Saint Thomas's Church The Twelfth Sunday After Trinity

Sunday, August 27, 2023

High Mass at 10:30 am



The delivery of the keys (detail), Pietro Vannucci, c. 1500 Fresco in the Sistine Chapel, Vatican City

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Welcome!

On behalf of everyone who claims St. Thomas's as their spiritual home, we are happy you are with us, whether in person or via our livestream. If you are a visitor or newcomer, or even a longtime parishioner, but find it awkward or difficult to stand or kneel at the places indicated, remaining seated is perfectly acceptable. Please assume the posture most conducive to prayer throughout this service, or simply observe.

St. Thomas's has many peculiar ways that we cherish and are happy to share. If there seems to be no rhyme or reason for something, there might not be! But feel free to ask anyone after the service; it usually makes for entertaining conversation.

You are not obliged to engage any of us in conversation, though you should know that pretty much everyone here is happy to do so when we gather. You can always slip away without any judgement. We seem to have a lot of introverts here, so we understand the energy it takes to put yourself out there. Even if you're a raging extrovert, the experience of church can be disorienting. Relax and be yourself. Believe it or not, whether from near or far, God has led you here today. We want to honour what God is up to in your life, and we are here for you as you (re-) discover the joy and the challenge of the saving Gospel of Jesus Christ.

Fr. Nathan Humphrey, Rector

Low gluten communion hosts are available upon request. When you approach for communion, indicate to the priest that you require a low gluten host.

The Altar flowers are given to the honour and glory of Almighty God.

If you would like to make a memorial or thanksgiving offering towards the flowers, please see the dates available in the Parish Notices



St. Thomas's relies on the generosity of those whose offerings reflect gratitude for God's own generosity to us. To make a secure gift online, simply scan the QR code with your phone's camera app, or visit *qrco.de/smokytoms*. Scroll to the bottom of the webpage to fill out the online form. We no longer pass the plate, so if you want to give the old-fashioned way, an alms basin is available in the narthex.

Celebrant & Homilist: Fr. Nathan Humphrey

Reader: Jean Nichols

Director of Music: Elizabeth Anderson **Assistant Director of Music:** Manuel Piazza

MUSIC OF THE MASS

Missa de Sancta Maria Magdalena Healey Willan (1888-1968)

VOLUNTARY

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ENTRANCE HYMN 378 – God of mercy, God of grace

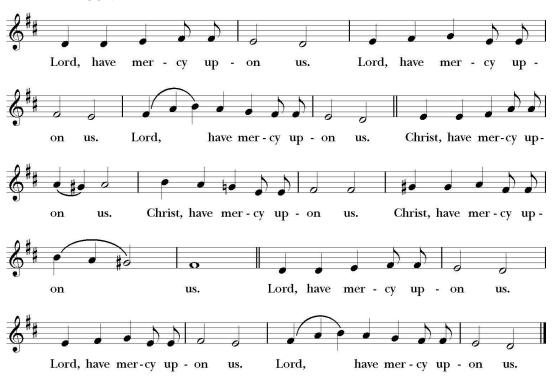
- 1 God of mercy, God of grace, Show the brightness of thy face; Shine upon us, Saviour, shine, Fill thy Church with light divine; And thy saving health extend Unto earth's remotest end.
- 2 Let the people praise thee, Lord; Be by all that live adored; Let the nations shout and sing Glory to their Saviour King; At thy feet their tribute pay, And thy holy will obey.
- 3 Let the people praise thee, Lord; Earth shall then her fruits afford; God to man his blessing give, Man to God devoted live; All below, and all above, One in joy, and light, and love.

COLLECT FOR PURITY

Almighty God, unto whom all hearts be open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The People and Choir sing the Kyrie.

KYRIE ELEISON



GLORIA IN EXCELSIS DEO

Missa Sancta Maria Magdalena





The People remain standing for the Collect.

COLLECT OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you. **And with thy spirit.** Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, who art always more ready to hear than we to pray, and art wont to give more than either we desire or deserve: Pour down upon us the abundance of thy mercy; forgiving us those things whereof our conscience is afraid, and giving us those good things which we are not worthy to ask, but through the merits and mediation of Jesus Christ, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, world without end. **Amen.**

The People sit.

