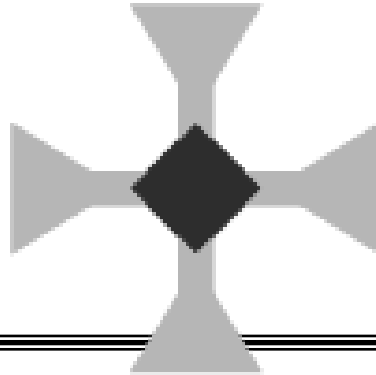


The Order of Mass

# 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 27 & 28, 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!*

## **Archdiocesan Prayer for Vocations**

O God, we earnestly ask you to bless this archdiocese with many priests, brothers and sisters who will love You with their whole strength and gladly spend their entire lives to serve your Church and to make You known and loved. Bless our families, bless our children. Choose from our homes those needed for your work. Mary, Queen of the Clergy, pray for us, pray for our priests, religious, and deacons.

Obtain for us many more.

*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**

**Gather Us In**



1. Here in this place new light is stream - ing,  
2. We are the young— our lives are a mys - t'ry,  
3. Here we will take the wine and the wa - ter,



Now is the dark - ness van - ished a - way,  
We are the old— who yearn for your face,  
Here we will take the bread of new birth,



See in this space our fears and our dream - ings,  
We have been sung through - out all of his - t'ry,  
Here you shall call your sons and your daugh - ters,



Brought here to you in the light of this day.  
Called to be light to the whole hu - man race.  
Call us a - new to be salt for the earth.



Gath - er us in— the lost and for - sak - en, Gath - er us in— the  
Gath - er us in— the rich and the haugh - ty, Gath - er us in— the  
Give us to drink the wine of com - pas - sion, Give us to eat the



blind and the lame; Call to us now, and we shall a - wak - en,  
proud and the strong; Give us a heart so meek and so low - ly,  
bread that is you; Nour - ish us well, and teach us to fash - ion



We shall a - rise at the sound of our name.  
Give us the cour - age to en - ter the song.  
Lives that are ho - ly and hearts that are true.

# 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

2 Kings 4:42-44

*A reading from the second Book of Kings.*

A man came from Baal-shalishah bringing to Elisha, the man of God, twenty barley loaves made from the firstfruits, and fresh grain in the ear.

Elisha said, "Give it to the people to eat."

But his servant objected,

"How can I set this before a hundred people?"

Elisha insisted, "Give it to the people to eat."

"For thus says the LORD,

"They shall eat and there shall be some left over."

And when they had eaten, there was some left over, as the LORD had said.

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

*All respond: Thanks be to God.*

### Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 145

The hand of the Lord feeds us; he  
an-swers all our needs, he an-swers all our needs.

**Responsorial Psalm** (6 p.m.)

Psalm 145:10-11, 15-16, 17-18

*Response: The hand of the Lord feeds us; he answers all our needs.*

**Reading II**

Ephesians 4:1-6

*A reading from the Letter of Saint Paul to the Ephesians.*

Brothers and sisters:

I, a prisoner for the Lord,  
urge you to live in a manner worthy of the call you have received,  
with all humility and gentleness, with patience,  
bearing with one another through love,  
striving to preserve the unity of the spirit through the bond of peace:  
one body and one Spirit,  
as you were also called to the one hope of your call;  
one Lord, one faith, one baptism;  
one God and Father of all,  
who is over all and through all and in all.

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.

