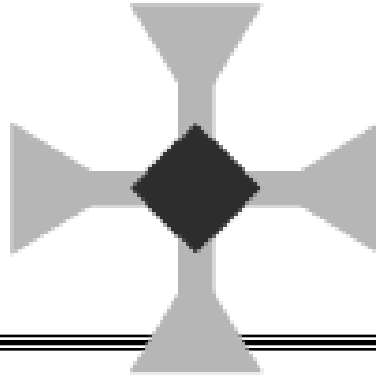


The Order of Mass

6th Sunday of Easter

May 4 & 5, 2024 † 5 p.m. Vigil † 8:30 a.m. & 10:30 a.m. † 6 p.m.



St. Stephen's Catholic Community † Anoka, MN

Welcome to St. Stephen's Catholic Community!

We are so glad you are here to worship with us today.

*Upon the conclusion of Mass, please return your worship aid
to one of the entrances of the church. Thank you!*

Queen of Heaven Prayer

Queen of heaven, rejoice, alleluia.

The Son you merited to bear, alleluia,

Has risen as he said, alleluia.

Pray to God for us, alleluia.

Rejoice and be glad, O Virgin Mary, alleluia.

For the Lord has truly risen, alleluia.

Let us pray.

God of life, you have given joy to the world by the
resurrection of your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ.

Through the prayers of his mother, the Virgin Mary,
bring us to the happiness of eternal life.

We ask this through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

*The Mass is made up of two parts:
The Liturgy of the Word and the Liturgy of the Eucharist. There are also certain rites that
open and conclude the celebration.*

THE INTRODUCTORY RITES

*The purpose of the Introductory Rites is to ensure that the faithful who come together as
one establish communion and dispose themselves to listen properly to God's word and
to celebrate the Eucharist worthily.*

Entrance Song 5pm, 8:30am

I Come With Joy



1. I come with joy, a child of God, For -
2. I come with Chris - tians far and near To
3. As Christ breaks bread, and bids us share, Each
4. The Spir - it of the ris - en Christ, Un -
5. To - geth - er met, to - geth - er bound By



giv - en, loved, and free, The life of Je - sus
find, as all are fed, The new com - mu - ni -
proud di - vi - sion ends. The love that made us,
seen, but al - ways near, Is in such friend - ship
all that God has done, We'll go with joy, to



to re - call, In love laid down for me.
ty of love In Christ's com - mu - nion bread.
makes us one, And stran - gers now are friends.
bet - ter known, A - live a - mong us here.
give the world The love that makes us one.

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Entrance Song 10:30am

Hail Mary: Gentle Woman

Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with you.
Blessed are you among women and
blest is the fruit of your womb, Jesus.

Holy Mary, Mother of God,
pray for us sinners now
and at the hour of death. Amen.

Refrain: All

Gen-tle wom-an, qui-et light, morn-ing
star, so strong and bright, gen-tle
Moth-er, peace-ful dove, teach us
wis-dom; teach us love.

Verses: All

1. You were cho - sen by the Fa-ther;
2. Bless-ed are you a-mong wom-en,
1. you were cho - sen for the Son. You were Bless-ed
2. blest in turn all wom-en, too. Bless-ed
1. cho - sen from all wom-en and for Bless-ed
2. they with peace - ful spir - its. Bless-ed
to Refrain
1. wom - an, shin - ing one.
2. they with gen - tle hearts.

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Gloria



Glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God,
glo-ry to God in the high-est, and on earth peace, on earth peace to
peo-ple of good will. We praise you, we bless you, we a-
dore you, we glo-ri-fy you, we give you thanks for your great glo-ry,
Lord God, heav-en-ly King, O God, al-might-y Fa-ther.
Lord Je-sus Christ, On-ly Be-got-ten Son, Lord God,
Lamb of God, Son of the Fa-ther, you take a-way the
sins of the world, have mer-cy on us; you take a-way the
sins of the world, re-ceive our prayer; you are seat-ed at the
right hand of the Fa-ther, have mer-cy on us. For
you a-lone are the Ho-ly One, you a-lone are the Lord,
you a-lone are the Most High, Je-sus Christ, with the Ho-ly
Spir-it, in the glo-ry of God the Fa-ther. A-men. A-men.

Collect

The Collect is made up of three parts:

1. *The invitation ("Let us Pray").*
2. *Silent prayer by all gathered.*
3. *The formal prayer proclaimed by the priest, which "collects" the individual prayers of the people and offers them to God.*

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

In the readings God speaks to His people, opening up to them the mystery of redemption and salvation, and offering spiritual nourishment; and Christ himself is present through His word in the midst of the faithful.

Reading I

Acts 10: 25-26, 34-35, 44-48

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

When Peter entered, Cornelius met him and, falling at his feet, paid him homage. Peter, however, raised him up, saying, "Get up. I myself am also a human being." Then Peter proceeded to speak and said, "In truth, I see that God shows no partiality. Rather, in every nation whoever fears him and acts uprightly is acceptable to him." While Peter was still speaking these things, the Holy Spirit fell upon all who were listening to the word. The circumcised believers who had accompanied Peter were astounded that the gift of the Holy Spirit should have been poured out on the Gentiles also, for they could hear them speaking in tongues and glorifying God. Then Peter responded, "Can anyone withhold the water for baptizing these people, who have received the Holy Spirit even as we have?" He ordered them to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ.