FIRST LESSON Isaiah 51.1-6

The First Lesson is written in the fifty-first chapter of the book of the prophet Isaiah, beginning at the first verse.

Listen to me, you that pursue righteousness, you that seek the Lord. Look to the rock from which you were hewn, and to the quarry from which you were dug. Look to Abraham your father and to Sarah who bore you; for he was but one when I called him, but I blessed him and made him many. For the Lord will comfort Zion; he will comfort all her waste places, and will make her wilderness like Eden, her desert like the garden of the Lord; joy and gladness will be found in her, thanksgiving and the voice of song. Listen to me, my people, and give heed to me, my nation; for a teaching will go out from me, and my justice for a light to the peoples. I will bring near my deliverance swiftly, my salvation has gone out and my arms will rule the peoples; the coastlands wait for me, and for my arm they hope. Lift up your eyes to the heavens, and look at the earth beneath; for the heavens will vanish like smoke, the earth will wear out like a garment, and those who live on it will die like gnats; but my salvation will be for ever, and my deliverance will never be ended.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM 124 Nisi quia Dominus

VII. 2.

Cantor 1 IF THE Lord himself had not been on our side, now may Is-ra-el say:

People if the Lord himself had not been on our side, when men rose up a-gainst üs;

2 They had swallow-ed us up a-live:

2 They had swallow-ed **us** up a-live: when they were so wrathfully dis-**pleas**-ed at üs;

Cantor 3 Then the wa-ters^had drown^ed us: and the torrent had gone o-ver our soul;

People 4 Yea, then the ra-ging wa-ters: had gone even o-ver our soul.

Cantor 5 But **prais**-ed be the Lord: who hath not given us over for a prey **un**-to their tëeth.

People 6 Our soul is escap-ed even as a bird out of the **snare** of the fow-ler: the snare is broken, and we **are** de-liver-ëd.

Cantor 7 Our help standeth in the **Name** of the Lord : People who hath made **hea**-ven and eärth.

THE EPISTLE Romans 12.1-8

The Epistle is written in the twelfth chapter of St Paul's Epistle to the Romans, beginning at the first verse.

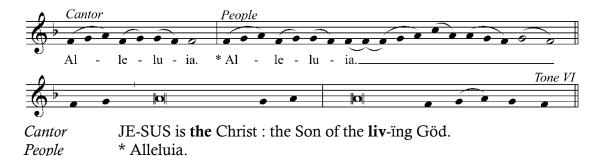
I appeal to you therefore, brothers and sisters, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship. Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your minds, so that you may discern what is the will of God—what is good and acceptable and perfect. For by the grace given to me I say to everyone among you not to think of yourself more highly than you ought to think, but to think with sober judgement, each according to the measure of faith that God has assigned. For as in one body we have many members, and not all the members have the same function, so we, who are many, are one body in Christ, and individually we are members one of another. We have gifts that differ according to

the grace given to us: prophecy, in proportion to faith; ministry, in ministering; the teacher, in teaching; the exhorter, in exhortation; the giver, in generosity; the leader, in diligence; the compassionate, in cheerfulness.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



THE HOLY GOSPEL Matthew 16.13-20

The Lord be with you.

And with thy spirit.

The Holy Gospel is written in the sixteenth chapter of the Gospel according to Saint Matthew, beginning at the thirteenth <u>verse</u>.

Glory be to thee, O Lord.

Now when Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, 'Who do people say that the Son of Man is?' And they said, 'Some say John the Baptist, but others Elijah, and still others Jeremiah or one of the prophets.' He said to them, 'But who do you say that I am?' Simon Peter answered, 'You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God.' And Jesus answered him, 'Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my Father in heaven. And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not prevail against it. I will give you the keys

of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven.' Then he sternly ordered the disciples not to tell anyone that he was the Messiah.

The Gospel of Christ.

Praise be to thee, O Christ.

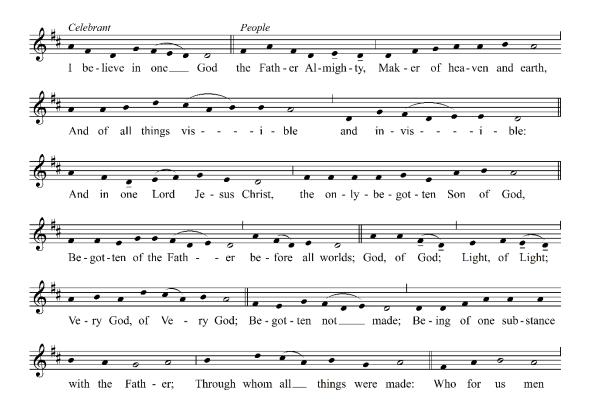
The People sit at the invitation of the Preacher.