## Gospel

John 6:1-15

*This is the high point of the Liturgy of the Word, which is why we stand for the reading. The priest proclaims the reading and then kisses the Book of the Gospels. Candles and incense are often 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 went across the Sea of Galilee. A large crowd followed him, because they saw the signs he was performing on the sick. Jesus went up on the mountain, and there he sat down with his disciples. The Jewish feast of Passover was near. When Jesus raised his eyes and saw that a large crowd was coming to him, he said to Philip, "Where can we buy enough food for them to eat?" He said this to test him, because he himself knew what he was going to do. Philip answered him, "Two hundred days' wages worth of food would not be enough for each of them to have a little." One of his disciples, Andrew, the brother of Simon Peter, said to him, "There is a boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish; but what good are these for so many?" Jesus said, "Have the people recline." Now there was a great deal of grass in that place. So the men reclined, about five thousand in number. Then Jesus took the loaves, gave thanks, and distributed them to those who were reclining, and also as much of the fish as they wanted. When they had had their fill, he said to his disciples, "Gather the fragments left over, so that nothing will be wasted." So they collected them, and filled twelve wicker baskets with fragments from the five barley loaves that had been more than they could eat. When the people saw the sign he had done, they said, "This is truly the Prophet, the one who is to come into the world." Since Jesus knew that they were going to come and carry him off to make him king, he withdrew again to the mountain alone.

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

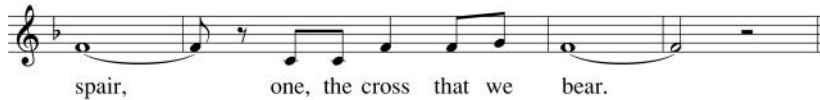
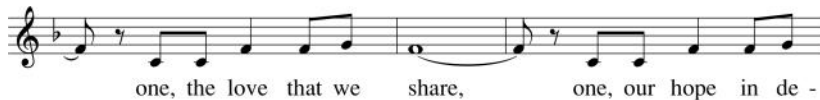
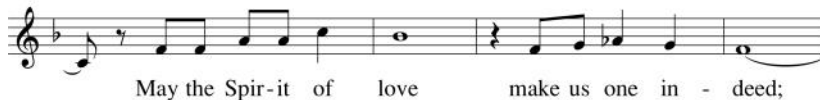
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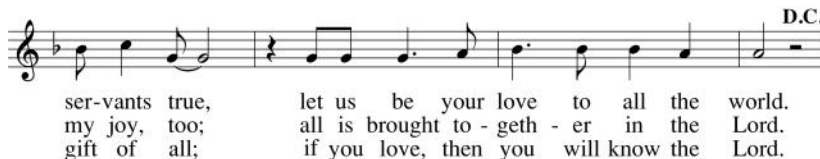
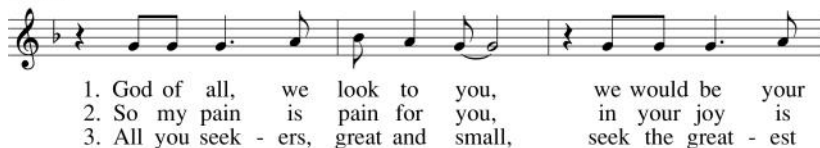


## Preparation of Gifts

## We Are Many Parts



Verses



## **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  
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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.

The musical notation is in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It consists of two staves. The first staff contains the melody for the first line of text, and the second staff contains the melody for the second line. The lyrics are written below the notes.

## 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.

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*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.

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*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.

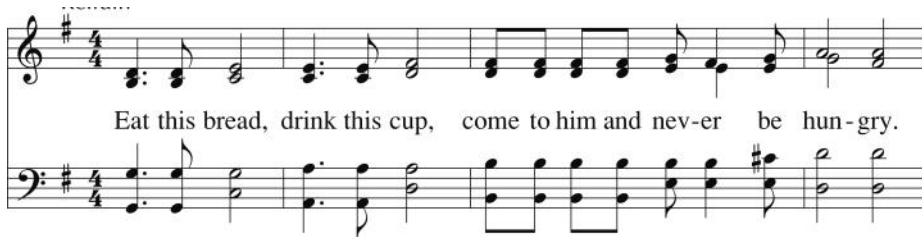
**All respond:** *Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.*

