

Sunday, March 3, 2024

Third Sunday of Lent

Gathering: Beyond the Days (Manalo) (Week 3) ... Handout

Refrain:

Beyond the days of hope and mystery
we see a light of faith renewed,
and in our longing we thirst for guidance
to walk with you day by day.

3. In your hands, O God,
we feel the touch of your guidance.
Keep us safe in your care:
may your gentleness be there.

Kyrie: Kyrie Eleison - Mass of John Carroll (Joncas)

First Reading

A reading from the second book of Exodus

In those days, God delivered all these commandments:

"I am your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, that place of slavery. You shall not have other gods besides me. You shall not carve idols for yourselves in the shape of anything in the sky above or on the earth below or in the waters beneath the earth; you shall not bow down before them or worship them. For I, your god, as a jealous God, inflicting punishment for their ancestors' wickedness on the children of those who hate me, down to the third and fourth generation; but bestowing mercy down to the thousandth generation on the children of those who love me and keep my commandments.

You shall not take the name of God in vain; for I will not leave unpunished the one who takes my name in vain.

Remember to keep holy the sabbath day. Six days you may labor and do all your work, but the seventh day is the sabbath of the Lord your God. No work may be done either by you, or your son or daughter, or your male or female slave, or your beast, or by the alien who lives with you. In six days God made the heavens and the earth, the sea and all that is in them; but on the seventh day God rested. That is why the Lord has blessed the Sabbath day and made it holy.

Honor your father and your mother that you may have a long life in the land which your God is giving you.

You shall not kill. You shall not commit adultery. You shall not steal. You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.

You shall not covet your neighbor's house; you shall not covet your neighbor's spouse, nor the male or female slave, nor the ox or ass, nor anything else that belongs to your neighbor.

The word of God.

Responsorial: Your Words Are Spirit and Life (Farrell) ... BB606

**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**

Vs. 1: God's law is perfect, refreshing the soul
Reviving the weary spirit
God's rule can be trusted: bringing us wisdom
Bringing God's wisdom to birth

Vs. 2: God's precepts keep us, their purpose is right.
They gladden the hearts of the people.
God's command is so clear it brings us new vision;
Bringing God's light to our eye.

Vs. 3: 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

Second reading

A reading from Paul to the people of Corinth

Sisters and brothers, Jews demand signs and Greeks look for wisdom, but we proclaim Christ crucified, a stumbling block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles, but to those who are called, Jews and Greeks alike, we preach Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God.

For the foolishness of God is wiser than human wisdom, and the weakness of God is stronger than human strength.

The word of God

Gospel Acclamation: Lenten Gospel Acclamation (Canedo & Hurd) ... BB901

Praise and honor to you, O Lord Jesus Christ

*"We are God's people, fashioned in Christ.
Called now to labor: be seeds God will sow.
Bring true healing to this world of woe: walk on, walk on."*

Gospel Reading

A reading from the Gospel according to John

Since the Passover of the Jews was near, Jesus went up to Jerusalem. He found in the temple area those who sold oxen, sheep, and doves, as well as the money changers seated there. He made a whip out of cords and drove them all out of the temple area, with the sheep and oxen, and spilled the coins of the money changers and overturned their tables, and to those who sold doves he said, "Take these out of here, and stop making the house of my God a marketplace."

His disciples recalled the words of Scripture, "Zeal for your house will consume me."

At this the Jews answered and said to him, "What sign can you to show us for doing this?"

Jesus answered and said, "Destroy this temple and in three days I will raise it up."

They then said, "This temple has been under construction for forty-six years, and you will raise it up in three days?"

But he was speaking about the temple of his body. Therefore when he was raised from the dead, his disciples remembered that he had said this, and they came to believe the Scripture and the word Jesus had spoken.

While he was in Jerusalem for the Passover feast, many began to believe in his name when they saw the signs he was doing. But Jesus would not trust himself to them because he knew them all and did not trust anyone to testify about human nature. He himself understood it well.

The Good News of Salvation.

Homily

Universal Intercessions

Response: God of the covenant, open our hearts

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For the grace of renewal: that we may deepen our commitment to God's covenant with us and strive to place God at the center of all our decisions, we pray...

For the leaders of nations, that their hearts be changed to end war and place their people at the center of their decisions, we pray...

For a cleansing of the temple of our hearts: that God will free us from all that enslaves us and help us to offer our self-sacrificing service to God and others, let us pray...

That we may always keep the poor and vulnerable as a priority in our decision making, we pray...

And for what else shall we pray?...

The Liturgy of the Eucharist

Preparation of Gifts

Offertory: Age to Age (Vogt) ... BB511

[Refrain]

Age to age we will love you. Dawning light we will wake with you.
Into night we will follow you. We will love you age to age.

[Verse 1]

As the eagle flies to the heav'ns above, on wings of faith God will bear you up.

[Verse 2]

As the lilies of the field neither toil nor spin, what splendor we find in the love God gives.

[Verse 3]

Come, all you weary, for you are blessed. God will lighten your burden and give you rest.

[Verse 4]

Lord, let my faith in you be revealed. Only say the word and I shall be healed.

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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, O Lord, the prayers of your faithful with the sacrificial offerings, that, through these acts of devotedness, we may pass over to the glory of heaven. 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 Songs below.)*

**Holy: Mass of Christ the Savior (Schutte) ... BB918**

**Mem: Kauffman Renewal-Save Us Savior (Gokelman & Kauffman) ... H/O**

**Amen: Christ the Savior (Schutte) ... BB922**

**Lamb: Lamb of God (Maher, Le, Ndolo) ... H/O**

**Communion 1: Spirit and Grace (Manalo) ... BB362**

Verse 1

Spirit and grace, here in this meal.

You are the wind that breathes through the field.

Gather the wheat and form us in Christ.

Come, be our source and breath of life.

Refrain:

In this bread, blessed, broken and shared,

Christ is our life, whose presence we bear.

Come, O spirit, make your grace revealed

in this holy meal.

Verse 2

Spirit and grace, here in this meal.

You are the life that flows through the vine.

Gather this drink and form us in Christ.

Come, be our source and blood of life.

Verse 3

Spirit and grace, here in this place.  
You are the light that shines in this space.  
Gather your people and form us in Christ.  
Come, be the heartbeat of our lives.

Verse 4

Spirit of God, sending us forth;  
We spread your wisdom throughout all the earth  
Gather the nations and form us in Christ.  
Come, be the presence in our lives.

**Communion 2: This Alone (Manion) ... BB397**

One thing I ask, this alone I seek,  
To dwell in the House of the Lord all my days.  
For one day within Your temple heals every day alone.  
O Lord, bring me to Your dwelling.

1. Hear, O Lord, the sound of my calling.  
Hear, O Lord, and show me Your way.

2. The Lord is my light and hope of salvation.  
The Lord is my refuge; whom should I fear?

3. Wait on the Lord and hope in His mercy.  
Wait on the Lord and live in His love.

**Prayer after Communion**

**Announcements**

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

**Sending : I Want Jesus to Walk with Me (Spiritual) 204 Handout**

(V1) I want Jesus to walk with me;  
I want Jesus to walk with me.  
All along my pilgrim journey,  
I want Jesus to walk with me.

(V2) In my trials, Lord walk with me;

In my trials Lord, walk with me.  
When the shades of life are falling,  
I want Jesus to walk with me.

(V3) In my sorrows, Lord walk with me;  
In my sorrows, Lord walk with me.  
When my heart within is aching,  
I want Jesus to walk with me.