

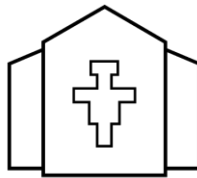
Celebration of the Eucharist

Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

12:30 PM Mass

Liturgy of the Word/Gospel

The Gospel reading is taken from the Gospel of Luke, Mark, Matthew or John. The Gospel is elevated over the other readings and is treated with extra honor and reverence because we encounter Jesus, speaking directly to each of us in his own words. The deacon carries the Book of the Gospels, in a special decorative cover, to the altar in the procession at the beginning of Mass. We stand for the reading of the Gospel. We sing Alleluia (meaning praise God in Hebrew) in joyful anticipation of the Gospel reading. The Book of Gospels is carried from the altar to the ambo before the reading. Only a priest or deacon, symbolizing the Church, proclaims the Gospel. We sign our forehead, lips and hearts before the reading begins showing our desire to receive the Word in our mind, proclaim it from our lips and keep it in our hearts. All these actions are expressions of the importance and our reverence for The Gospel. In the Gospels Jesus is shown to be the fulfillment of the promises of the Old Testament. We deepen our faith through encounter with Jesus and his teachings. He gives us guidance on how to live holy lives through his words and example.



ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI
CATHOLIC CHURCH

August 17th, 2025

INTRODUCTORY RITES

OPENING HYMN

Raise a Hallelujah

I raise a hallelujah in the presence of my enemies

I raise a hallelujah louder than the unbelief

I raise a hallelujah my weapon is a melody

I raise a hallelujah Heaven comes to fight for me

I'm going to sing in the middle of the storm louder and louder

You're going to hear my praises roar up from the ashes

Hope will arise Death is defeated The King is alive

I raise a hallelujah with everything inside of me

I raise a hallelujah I will watch the darkness flee

I raise a hallelujah in the middle of the mystery

I raise a hallelujah fear you lost your hold on me

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GREETING

PENITENTIAL RITE

GLORIA

R: Gloria in excelsis Deo, in excelsis Deo 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 Oh God, almighty Father. **R:**

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. **R:**

For You alone are the Holy One for You alone are the Lord
For You alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ
With the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen **R:**

COLLECT

LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING

Jeremiah 38: 4 -6, 8 - 10

In those days, the princes said to the king: "Jeremiah ought to be put to death; he is demoralizing the soldiers who are left in this city, and all the people, by speaking such things to them; he is not interested in the welfare of our people, but in their ruin." King Zedekiah answered: "He is in your power"; for the king could do nothing with them. And so, they took Jeremiah and threw him into the cistern of Prince Malachiah, which was in the quarters of the guard, letting him down with ropes. There was no water in the cistern, only mud, and Jeremiah sank into the mud. Ebed-Melech, a court official, went there from the palace and said to him: "My lord king, these men have been at fault in all they have done to the prophet Jeremiah, casting him into the cistern. He will die of famine on the spot, for there is no more food in the city." Then the king ordered Ebed-Melech the Cushite to take three men along with him and draw the prophet Jeremiah out of the cistern before he should die.
The Word of the Lord.

R: Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 40: 2, 3, 4, 18

R: Lord, come to my aid!

I have waited, waited for the LORD,
and he stooped toward me. **R:**

The LORD heard my cry.
He drew me out of the pit of
destruction,
out of the mud of the swamp;
he set my feet upon a crag;
he made firm my steps. **R:**

And he put a new song into my
mouth,
a hymn to our God.

Many shall look on in awe
and trust in the LORD. **R:**

Though I am afflicted and poor,
yet the LORD thinks of me.
You are my help and my deliverer;
O my God, hold not back! **R:**

SECOND READING

Hebrews 12: 1 – 4

Brothers and sisters:

Since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us rid ourselves of every burden and sin that clings to us and persevere in running the race that lies before us while keeping our eyes fixed on Jesus, the leader and perfecter of faith. For the sake of the joy that lay before him he endured the cross, despising its shame, and has taken his seat at the right of the throne of God. Consider how he endured such opposition from sinners, in order that you may not grow weary and lose heart. In your struggle against sin you have not yet resisted to the point of shedding blood.

The Word of the Lord.

R: Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION- ALLELUIA

GOSPEL

Luke 12: 49 - 53

Jesus said to his disciples:

"I have come to set the earth on fire, and how I wish it were already blazing! There is a baptism with which I must be baptized, and how great is my anguish until it is accomplished! Do you think that I have come to establish peace on the earth? No, I tell you, but rather division. From now on a household of five will be divided, three against two and two against three; a father will be divided against his son and a son against his father, a mother against her daughter and a daughter against her mother, a mother-in-law against her daughter-in-law and a daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law."

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.



Goodness of God

I love You Lord
Oh, Your mercy never fails me
All my days
I've been held in Your hands
From the moment that I wake up
Until I lay my head
I will sing of the goodness of God

**All my life You have been faithful
All my life
You have been so so good
With every breath
That I am able
I will sing of the goodness of God**

I love Your voice
You have led me through the fire
In darkest nights
You are close like no other
I've known You as a Father
I've known You as a Friend
I have lived in the goodness of God

Your goodness is running after
It's running after me
Your goodness is running after
It's running after me
With my life laid down
I'm surrendered now
I give You everything
Your goodness is running after
It's running after me

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HOLY, HOLY, HOLY
EUCCHARISTIC ACCLAMATIONS
THE COMMUNION RITE
THE LORD'S PRAYER
LAMB OF GOD
COMMUNION

Wherever You Lead

I'm done trusting in what's sinking
These boats weren't built for me
I'm done drifting on the water of insecurity
In the noise and the distractions
In the storms of arguing
I hear Your voice calling

I'm going to fix my eyes on Jesus
Walking with the One who walks on the sea
Oh, I'm going to give my life to follow
Speak to me and I'll go wherever You lead

I'm done worshipping an image
Of what only looks like me
Surrounding You with limits of what my eyes can see
God would You forgive me restore the mystery
I hear Your voice calling calling

Wherever You go wherever You lead
That's where I'll go that's where I'll be
The moment You call the second You speak
That's when I'll go step out and believe

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BLESSING AND DISMISSAL

Running To The Light

You can have my yes with no exception
I'm laying down my right to second guessing
You can have my yes
I'm giving You my fear of never knowing
Whatever's coming next I know You've got me
You can have my yes

You're the lamp You're the light
You're the cloud that guides me
You're the way You're the truth
You're the life inside me
You conquered my fears
So, I leave it all behind
I'm running to the light

I'm giving You my dreams and my ambitions
Your presence is my prize and my provision
I'll answer when You ask
Oh, who could come against if You are for me
Cause even in the fire I know You've got me
I'm giving You my yes again

Oh, wherever You are
Wherever You want to go
I'll follow You

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