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

All respond: Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 98

Refrain



The Lord has re-vealed to the na-tions his sav-ing pow'r.

The Lord has re-vealed to the na-tions his sav-ing pow'r.

Responsorial Psalm (6 p.m.)

Psalm 98:1, 2-3, 3-4

Response: The Lord has revealed to the nations his saving power.

Reading II

1 John 4:7-10

A reading from the first Letter of Saint John.

Beloved, let us love one another,
because love is of God;
everyone who loves is begotten by God and knows God.
Whoever is without love does not know God, for God is love.
In this way the love of God was revealed to us:
God sent his only Son into the world
so that we might have life through him.
In this is love:
not that we have loved God, but that he loved us
and sent his Son as expiation for our sins.

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

All respond: Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation *Please Stand.*

We welcome and greet the Lord who is about to speak to us in the Gospel. During this time, we stand and face the ambo as a special reverence for the Gospel of Christ. The "Alleluia" is sung in every time of year, except Lent.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Al - le -
lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

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Gospel

John 15:9-17

This is the high point of the Liturgy of the Word, which is why we stand for the reading, the priest kisses the Book of the Gospels and proclaims the reading, and there is often candles and incense used.

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

All respond: And with your spirit.

Celebrant: A reading from the Holy Gospel according to John.

All respond: Glory to You, O Lord.

Jesus said to his disciples:

"As the Father loves me, so I also love you.

Remain in my love.

If you keep my commandments, you will remain in my love,
just as I have kept my Father's commandments
and remain in his love.

"I have told you this so that my joy may be in you
and your joy might be complete.

This is my commandment: love one another as I love you.

No one has greater love than this,
to lay down one's life for one's friends.

You are my friends if you do what I command you.

I no longer call you slaves,

because a slave does not know what his master is doing.

I have called you friends,

because I have told you everything I have heard from my Father.

It was not you who chose me, but I who chose you

and appointed you to go and bear fruit that will remain,

so that whatever you ask the Father in my name he may give you.

This I command you: love one another."

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord.

All respond: Praise to You, Lord Jesus Christ.

Homily *Please be seated.*

Profession of Faith

The whole people respond to the Word of God proclaimed in the readings and explained in the homily, and honor and confess the great mysteries of the faith.

I believe in one God, the Father almighty,
maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.
I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God,
born of the Father before all ages.
God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God,
begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father;
through him all things were made.
For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven,
(bow) and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary,
and became man **(stand upright)**.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate,
he suffered death and was buried,
and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures.
He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead
and his kingdom will have no end.
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.
I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church.
I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins
and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Universal Prayer

Response: *Lord, Hear Our Prayer*

We pray for the needs of the Church, the world, and our community.

THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

A collection is taken for our parish during the Preparation of Gifts.
Every second Sunday of the month, St. Stephen's takes a second collection to support various charitable and advocacy organizations.

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Preparation of Gifts

Set Your Heart

Set your heart on the high-er gifts, on the things that come from your
Mak - er in heav - en. These three gifts are all that re-main:
faith, hope and love, and the great-est is love.

VERSES

Cantor

1. If I speak with the tongues of the liv - ing,
2. And if I un - der - stand ev - 'ry mys - t'ry,
3. And if I should re - nounce all my rich - es,
1. and of an - gels, but speak with-out love, I am on - ly
2. hav-ing wis-dom, but think with-out love, had I faith to
3. feed the hun - gry, give o - ver my life; with-out love my
To Refrain
1. brass with-out song, an emp - ty noise on the wind.
2. scat - ter the hills, I am noth - ing at all.
3. prof - it is loss, my car - ing finds no re - ward.

Invitation to Prayer

Please Stand.

Celebrant: Pray, brothers and sisters, that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.

All respond: **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.**

The Eucharistic Prayer

This is the center and high point of the entire Mass. This prayer requires that all listen to it with reverence and in silence.

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

All respond: *And with your spirit.*

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts

All respond: *We lift them up to the Lord.*

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All respond: *It is right and just.*

Preface Acclamation

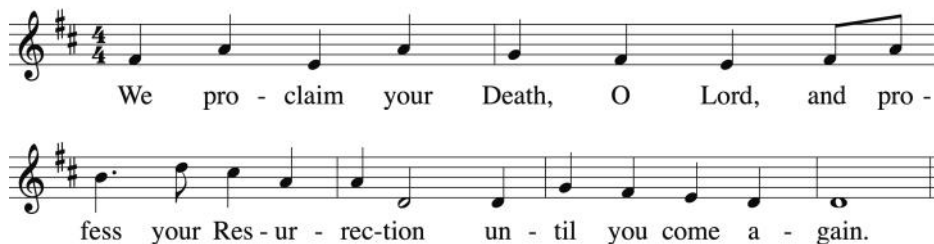
Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly Lord God of hosts.
Heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -
san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the
high - est. Bless - ed is he, bless - ed is he who
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the
high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the
high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

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Please Kneel.

