

Welcome to Saint Matthew Ecumenical Catholic Church!
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The Feast of the Assumption of Mary



**We are an emergent church,
practicing an ancient faith in new ways;
a church of inclusivity where
ALL ARE WELCOME!**

+Peter Hickman

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

INTRODUCTORY RITES

Gathering Song: SING OF MARY

**1. Sing of Mary, pure and lowly,
Virgin mother undefiled,
Sing of God's own Son most holy,
Who became her little child.
Fairest child of fairest mother,
God the Lord who came to earth,
Word made flesh, our very brother,
Takes our nature by his birth.**

**2. Sing of Jesus, son of Mary,
In the home at Nazareth.
Toil and labor cannot weary
Love enduring unto death.
Constant was the love he gave her,
Though he went forth from her side,
Forth to preach, and heal, and suffer,
Till on Calvary he died.**

**3. Glory be to God the Father;
Glory be to God the Son;
Glory be to God the Spirit;
Glory to the Three in One.
From the heart of blessed Mary,
From all saints the song ascends,
And the Church the strain reechoes
Unto earth's remotest ends.**

Greeting

*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 Communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.*

ALL: AND ALSO WITH YOU.

Presider: Coming together as God's family, with confidence let us ask the Father's forgiveness, for he is full of gentleness and compassion.

All: I confess to almighty God, and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have sinned through my own fault, in my thoughts, and in my words, in what I have done, and in what I have failed to do. And I ask blessed Mary, ever-Virgin, all the Angels and Saints, and you, my brothers and sisters, to pray for me, to the Lord our God.

Presider: Lord Jesus Christ, You are the Son of God and the Son of Mary. Lord, have mercy. **All: Lord, have mercy.**

Presider: Lord Jesus Christ, You are the Eternal Word made Flesh and you dwelt among us.

Christ, have mercy. **All: Christ, have mercy.**

Presider: Lord of Jesus Christ, You are Fully Divine and Fully Human, One in being with the Father and yet, through Mary, sharing our humanity. Lord have mercy. **All: Lord, have mercy.**

Presider: May Almighty God have mercy on us, forgive of our sins, and bring us to that life which is everlasting. **All: Amen.**

Gloria

Refrain: Glory to God in the highest!
Peace to all people on earth.
Glory to God, Glory to God, Glory to God on High!

**1. Lord God, heavenly King,
almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks,
we praise you for your glory. (Refrain)**

**2. Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world,
have mercy upon us.
You are seated at the right hand of the Father,
receive our prayer. (Refrain)**

**3. 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. (Refrain)**

Opening Prayer

LITURGY OF THE WORD

Please be seated

1st Reading from the Book of Revelation (11:19a;12;1-6s,10 AB)

Psalm Response: "And Holy, Holy, Holy is His name. "

2nd Reading from the First Letter of Paul to the Corinthians. (15:20-27)

Gospel Acclamation

please stand

Al le lu ia. Al le lu ia.

The Gospel Reading

Priest: A reading from the holy gospel according to Luke (1: 39-56)

All: Glory to you, Lord.

The gospel is read. When the reading is over:

Deacon/Priest: The Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

All: Al le lu ia. Al le lu ia..

Homily

please be seated

LITANY OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

Presider: Lord, have mercy on us.

All: Lord, have mercy on us.

Presider: Christ, have mercy on us.

All: Christ, have mercy on us.

Presider: Lord, have mercy on us.

All: Lord, have mercy on us.

Presider: Christ, hear us.

All: Christ, graciously hear us.

Presider: God the Father of Heaven,

All: Have mercy on us.

Presider: God the Son, Redeemer of the world,

All: Have mercy on us.

Presider: God the Holy Spirit,

All: Have mercy on us.

Presider: Holy Trinity, one God,

All: Have mercy on us.

Reader 1: Holy Mary, Mother of God,

All: Pray for us.

Reader 2: Holy Mother of Jesus Christ,

All: Pray for us.

Reader 1: Holy Mother of Christ our Creator,

All: Pray for us.

Reader 2: Holy Mother of Jesus our Savior,

All: Pray for us.

Reader 1: Holy Mother of Christ our Redeemer,

All: Pray for us.

Reader 2: Holy Mother of Jesus our Healer,

All: Pray for us.

Reader 1: Holy Mother most pure and undefiled,

All: Pray for us.

Reader 2: Holy Mother of good counsel,

All: Pray for us.

Reader 1: Holy Mother most prudent and wise,

All: Pray for us.

Reader 2: Holy Mother most venerable and renowned,

All: Pray for us.

Reader 1: Holy Mother most blessed and merciful,

All: Pray for us.

Reader 2: Holy Mother most humble and faithful,

All: Pray for us.

Reader 1: Holy Mary, Mirror of justice,

All: Pray for us.

Reader 2: Holy Mary, Seat of wisdom,

All: Pray for us.

Reader 1: Holy Mary, Cause of our joy,

All: Pray for us.

Reader 2: Holy Mary, Vessel of honor,

All: Pray for us.

Reader 1: Holy Mary, Mystical rose,

All: Pray for us.

Reader 2: Holy Mary, Daughter of Israel,

All: Pray for us.

Reader 1: Holy Mary, Ark of the Covenant,

All: Pray for us.

Reader 2: Holy Mary, woman clothed with the sun,

All: Pray for us.

Reader 1: Holy Mary, woman with the moon under her feet,

All: Pray for us.

Reader 2: Holy Mary, Bright and morning star,

All: Pray for us.

Reader 1: Holy Mary, Hope of the sick,

All: Pray for us.

Reader 2: Holy Mary, Refuge of sinners,

All: Pray for us.

Reader 1: Holy Mary, Comforter of the afflicted,

All: Pray for us.