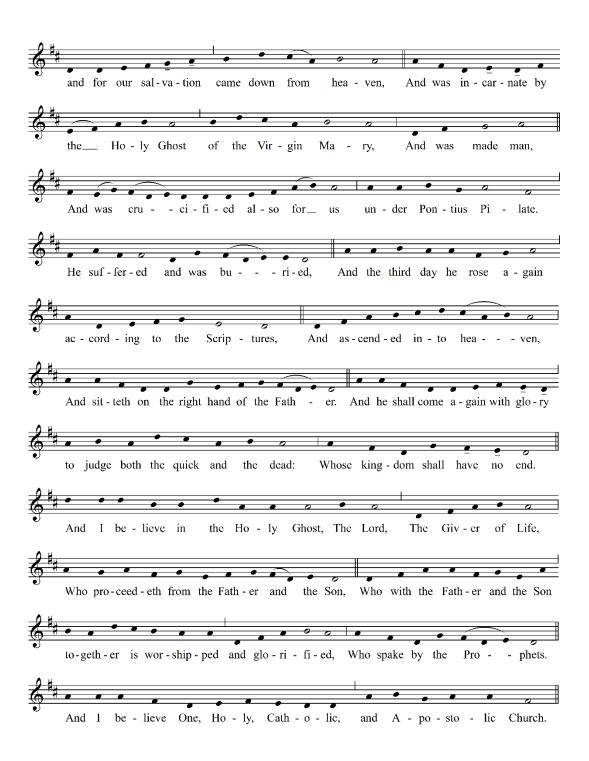
SERMON

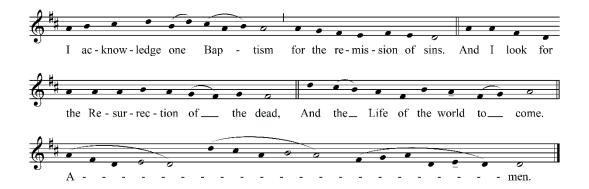
The People stand to sing the Creed. All who are able to kneel, please do so at "and was incarnate," rising after "and was made man."

THE NICENE CREED

Missa de Angelis







OFFERTORY SENTENCE

To do good and to distribute forget not; for with such sacrifices God is well pleased.

The People remain standing for the hymn.

OFFERTORY HYMN 562 – Eternal Ruler of the ceaseless round

- 1 Eternal Ruler of the ceaseless round Of circling planets singing on their way; Guide of the nations from the night profound Into the glory of the perfect day; Rule in our hearts, that we may ever be Guided and strengthened and upheld by thee.
- We are of thee, the children of thy love, The brothers of thy well-belovèd Son; Descend, O Holy Spirit, like a dove Into our hearts, that we may be as one: As one with thee, to whom we ever tend; As one with him, our Brother and our Friend.

- 3 We would be one in hatred of all wrong, One in our love of all things sweet and fair, One with the joy that breaketh into song, One with the grief that trembleth into prayer, One in the power that makes the children free To follow truth, and thus to follow thee.
- 4 O clothe us with thy heavenly armour, Lord, Thy trusty shield, thy sword of love divine; Our inspiration be thy constant word; We ask no victories that are not thine: Give or withhold, let pain or pleasure be; Enough to know that we are serving thee.

SONG I Orlando Gibbons, 1623 Rev. John White Chadwick, 1864

The People remain standing as the thurifer approaches for the censing.

PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

Blessed be thou, Lord God of Israel, for ever and ever. All that is in the heaven and in the earth is thine. All things come of thee, and of thine own have we given thee. **Amen.**

Intercessions

Celebrant: Sisters and brothers in Christ, with joyous hearts and in communion with the Holy Catholic Church, let us offer up our prayers to Almighty God.

