Sunday, July 13, 2025 15th Sunday of Ordinary Time

Gathering: Glory and Praise to Our God (Schutte) ... BB546

Refrain: Glory and praise to our God Who alone gives light to our days Many are the blessings He bears To those who trust in God's ways

We the daughters and sons of God Who built the valleys and plains Praise the wonders our God has done In every heart that sings

In His wisdom He strengthens us Like gold that's tested in fire Though the power of sin prevails Our God is there to save

God has watered our barren land And spent His merciful rain Now our rivers of life run full For anyone to drink

Gloria: Mass of Renewal (Stephan) ... BB858

First Reading

A reading from the Book of Deuteronomy

Moses said to the people:

"If only you would heed the voice of the Most High, your God, and keep God's commandments and statutes that are written in this book of the law, when you return to the Most High, your God, with all your heart and all your soul.

"For this command that I enjoin on you today is not too mysterious and remote for you.

It is not up in the sky, that you should say, 'Who will go up in the sky to get it for us and tell us of it, that we may carry it out?'

Nor is it across the sea, that you should say, 'Who will cross the sea to get it for us and tell us of it, that we may carry it out?'

No, it is something very near to you, already in your mouths and in your hearts; you have only to carry it out."

The word of God

Responsorial: Your Words Are Spirit and Life (Farrell) ... BB559

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 of the Letter of Paul to the Colossians

Christ Jesus is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation. For in Christ were created all things in heaven and on earth, the visible and the invisible, whether thrones or dominions or principalities or powers; all things were created through him and for him. Christ is before all things, and in him all things hold together.

Christ is the head of the body, the church. the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, that in all things he himself might be preeminent.

For in Christ Jesus all the fullness was pleased to dwell, and through him to reconcile all things for him, making peace by the blood of the cross through him, whether those on earth or those in heaven.

The word of God

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia

Gospel Reading

A reading from the Gospel according to Luke

There was a scholar of the law who stood up to test him and said, "Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?"

Jesus said to him, "What is written in the law? How do you read it?"

He said in reply, "You shall love the Lord, your God, with all your heart, with all your being, with all your strength, and with all your mind, and your neighbor as yourself."

Jesus replied to him, "You have answered correctly; do this and you will live."

But because he wished to justify himself, he said to Jesus, "And who is my neighbor?"

Jesus replied,

"A man fell victim to robbers as he went down from Jerusalem to Jericho. They stripped and beat him and went off leaving him half-dead. A priest happened to be going down that road, but when he saw him, he passed by on the opposite side. Likewise a Levite came to the place, and when he saw him, he passed by on the opposite side. But a Samaritan traveler who came upon him was moved with compassion at the sight. He approached the victim, poured oil and wine over his wounds and bandaged them. Then he lifted him up on his own animal, took him to an inn, and cared for him. The next day he took out two silver coins and gave them to the innkeeper with the instruction, 'Take care of him. If you spend more than what I have given you, I shall repay you on my way back.'

Which of these three, in your opinion, was neighbor to the robbers' victim?"

He answered, "The one who treated him with mercy."

Jesus said to him, "Go and do likewise."

The Good News of Salvation.

Homily

Universal Intercessions

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

For the Church: that we may recognize God's presence in our lives and heed the word of life spoken in our hearts, let us pray...

For the grace of humility: that God will help us to honestly acknowledge our strengths and weaknesses and place all of them at the service of God and neighbor, let us pray...

For all who have been the victims of crime, especially by mass shootings and war: that God will heal their loss and help them to continue to be open to those who come into their lives, let us pray...

For a healing of racism and prosecution of migrants and LBGTQIA+ siblings, that all people may look upon one another as community and work for the advancement of one another, let us pray...

