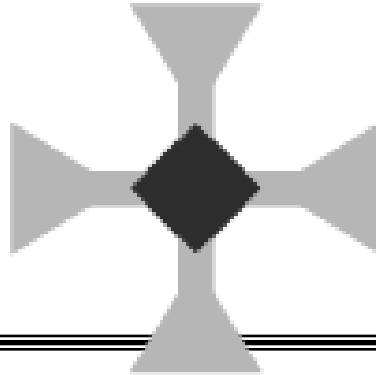


The Order of Mass

# 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time

November 3, 2024 † 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

### I Want to Walk As a Child of the Light



1. I want to walk as a child of the light.  
2. I want to see the bright-ness of God.  
3. I'm look - ing for the com - ing of Christ.



I want to fol - low Je - sus.  
I want to look at Je - sus.  
I want to be with Je - sus.



God set the stars to give light to the world. The  
Clear sun of right - eous - ness shine on my path, And  
When we have run with pa - tience the race, We



star of my life is Je - sus.  
show me the way to the Fa - ther.  
shall know the joy of Je - sus.



In him there is no dark - ness at all. The



night and the day are both a - like. The



Lamb is the light of the cit - y of God.



Shine in my heart, Lord Je - sus.

# Gloria

Glo-ry to God in the high - est, and 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'n-ly King, O God, al - migh - y Fa - ther.  
*Choir (Congr. ad lib):*  
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.  
*All:*  
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.

## 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

Deuteronomy 6:2-6

*A reading from the Book of Deuteronomy.*

Moses spoke to the people, saying:

"Fear the LORD, your God,

and keep, throughout the days of your lives,

all his statutes and commandments which I enjoin on you,

and thus have long life.

Hear then, Israel, and be careful to observe them,

that you may grow and prosper the more,

in keeping with the promise of the LORD, the God of your fathers,

to give you a land flowing with milk and honey.

"Hear, O Israel! The LORD is our God, the LORD alone!

Therefore, you shall love the LORD, your God,

with all your heart,

and with all your soul,

and with all your strength.

Take to heart these words which I enjoin on you today."

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

*All respond: Thanks be to God.*

### Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 18



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

Psalm 18:2-3, 3-4, 47, 51

*Response: I love you, Lord, my strength.*

**Reading II**

Hebrews 7:23-28

*A reading from the Letter to the Hebrews.*

Brothers and sisters:

The levitical priests were many because they were prevented by death from remaining in office, but Jesus, because he remains forever, has a priesthood that does not pass away. Therefore, he is always able to save those who approach God through him, since he lives forever to make intercession for them. It was fitting that we should have such a high priest: holy, innocent, undefiled, separated from sinners, higher than the heavens. He has no need, as did the high priests, to offer sacrifice day after day, first for his own sins and then for those of the people; he did that once for all when he offered himself. For the law appoints men subject to weakness to be high priests, but the word of the oath, which was taken after the law, appoints a son, who has been made perfect forever.

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.*



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## Gospel

Mark 12:28b-34

*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 Mark.

**All respond:** *Glory to You, O Lord.*

One of the scribes came to Jesus and asked him,

"Which is the first of all the commandments?"

Jesus replied, "The first is this:

*Hear, O Israel!*

*The Lord our God is Lord alone!*

*You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart,*

*with all your soul,*

*with all your mind,*

*and with all your strength.*

*The second is this:*

*You shall love your neighbor as yourself.*

There is no other commandment greater than these."

The scribe said to him, "Well said, teacher.

You are right in saying,

'He is One and there is no other than he.'

And 'to love him with all your heart,

with all your understanding,

with all your strength,

and to love your neighbor as yourself

is worth more than all burnt offerings and sacrifices."

And when Jesus saw that he answered with understanding,

he said to him,

"You are not far from the kingdom of God."

And no one dared to ask him any more questions.

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

### Be Not Afraid

1. You shall cross the bar-ren des-ert, but you  
shall not die of thirst. You shall wan-der far in  
safe-ty though you do not know the way. You shall  
speak your words in for-eign lands and all will un-der-  
stand. You shall see the face of God and live.

#### Refrain

Be not a-fraid. I go be-fore you al-ways.  
Come, fol-low me, and I will give you rest.

