Sunday, April 6, 2025 Fifth Sunday of Lent

Gathering: Gracious God (Manibusan) ... BB136

Verse 1:

Lead us, Lord, into the des - ert; Lead us through the wil-der-ness. Through this journey we will fol - low, For we long to see your faceRefrain:

Gra-cious God, mercy is your name.

Re-deem-ing love, you give your life away.

Gra-cious God, we bless your ho-ly name.

Re-ceiv-ing love, we give our lives away

Verse 2:

In this time of sacred struggle, In this time of sacrifice, We rejoice, for we remem-ber That you lead us into life.

Verse 3:

Lord, we hunger for your pre-sence; Lord, we're thirsting for your grace. When consuming all but you, Lord All we gain is emptiness

Verse 4:

Teach us, Lord, who is your neigh-bor
Is it friend, or enemy?
When we welcome or con-demn them,
Is it you, O let us see
Gra-cious God, we bless your ho-ly name.

Kyrie Eleison: Mass of John Carroll (Joncas)

First Reading

A reading from the Book of the Prophet Ezechiel

Thus says the Most High God:

O my people, I will open your graves and have you rise from them, and bring you back to the land of Israel.

Then you shall know that I am God, when I open your graves and have you rise from them. O my people!

I will put my spirit in you that you may live, and I will settle you upon your land; thus you shall know that I am your God.

I have promised, and I will do it, says the Most High God.

The word of God.

Responsorial: With the Lord-Ps130 (Joncas)

[Refrain]

With the Lord there is mercy and the fullness of redemption, call to him in your trials, he will answer whenever you call.

[Verse 1]

Out of the depths I call to you, Lord, hear my cry. Catch the sound of my voice, Lord. Hear my prayer, Attend to the sound of my plea.

[Verse 2]

If you O Lord, should mark our guilt, then, Lord, who could hope to survive? But with you is found forgiveness of sin, and mercy that we might revere you.

[Verse 3]

Trust in the Lord, count on his word, wait for the Lord, my soul.

I will wait for the Lord all the days of my life as sentinels wait for the dawn.

[Verse 4]

More than the sentinels wait for the dawn, let Israel wait for the Lord.

For kindness is his, redemption for all, forgiveness of sins for his people.

Second reading

A reading from the Letter of Paul to the Romans

Sisters and brothers:

Those who are in the flesh cannot please God.

But you are not in the flesh; on the contrary, you are in the spirit, if only the Spirit of God dwells in you.

Whoever does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to Christ.

But if Christ is in you, although the body is dead because of sin, the spirit is alive because of righteousness.

If the Spirit of the one who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, the one who raised Christ from the dead will give life to your mortal bodies also, through his Spirit dwelling in you.

The word of God

Lenten Gospel Acclamation

Praise and honor to you, O Lord, Jesus Christ

Gospel Reading

A reading from the Gospel according to John

The sisters of Lazarus sent word to Jesus, saying,
"Master, the one you love is ill."
When Jesus heard this he said,
"This illness is not to end in death,
but is for the glory of God,
that the Son of God may be glorified through it."
Now Jesus loved Martha and her sister and Lazarus.

So when he heard that he was ill, he remained for two days in the place where he was. Then after this he said to his disciples, "Let us go back to Judea."

When Jesus arrived, he found that Lazarus had already been in the tomb for four days. When Martha heard that Jesus was coming, she went to meet him; but Mary sat at home. Martha said to Jesus. "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died. But even now I know that whatever you ask of God, God will give you." Jesus said to her, "Your brother will rise." Martha said to him. "I know he will rise, in the resurrection on the last day." Jesus told her, "I am the resurrection and the life; whoever believes in me, even if he dies, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this?" She said to him, "Yes, Lord. I have come to believe that you are the Christ, the Son of God, the one who is coming into the world."

He became perturbed and deeply troubled, and said,
"Where have you laid him?"
They said to him, "Sir, come and see."
And Jesus wept.
So the Jews said, "See how he loved him."
But some of them said,
"Could not the one who opened the eyes of the blind man have done something so that this man would not have died?"

So Jesus, perturbed again, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone lay across it.

Jesus said, "Take away the stone." Martha, the dead man's sister, said to him, "Lord, by now there will be a stench; he has been dead for four days." Jesus said to her, "Did I not tell you that if you believe you will see the glory of God?" So they took away the stone. And Jesus raised his eyes and said, "Father, I thank you for hearing me. I know that you always hear me; but because of the crowd here I have said this, that they may believe that you sent me." And when he had said this, He cried out in a loud voice, "Lazarus, come out!" The dead man came out, tied hand and foot with burial bands, and his face was wrapped in a cloth. So Jesus said to them, "Untie him and let him go."