## Communion

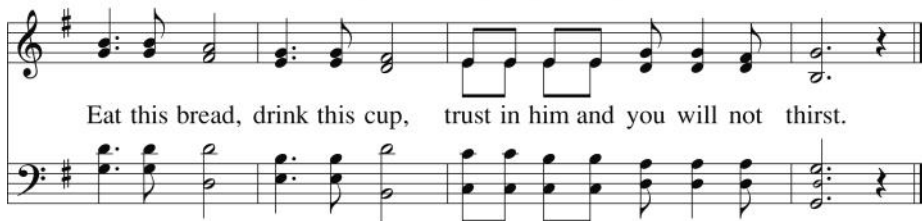
All Catholics who have prepared themselves to receive Holy Communion are invited to come forward. Our brothers and sisters of other faiths are invited to approach with arms crossed over the chest to signal the desire to receive a blessing.

## Communion Song

## Eat This Bread

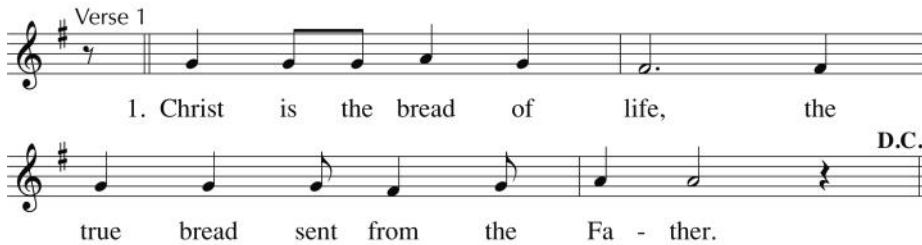


Eat this bread, drink this cup, come to him and nev-er be hun-gry.



Eat this bread, drink this cup, trust in him and you will not thirst.

Verse 1



1. Christ is the bread of life, the true bread sent from the Fa - ther. D.C.

Verse 2



2. Our an - ces - tors ate man - na in the des - ert, but this is the bread come down from heav - en. D.C.

Verse 3

3. Eat his flesh and drink his blood, and  
Christ will raise you up on the last day. D.C.

Verse 4

4. An-y-one who eats this bread, will live for ev-er. D.C.

Verse 5

5. If we be-lieve and eat this bread, we will have e - ter-nal life. D.C.

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## Meditation

## I Am Yours

Bread of Life, Wine of Peace, Bod - y and Blood,  
Soul and Di - vin - i - ty, con - sume me com -  
plete - ly. I am yours.

## 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**

Alleluia! Sing to Jesus



1. Al - le - lu - ia! Sing to Je - sus! His the  
 2. Al - le - lu - ia! Not as or - phans Are we  
 3. Al - le - lu - ia! Bread of an - gels, Here on the  
 4. Al - le - lu - ia! King e - ter - nal, You the



scep - ter, his the throne. Al - le - lu - ia! His the  
 left in sor - row now; Al - le - lu - ia! He is  
 earth our food, our stay! Al - le - lu - ia! Here the  
 Lord of lords we own; Al - le - lu - ia! Born of



tri - umph, His the vic - to - ry a - lone.  
 near us; Faith be - lieves, nor ques - tions how.  
 sin - ful Flee to you from day to day.  
 Mar - y, Earth your foot - stool, heav'n your throne.



Hark! The songs of peace - ful Zi - on Thun - der  
 Though the cloud from sight re - ceived him When the  
 In - ter - ces - sor, friend of sin - ners, Earth's re -  
 You with - in the veil have en - tered, Robed in



like a might - y flood: "Je - sus out of ev - 'ry  
 for - ty days were o'er, Shall our hearts for - get his  
 deem - er, plead for me, Where the songs of all the  
 flesh, our great high priest; Here on earth both priest and



na - tion Has re - deemed us by his blood."  
 prom - ise: "I am with you ev - er - more?"  
 sin - less Sweep a - cross the crys - tal sea.  
 vic - tim In the eu - cha - ris - tic feast.



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