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Verse 2

2. If you pass through rag - ing wa - ters in the  
sea, you shall not drown. If you walk a - mid the burn - ing flames,  
you shall not be harmed. If you stand be - fore the  
pow'r of hell and death is at your side,  
know that I am with you through it all. **D.S.**

## 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.*

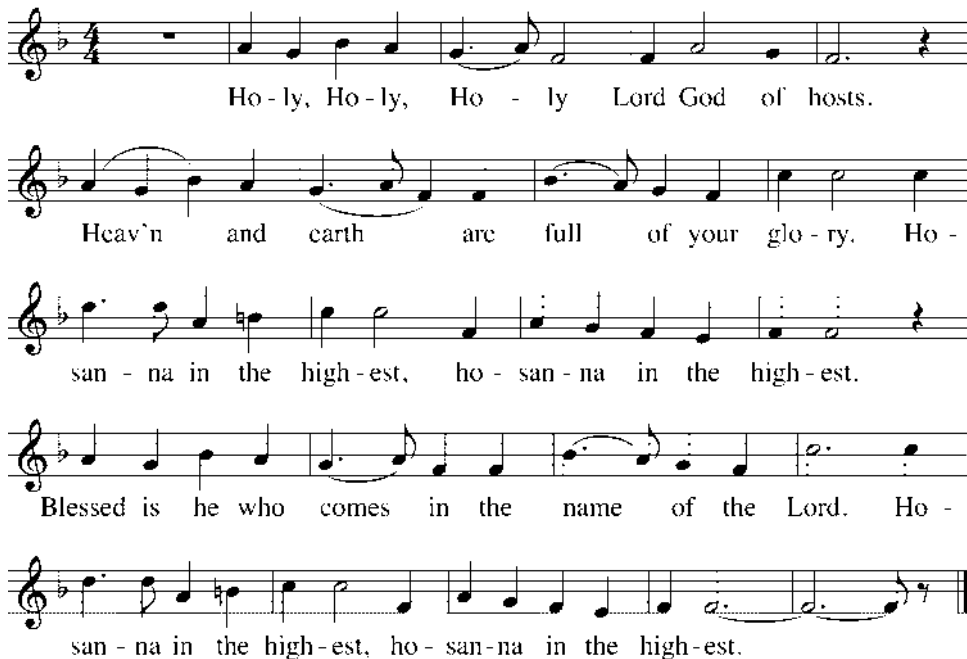
Celebrant: Lift up your hearts

**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'n and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -  
san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.  
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -  
san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

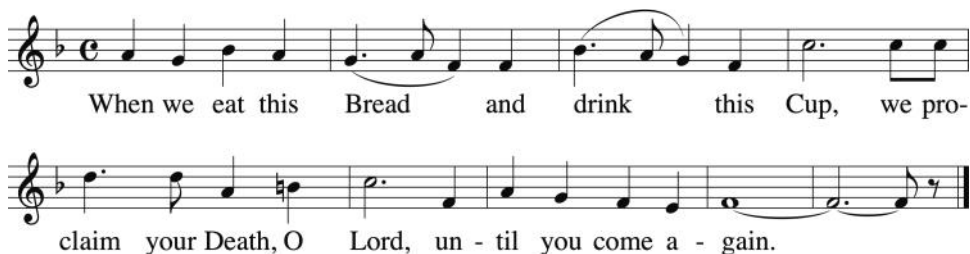
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*Please Kneel.*

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



When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup, we pro-  
claim your Death, O Lord, 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.

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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.*



Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the  
world, have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you  
take a - way the sins of the 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

## We Remember

Refrain

The musical notation is written on five staves in a single system. The key signature is one sharp (F#) and the time signature is 3/4. The melody is simple and hymn-like. The lyrics are printed below the notes.

We re - mem - ber how you loved us to your death,  
and still we cel - e - brate, for you are with us here:  
and we be - lieve that we will see you when you come  
in your glo - ry, Lord. We re - mem - ber, we  
cel - e - brate, we be - lieve.

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Verses



1. Here, a mil - lion wound - ed souls are
2. Now we re - cre - ate your love, we
3. Christ, the Fa - ther's great "A - men" to
4. See the face of Christ re - vealed in



yearn - ing just to touch you and be healed.  
bring the bread and wine to share a meal.  
all the hopes and dreams of ev - 'ry heart,  
ev - 'ry per - son stand - ing by your side,



Gath - er all your peo - ple, and hold them to your heart.  
Sign of grace and mer - cy, the pres - ence of the Lord.  
Peace be - yond all tell - ing, and free - dom from all fear.  
Gift to one an - oth - er, and tem - ples of your love.

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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

### How Can I Keep From Singing



1. My life flows on in end-less song. A -  
 2. Through all the tu - mult and the strife I  
 3. What though my joys and com-fort die? The  
 4. The peace of Christ makes fresh my heart, A



bove earth's lam - en - ta - tion I hear the clear though  
 hear that mu - sic ring - ing. It finds an ech - o  
 Lord my sav - ior liv - eth. What though the dark - ness  
 foun - tain ev - er spring-ing! All things are mine since



far - off hymn That hails a new cre - a - tion.  
 in my soul. How can I keep from sing-ing?  
 gath - er round? Songs in the night he giv - eth.  
 I am his! How can I keep from sing-ing?



No storm can shake my in-most calm While to that Rock I'm



cling - ing. Since Christ is Lord of heav-en and earth,



How can I keep from sing - ing?



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