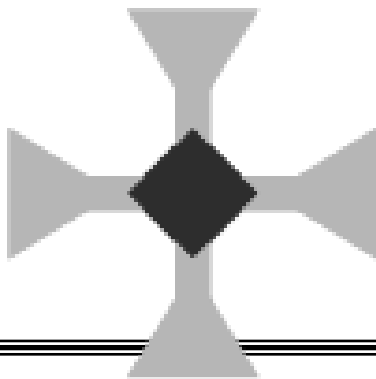


The Order of Mass

5th Sunday of Lent

March 16 & 17, 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!*

Prayer for a Fruitful Lent

My precious and crucified Lord, I offer You this Lent.

I offer it to You with total abandonment and trust.

I offer You my prayers, sacrifices
and my very life this day.

Do with me, Lord, as You will.

I pray that this Lent will be fruitful.

I know You have much to say to me
and much to do in my life.

May this Lent be a time through which
Your mercy is poured in
abundance into my soul,
and into the souls of all Your faithful.

Blessed Mother, pray for me and offer me to Your Son,
that He may take me into His loving embrace.

Lord, Jesus, Son of the Living God, have mercy on us.

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

Hosea

Verses




1. Come back to me with all your heart.
 2. The wil - der - ness 'though straight and tall;
 In - teg - ri - ty and jus - tice,
 3. You shall sleep se - cure with peace;



Don't let fear keep us a - part.
 so must we to oth - ers' call. (To refrain)
 to your heart where I will speak.
 With ten - der - ness, you shall know. (To refrain)
 faith - ful - ness will be your joy. (To refrain)

Refrain



Long have I wait-ed for your com - ing home to me and



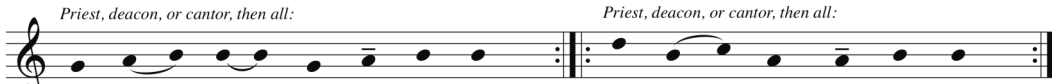
liv - ing deep - ly our new life. D.C.

Confiteor

I confess to almighty God
and to you, my brothers and sisters,
that I have greatly sinned
in my thoughts and in my words,
in what I have done,
and in what I have failed to do;
through my fault, through my fault,
through my most grievous fault;
therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin,
all the Angels and Saints,
and you, my brothers and sisters,
to pray for me to the Lord our God.

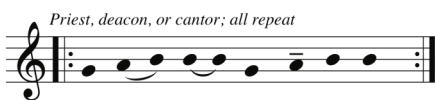
Kyrie

Priest, deacon, or cantor, then all:



Ký - ri - e, e - lé - i - son. Chri - ste, e - lé - i - son.

Priest, deacon, or cantor; all repeat



Ký - ri - e, e - lé - i - son.

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

Jeremiah 31:31-34

A reading from the Book of the Prophet Jeremiah.

The days are coming, says the LORD,
when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel
and the house of Judah.
It will not be like the covenant I made with their fathers
the day I took them by the hand
to lead them forth from the land of Egypt;
for they broke my covenant,
and I had to show myself their master, says the LORD.
But this is the covenant that I will make
with the house of Israel after those days, says the LORD.
I will place my law within them and write it upon their hearts;
I will be their God, and they shall be my people.
No longer will they have need to teach their friends and relatives
how to know the LORD.
All, from least to greatest, shall know me, says the LORD,
for I will forgive their evildoing and remember their sin no more.

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

All respond: Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 51

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ll Cre - ate a clean heart in me, O God.

Cre - ate a clean heart in me.

Responsorial Psalm (6 p.m.)

Psalm 51:3-4, 12-13, 14-15

Response: *Create a clean heart in me, O God.*

Reading II

Hebrews 5:7-9

A reading from the Letter of Saint Paul to the Hebrews.

In the days when Christ Jesus was in the flesh,
he offered prayers and supplications with loud cries and tears
to the one who was able to save him from death,
and he was heard because of his reverence.
Son though he was, he learned obedience from what he suffered;
and when he was made perfect,
he became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him.