Intercessor: I bid your prayers for the church universal throughout the world; for Andrew our bishop, for Kevin and Riscylla his suffragans, for_____ according to the Anglican cycle of prayer, for _____ according to the Diocesan cycle of prayer, and for ____ according to the Parish cycle of prayer, and for all who serve and minister to God's people. (Silence.)



Intercessor: I bid your prayers for Charles, King of Canada, and for all in civil authority under him in our country, province, and city. May God guide them in the ways of justice and peace; that all may honour one another and serve the common good. (*Silence*.)

Lord, in thy mercy,

We beseech thee, hear our prayer.

Intercessor: I bid your prayers for the world, for those places affected by war, conflict, calamity, or disaster, especially for Ukraine and Sudan, and all other places we now name, silently or aloud. May God grant us the spirit of respect and forbearance for all nations and peoples. *Silence*.

Lord, in thy mercy,

We beseech thee, hear our prayer.

Intercessor: I bid your prayers for all who serve the needs of others in our community, for the volunteers and guests of the Friday Food Ministry, and for all those who labour in and use shelters, drop-in programs, foodbanks, and other social services. May God aid us to love him with all our hearts, souls, minds, and strength, and to love our neighbours as ourselves. (*Silence.*)

Lord, in thy mercy,

We beseech thee, hear our prayer.

Intercessor: I bid your prayers for God's blessings upon all people, giving thanks to
God for the people, neighbours, and friends of this parish, and especially for all
those present in person or via livestream, and for newcomers and visitors this
morning, both near and far. [We give thanks especially on this day for]
And for all other thanksgivings we now name, silently or aloud May
God's abiding presence be with us always, that we may be a blessing to all people
(Silence.)

Lord, in thy mercy,

We beseech thee, hear our prayer.

Intercessor: I bid your prayers for all those in need, for the sick______, and for all those suffering in mind, body, or estate; for elders, for prisoners, for refugees and migrants, for the oppressed, for those who mourn, and for all others for whom our prayers are asked______. May God grant that they will be comforted by the everpresent love of our Lord. (*Silence.*)

Lord, in thy mercy,

We beseech thee, hear our prayer.

Intercessor: I bid your prayers for the souls of the departed, especially _____ who have died in recent days, and those whose year's mind is at this time _____, that they may share with the Blessed Virgin Mary, Blessed Thomas, and all the saints in God's eternal kingdom. May God grant that their souls, and the souls of all the faithful departed, rest in peace and rise in glory. (Silence.)

Lord, in thy mercy,

We beseech thee, hear our prayer.

Celebrant: Heavenly Father, thou hast promised to hear what we ask in the Name of thy Son: Accept and fulfill our petitions. we pray thee, not as we ask in our ignorance, nor as we deserve in our sinfulness, but as thou knowest and lovest us in thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Invitation, Confession and Absolution

Ye that do truly and earnestly repent you of your sins, and are in love and charity with your neighbours, and intend to lead the new life, following the commandments of God, and walking from henceforth in his holy ways: Draw near with faith, and take this holy Sacrament to your comfort; and make your humble confession to Almighty God, meekly kneeling upon your knees.

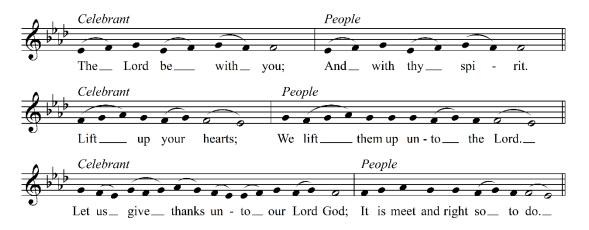
Almighty God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, Maker of all things, Judge of all men: We acknowledge and confess our manifold sins and wickedness, Which we from time to time most grievously have committed, By thought, word, and deed, Against thy Divine Majesty. We do earnestly repent, And are heartily sorry for these our misdoings. Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; For thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, Forgive us all that is past; And grant that we may ever hereafter Serve and please thee In newness of life, To the honour and glory of thy Name; Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Celebrant alone stands to impart the Absolution.

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all them that with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto him: Have mercy upon you; pardon and deliver you from all your sins; confirm and strengthen you in all goodness; and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The People remain kneeling.

