

**Sunday, August 4, 2024**  
**18th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**Gathering: Our God Is Here (Muglia) ... BB301**

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.  
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.  
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.

**Gloria: Mass of Renewal (Stephan) ... BB876**

**First Reading**

**A reading from the book Exodus**

The whole Israelite community grumbled against Moses and Aaron. The Israelites said to them,

“Would that we had died at the God’s hand in the land of Egypt,  
as we sat by our fleshpots and ate our fill of bread! But you had to lead us into this  
desert to make the whole community die of famine!”

Then the Most High God said to Moses,

“I will now rain down bread from heaven for you. Each day the people are to go out and gather their daily portion; thus will I test them, to see whether they follow my instructions or not.

I have heard the grumbling of the Israelites. Tell them: In the evening twilight you shall eat flesh, and in the morning you shall have your fill of bread, so that you may know that I, the Most High, am your God.”

In the evening quail came up and covered the camp. In the morning a dew lay all about the camp, and when the dew evaporated, there on the surface of the desert were fine flakes like hoarfrost on the ground.

On seeing it, the Israelites asked one another,

“What is this?” for they did not know what it was.

But Moses told them,

“This is the bread that the Almighty has given you to eat.”

### **The word of God.**

#### **Responsorial: Awesome God-Ps19 (Mullins)**

##### **Refrain**

Our God is an awesome God,  
God leads from heaven above;  
With wisdom, mercy and love,  
Our God is an awesome God.

V1 God’s love is precious, it fills our hearts,  
Worth more than we dare imagine.  
And sweeter than honey, God’s love will lead us,  
Bringing fulfillment and joy!

V2 God’s mercy is perfect, refreshing the soul,  
Reviving the weary spirit.  
God’s precepts are right, bringing new vision,  
Bringing God’s wisdom to birth!

V3 [---] Living by God’s trust is holy and sure,  
God’s presence is everlasting.  
God’s truth is eternal, bringing us justice,

Bringing God's justice to all!

## **Second Reading**

### **A reading from the Letter of St. Paul to the Ephesians**

Sisters and brothers:

I declare and testify in the Lord  
that you must no longer live as the Gentiles do,  
in the futility of their minds;

that is not how you learned Christ,  
assuming that you have heard of him and were taught in him,  
as truth is in Jesus,

that you should put away the old self of your former way of life, corrupted through deceitful  
desires,

and be renewed in the spirit of your minds,  
and put on the new self,

created in God's way in righteousness and holiness of truth.

## **The word of God**

### **Gospel Acclamation: Mass of Renewal (Stephan) ... BB877**

*"One does not live on bread alone;  
But by every word that comes from the mouth of God."*

## **Gospel Reading**

### **A reading from the Gospel according to John**

When the crowd saw that neither Jesus nor his disciples were there, they themselves got into boats and came to Capernaum looking for Jesus. And when they found him across the sea they said to him, "Rabbi, when did you get here?" Jesus answered them and said, "Amen, amen, I say to you, you are looking for me not because you saw signs but because you ate the loaves and were filled. Do not work for food that perishes but for the food that

endures for eternal life, which I myself will give you. For on me, God has set God's own seal."

So they said to him, "What can we do to accomplish the works of God?"

Jesus answered and said to them, "This is the work of God, that you believe in the one God sent."

So they said to him, "What sign can you do, that we may see and believe in you? What can you do? Our ancestors ate manna in the desert, as it is written: they were given bread from heaven to eat ."

So Jesus said to them, "Amen, amen, I say to you, it was not Moses who gave the bread from heaven; the One who sent me gives you the true bread from heaven. For the bread of God is that which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world."

So they said to him, "Sir, give us this bread always."

Jesus said to them, "I am the bread of life; whoever comes to me will never hunger, and whoever believes in me will never thirst."

## **The Good News of Salvation.**

### **Homily**

### **Prayers of the Faithful**

#### **Response: Faithful God, hear our prayer.**

(Faithful God, hear our prayer.)

For the church: that we may recognize each day our need for God, experience God's presence with us and be guided by God in each of life's challenges, let us pray...

For all who are experiencing emptiness and confusion: that they may encounter Christ who offers meaning and nourishment for life, let us pray...

For greater stewardship of earth's resources: that government and business leaders will recognize the impact of their practices upon the environment and work to promote good stewardship of the air, land and water, let us pray...

For a deepening of trust in God's providence: that we may live in the present and be freed from the compulsions to hoard or stockpile, let us pray...

And for what else shall we pray?...

## **The Liturgy of the Eucharist**

### **Preparation of Gifts**

**Offertory: The God Who Sends Us Forth (Foley SJ) ... G482**

Vs. 1) The God who sends us forth, united in our pray'r,  
Has strengthened us and tended us with shepherd's care.  
God's Jesus makes us bold, his body is our bread;  
His wine of life is fullness for the road ahead.

Vs. 2) The road ahead is filled by travelers without end;  
The wayward and the wanderer, the migrant friend.  
And we are Jesus flesh, his welcome and his home  
We go from here to love and serve, to tend God's own.

Vs. 3) So let us bless our God, the sender and the one,  
And let us bless the servant, Jesus Christ the Son.  
The spirit let us thank, whose love is bright indeed,  
Who lights a gentle pathway for a world in need.

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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 Renewal (Stephan) ... BB879**

**Mem: Mass of Renewal - When We Eat This Bread (Stephan) ... BB881**

**Amen: Mass of Renewal (Stephan) ... BB883**

**Lamb of God: Mass of Renewal (Stephan) ... BB884**

### **Communion 1: [I Myself, Am the] Bread of Life (Cooney) ... G593**

Refrain: I myself, I'm 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

1.) 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

2.) 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

3.) 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)  
I myself, I'm the bread of life (that the world might live)

### **Communion 2: We Remember, We Believe (Porter) ... H/O**

Refr We remember, in the breaking of the bread.  
We remember, in the cup that we receive.  
As our thirst is quenched and our hunger fed,  
We remember and we believe,

V1 More that ear can hear  
More than eye can see,  
More profound than our minds can understand,  
More than mystery.

V2 Strangers, lovers, friends,  
Neighbors, family,  
In the body our oneness is displayed  
In diversity.

V3 Every aisle a path, every step a sign,  
Of the journey that we walk together,  
To the end of time.

V4 As we take and eat, so we learn to give,  
Like the bread, we must break, like wine be poured,  
So that all may live.

### **Prayer after Communion**

### **Announcements**

### **Sending : Take the Word of God with You (Walker) ... BB383**

Take the word of God with you as you go.

Take the seeds of God's word and make them grow.

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.

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 joy of God with you as you go.

Take the seeds of God's joy and make them grow.

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 love of God with you as you go.

Take the seeds of God's love and make them grow.

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.