

**The Third Sunday OT**  
**January 23, 2022**

***Entrance Hymn: Our God is Here (BB 305)***

Here in this time, here in this place, here we are standing face to face.  
Here in our hearts, here in our lives, our God is here.  
Here for the broken, here for the strong, here in this temple we belong.  
Here in our hearts, here in our lives, our God is here.

**Refrain**

And we cry “Holy! Holy! Holy are you!” We cry “Holy, Holy, Holy and true!”  
Amen, we do believe our God is here. Our God is here.

Here in the Word, God is revealed, here where the wounded can be healed.  
Here in our hearts, here in our lives, our God is here.  
Here we become what we receive, here in this Eucharistic feast.  
We are his body, living as one; our God is here. **Refrain**

**Greeting**

In the name of the Creator, the Redeemer, and the Holy Spirit.  
**Amen**

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,  
and the love of God,  
and the communion of the Holy Spirit  
be with you all.

**And with your spirit.**

Let us come to God, mindful of our sins:

***God have Mercy***

You come to heal the contrite. God, have mercy. **God, have mercy.**  
You come to call sinners. Christ, have mercy. **Christ, have mercy.**  
You plead for us at the right hand of the Father. God, have mercy. **God, have mercy.**

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

**Amen**

## *Gloria (Mass of Creation)*

### **Refrain**

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will.

We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you,  
We give you thanks for your great glory.

Lord God, heavenly One, O God, almighty Father. **Refrain**

Lord, Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father.

You take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.

You take away the sin of the world, receive our prayer,  
you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us. **Refrain**

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. Amen **Refrain**

### **Collect**

Let us pray:

Almighty ever-living God, direct our actions according to your good pleasure, that in the name of your beloved Son we may abound in good works. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

## **The Liturgy of the Word**

### **First Reading**

Nehemiah 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10

A reading from the Book of Nehemiah

Ezra the priest brought the law before the assembly, which consisted of men, women, and those children old enough to understand. Standing at one end of the open place that was before the Water Gate, he read out of the book from daybreak till midday, in the presence of the men, the women, and those children old enough to understand; and all the people listened attentively to the book of the law.

Ezra the scribe stood on a wooden platform that had been made for the occasion. He opened the scroll so that all the people might see it — for he was standing higher up than any of the people —; and, as he opened it, all the people rose. Ezra blessed the Most High, the great God, and all the people, their hands raised high, answered, “Amen, amen!”

Then they bowed down and prostrated themselves before the Most High God, their faces to the

ground. Ezra read plainly from the book of the law of God, interpreting it so that all could understand what was read.

Then Nehemiah, that is, His Excellency, and Ezra the priest-scribe and the Levites who were instructing the people said to all the people: “Today is holy to the Most High, your God. Do not be sad, and do not weep”— for all the people were weeping as they heard the words of the law.

He said further: “Go, eat rich foods and drink sweet drinks, and allot portions to those who had nothing prepared; for today is holy to our God. Do not be saddened this day, for rejoicing in the Most High God must be your strength!”

The Word of our God  
**Thanks be to God.**

### *Responsorial Psalm*

#### **Refrain**

Your words are spirit and life, O Lord; richer than gold, stronger than death.

Your words are spirit and life, O Lord; life everlasting.

**Your words are spirit and life, O Lord; richer than gold, stronger than death.**

**Your words are spirit and life, O Lord; life everlasting.**

God’s law is perfect, refreshing the soul, reviving the wary spirit.

God’s rule can be trusted: bringing us wisdom, bringing God’s wisdom to birth. **Refrain**

God’s precepts keep us; their purpose is right. They gladden the hearts of people.

God’s command is so clear it brings us new vision; bringing God’s light to our eyes. **Refrain**

Living by God’s truth is holy and sure; God’s presence is everlasting.

God’s truth is eternal, bringing us justice, bringing God’s justice to earth. **Refrain**

### *Second Reading* 1 Corinthians 12:12-30

A reading from the first Letter of Paul to the Corinthians

Sisters and brothers: As a body is one though it has many parts, and all the parts of the body, though many, are one body, so also Christ. For in one Spirit we were all baptized into one body, whether Jews or Greeks, slaves or free persons, and we were all given to drink of one Spirit.

Now the body is not a single part, but many. If a foot should say, “Because I am not a hand I do not belong to the body,” it does not for this reason belong any less to the body. Or if an ear should say, “Because I am not an eye I do not belong to the body,” it does not for this reason belong any less to the body. If the whole body were an eye, where would the hearing be? If the whole body were hearing, where would the sense of smell be?

