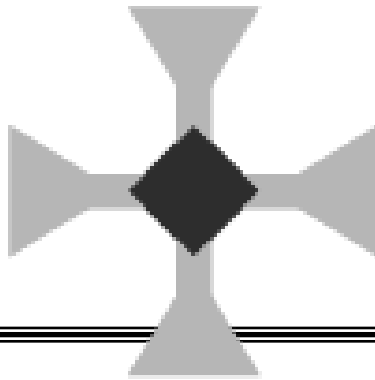


The Order of Mass

## 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time

January 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!*

## **A Prayer for Catholic Schools**

O Christ, our Teacher, we thank you for the gift of Catholic schools, where the message of your life, death, and resurrection is proclaimed, discipleship is modeled, worship of you is cultivated, and community is experienced. Increase our zeal for ensuring that all children and families can benefit from an authentic Catholic education, and that Catholic schools grow in their ability to nurture the souls and form the minds of its students for generations to come. We ask this through the intercession of Our Lady, Mother of Catholic Schools.

*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

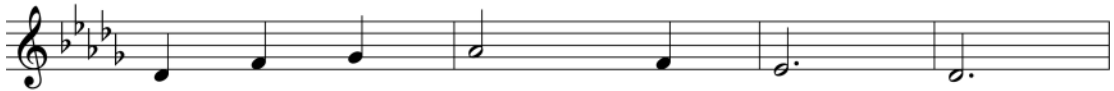
*The purpose of the Introductory Rites is to ensure that the faithful who come together as one establish communion and dispose themselves to listen properly to God's word and to celebrate the Eucharist worthily.*

### 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.

*Continued on next page.*

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.

Text: Ephesians 5:8-10, Revelation 21:23, John 12:46, 1 John 1:5, Hebrews 12:1; Kathleen Thomerson, b.1934, © 1970, 1975, Celebration  
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# 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 - might-y Fa - ther.

*Choir, Assembly 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.

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 18:15-20

*A reading from the Book of Deuteronomy.*

Moses spoke to all the people, saying:

"A prophet like me will the LORD, your God, raise up for you from among your own kin; to him you shall listen.

This is exactly what you requested of the LORD, your God, at Horeb on the day of the assembly, when you said, 'Let us not again hear the voice of the LORD, our God, nor see this great fire any more, lest we die.' And the LORD said to me, 'This was well said.

I will raise up for them a prophet like you from among their kin, and will put my words into his mouth; he shall tell them all that I command him.

Whoever will not listen to my words which he speaks in my name, I myself will make him answer for it.

But if a prophet presumes to speak in my name an oracle that I have not commanded him to speak, or speaks in the name of other gods, he shall die."

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

*All respond: Thanks be to God.*

### Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 95



## Responsorial Psalm (6 p.m.)

Psalm 95:1-2, 6-7, 7-9

*Response: If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts.*

## Reading II

1 Corinthians 7:32-35

*A reading from the first Letter of Saint Paul to the Corinthians.*

Brothers and sisters: I should like you to be free of anxieties. An unmarried man is anxious about the things of the Lord, how he may please the Lord. But a married man is anxious about the things of the world, how he may please his wife, and he is divided. An unmarried woman or a virgin is anxious about the things of the Lord, so that she may be holy in both body and spirit.

A married woman, on the other hand, is anxious about the things of the world, how she may please her husband.

I am telling you this for your own benefit, not to impose a restraint upon you, but for the sake of propriety and adherence to the Lord without distraction.

## 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 1:21-28

*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 Mark.

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

Then they came to Capernaum,  
and on the sabbath Jesus entered the synagogue and taught.  
The people were astonished at his teaching,  
for he taught them as one having authority and not as the scribes.  
In their synagogue was a man with an unclean spirit;  
he cried out, "What have you to do with us, Jesus of Nazareth?  
Have you come to destroy us?  
I know who you are—the Holy One of God!"  
Jesus rebuked him and said,  
"Quiet! Come out of him!"  
The unclean spirit convulsed him and with a loud cry came out of him.  
All were amazed and asked one another,  
"What is this?  
A new teaching with authority.  
He commands even the unclean spirits and they obey him."  
His fame spread everywhere throughout the whole region of Galilee.

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.*

*To support our parish electronically, scan the QR code:*



### 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.

#### 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-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.

*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.

## Amen



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## 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.*



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**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.*

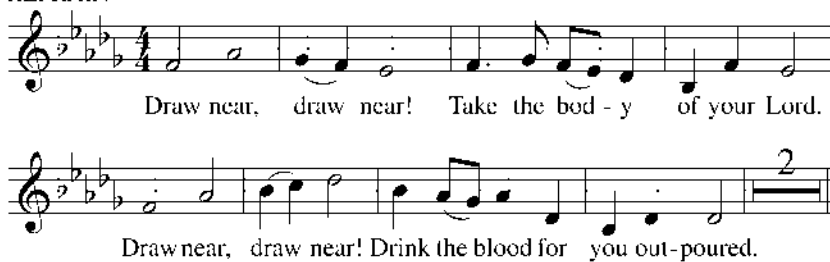
## Communion

*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

Draw Near

### REFRAIN



Draw near, draw near! Take the bod - y of your Lord.

