

September 11, 2011

Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Entrance Song: Gather the People

Gather the people, enter the feast!
All are invited, the greatest and least
The banquet is ready now to be shared
Join in the heavenly feast that God has prepared

1. Around this table we dine as kin
Beloved family of God
We share the Body of Christ, the Lord
Here we become what we eat

Priest: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
All: Amen.

Penitential Rite

I confess to almighty God,
and to you, my brothers and sisters,
that I have sinned through my own fault,
in my thoughts and in my words, in what I have done,
and in what I have failed to do;
and I asked blessed Mary, ever virgin,
and all the angels and saints,
and you my brothers and sisters,
to pray for me to the Lord our God.

Gloria

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 sin 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

LITURGY OF THE WORD

Reading I Sir 27:30--28:7

A reading from the Book of Sirach

Wrath and anger are hateful things, yet the sinner hugs them tight. The vengeful will suffer the LORD's vengeance, for he remembers their sins in detail. **Forgive your neighbor's injustice; then when you pray, your own sins will be forgiven.** Could anyone nourish anger against another and expect healing from the LORD? Could anyone refuse mercy to another like himself, can he seek pardon for his own sins? If one who is but flesh cherishes wrath, who will forgive his sins? Remember your last days, set enmity aside; remember death and decay, and cease from sin! Think of the commandments, hate not your neighbor; remember the Most High's covenant, and overlook faults.

The Word of the Lord. **All: Thanks be to God!**

Responsorial Psalm Ps 102(103):1-2,3-4,9-10,11-12

R. (8) The Lord is kind and merciful, slow to anger, and rich in compassion.

Bless the LORD, O my soul; and all my being, bless his holy name. Bless the LORD, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits. R. He pardons all your iniquities, heals all your ills, redeems your life from destruction, he crowns you with kindness and compassion. R. He will not always chide, nor does he keep his wrath forever. Not according to our sins does he deal with us, nor does he requite us according to our crimes. R. For as the heavens are high above the earth, so surpassing is his kindness toward those who fear him. As far as the east is from the west, so far has he put our transgressions from us. R..

Reading II Rom 14:7-9

A reading from the Letter of saint Paul to the Romans

Brothers and sisters: None of us lives for oneself, and no one dies for oneself. For if we live, we live for the Lord, and if we die, we die for the Lord; so then, **whether we live or die, we are the Lord's.** For this is why Christ died and came to life, that he might be Lord of both the dead and the living.

The Word of the Lord. **All: Thanks be to God!**

Gospel Acclamation Jn 13,34

Alleluia. Alleluia. *I give you a new commandment, says the Lord; love one another as I have loved you. Alleluia.*

Gospel Mt 18:21-35

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

All: Glory to you, Lord!

Peter approached Jesus and asked him, "Lord, if my brother sins against me, how often must I forgive? As many as seven times?" Jesus answered, **"I say to you, not seven times but seventy-seven times.** That is why the kingdom of heaven may be likened to a king who decided to settle accounts with his servants. When he began the accounting, a debtor was brought before him who owed him a huge amount. Since he had no way of paying it back, his master ordered him to be sold, along with his wife, his children, and all his property, in payment of the debt. At that, the servant fell down, did him homage, and said, 'Be patient with me, and I will pay you back in full.' Moved with compassion the master of that servant let him go and forgave him the loan. When that servant had left, he found one of his fellow servants who owed him a much smaller amount. He seized him and started to choke him, demanding, 'Pay back what you owe.' Falling to his knees, his fellow servant begged him, 'Be patient with me, and I will pay you back.' But he refused. Instead, he had the fellow servant put in prison until he paid back the debt. Now when his fellow servants saw what had happened, they were deeply disturbed, and went to their master and reported the whole affair. His master summoned him and said to him, 'You wicked servant! I forgave you your entire debt because you begged me to. Should you not have had pity on your fellow servant, as I had pity on you?' Then in anger his master handed him over to the torturers until he should pay back the whole debt. So will my heavenly Father do to you, unless each of you forgives your brother from your heart."

The Gospel of the Lord. **All: Praise to you Lord, Jesus Christ.**

Homily

Profession of Faith

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is seen and unseen. We 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, one in Being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven: (*bow*) by the power of the Holy Spirit he was born of the Virgin Mary, and became man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered, died, 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. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son, he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the Prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen

General Intercessions

Let us pray to the Lord! **All: Lord hear our prayer!**

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

Presentation of the Gifts / Preparation of the Altar

Offertory Song: My God and My All

1. Jesus, my only desire. Jesus, my only desire. Jesus, my love. Jesus, my beauty. Jesus, my God and my all.
2. Jesus, the hope of my soul. Jesus, the hope of my soul. Jesus, my strength. Jesus, my refuge. Jesus, my God and my all.
3. Jesus, the mercy of God. Jesus, the mercy of God. Jesus, my truth. Jesus, my justice. Jesus, my God and my all.
4. Jesus, my life-giving Lord. Jesus, my life-giving Lord. Jesus, my joy. Jesus, my glory. Jesus, my God and my all.

Invitation To Prayer

Priest: Pray, my brothers and sisters, that our sacrifice may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.

All: May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands, for the praise and glory of his name, for our good, and the good of all his Church.

Eucharistic Prayer

Preface Dialogue:

Priest: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

Priest: Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them up to the Lord.

Priest: Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.

All: It is right to give thanks and praise.

Sanctus

Sanctus, Sanctus, Sanctus Dominus Deus Sabaoth.

Pleni sunt caeli et terra Gloria tua.

Hosanna in excelsis.

Benedictus qui venit in nomine Domini.

Hosanna in excelsis.

Memorial Acclamation

Priest : Let us proclaim the mystery of faith

All: Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again. (bis)

Memorial Prayer

Concluding Doxology

Priest: Through him, with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honor is yours, almighty Father, forever and ever.

All: Amen!

Communion Rite

Lord's Prayer:

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.

Priest: 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.

All: For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever.

The Sign of Peace

Breaking of the Bread

Agnus Dei - Lamb of God

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi: Miserere nobis. (bis)

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi: Dona nobis pacem.

Communion

Priest: This is the Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world.

Happy are those who are called to his supper.

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

Communion Song: You Know Who I Am

1. Lord, hear me, I am open
I surrender all my sin
All my pride gets me nowhere
Leaves me stranded, empty handed
So shatter the darkness in my life
As I carry this cross both day and night
All the way, all the way to heaven
2. I confess to you Jesus
And to you, my brothers and sisters
That I have sinned and need forgiveness
Pray for me and I for you
So shatter the darkness in my life
As I carry this cross both day and night
All the way, all the way to heaven
You know who I am,
Lord, please take my hand
And lead me into community
You know who I am,
Lord, help me to stand
Falling in love with your family

Announcements

Conclude Blessing

Closing Song: America the Beautiful

1. O beautiful for spacious skies
For amber waves of grain
For purple mountain majesties
Above the fruited plain
America, America, God shed His grace on thee
And crown thy good with brotherhood
From sea to shining sea
2. O beautiful for pilgrim feet
Whose stern impassioned stress
A thoroughfare of freedom beat
Across the wilderness
America, America, God mend thine every flaw,
Confirm thy soul in self-control,
Thy liberty in law

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