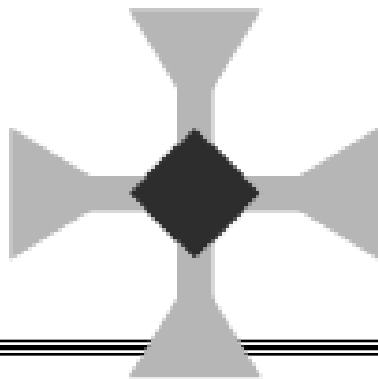


The Order of Mass
22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 31 & September 1, 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

Christ, Be Our Light



1. Long - ing for light, we wait in dark - ness.
2. Long - ing for peace, our world is trou - bled.
3. Long - ing for food, man - y are hun - gry.



Long - ing for truth, we turn to you.
Long - ing for hope, man - y de - spair.
Long - ing for wa - ter, man - y still thirst.



Make us your own, your ho - ly peo - ple,
Your word a - lone has pow'r to save us.
Make us your bread, bro - ken for oth - ers,



light for the world to see.
Make us your liv - ing voice.
shared un - til all are fed.

Refrain



Christ, be our light! Shine in our hearts.



Shine through the dark - ness. Christ, be our light!



Shine in your Church gath - ered to - day.

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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

Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 6-8

A reading from the Book of Deuteronomy.

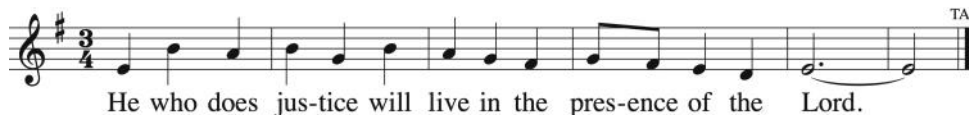
Moses said to the people: "Now, Israel, hear the statutes and decrees which I am teaching you to observe, that you may live, and may enter in and take possession of the land which the LORD, the God of your fathers, is giving you. In your observance of the commandments of the LORD, your God, which I enjoin upon you, you shall not add to what I command you nor subtract from it. Observe them carefully, for thus will you give evidence of your wisdom and intelligence to the nations, who will hear of all these statutes and say, 'This great nation is truly a wise and intelligent people.' For what great nation is there that has gods so close to it as the LORD, our God, is to us whenever we call upon him? Or what great nation has statutes and decrees that are as just as this whole law which I am setting before you today?"

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

All respond: Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 15



Responsorial Psalm (6 p.m.)

Psalm 15:2-3, 3-4, 4-5

Response: The one who does justice will live in the presence of the Lord.

Reading II

James 1:17-18, 21b-22, 27

A reading from the Letter of Saint James.

Dearest brothers and sisters:

All good giving and every perfect gift is from above,
coming down from the Father of lights,
with whom there is no alteration or shadow caused by change.

He willed to give us birth by the word of truth
that we may be a kind of firstfruits of his creatures.

Humbly welcome the word that has been planted in you
and is able to save your souls.

Be doers of the word and not hearers only, deluding yourselves.

Religion that is pure and undefiled before God and the Father is this:
to care for orphans and widows in their affliction
and to keep oneself unstained by the world.

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

Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

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.

When the Pharisees with some scribes who had come from Jerusalem gathered around Jesus, they observed that some of his disciples ate their meals with unclean, that is, unwashed, hands. —For the Pharisees and, in fact, all Jews, do not eat without carefully washing their hands, keeping the tradition of the elders. And on coming from the marketplace they do not eat without purifying themselves. And there are many other things that they have traditionally observed, the purification of cups and jugs and kettles and beds. —So the Pharisees and scribes questioned him, "Why do your disciples not follow the tradition of the elders but instead eat a meal with unclean hands?" He responded, "Well did Isaiah prophesy about you hypocrites, as it is written: This people honors me with their lips, but their hearts are far from me; in vain do they worship me, teaching as doctrines human precepts. You disregard God's commandment but cling to human tradition." He summoned the crowd again and said to them, "Hear me, all of you, and understand. Nothing that enters one from outside can defile that person; but the things that come out from within are what defile. "From within people, from their hearts, come evil thoughts, unchastity, theft, murder, adultery, greed, malice, deceit, licentiousness, envy, blasphemy, arrogance, folly. All these evils come from within and they defile."

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

We Bring Our Gifts to Your Altar

VERSES 1-3



1. We bring our gifts to your al - tar, O Lord God of hosts;
2. We bring our hearts to your al - tar, O Lord God of hosts;
3. Pre - pare our hearts to re - ceive you, O Lord God of hosts;



1. We lay them at the foot of your throne. We bring our
2. U - nite them with the heart of your Son. — For he
3. Cleanse us and wash a - way our sins. We sing your



1. gifts to your al - tar, O Lord God of hosts; We
2. of - fered his life as a ran - som for sin; —
3. praise with the an - gels and saints at your throne, For



1. of - fer them to praise you a - lone. We bring our
2. By his death the vic - t'ry is won. We bring our
3. this is where — heav'n en - ters in. Pre - pare our



1. gifts to your al - tar, O Lord.
2. hearts to your al - tar, O Lord.
3. hearts to re - ceive you, O

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VERSE 4

3.
 Lord. 4. We bring our gifts to your al-tar, O Lord God of hosts; May our
 4. sac-ri-fice be pleas-ing in your sight— Fruit of the earth and
 4. work of hu - man hands, Which will be - come for us—
 4. — the Bread of Life. We bring our gifts to your al-tar, O
 4. Lord. We bring our gifts to your al - tar, O Lord.

Brian Flynn
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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 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

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 notes are simple, with some rests and a final whole note on '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.

The musical notation is in G major 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 melody is simple and repetitive, with a final whole note on '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.

The musical notation is in G major 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 melody is simple and repetitive, with a final whole note on '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

Verses



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 our Lord, where we come to share the
3. In the pres - ence of our God, by the jus - tice that is



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



breath of life, graced and di - vine.
love of God, yours and mine!
fam - i - lies, bro - ken and blessed.
fam - i - ly strength - ened and healed.
love of Christ, giv - en to 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. Christ! 3. Christ! 4. Christ!

*1st time to Verse 2
2nd time to Bridge*

To refrain

Repeat as needed

Meditation

All Is Holy

All is ho - ly. All is bless - ed.

All is be - lov - ed by my hand.

You are ho - ly. You are bless - ed.

You are be - lov - ed in my eyes.

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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

Let All Things Now Living



1. Let all things now liv - ing A song of thanks-giv - ing
2. The Law God en - forc - es, The stars in their cours - es,



To God the Cre - a - tor tri - um - phant - ly raise,
The sun in its or - bit o - be - dient - ly shine;



Who fash - ioned and made us, Pro - tect - ed and stayed us,
The hills and the moun - tains, The riv - ers and foun - tains,



By guid - ing us on to the end of our days.
The depths of the o - cean pro - claim God di - vine.



God's ban - ners are o'er us, Pure light goes be - fore us,
We too should be voic - ing Our love and re - joic - ing;



A pil - lar of fire shin - ing forth in the night,
With glad ad - o - ra - tion a song let us raise



Till shad - ows have van - ished And dark - ness is ban - ished,
Till all things now liv - ing U - nite in thanks-giv - ing:



As for - ward we trav - el from light in - to light.
"To God in the high - est, ho - san - na and praise!"



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