un-told; one trea-sure on-ly: the
Lord, the Christ, in earth-en ves-sels.

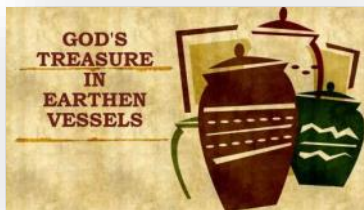
Verses



1. Light has shone in our dark-ness: God has shone in our heart
2. God has cho-sen the low-ly who are small in this world;
1. with the light of the glo-ry of Je-sus, the Lord.
2. in this weak-ness is glo-ry in Je-sus, the Lord.

to Refrain

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THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

The celebrant elevates the paten with host, saying:

- C. Blessed are You, Lord God of all creation. Through Your goodness we have this bread to offer, which earth has given and human hands have made. May it become for us the Bread of Life.

The celebrant pours wine and water into the chalice.

Then takes the chalice and elevates it above the altar, saying:

- C. Blessed are You, Lord God of all creation.
Through Your goodness, we have this wine to offer,
fruit of the vine and work of human hands.
May it become our Spiritual Drink.

The celebrant places the chalice on the corporal. Slightly bowing before the altar he says:

- C. Lord God, we ask You to receive us and be pleased with the sacrifice we offer You with humble and contrite hearts.

The celebrant blesses the bread and wine with his right hand, saying:

- C. Come, Holy Spirit, and bless + this sacrifice
which we have prepared for the glory of Your Holy Name.

The celebrant washes his hands, then he returns to the center of the altar and continues:

- C. Receive this offering, most Holy Trinity,
which we make in memory of the passion, resurrection
and ascension of our Lord, Jesus Christ,
and in honor of the Blessed Virgin Mary and all the saints.
May they, whose memory we honor on earth, intercede for us in heaven.

Addressing the congregation with hands extended, the celebrant says:

- C. Pray, my brothers and sisters, that our sacrifice may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.
R/. **May the Lord accept this sacrifice from your hands,
for the praise and glory of His name,
for our good and for the benefit of His holy Church.**

STAND

C. Heavenly Father,
may this spotless sacrifice fill our hearts with faith
and allow us to partake of Your Spirit and Life.
We ask this through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord,
Who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.
R/. Amen.

PREFACE OF SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME I

C. The Lord be with you.
R/. And also with you.
C. Lift up your hearts.
R/. We lift them up to the Lord.
C. Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.
R/. It is right to give Him thanks and praise.
C. Father, all-powerful and ever-living God,
we do well always and everywhere to give You thanks
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Through His cross and resurrection He freed us from sin and death
and called us to the glory that made us a chosen race, a royal priesthood,
a holy nation, a people set apart.

Everywhere we proclaim Your mighty works,
for You have called us out of darkness into Your own wonderful light.

Therefore, with the angels and archangels,
with all the saints and the entire church,
we lift our hymn of praise to Your glory, repeating unceasingly:

**R/. Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might,
Heaven and earth are full of Your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed + is He Who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

The celebrant with hands extended, says:

- C. We give thanks to You, God our Father,
through Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ,
Whom You have sent us as Savior, Redeemer and Messenger of Your will.
He is Your Word, inseparable from You.
Through Him You have made all things and in Him You were well pleased.
You sent Him from heaven to a virgin's womb.
There He dwelt and was made flesh.
He was revealed as Your Son, born through the Holy Spirit and of the Virgin.

When He suffered, He fulfilled Your will and gained for You a holy people.
He stretched out His hands to free from suffering those who believed in You.
When He was betrayed to His freely chosen suffering
thereby to destroy death, to break the chains of darkness,
to crush hell beneath His feet, to give light to the just,
to make a covenant and to manifest His resurrection,
He took bread; He gave You thanks and said:

The celebrant takes the bread and says:

**TAKE THIS, ALL OF YOU, AND EAT IT:
FOR THIS IS MY BODY
WHICH IS GIVEN FOR YOU.**

The celebrant elevates the Sacred Host, then places it on the paten, and genuflects in adoration.