Now many of the Jews who had come to Mary and seen what he had done began to believe in him.

The Good News of Salvation.

Homily

Scrutinies (Newly Elected): O God, Hear Us (Hurd)

O God hear us, hear our prayer. O God hear us, hear our prayer.

Prayers of the Faithful

Universal Intercessions

Response: God of Life, hear our prayer. (God of Life, hear our prayer.)

For the Church: that we may embrace the paschal mystery and allow God to bring us through the little deaths of life and raise us up to new and fresh beginnings, let us pray...

For a growth in Hope: that God will instill in our hearts a trusting reliance that God is always with us and always has more life to offer us, let us pray...

That faith may be given to our elect for them to acknowledge Christ as the resurrection an the life, let us pray...

That, in hope of the life-giving Spirit, our elect may prepare earnestly for the renewal of life, let us pray...

That through the Eucharistic Food, which they will soon taste, our elect may be united to the Author of life and resurrection, let us pray...

For what other intentions do we want to pray...

The Liturgy of the Eucharist

Preparation of Gifts

Offertory: These Alone Are Enough (Schutte) ... BB405

Take my heart, O Lord, take my hopes and dreams. Take my mind with all its plans and schemes. Give me nothing more than your love and grace. These alone, O God, are enough for me.

Take my thoughts, Oh Lord, and my memory.
Take my tears, my joys, my liberty.
Give me nothing more than your love and grace.
These alone, O God, are enough for me.

I surrender, Lord, all I have and Hold.
I return to you your gifts untold.
Give me nothing more than your love and grace.
These alone, O God, are enough for me.

When the darkness falls on my final days, take the very breath that sang your praise. Give me nothing more than your love and grace.

These alone, O God, are enough for me.

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) ... BB900

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

Amen: Christ the Savior (Schutte) ... BB904 Lamb: Christ the Savior (Schutte) ... BB905

Communion 1: Here At This Table (Whitaker) ... BB309

Refrain

Come and be filled here at this table.
Food for all who hunger
and drink for all who thirst.
Drink of his love, wine of salvation.
You shall live forever in Jesus Christ the Lord.

1 You who labor for justice, you who labor for peace, you who steady the plow in the field of the Lord,

2 You with lives full of pain, you who sorrow and weep, you, beloved of Christ, come to him, come to him!

3 Children of ev'ry color in ev'ry land, you are his own, he gathers you gently. Don't you grow weary, for when you run, you run with the Lord!

4 You, the aged among us, holy, faithful and wise, may the wisdom you share form our lives and our world!

5 Let each woman and man learn from the stranger; we're not so diff'rent and so much unites us. For we are one, blest with the Spirit and the power of love!

Communion2: Do Not Fear to Hope (Cooney) ... G420

Refrain:

Do not fear to hope
Tho' the wicked rage and rise
Our God sees not as we see, success is not the prize.
Do not fear to hope
For tho' the night be long
The race shall not be to the swift
The fight not to the strong

Verse One:

Look to God when you are sure Your sin is greater than grace

Look to God whose love is gift Believe and you can behold him face to face

Verse Two:

Look to God when victory seems
Out of justice' sight
Look to God whose mighty hand
Brought forth the day from the chaos of the night

Verse Three:

Look to God when cynics say
Our planet's doom is sealed
Look to God by whose great pow'r
The dead were raised and the lepers were healed

Verse Four:

Look to God when reason fails
And terror reigns in the night
Look upon the crucified
And see beyond into Easter's dawning light

Prayer after Communion

Announcements

Sending: Christ In Me Arise (Thomson) ... BB503

Refrain: Christ In me, arise, and dispel all the darkness. Christ in me, arise, with your mercy and your love. Christ in me pour out your blessing and healing. Christ in me, arise, and I shall rise with you.

V1: Be now my vision; open these eyes, showing me all that I must see. Christ in me, arise; you are the way. Arise in me and I shall rise with you.

V2: Be now my footsteps, leading the way, taking me where I must go. Christ in me, arise; you are the way. Arise in me and I shall rise with you.

V3: You know my heart and you know my ways; you who formed me in my mother's womb.

I live and move in you, my whole being thrives in you.