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



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Gospel

John 12:20-33

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.

Some Greeks who had come to worship at the Passover Feast came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, and asked him, "Sir, we would like to see Jesus." Philip went and told Andrew; then Andrew and Philip went and told Jesus. Jesus answered them, "The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. Amen, amen, I say to you, unless a grain of wheat falls to the ground and dies, it remains just a grain of wheat; but if it dies, it produces much fruit. Whoever loves his life loses it, and whoever hates his life in this world will preserve it for eternal life. Whoever serves me must follow me, and where I am, there also will my servant be. The Father will honor whoever serves me. "I am troubled now. Yet what should I say? 'Father, save me from this hour'? But it was for this purpose that I came to this hour. Father, glorify your name." Then a voice came from heaven, "I have glorified it and will glorify it again." The crowd there heard it and said it was thunder; but others said, "An angel has spoken to him." Jesus answered and said, "This voice did not come for my sake but for yours. Now is the time of judgment on this world; now the ruler of this world will be driven out. And when I am lifted up from the earth, I will draw everyone to myself." He said this indicating the kind of death he would die.

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

Take Up Our Cross

Verses

1. Be-hold the wood that bears our name;
2. ♪ We em-brace the sac - ri - fice,

1. be - hold the nails that hold our sin.
2. and walk the path we can - not see.

1. The tree from which sal - va - tion blooms;
2. ♪ The bur - dens of this world made light;

1. the death by which we're born a - gain.
2. by blood and thorn we are re - deemed.

Refrain

We take up our cross and fol - low him; we
lay down our lives that we might live. We
car - ry the hope of Christ with-in; we take up our cross

1, Final (Fine) to Verse 2 2 to Bridge 3
and fol - low him.

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

SANCTUS



San - ctus, San - ctus, San-ctus Dó - mi - nus De - us Sá - ba-oth.

Ple - ni sunt cae - li et ter - ra gló - ri - a tu - a. Ho-sán - na

in ex - cé - l - sis. Be - ne - dí - ctus qui ve - nit in nó - mi - ne

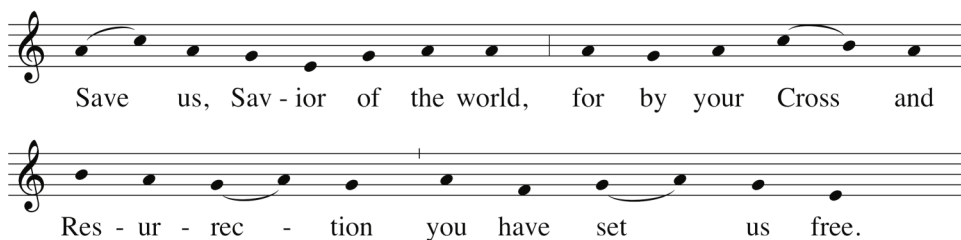
Dó - mi - ni. Ho - sán - na in ex - cé - l - sis.

Music: Vatican Edition XVIII

Please Kneel.

Throughout the rest of the Eucharistic Prayer, the Holy Spirit is called down upon the gifts (The Epiclesis; 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



Amen

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



Please Stand.