He takes the Chalice and says:

- C. In like manner He took the cup and said:

**THIS IS MY BLOOD
WHICH IS POURED OUT FOR YOU.
WHENEVER YOU DO THIS,
DO IT IN MEMORY OF ME.**

The celebrant elevates the Chalice, then places it on the corporal and genuflects in adoration.

With hands joined he says the following with the Congregation:

**All: Calling then His death and resurrection to mind,
we offer You the Bread and the Cup.
We thank You for allowing us to come before You and to serve You.**

The celebrant extends his hands over the Sacred Body and Blood, saying:

C. We ask You to send Your Holy Spirit
upon the offering of Your holy Church to gather all in unity.
Grant to all who partake of these Holy Mysteries
the fullness of the Holy Spirit for the strengthening of their faith in the truth.
So may we praise and glorify You
through Your Son, Jesus Christ.

Holding the Sacred Host above the chalice and elevating them the celebrant says:

C. Through Him may glory and honor be Yours,
with the Holy Spirit, in Your holy Church, now and for ever and ever.
R/. Amen.

COMMUNION RITE

The Lord's Prayer

STAND

The celebrant says the following introduction to the Lord's Prayer:

C. Let us pray with confidence to the Father in the words our Savior gave us:

**All: Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be Thy Name,
Thy Kingdom come,
Thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.**

With hands extended, the celebrant says:

- C. Deliver us, Lord, from every evil and grant us peace in our day.
In Your mercy keep us free from sin and protect us from all anxiety,
as we wait in joyful hope for the coming of our Savior, Jesus Christ.

The people conclude the prayer by saying the acclamation:

R/. For the kingdom, the power and the glory are Yours, now and for ever.

BREAKING OF THE BREAD

- C. The Cup of Blessing which we bless,
is it not a participation in the Blood of Christ?

The celebrant fractures the Sacred Host saying:

- C. The Bread which we break, is it not a participation in the Body of Christ?

**R/. Because there is one Bread, we who are many are one body,
for we all partake of the one Bread.**

Dropping the particle of the Host into the Chalice, the celebrant says:

- C. May the union of divinity and humanity in Jesus Christ
bring us sanctification and eternal life.

R/. Amen.

With hands extended the celebrant says:

- C. Lord Jesus Christ, You said to Your apostles:
I leave you peace, My peace I give you.
Do not look at our sins, but on the faith of Your Church,
and grant us the peace and unity of Your kingdom
where You live for ever and ever.

R/. Amen.

- C. The peace of the Lord be with you always.

R/. And also with you.

- C. Let us offer each other the sign of peace.

An appropriate sign of peace is made by all (in church by bowing)

AGNUS DEI

The celebrant and people say together:

All: Lamb of God, You take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, You take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, You take away the sins of the world, grant us peace.

COMMUNION PRAYER

C. Let us pray together:

KNEEL

All: Lord Jesus Christ, Son of the Living God,
by the will of the Father and the work of the Holy Spirit
Your death brought life to the world.
By Your holy Body and Blood free me from all my sins and from every evil.
Keep me faithful to Your teaching and never let me be parted from You.

The celebrant takes the Sacred Host, saying:

C. I will take the Bread of Heaven and call upon the name of the Lord.

The celebrant and congregation together say once:

All: Lord, I am not worthy to receive You,
but only say the word and I shall be healed.

The celebrant says:

C. May the Body of Christ bring me to everlasting life:

The celebrant reverently consumes the Sacred Host. Taking the Chalice, he says:

C. May the Blood of Christ bring me to everlasting life:

The celebrant reverently consumes the Blood of Christ.

THE COMMUNION OF THE FAITHFUL

Holding a Host above the ciborium, the celebrant says:

C. This is the Lamb of God Who takes away the sins of the world.
Happy are those who are called to the table of the Lord.

KNEEL or SIT

Now, taking the ciborium, the celebrant distributes Holy Communion.

COMMUNION HYMN

O HOW BLESSED (THE BEATITUDES)

Dan Schutte



1. O how blessed are the poor in spir - it, the
2. O how blessed are the meek and low - ly, for
3. O how blessed are the pure of heart, for
4. O how blessed those who fight for peace, the



1. king - dom of God is theirs. O how blessed those who
2. they shall pos - sess the earth. O how blessed those who
3. they shall be - hold God's face. O how blessed those who
4. chil - dren of God are they. O how blessed those de -



1. dwell in sor - row, they sure - ly will be con - soled.
2. thirst for jus - tice, they sure - ly will have their fill.
3. mend with mer - cy, for - give - ness is their re - ward.
4. spised and hat - ed, who bear it be - cause of me.