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

The Liturgy of the Eucharist

Preparation of Gifts: There Is a Longing (Quigley) ... BB404

There is a longing in our hearts, o Lord for you to reveal yourself to us There is a longing in our hearts for love we only find in you, our God For justice, for freedom, for mercy, hear our prayer In sorrow, in grief, be near, hear our prayer, o God

There is a longing in our hearts, o Lord for you to reveal yourself to us There is a longing in our hearts for love we only find in you, our God For wisdom, for courage, for comfort, hear our prayer In weakness, in fear, be near, hear our prayer, o God

There is a longing in our hearts, o Lord for you to reveal yourself to us There is a longing in our hearts for love we only find in you, our God For healing, for wholeness, for new life: hear our prayer. In sickness, in death, be near, hear our prayer, o God

There is a longing in our hearts, o Lord for you to reveal yourself to us There is a longing in our hearts for love we only find in you, our God

1 Comfort, comfort O my people, speak of peace, now says our God; comfort those who sit in darkness mourning 'neath their sorrow's load. Speak unto Jerusalem of the peace that waits for them! Tell of all the sins I cover, and that warfare now is over.

2 Hark the voice of one who's crying in the desert far and near, bidding all to full repentance, since the kingdom now is here. O that warning cry obey, now prepare for God a way; let the valleys rise to meet Him, and the hills bow down to greet Him.

3 O make straight what long was crooked, make the rougher places plain, let your hearts be true and humble, as befits His holy reign; for the glory of the LORD now o'er earth is shed abroad, and all flesh shall see the token that His Word is never broken. We are one 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 Renewal (Stephan) ... BB861 Mem: Mass of Renewal - When We Eat This Bread (Stephan) ... BB863 Amen: Mass of Renewal (Stephan) ... BB865 Lamb of God: Mass of Renewal (Stephan) ... BB866

Communion 1: I Myself Am the Bread of Life (Cooney) ... G593

Refrain: I myself, am the bread of life You and I are the bread of life Taken and blessed Broken and shared by Christ That the world might live

This bread is spirit

Gift of the maker's love And we who share it Know that we can be one A living sign of God in Christ

Here is God's kingdom

Given to us as food

This is our body This is our blood A living sign of God in Christ

Lives broken open

Stories shared aloud Become a banquet A shelter for the world A living sign of God in Christ

I myself, I'm the bread of life (that the world might live)

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Communion 2: Holy Wisdom, Lamp of Learning (trad.) ... BB506

Vs. 1: Holy Wisdom, lamp of learning bless the light that reason lends. Teach us judgment as we kindle sparks of thought your Spirit sends. Sanctify our search for knowledge and the truth that sets us free. Come, illumine mind and spirit joined in deepest unity.

Vs. 2: Vine of truth, in you we flourish; by your grace we learn and grow. May the word of Christ among us shape our life, our search to know. Joined to Christ in living, dying, may we help the church convey witness to the saving gospel, bearing fruit of faith today.

Vs. 3: Holy God, the hope of nations,
Tune us toward your righteous will,
As the symbol of the ages claims our best our finest skill.
Shape our search for peace and justice
Through prophetic deed and word.
Christ, conduct us, set our rhythm,
That God's praise be ever heard.

Prayer after Communion

Announcements

Sending: Lead Me, Lord (Becker) ... BB726

Vs. 1: Blessed are the poor in spirit Longing for their Lord For God's coming kingdom shall be theirs Blessed are the sorrowing For they shall be consoled And the meek shall come to rule the world

Refrain: Lead me, Lord, lead me, Lord By the light of truth To seek and to find the narrow way Be my way, be my truth Be my life, my Lord And lead me, Lord, today

Vs. 2: Blessed are the merciful, for mercy shall be theirs And the pure in heart shall see their God Blest are they whose hunger only holiness can fill For I say they shall be satisfied

Vs. 3: Blest are those who through their lifetime sow the seeds of peace; All will call them children of the Lord. Blest are you, though persecuted in your holy life; For in heaven, great is your reward.

Final Refrain: Lead me, Lord, lead me, Lord By the light of truth To seek and to find the narrow way Be my way, be my truth Be my life, my Lord And lead me, Lord, today And lead me, Lord, today