But as it is, God placed the parts, each one of them, in the body as God intended. If they were all one part, where would the body be? But as it is, there are many parts, yet one body. The eye cannot say to the hand, "I do not need you," nor again the head to the feet, "I do not need you." Indeed, the parts of the body that seem to be weaker are all the more necessary, and those parts of the body that we consider less honorable we surround with greater honor, and our less presentable parts are treated with greater propriety, whereas our more presentable parts do not need this.

But God has so constructed the body as to give greater honor to a part that is without it, so that there may be no division in the body, but that the parts may have the same concern for one another. If one part suffers, all the parts suffer with it; if one part is honored, all the parts share its joy.

Now you are Christ's body, and individually parts of it. Some people God has designated in the church to be, first, apostles; second, prophets; third, teachers; then, mighty deeds; then gifts of healing, assistance, administration, and varieties of tongues. Are all apostles? Are all prophets? Are all teachers? Do all work mighty deeds? Do all have gifts of healing? Do all speak in tongues? Do all interpret?

The Word of our God.  
**Thanks be to God.**

***Alleluia***

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia (repeat)

Bring glad tidings to the poor; let the oppressed go free.

**Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia**

***Gospel* Luke 1:1-4; 4:14-21**

The Lord be with you.

**And with your Spirit.**

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

Since many have undertaken to compile a narrative of the events that have been fulfilled among us, just as those who were eyewitnesses from the beginning and ministers of the word have handed them down to us, I too have decided, after investigating everything accurately anew, to write it down in an orderly sequence for you, most excellent Theophilus, so that you may realize the certainty of the teachings you have received.

Jesus returned to Galilee in the power of the Spirit, and news of him spread throughout the whole region. He taught in their synagogues and was praised by all.

He came to Nazareth, where he had grown up, and went according to his custom into the synagogue on the sabbath day. He stood up to read and was handed a scroll of the prophet Isaiah. He unrolled the scroll and found the passage where it was written:

*The Spirit of God is upon me,  
because God has anointed me  
to bring glad tidings to the poor.  
God has sent me to proclaim liberty to captives  
and recovery of sight to the blind,  
to let the oppressed go free,  
and to proclaim a year acceptable to the Most High God.*

Rolling up the scroll, he handed it back to the attendant and sat down, and the eyes of all in the synagogue looked intently at him. Jesus said to them, “Today this Scripture passage is fulfilled in your hearing.”

The Good News of Salvation  
**Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

*Homily (take a moment to reflect on the readings - what word or phrase stood out to you?)*

### ***Universal Intercessions***

Response: God, our strength, hear our prayer.  
(God, our strength, hear our prayer.)

For the Church: that we may recognize the gifts that the Spirit has given us and use them to build up the Body of Christ and promote the common good, let us pray...

For all who read, preach or teach the Word of God: that the Spirit will deepen their encounter with God and help them to live this Word each day, let us pray...

For all who struggle with emotional and mental illness: that they may come to know a time of God's favor and receive peace and relief from their struggles, let us pray...

For the President and members of Congress: that the Spirit will open new understanding of the issues before them and help them find ways to move forward for the good of all, let us pray...

For whom else do we want to pray...

## **The Liturgy of the Eucharist**

***Preparation of the Gifts*** O God, You Search Me (BB 438)

O God, you search me and you know me. All my thoughts lie open to your gaze.  
When I walk or lie down you are before me: Ever the maker and keeper of my days.

You know my resting and my rising, you discern my purpose from afar.  
And with love everlasting you besiege me: In every moment of life or death, you are.

Before a word is on my tongue, Lord, You have known its meaning through and through.  
You are with me beyond my understanding: God of my present, my past and future, too.

Although your Spirit is upon me, Still I search for shelter from your light.  
There is nowhere on earth I can escape you: Even the darkness is radiant in your sight.

For you created me and shaped me, Gave me life within my mother's womb.  
For the wonder of who I am, I praise you: Safe in your hands, all creation is made new.