Re - joice and be glad, be - loved of the Lord, the



king - dom of heav - en is yours. The first shall be last, the



last shall be first, for such is the wis - dom of God.

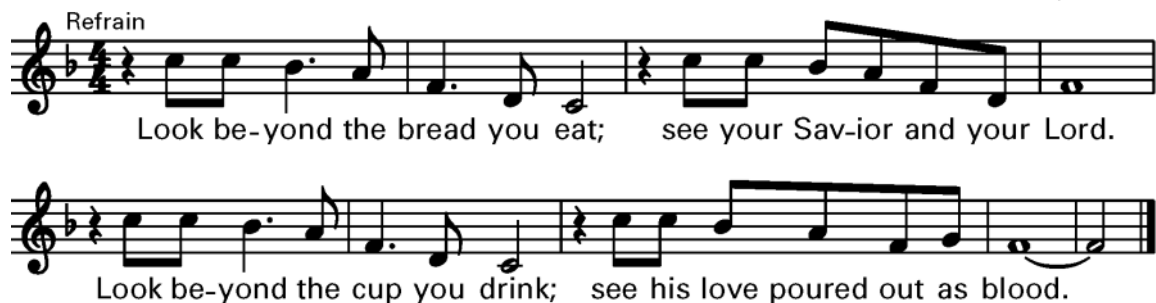
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POST COMMUNION HYMN

LOOK BEYOND

Darryl Ducote

Refrain



Look be-yond the bread you eat; see your Sav-ior and your Lord.

Look be-yond the cup you drink; see his love poured out as blood.

Verses



1. Give us a sign _____ that we might _____ be-lieve in you.
2. I am the bread _____ which from _____ the heav-ens came;
3. The bread I give you _____ will be _____ my ver - y flesh;
4. This man speaks harsh-ly; _____ who can lis - ten to his word?
5. You, my dis - ci - ples, _____ will you _____ al - so leave?

to Refrain



1. Mo - ses brought us man - na from the sky.
2. those who eat this bread will nev - er die.
3. my blood _____ will tru - ly be your drink.
4. We _____ shall no long - er fol - low him.
5. Lord, _____ to whom _____ can we go?

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C. Let us pray.

Heavenly Father,
in moments of doubt,
when our hearts cry out with Your Son's apostles:
"Lord, to whom shall we go?",
give us the grace through this Holy Communion
to understand that Your Son has the words of eternal life.

We ask this through the same Jesus Christ,
Who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit,
one God, for ever and ever.

R/. Amen.

CONCLUDING RITE

C. The Lord be with you.

R/. And also with you.

C. May Almighty God bless you,
the Father + the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

R/. Amen.