Throughout the rest of the Eucharistic Prayer, the Holy Spirit is called down upon the gifts (The Epiiclesis; bells are rung once at this point); the words of Christ at the Last Supper are prayed; Christ's perpetual sacrifice on the cross is remembered; and prayers are made for the Church, the world, and all the people, living and dead.

Memorial Acclamation



We pro - claim your Death, O Lord, and pro -
fess your Res - ur - rec - tion un - til you come a - gain.

Amen

This "Amen" is affirmation, our statement of "I believe", to the entire Eucharistic Prayer.



A - men, a - men, a - men, a -
men. A - men, a - men, a - men, a - men.

Please Stand.

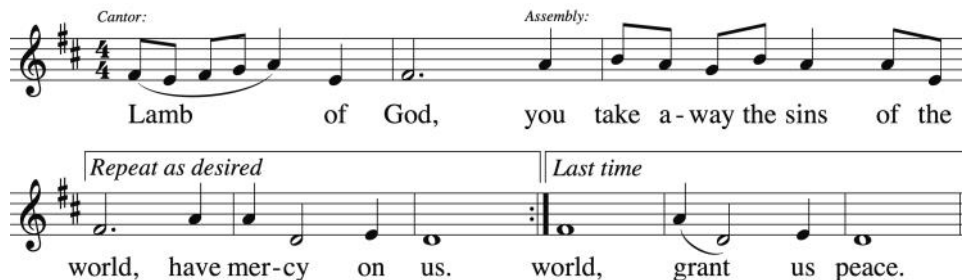
The Lord's Prayer

Celebrant: ...as we await the blessed hope and the coming of our Savior, Jesus Christ.

All respond: For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours now and for ever.

Lamb of God

The priest puts a piece of the host into the chalice to signify the unity of the Body and Blood of the Lord in the work of salvation.



Cantor: Lamb of God, *Assembly:* you take a-way the sins of the
Repeat as desired world, have mer-cy on us. *Last time* world, grant us peace.

Please Kneel.

Celebrant: Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who takes away the sins of the world. Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.

All respond: *Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.*

Communion

All Catholics who have prepared themselves to receive Holy Communion are invited to come forward. Our brothers and sisters of other faiths are invited to approach with arms crossed over the chest to signal the desire to receive a blessing.

Communion Song

Ang Katawan ni Kristo



1. In the pres - ence of our God, as we gath - er here in
 ___ We have come to break the bread; we have come to share our
2. When we gath - er in our homes, through our prayers and our
 ___ In the house - hold of the Lord, where we come to share the
3. In the pres - ence of our God, by the jus - tice that is



1. Christ, feel the Spir - it breathe up - on us, the
 ___ lives. Let us bring these fruits to the ta - ble, the
2. meals, we are fed and nour - ished to - geth - er, our
 ___ meal, we are fed the words of our Sav - ior, one
3. shown, we will build a king - dom to - geth - er; the



1. breath of life, graced and di - vine.
 ___ love of God, yours and 1. mine!
2. fam - i - lies, bro - ken and blessed.
 ___ fam - i - ly, strength - ened and 2. healed.
3. love of Christ giv - en to 3. all!

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Refrain

Ang ka - ta - wan ni Kris - to, ang ka - ta - wan ni Kris - to.

Be - hold, the Bod - y of Christ! Je - sus, our Sav - ior and Life!

Re - joice, O Peo - ple of God! We are the Bod - y of

1, 2	1st time: to Verse 2 2nd time: to Bridge	3, Final
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Christ! Christ! Be -

Bridge

Is not the meal that we bless and share a com - mu - nion in the life of

Christ? One bread, one bless - ing, one cup make us one bod - y in our Lord. to Verse 3

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Meditation

5pm: Ave Maria—Schubert
8:30am Ave Maria—Gounod
10:30 Madre di Dios— Angotti

Prayer after Communion

Concluding the prayer of the People of God and the whole Communion Rite, the Priest says the Prayer after Communion, in which he prays for the fruits of the mystery just celebrated, The people make this prayer their own when they acclaim “amen.”

THE CONCLUDING RITES

Blessing

Transformed by the power of the Liturgy, we are sent out to seek, love, and serve Jesus Christ through those we meet outside of Mass.

Dismissal

Closing Song

Go Make a Difference

Refrain

Go make a dif - f'rence. We can make a dif -
 - f'rence. Go make a dif - f'rence in the world.

Go make a dif - f'rence. We can make a dif -
 - f'rence. Go make a dif - f'rence in the world.

to Verses
last time: to Coda (☺)

Verses 1, 2

1. We are the salt of the earth, called to let the peo - ple
 2. We are the hands of — Christ reach - ing out to those in

1. see the love of God in you and me.
 2. need, the face of God for all to see.

1. We are the light of the world, — not to be hid - den but be
 2. We are the spir - it of hope; — — — — — we are the voice of

to Refrain

1. seen. Go make a dif - f'rence in the world.
 2. peace. Go make a dif - f'rence in the world.



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10:30 a.m. Sunday

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