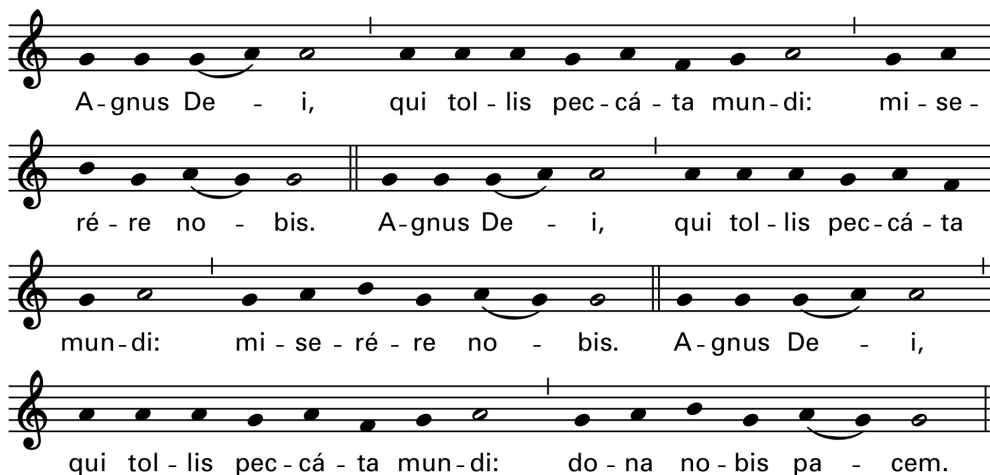
The Lord's Prayer

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.



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

We Are One in Christ

Refrain



As the bread of life is bro - ken, the cup of love out - poured,

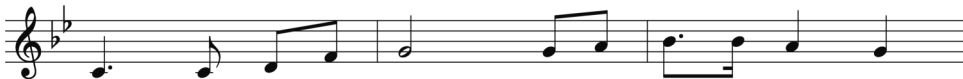


We are one in Christ, our Sav - ior, and sent to serve the Lord.

Verses



1. We, the man - y who are gath - ered, are u -
2. In the word of God pro - claimed here the good
3. In the bread of life here giv - en, we be -
4. Sent as bless - ing for God's peo - ple, to go



nit - ed now as one.	In this joy - ful cel - e -
news of truth is heard.	In the tell - ing of the
come what we re - ceive.	In the cup of love here
forth in love and peace,	In our wit - ness to God's



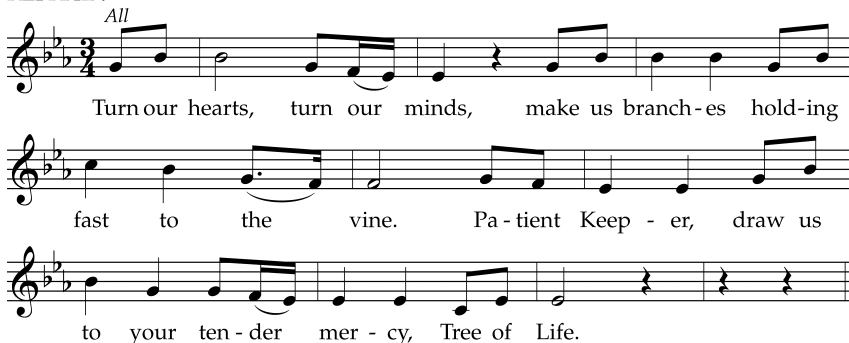
bra - tion,	we re - call	what God	has	done.
sto - ries,	we are	o - pen	to	God's word.
of - fered,	we af - firm	what we	be -	lieve.
king - dom,	may our	char - i - ty	in -	crease.

D.C.

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REFRAIN

All



Turn our hearts, turn our minds, make us branch-es hold-ing
fast to the vine. Pa-tient Keep-er, draw us
to your ten-der mer-cy, Tree of Life.

Aaron Thompson
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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.

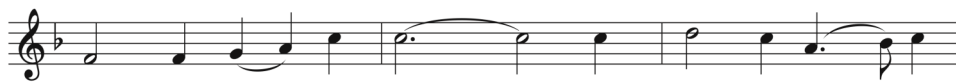
Dismissal

Closing Song

From Ashes to the Living Font



1. From ash - es to the liv - ing font Your
2. Through fast - ing, prayer, and char - i - ty Your
4. From ash - es to the liv - ing font Your



Church must jour - ney, Lord, Bap - tized in grace, in
voice speaks deep with - in, Re - turn - ing us to
Church must jour - ney still, Through cross and tomb to



grace re - newed By your most ho - ly word.
ways of truth And turn - ing us from sin.
East - er joy, In Spir - it - fire ful - filled.

FIFTH WEEK OF LENT



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10:30 a.m. Sunday

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