### ***Offertory Prayers***

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation, for through your goodness we have received the bread  
we offer you: fruit of the earth and work of human hands, it will become for us the bread of life.  
**Blessed be God forever.**

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation, for through your goodness we have received the wine  
we offer you: fruit of the vine and work of human hands, it will become our spiritual drink.  
**Blessed be God forever.**

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

**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 holy Church.**

Accept our offerings, O Lord, we pray, and in sanctifying them grant that they may profit us for  
salvation. Through Christ our Lord. **Amen**

***The Eucharistic Prayer*** (if you are watching the video or listening to the audio, please follow  
along and participate with Fr. Jack; and continue with the Communion Reflection Song below. If  
you are using this at home with your family, continue with the Spiritual Eucharist below)

### ***Service Music: Missa Pacem (H/O)***

#### **Spiritual Communion**

*Invite the Family to **stand** for the Our Father. Although without a Priest, we cannot offer the  
Mystery of Jesus' Sacrifice on the Cross, we can join with the Church throughout the world in  
offering a Spiritual Communion until such time as we can again participate in the great Sacrifice  
of the Mass.*

## **Our Father**

*Leader:* At the Savior's command and formed by divine teaching, we dare to say:

*Family:* 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.

*Leader:* Deliver us Lord we pray from every evil, and grant us peace in our days that by the help of your mercy we may be always free from sin and safe from all distress, as we await the blessed hope and the coming of our Savior, Jesus Christ.

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

*Leader:* Lord Jesus Christ, who said to your Apostles: Peace I leave you, my peace I give you; look not on our sins, but on the faith of your Church, and graciously grant her peace and unity in accordance with your will. Who live and reign forever and ever.

*Family:* Amen.

*Leader:* May the peace of the Lord be with us always.

*Invite the family to **kneel** if practical. The following formula of prayers can be prayed together as a family, inviting Jesus spiritually into our hearts.*

*Leader:* Together with the whole Church throughout the world, let us profess an Act of Faith in Jesus' real presence in the Eucharist.

*All:* O my God, I firmly believe that you are one God in three divine Persons, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

I believe that your divine Son became man and died for our sins and that he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe these and all the truths which the Holy Catholic Church teaches because you have revealed them who are eternal truth and wisdom, who can neither deceive nor be deceived.

In this faith I intend to live and die.

Amen.

*Leader:* Through His sacrifice on the cross, Jesus made the ultimate act of love by offering himself as expiation for our sins. Let us now make our own act of love as we pray:

*All:* O Lord God, I love you above all things and I love my neighbor for your sake because you are the highest, infinite and perfect good, worthy of all my love. In this love I intend to live and die. Amen.

*Leader:* With a humble and contrite heart, we ask the Lord to come to us just as He would if we were able to receive the sacrament.

*All:* My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the Blessed Sacrament. I love you above all things and I desire you in my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

***Communion Song: We Are Many Parts (BB 586)***

**Refrain**

We are many parts, we are all body, and the gifts we have we are given to share,  
May the Spirit of love make us one indeed;  
One the love that we share, one, our hope in despair, one, the cross that we bear.

God of all, we look to you, we would be your servant true,  
let us be your love to all the world. **Refrain**

So my pain is pain for you, in your joy is my joy, too;  
all is brought together in the Lord. **Refrain**

All you seekers great and small, seek the greatest gift of all;  
If you love, then you will know the Lord. **Refrain**

***Communion Meditation Song 10,000 Reasons (BB 561)***

**Refrain**

Bless the Lord, O my soul, O my soul; worship your holy name.  
Sing like never before, O my soul, I'll worship your holy name.

The sun comes up, there's a new day dawning, it's time to sing your song again.  
Whatever may pass, and whatever lies before me,  
Let me be singing when the evening comes. **Refrain**

You're rich in love and you're slow to anger, Your name is great and your heart is kind.  
For all your goodness, I will keep on singing;  
Ten thousand reasons for my heart to find. **Refrain**

And on that day, when my strength is failing, the end draws near, and my time has come;  
still, my soul will sing your praise unending;  
Ten thousand years, and then forevermore. **Refrain**

**Prayer after Communion:**

Let us pray:

Grant, we pray, almighty God, that, receiving the grace by which you bring us to new life, we may always glory in your gift. Through Christ our Lord. **Amen**

## **Concluding Rite**

### ***Final Blessing***

And may the blessing of almighty God, the Creator, and the Redeemer, and the Holy Spirit come down on you and remain with you forever.

**Amen**

Go in peace. **Thanks be to God.**

### ***Song of Sending: Take the Word of God With You (BB 380)***

Take the word of God with you as you go.  
Take the seeds of God's word and make them grow.

#### **Refrain**

Go in peace to serve the world, in peace to serve the world  
Take the love of God, the love of God with you as you go.

Take the peace of God with you as you go.  
Take the seeds of God's peace and make them grow. **Refrain**

Take the joy of God with you as you go.  
Take the seeds of God's joy and make them grow. **Refrain**

Take the love of God with you as you go.  
Take the seeds of God's love and make them grow. **Refrain**