EUCHARISTIC PRAYER



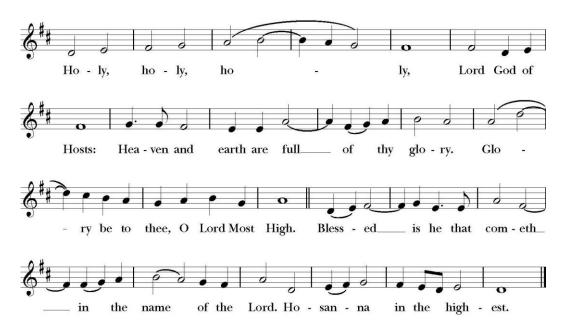
It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, Holy Father, Almighty, Everlasting God, Creator and Preserver of all things.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord; who on this first day of the week overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life.

Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee and saying:

The Choir alone sings:

SANCTUS & BENEDICTUS



The Celebrant continues,

Blessing and glory and thanksgiving be unto thee Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of thy tender mercy didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to take our nature upon him, and to suffer death upon the Cross for our redemption; who made there, by his one oblation of himself once offered, a full, perfect, and sufficient sacrifice, oblation, and satisfaction, for the sins of the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memorial of that his precious death, until his coming again.

Hear us, O merciful Father, we most humbly beseech thee; and grant that we receiving these thy creatures of bread and wine, according to thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ's holy institution, in remembrance of his death and passion, may be partakers of his most blessed Body and Blood; who, in the same night that he was betrayed, took Bread; and, when he had given thanks, he brake it; and gave it to his disciples, saying, Take, eat; this is my Body which is given for you: Do this in remembrance of me.

Likewise after supper he took the Cup; and, when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, Drink ye all, of this; for this is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the remission of sins: Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me.

Wherefore, O Father, Lord of heaven and earth, we thy humble servants, with all thy holy Church, remembering the precious death of thy beloved Son, his mighty resurrection, and glorious ascension, and looking for his coming again in glory, do make before thee, in this sacrament of the holy Bread of eternal life and the Cup of everlasting salvation, the memorial which he hath commanded; And we entirely desire thy fatherly goodness mercifully to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, most humbly beseeching thee to grant, that by the merits and death of thy Son Jesus Christ, and through faith in his blood, we and all thy whole Church may obtain remission of our sins, and all other benefits of his passion; And we pray that by the power of thy Holy Spirit, all we who are partakers of this holy Communion may be fulfilled with thy grace and heavenly benediction; through Jesus Christ our Lord, by whom and with whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory be unto thee,



THE LORD'S PRAYER

Music by John Merbecke



And now, as our Sa-viour Christ hath com-mand-ed and taught us, we are bold to say:



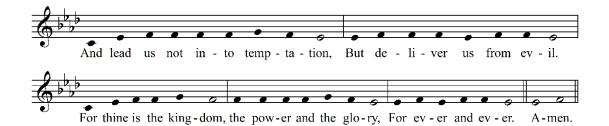
Our Fa-ther, who art in heav'n, Hal-low-ed be thy Name, Thy king-dom come,



Thy will be done, on earth, as it is in heav'n. Give us this day our dai-ly bread;



and for - give us our tres - pass - es, As we for - give them that tres - pass a - gainst us;



FRACTION & PEACE

A period of silence is kept. The consecrated Bread is broken.



PRAYER OF HUMBLE ACCESS

All who intend to receive Holy Communion pray together:

We do not presume

to come to this thy Table, O merciful Lord, Trusting in our own righteousness, But in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy So much as to gather up the crumbs under thy Table. But thou art the same Lord, Whose property is always to have mercy: Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, So to eat the Flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, And to drink his Blood, That our sinful bodies may be made clean by his Body, And our souls washed through his most precious Blood, And that we may evermore dwell in him, And he in us. Amen.

The Choir alone sings:

AGNUS DEI



The Celebrant turns to face the People and says,

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Behold the Lamb of God; behold him that taketh away the sin of the world. Lord, I am not worthy that thou shouldest come under my roof, but speak the word only, and my soul shall be healed.

COMMUNION INSTRUCTIONS

All baptized Christians are warmly invited to receive Communion as directed by the Sidespeople. Please receive the host (bread) on the right palm of the hand (supported underneath by the left palm). To receive the cup, gently guide with your hand the base of the chalice. Please refrain from intinction (dipping the host into the cup), as diocesan policy does not allow us to do so.

