

April 3, 2022
Fifth Sunday of Lent



Saint Matthew Ecumenical Catholic Church

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ALL ARE WELCOME!

OUR ORDER OF WORSHIP
(a liturgical aid to today's Mass)
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INTRODUCTORY RITES

Gathering Song: **LORD, LET YOUR MERCY FLOW**

Refrain:

***Lord, let your mercy, your mercy flow
from the mountain, through the river, to the valley below.
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from the mountain, through the river, to the valley below.***

1. We seek you, Lord, while you may be found,
call on you while you near.
How shall we make a return to the Lord?
Show us your face.

Refrain

*Priest sings: In the name of the Father,
and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.*

ALL: AMEN.

*Priest: the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God
and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.*

ALL: AND ALSO WITH YOU.

*Priest: We rely on the redeeming mercy of God.
And so we call out to Christ, our compassionate Saviour.*

SUNG RESPONSE:

LORD, HAVE MERCY. CHRIST HAVE MERCY. LORD HAVE MERCY

at end of each verse and last time ALL SING:

HEAR US, HEAR US.

Priest: Let us pray...with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

ALL : A -MEN, A-MEN, A-MEN, A-MEN, A-MEN.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

A Reading from the Book of the Prophet Isaiah (43:16-21)

Psalm Response:

**"Remember your love and your faithfulness, O Lord.
Remember your people and have mercy on us, Lord."**

A Reading from the letter of Saint Paul to the Philippians (3:4-14)
Gospel Acclamation

Praise To You, Lord, Jesus Christ
PRAISE TO YOU, LORD, JESUS CHRIST,
KING OF ENDLESS GLORY! (repeat)

Verse is sung; after verse: repeat above.

The Gospel Reading

Priest: A reading from the holy gospel according to John (8:1-11)

All: Glory to you, Lord.

The gospel is read. When the reading is over:

Deacon/Priest: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All Sing: PRAISE TO YOU, LORD JESUS CHRIST;
KING OF ENDLESS GLORY! (repeat)

Homily

Prayer of the Faithful

Sign Of Peace

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Song at Offertory: PURIFY MY HEART (Refiner's Fire)

**1. Purify my heart,
let me be as gold
and precious silver.
Purify my heart,
let me be as gold,
pure gold.**

Refrain
**Refiner's fire,
my heart's one desire
is to be holy,
set apart for you, Lord.
I choose to be holy,
set apart for you, my master,
ready to do your will.**

**2. Purify my heart,
cleans me from within
and make me holy.
Purify my heart,
cleans me from my sin,
deep within.**

**3. Like the father blest with wisdom,
let forgiveness be our truth,
so that all your long-lost children
may come home to live with you**

Refrain

Eucharistic Prayer

Introductory Dialogue

Preface

**The Holy
Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might.
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna! Hosanna, in the highest.
Blest is he, blest is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna! Hosanna, in the highest.**

Words of Consecration:

**"TAKE THIS, ALL OF YOU, AND EAT IT. THIS IS MY BODY
WHICH WILL BE GIVEN UP FOR YOU."**

**"TAKE THIS, ALL OF YOU, AND DRINK FROM IT.
THIS IS THE CUP OF MY BLOOD, THE BLOOD OF THE NEW AND
EVERLASTING COVENANT. IT WILL BE SHED FOR YOU AND FOR
ALL SO THAT SINS MAY BE FORGIVEN. DO THIS IN MEMORY OF
ME."**

The Eucharistic Prayer continues...

The Memorial Acclamation

Cantor: As grain is transformed into the bread we eat,

ALL: AS GRAIN IS TRANSFORMED INTO THE BREAD WE EAT,

Cantor: And grapes are transformed into the wine we drink,

ALL: AND GRAPES ARE TRANSFORMED

INTO THE WINE WE DRINK,

Cantor: We share in your death; **ALL: WE SHARE IN YOUR DEATH**

Cantor: We share in your life; **ALL: WE SHARE IN YOUR LIFE;**

Cantor: Until we are transformed into your glory.

ALL: UNTIL WE ARE TRANSFORMED INTO YOUR GLORY.

The Eucharistic Prayer continues, then concludes with:

Doxology & Great Amen

Through him, with him, and in him,

in the unity of the Holy Spirit,

all glory and honor is yours, Almighty Father, forever and ever.

Amen! Amen! Amen!

COMMUNION RITE

The Lord's Prayer

Lamb of God

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, grant us peace.**

*Celebrant: Behold the Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world.
Happy are they to be called to this supper.*

**ALL: LORD, I AM NOT WORTHY TO RECEIVE YOU, BUT ONLY SAY
THE WORD AND I SHALL BE HEALED.**

Celebrant: May the body and blood.....

ALL: AMEN

Communion

On Spiritual Communion by Mother Diane Smith

God loves us so much that He reaches out to us in Spiritual Communion. St. Teresa of Avila, mystic and doctor of the church, says, "When you do not receive Communion and you do not attend Mass, you can make a Spiritual Communion, which is a most beneficial practice; by it the love of God will be greatly impressed on you."

This prayer is commonly used by those seeking Spiritual Communion: "My Jesus, I believe that you are truly present in the Blessed Sacrament of the Altar. I love you above all things, and long for you in my soul. Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. As though you have already come, I embrace you and unite myself entirely to you; never permit me to be separated from you. Amen." (St. Alphonsus de Liguori, 1696-1787)

Communion Song: IN THIS RECONCILIATION

**1. By the grace of forgiveness,
by the wisdom of your truth,
by the comfort of your presence,
we shall learn to follow you.
In this reconciliation,
may our lives be made anew.
Grant us peace, holy Lord, grant us peace.**

**2. Though not worthy to receive you,
you receive us as your own.
Though we wander far away from you,
you always call us home.
In this moment of forgiveness,
you have made your love be known.
Grant us peace, holy Lord, grant us peace.**

Refrain

**Forgive us, Lord. Forgive us, Lord.
Forgive our sins, forgive our deeds.
Forgive our words, forgive our hearts.
With love outpoured, forgive us, Lord.**

**3. By the grace of forgiveness,
by the wisdom of your truth,
by the comfort of your presence,
we shall learn to follow you.
In this reconciliation,
may our lives be made anew.
Grant us peace, holy Lord, grant us peace.
Grant us peace, holy Lord, grant us peace.**

CONCLUDING RITE

Communion Meditation

Dismissal

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2. We will go out with glad shouts of joy,
and be led forth in peace.
Mountains and hills and the trees of the fields
burst into song.

Refrain

May your week be full of blessings!