

Sunday, May 17, 2026
Feast of the Ascension

Gathering Song: Christ In Me Arise (Thomson) ... BB512

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.

The Liturgy of the Word

First Reading: Acts of the Apostles 1:1-11

Responsorial: In the Morning I Will Sing (Haugen)

Refrain

In the morning I will sing, I will sing glad songs to you
I will sing glad songs of praise to you, I will sing glad songs of praise to you.

O God, you are my God, to you I long; for you my soul is thirsting.
My body pines for you like a dry, weary land without water.
So I gaze on you in the sanctuary to see your strength and glory. Refrain

For your love is better than life, my lips will speak your praise.
So I will bless you all my life, in your name I will lift up my hands.
My soul shall be filled as with a banquet, my mouth shall praise you with joy. Refrain

On my bed I remember you, on you I muse through the night
For you have been my help; in the shadow of your wings I rejoice
My soul clings to you; your right hand holds me fast. Refrain

Second Reading: Ephesians 1:17-23

Gospel Acclamation

Gospel Reading: Matthew 26:16-20

Homily

Universal Intercessions

Response: Healing God, hear our prayer.

(Healing God, hear our prayer.)

For the Church: that, empowered by the Spirit, we may faithfully give witness to the Gospel and continue Christ's mission of bringing hope and healing to those in need, let us pray...

For a spirit of consolation: that all who are saddened by the departure of a loved one or the end of a relationship may experience peace through Christ's abiding presence, let us pray...

For peace throughout the world: that God will turn hearts from violence and give all parties the desire to dialogue and find peaceful resolutions to conflicts, let us pray...

For a healing of racism and sexism: that all nations and peoples may recognize the value and dignity that God has given each person and that we may work together to bring forth the reign of God in the world, let us pray...

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

The Liturgy of the Eucharist

Offertory: Age to Age (Vogt) ... BB485

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.

[Refrain]

[Verse 2]

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

[Refrain]

[Verse 3]

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

[Refrain]

[Verse 4]

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

[Refrain]

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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.**

O God, who give us the gift of true prayer and of peace, graciously grant that, through this  
offering, we may do fitting homage to your divine majesty and, by partaking of the sacred  
mystery, we may be faithfully united in mind and heart. 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 5pm/8am: Mass of Renewal (Stephen) ... BB858

Mem 5pm/8am: Mass of Renewal - When We Eat This Bread (Stephen) ... BB860

Amen 5pm/8am: Mass of Renewal (Stephen) ... BB862

Lamb of God 5pm/8am: Mass of Renewal (Stephen) ... BB863

Holy 10am: Mass of Glory (Canedo/Hurd) ... BB881

Mem 10am: Mass of Glory (Canedo/Hurd) - We Proclaim ... BB882

Amen 10am: Mass of Glory (Canedo/Hurd) ... BB885

Lamb of God 10am: Mass of Glory (Canedo/Hurd) ... BB886

**Communion: Here I Am, Lord (Schutte) ... BB390**

[Verse 1]

I, the Lord of sea and sky  
I have heard my people cry  
All who dwell in dark and sin  
My hand will save

[Chorus]

Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord?  
I have heard you calling in the night  
I will go, Lord, if you lead me  
I will hold your people in my heart

[Verse 2]

I, who made the stars of night  
I will make their darkness bright  
Who will bear my light to them?  
Whom shall I send?

[Chorus]

Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord?  
I have heard you calling in the night  
I will go, Lord, if you lead me  
I will hold your people in my heart

[Verse 3]

I, the Lord of snow and rain  
I have borne my people's pain  
I have wept for love of them  
They turn away

**Communion Meditation: Joyful, Joyful We Adore Ye (Hymn To Joy) ... BB572**

Vs. 1) Joyful, Joyful we adore Thee  
God of glory, Lord of love

Hearts unfold like flowers before Thee  
Opening to the sun above.  
Melt the clouds of sin and sadness  
Drive the dark of doubt away  
Giver of immortal gladness  
Fill us with the light

Vs. 2) All thy works with joy surround thee  
Earth and Heav'n reflect thy rays  
Stars and angels sing around thee  
Center of unbroken praise;  
Filed and forest, vale and mountain  
Flowery meadow , flashing sea  
Chanting bird and flowing fountain  
Call us to rejoice in thee.

Vs. 3) Thou art giving and forgiving, ever blessing ever blest  
Well-spring of the joy of living, ocean depth of happiness!  
God Creator, Christ our Savior, All who live in love are thine;  
Teach us how to love each other, lift us to the joy divine.

### **Closing Prayer**

Let us pray: Grant that our faithful, O Lord, whom you nourish and endow with life through the food of your Word and heavenly Sacrament, may so benefit from your beloved Son's great gifts that we may merit an eternal share in his life. Who lives and reigns for ever and ever. **Amen**

Go in peace,  
Thanks be to God.

### **Sending: Stand By Me (Kendzia) ... BB423**

Vs. 1: When the storms of life are raging, Lord, stand by me.  
When the current pulls me under, Lord , stand by me.  
When the rising waters toss me like a ship upon the sea,  
You who rule the wind and water, Lord, stand by me. REFRAIN

REFRAIN Stand by me, stand by me.  
Lift me up from the restless sea.  
When I am lost, when love can't be found.  
When no one cares, Lord, stand by me.

Vs. 2: In the midst of persecution, Lord, stand by me.  
When my enemies surround me, Lord, stand by me.  
When the tyrant wields his terror and the armies wage their might,  
When the darkness overwhelms me, Lord, stand by me. REFRAIN