Reader 2: Holy Mary, Help of Christians,

All: Pray for us.

Reader 1: Holy Mary, woman crowned with the twelve stars;

All: Pray for us.

Reader 2: Mary, Queen of angels and archangels,

All: Pray for us.

Reader 1: Mary, Queen of patriarchs and matriarchs,

All: Pray for us.

Reader 2: Mary, Queen of prophets and priests,

All: Pray for us.

Reader 1: Mary, Queen of apostles and evangelists,

All: Pray for us.

Reader 2: Mary, Queen of martyrs and confessors,

All: Pray for us.

Reader 1: Mary, Queen of all saints, holy men and women,

All: Pray for us.

Reader 2: Mary, Queen assumed into Heaven,

All: Pray for us.

Reader 1: Mary, Queen of Heaven, Queen of Peace,

All: Pray for us.

Presider: Pray for us, O Holy Mother of God,

All: That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

Presider: Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee, blessed are you among women and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus,

All: Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners now and at the hour of our death. Amen.

*Presider: Grant, O Lord our God, that we, Your Servants may enjoy perpetual health of mind and body and by the glorious intercession of the Blessed Virgin Mary, be delivered from present sorrow and enjoy eternal happiness, through Christ our Lord **ALL: Amen.***

Sign Of Peace: Lord, Jesus Christ you said to your apostles my peace.....

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

ALL: AND ALSO WITH YOU.

Deacon: Let us offer one another a sign of peace

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

The Giving of our Gifts

(please be seated)

Offertory Song: : CANTICLE OF THE TURNING

1. My soul cries out with a joyful shout
that the God of my heart is great,
And my spirit sings of the wondrous things
that you bring to the ones who wait.
You fixed your sight on your servant's plight,
and my weakness you did not spurn,
So from east to west shall my name be blest.
Could the world be about to turn?

Refrain

My heart shall sing of the day you bring.
Let the fires of your justice burn.
Wipe away all tears, for the dawn draws near,
and the world is about to turn!

2. Though I am small, my God, my all,
you work great things in me,
And your mercy will last from the depths of the past
to the end of the age to be.
Your very name puts the proud to shame,
and to those who would for you yearn,
You will show your might, put the strong to flight
for the world is about to turn.

Refrain

3. From the halls of power to the fortress tower,
not a stone will be left on stone.
Let the king beware for your justice tears
ev'ry tyrant from his throne.
The hungry poor shall weep no more,
for the food they can never earn;
There are tables spread, ev'ry mouth be fed,
for the world is about to turn.

Refrain

Presider: Pray my brothers and sisters that our sacrifice.....

**ALL: MAY THE LORD ACCEPT THE SACRIFICE AT YOUR HANDS, FOR THE PRAISE
AND THE GLORY OF GOD'S NAME, FOR OUR GOOD AND THE GOOD OF ALL GOD'S
CHURCH.**

Eucharistic Prayer

Introductory Dialogue

Preface

Presider: The Lord be with you. ALL: AND ALSO WITH YOU.

Presider: Lift up your hearts.

ALL: WE LIFT THEM UP TO THE LORD.

Presider: Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.

ALL: IT IS RIGHT TO GIVE GOD THANKS AND PRAISE.

Holy

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might.

Heaven and earth are filled with your glory.

Hosanna on high!

Blessed is he who comes in the name,

who comes in the name of the Lord.

Heaven and earth are filled with your glory.

Hosanna on high!

The Eucharistic Prayer continues...

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 Memorial Acclamation

Christ has died, Christ is Risen, Christ will come again!

The Eucharistic Prayer continues, then concludes with:

Doxology & Great Amen

Through him, with him, in him,

in the unity of the Holy Spirit,

all glory and honor is yours, Almighty Father,

forever and ever.

Amen! Amen! Amen! Amen! Amen! Amen!

COMMUNION RITE

The Lord's Prayer

Lamb of God

O, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world,
have mercy on us.

O, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world,
have mercy on us.

O, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world,
grant us your 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 of Christ..... **ALL: AMEN**

COMMUNION

Communion Song: **O MOTHER OF JESUS**

1. O Mother of Jesus, of all mothers blest,
to you may our praises and prayers be addressed.
AVE MARIA, AVE MARIA! AVE MARIA, AVE MARIA!

2. O Mary, you trusted God's promise was true,
and wisdom eternal was made flesh in you.
AVE MARIA, AVE MARIA! AVE MARIA, AVE MARIA!

3. You treasured in faith and in love all you heard;
your heart and your body gave birth to God's Word.
AVE MARIA, AVE MARIA! AVE MARIA, AVE MARIA!

4. When time claimed your body and held your last breath,
God raised you to glory, beyond pain and death.
AVE MARIA, AVE MARIA! AVE MARIA, AVE MARIA!

5. O Mary, all beautiful clothed in the sun,
With you many we share in the vict'ry Christ won.
AVE MARIA, AVE MARIA! AVE MARIA, AVE MARIA!

CONCLUDING RITE

Dismissal

Closing Song: **ALLELUIA! ALLELUIA! LET THE HOLY ANTHEM RISE**

1. Alleluia! Alleluia! Let the holy anthem rise,
and the choirs of heaven chant it
in the temple of the skies;
let the mountain skip with gladness,
and the joyful valleys ring
with hosannas in the highest to our Savior and our King!

2. Alleluia! Alleluia! Like the sun from out the wave,
he has risen up in triumph
from the darkness of the grave.
He's the splendor of the nations,
he's the lamp of endless day;
he's the very Lord of glory who is risen up today!

3. Alleluia! Alleluia! Blessed Jesus, make us rise
from the life of this corruption
to the life that never dies.
May your glory be our portion,
when the days of time are past,
and the dead shall be awakened
by the trumpet's mighty blast!

Have a blessed week!