Low gluten communion hosts are available upon request. When you approach for communion indicate to the priest that you require a low gluten host.

If you have not been baptized or are not receiving communion, please cross your arms over your chest in the shape of an X to receive a blessing.

If you wish to inquire about baptism for yourself or your child, we would love to speak with you!

COMMUNION DEVOTIONS

An Act of Spiritual Communion, which may be prayed silently by those not receiving:

My Jesus, I believe that thou art truly present in the Holy Sacrament. And since I cannot now receive thee sacramentally, I beseech thee to come spiritually into my heart. I unite myself unto thee, and embrace thee with all the affections of my soul. Let me never be separated from thee. Let me live and die in thy love. Amen.

ANIMA CHRISTI

The following devotion may be prayed silently by communicants and non-communicants.

Soul of Christ, sanctify me.

Body of Christ, save me.

Blood of Christ, inebriate me.

Water from the side of Christ, wash me.

Passion of Christ, strengthen me.

O good Jesu, hear me.

Within thy wounds hide me.

Suffer me not to be separated from thee.

From the malicious enemy defend me.

In the hour of my death call me.

And bid me come to thee,

That with thy saints I may praise thee,

For ever and ever. Amen.

MOTET

'Tu es Petrus,' Maurice Duruflé (1902-1986)

Tu es Petrus, et super hanc petram aedificabo Ecclesiam meam.

You are Peter, and upon this rock I will build my Church.

(Matthew 16.18)

The People may sit or kneel for the hymn.

COMMUNION HYMN 238 – O God, unseen, yet ever near

- 1 O God, unseen, yet ever near Thy presence may we feel; And thus, inspired with holy fear, Before thine altar kneel.
- Here may thy faithful people know
 The blessings of thy love;
 The streams that through the desert flow,
 The Manna from above.

- We come, obedient to thy word,To feast on heavenly Food;Our meat, the Body of the Lord;Our drink, his precious Blood.
- 4 Thus may we all thy word obey, For we, O God, are thine; And go rejoicing on our way, Renewed with strength divine.

LINCOLN Ravenscroft's Psalmes, 1621 Edward Osler, 1836

The People kneel.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray.

Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee that thou dost graciously feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ; assuring us thereby of thy favour and goodness towards us; and that we are living members of his mystical body, which is the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs through hope of thy everlasting kingdom. And here we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, ourselves, our souls and bodies, to be a reasonable, holy, and living sacrifice unto thee. And although we are unworthy, yet we beseech thee to accept this our bounden duty and service, not weighing our merits, but pardoning our offences; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honour and glory, world without end. **Amen.**

BLESSING

The peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord: And the blessing of God Almighty, the ♣ Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be amongst you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

The People stand.

DISMISSAL

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

CONCLUDING HYMN 565 – In Christ there is no East or West

- In Christ there is no East or West,In him no South or North,But one great fellowship of loveThroughout the whole wide earth.
- 2 In him shall true hearts everywhere Their high communion find; His service is the golden cord Close-binding all mankind.
- Join hands, then, brothers of the faith, Whate'er your race may be;Who serves my Father as a son Is surely kin to me.
- 4 In Christ now meet both East and West, In him meet South and North, All Christly souls are one in him, Throughout the whole wide earth.

S^T BERNARD arr. From Tochter Sion, Cologne, 1741

John Oxenham, 1908

VOLUNTARY

Allegro maestoso e vivace from Organ Sonata No. 2, Felix Mendelssohn (1809-1847)

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DAILY OFFICE SCHEDULE

Morning Prayer and Evening Prayer services generally last 15-25 minutes and are a great way to begin and/or end the day!

MORNING PRAYER

8:30 am, Monday-Friday 9:30 am, Saturday 7:30 am, Sunday

EVENING PRAYER

5:00 pm, Monday-Friday 5:00 pm Sunday (Choral Evensong)

Choral Evensong on Sundays is followed by Eucharistic devotions.

DAILY MASS SCHEDULE

SUNDAY

Low Mass 8:00 am Sung Mass 9:30 am High Mass 11:00 am

WEEKDAY LOW MASS

12:15 pm, Monday, Wednesday, Friday 5:30 pm Tuesday, Thursday 10:00 am Saturday

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