C. Let us go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

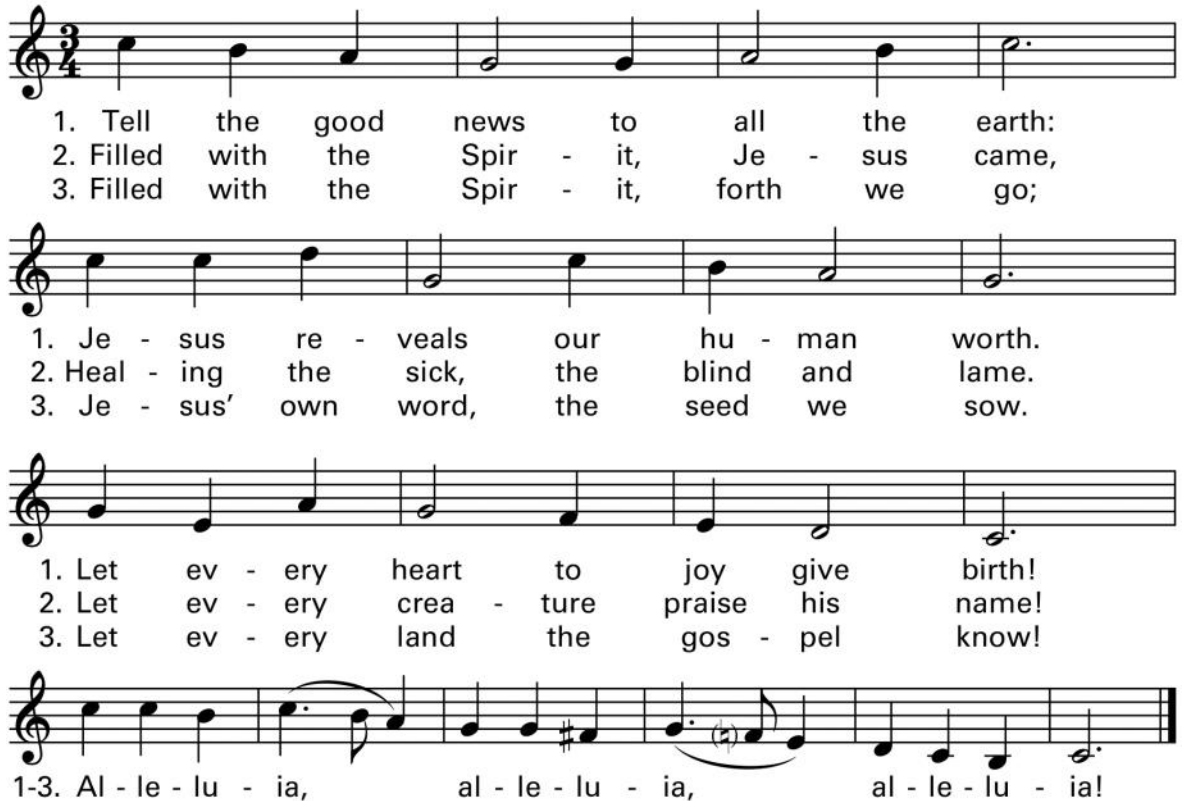
R/. Thanks be to God.



RECESSIONAL HYMN

TELL THE GOOD NEWS

GELOBT SEI GOTT



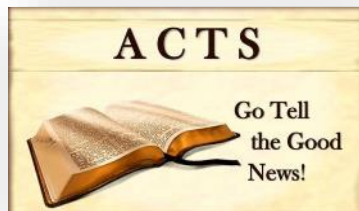
1. Tell the good news to all the earth:
2. Filled with the Spir - it, Je - sus came,
3. Filled with the Spir - it, forth we go;

1. Je - sus re - veals our hu - man worth.
2. Heal - ing the sick, the blind and lame.
3. Je - sus' own word, the seed we sow.

1. Let ev - ery heart to joy give birth!
2. Let ev - ery crea - ture praise his name!
3. Let ev - ery land the gos - pel know!

1-3. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

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Announcements

*Requests for all announcements must be received by noon Wednesday each week.
Please contact Justine Fazziola (bvmc.bulletin@gmail.com)*

- **Our Lutnia Choir is on its summer recess** and will resume singing on Sunday September 8th. Our congregational singing will continue – sing loud and strong to praise our Lord!
- **‘Thank you’ for your continuing support of our parish.** You can donate by mail: BVMC Parish, 250 Old Maxwell Rd., Latham NY 12110, or through online giving, <https://www.bvmc.org/giving> which is secure and easy. If you need assistance, please contact our financial officers, George Urciuoli or Mark Peplowski bvmc.church@gmail.com.

August Birthdays to celebrate:

August 7 - Nancy Scarchilli

August 26 - George Urciuoli

August 31 - Diane Brennan

Wedding Anniversaries to celebrate:

August 28 - George and Marilyn Clark

May God bless you abundantly!



Happening at BVMC



Saturday, August 31
5:00 pm Vigil Mass of Sunday

Sunday, September 1

9:00 am Holy Mass (also livestream)

Lectors: Donald Dross

Greeter: Stephanie

Trustees: Justine, Zosia



DATES TO REMEMBER

September 2 - Labor Day

September 7 - Fall Food Sale

September 8 - Lutnia Choir back after summer recess

September 15 - Sunday School Catechetical Year 2024-25 begins

September 22 - 23rd Annual Chopin Winners Concert



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