

Celebration of the Eucharist

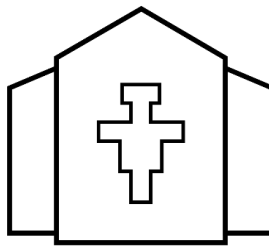
Fifth Sunday of Easter

7:30 AM Mass

After we have asked for and received God's mercy in the Penitential Act, we shift to joyful praise of God in the Gloria. The Gloria begins with the words of the angels announcing the birth of Christ to the shepherds of Bethlehem, "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to those whom his favor rests." (Luke 2:14)

The Gloria continues using words from Scripture beginning first with praise for the Father. Next The Gloria addresses the foundation of our Church; the Son, his coming, suffering, death, resurrection and ascension. Finally, the Gloria concludes with a summarization of our Trinitarian beliefs, "You alone the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the Glory of God the Father."

During Lent and Advent, the Gloria is omitted from the Sunday Mass due to the penitential nature of these times in the Church.



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May 18th, 2025

INTRODUCTORY RITES

GREETING

PENITENTIAL RITE

GLORIA

Glory to God in the highest,
and on earth peace to people of goodwill.
We praise you,
we bless you,
we adore you,
we glorify you,
we give you thanks for your great glory,
Lord God, heavenly King,
O God, almighty Father.
Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
you take away the sins of the world,
 have mercy on us;
you take away the sins of the world,
 receive our prayer;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father,
 have mercy on us.
For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High,
Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God, the Father.
Amen

COLLECT

LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING

Acts 14: 21 – 27

After Paul and Barnabas had proclaimed the good news to that city and made a considerable number of disciples, they returned to Lystra and to Iconium and to Antioch. They strengthened the spirits of the disciples and exhorted them to persevere in the faith, saying, "It is necessary for us to undergo many hardships to enter the kingdom of God." They appointed elders for them in each church and, with prayer and fasting, commended them to the Lord in whom they had put their faith. Then they traveled through Pisidia and reached Pamphylia. After proclaiming the word at Perga, they went down to Attalia. From there they sailed to Antioch, where they had been commended to the grace of God for the work they had now accomplished. And when they arrived, they called the church together and reported what God had done with them and how he had opened the door of faith to the Gentiles.

The Word of the Lord.

R: Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 145: 8-9, 10-11, 12-13

R: I will praise your name for ever, my king and my God.

The LORD is gracious and merciful,
slow to anger and of great kindness.
The LORD is good to all
and compassionate toward all his works. **R:**

Let all your works give you thanks, O LORD,
and let your faithful ones bless you.
Let them discourse of the glory of your kingdom
and speak of your might. **R:**

Let them make known your might to the children of Adam,
and the glorious splendor of your kingdom.
Your kingdom is a kingdom for all ages,
and your dominion endures through all generations. **R:**

SECOND READING

Revelation 21: 1-5a

Then I, John, saw a new heaven and a new earth. The former heaven and the former earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. I also saw the holy city, a new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband.

I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, "Behold, God's dwelling is with the human race. He will dwell with them and they will be his people and God himself will always be with them as their God. He will wipe every tear from their eyes, and there shall be no more death or mourning, wailing or pain, for the old order has passed away."

The One who sat on the throne said, "Behold, I make all things new."

The Word of the Lord.

R: Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION- ALLELUIA

GOSPEL

John 13: 31-33a, 34-35

When Judas had left them, Jesus said, "Now is the Son of Man glorified, and God is glorified in him. If God is glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself, and God will glorify him at once.

My children, I will be with you only a little while longer. I give you a new commandment: love one another. As I have loved you, so you also should love one another. This is how all will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."

The Gospel of the Lord.

R: Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.

HOMILY

PROFESSION OF 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, and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary and became man. 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.

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

PREPARATION OF THE ALTAR AND GIFTS

OFFERTORY

During this part of the Mass, we give thanks to God for our many blessings and bring gifts to the Altar. This is also the time of the Mass reserved to make our weekly donation. For your convenience, you can scan the QR code provided here for our new online giving platform, PushPay. Thank you for your generosity.



HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts,
Heaven and earth are full of your glory,
Hosanna in the highest,
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord
Hosanna in the highest.

EUCCHARISTIC ACCLAMATIONS

THE COMMUNION RITE

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name;
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread,
and forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.

LAMB OF GOD

Lamb of God you take away the sins of the world
Have mercy on us (2)
Lamb of God you take away the sins of the world,
Grant us peace.

COMMUNION

BLESSING AND DISMISSAL

Campaign Prayer

We come before you Jesus, grateful for the many blessings you provide for us as individuals and as a family of St. Francis of Assisi. As you instructed your disciples to go and preach the Gospel to all nations, we pray that we may continue to grow in our faith and strengthened by the Sacraments to live out the mission that you gave us (*Matthew 28:16-20*). Heavenly Father, we are grateful for the continued growth in our community and as we fix our hearts and minds toward our future, we ask for your blessing and guidance in our vision for St. Francis for generations to come. May you always continue to give us wisdom, perseverance, clear direction in our discernment and never let us forget the words that you promised your disciples:

“I am with you always, until the end of the age.”