Draw near, draw near! Drink the blood for you out-poured.

### VERSES

*Cantor/Choir*



1. Draw near and take the bod - y of your Lord,  
2. Christ our re - deem - er, God's e - ter - nal Son,  
3. Let us ap - proach with faith - ful hearts sin - cere,  
4. With heav'n - ly bread makes those who hun - ger whole,

1. and drink the ho - ly blood for you out-poured;  
2. has by his cross and blood the vic - t'ry won:  
3. and take the pledg - es of sal - va - tion here:  
4. gives liv - ing wa - ters to the thirst - ing soul:

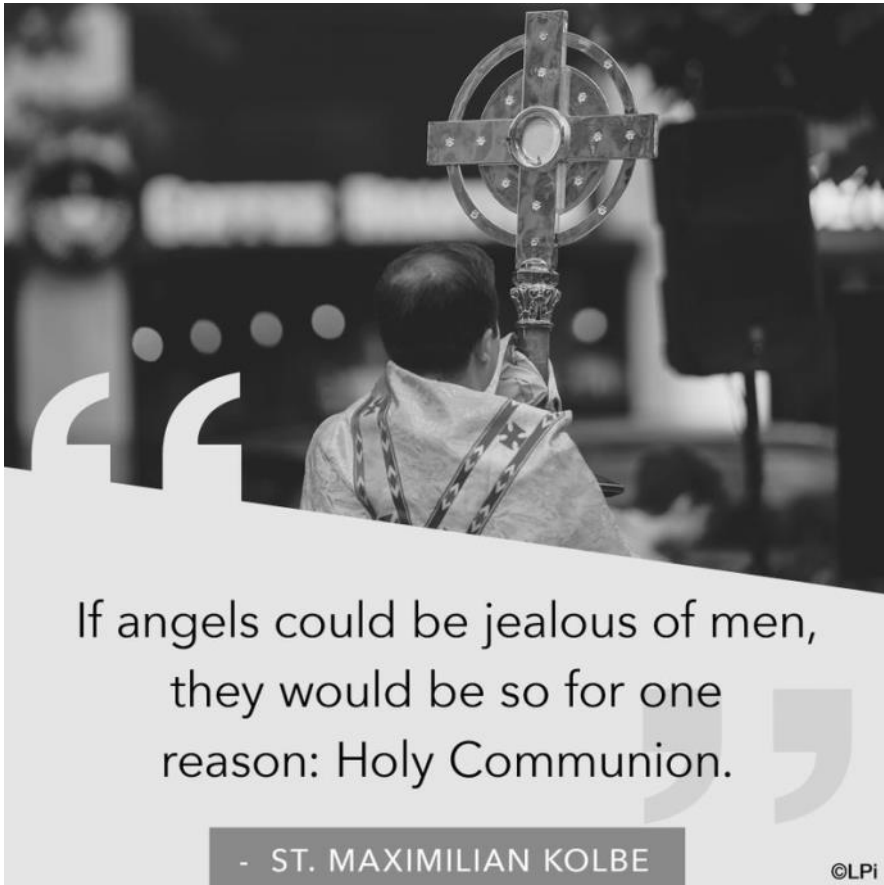
1. Saved by his bod - y and his ho - ly blood, with  
2. He gave his life for great - est and for least, Him -  
3. Christ who in this life all the saints de - fends, gives  
4. Judge of the na - tions, to whom all must bow, in

*To Refrain*

1. souls re - freshed we give our thanks to God.  
2. self the of - f'ring and Him - self the Priest.  
3. all be - liev - ers life that nev - er ends.  
4. this great feast of love is with us now.

## **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 -  
 to Verses  
 last time: to Coda (C)

**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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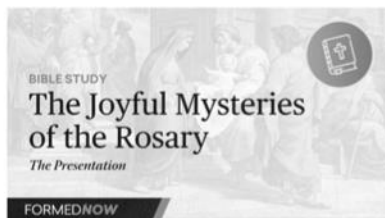
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## Week of January 28, 2024



### A Bible Study on the Joyful Mysteries: The Presentation

What is the importance of the Presentation of Jesus in the Temple? Join Dr. James Prothro and Dr. Ben Akers as they unpack this great mystery and how it can apply to your spiritual life.



### Exorcisms: What Catholics Need to Know | Chris Stefanick Show

Scripture says, "Be sober and alert. Your opponent the devil is prowling like a roaring lion looking for someone to devour. Resist him, solid in your faith." In other words, the Christian life involves spiritual combat. But a lot of Catholics aren't really familiar with this idea. So to start unpacking it, we're talking to Fr. Chad Ripperger, an exorcist priest.



### Saint John Bosco: Mission to Love

Flavio Insinna gives a winning performance as John Bosco, the great priest and educator of youth. Beautifully filmed in Italy, this epic movie dramatizes the many challenges that he had to overcome from his childhood all the way to founding his religious order.

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5:00 p.m. Saturday

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10:30 a.m. Sunday

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