

WELCOME
TO
SAINT MATTHEW ECUMENICAL CATHOLIC
CHURCH

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The Feast of All Saints & All Souls



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 INTRODUCTORY RITES

Gathering Song: BE NOT AFRAID

1. You shall cross the barren desert, but you shall not die of thirst.
You shall wander far in safety though you do not know the way.
You shall speak your words in foreign lands
and all will understand.
You shall see the face of God and live.

Refrain:
Be not afraid.
I go before you always.
Come follow me, and
I will give you rest.

2. Blessed are your poor, for the kingdom shall be theirs.
Blest are you that weep and mourn, for one day you shall laugh.
And if wicked men insult and hate you all because of me, blessed,
blessed are you!

Greeting Penitential Rite (Lord Have Mercy)

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

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 teach us how to pray: Lord have mercy!

All: Lord, have mercy!

Presider: Lord Jesus Christ, You intercede for us at the right hand of your Father: Christ, have mercy!

All: Christ, have mercy

Presider: Lord Jesus Christ, You assure us that God hears all our prayers: Lord, have mercy!

All: Lord, have mercy!

Priest: May almighty God have mercy on us.....
and lead us to everlasting life

ALL: Amen

Gloria

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

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 on us.
You are seated at the right hand of the Father,
receive our prayer. (Refrain)*

*3. 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. (Refrain)*

Opening Prayer

Deacon: Let us pray,
Presider: Loving God,
Through the death of your Son, Jesus,
You destroy death;
By the rising of Jesus from the dead,
You raise us to eternal life.
Grant that the souls of all our loved ones, who put their trust in you,
be given a share in the eternal glory of your Son, Jesus,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God forever and
ever.

ALL: Amen

LITURGY OF THE WORD

please be seated

First Reading from the book of Ecclesiastes (3: 1-8)

Psalm Response:

*"Shepherd Me, O God, beyond my wants,
beyond my fears, from death into life."*

Second Reading from the Second Letter of Paul to the Corinthians
(2 Cor 4: 6-12, 14-18; 5:1-10)

Gospel Acclamation

please stand

Alleluia, The Gospel

In the beginning was the Word of God
and the Word was with God and was God..
And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us and we beheld
His Glory.

Alleluia! The Gospel of the Lord has come to us.

Al le lu ia. Al le lu ia.

The Gospel Reading
Deacon/ Priest: A reading from the Holy Gospel
according to Matthew (5:1-12a)

All: Glory to you, Lord.

The gospel is read. When the reading is over:

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

All:

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

(REPEAT ABOVE)

Homily

LITANY OF THE SAINTS

CANTOR: Lord, have mercy.

ALL: LORD, HAVE MERCY

Christ, have mercy.

ALL: CHRIST, HAVE MERCY.

Lord, have mercy.

ALL: LORD, HAVE MERCY.

During each Verse (Calling of the Saints & Loved Ones)

ALL SING: PRAY FOR US.....

At end of each verse

ALL SING: ALL YOU HOLY MEN AND WOMEN PRAY FOR US

Verse beginning with LORD, BE MERCIFUL....

ALL SING: SAVE YOUR PEOPLE

At end of verse:

CHRIST HEAR US, LORD, JESUS HEAR OUR PRAYER

Verse beginning with LORD, GIVE NEW LIFE

ALL SING: HEAR OUR PRAYER.....

At end of verse:

CHRIST HEAR US, LORD, JESUS HEAR OUR PRAYER

The Sign of Peace

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Presider: Lord Jesus Christ, you said to your apostles....

...where you live forever and ever. ALL: AMEN.

Presider: The Peace of the Lord be with you always.

ALL: AND ALSO WITH YOU.

Presider: Let us offer one another a sign of peace!

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

The Giving of our Gifts

Presider: Blessed are you, Lord, God of all creation.

Through your goodness we have this bread to offer, which earth has given and human hands have made. It will become for us the bread of life.

ALL: BLESSED BE GOD FOREVER!

Presider: Blessed are you, Lord, God of all creation. Through your goodness we have this wine to offer, fruit of the vine and work of human hands. It will become our cup of salvation.

ALL: BLESSED BE GOD FOREVER!

Our Offertory Song: FLY LIKE A BIRD

Refrain

Fly like a bird to the Lord, my soul.
I want to soar like an eagle.
Though I may journey far away from home,
I know I'll never be alone.

Refrain

1. O God, you know who I am.
You know my hopes and my dreams.
In my pondering and fears,
in my joy and in my tears,
O God, your presence is real.

Refrain

2. Where can I run from your love?
Where can I hide from my God?
From the dawn of morning's light
to the darkness of the night,
O God, your presence is real.

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 GODS' 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.

The Eucharistic Prayer continues....

*Presider: Pray, my brothers and sisters, that our sacrifice
may be acceptable to God, who is for us both Mother and Father.*
**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**

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

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
*When we eat this bread and drink this cup,
we proclaim your death Lord, Jesus,
until you come again, until you come again.*

Doxology
*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. Alleluia! Amen.*

COMMUNION RITE

The Lord's Prayer

Lamb of God

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world.

Have mercy on us. Have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world.

have mercy on us. have mercy on us.

Oh Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world.

Grant us peace. Grant us peace.

Communion Song: COME TO THE WATER

O let all who thirst let them come to the water
And let all who have nothing let them come to the Lord
Without money, without price
Why should you pay the price except for the Lord?

And let all who seek let them come to the water
And let all who have nothing let them come to the Lord
Without money, without strife
Why should you spend your life
Except for the Lord?

And let all who toil let them come to the water
And let all who are weary let them come to the Lord
All who labor without rest
How can your soul find rest
Except for the Lord?

And let all the poor let them come to the water
Bring the ones who are laden bring them all to the Lord

Bring the children without might
Easy the load and light
Come to the Lord
Come to the Lord
Come to the Lord
Come to the Lord
I will run to you, I will run to you
I will run to you my Lord (REPEAT)

CONCLUDING RITE

Prayer after Communion

Dismissal

Closing Song: GO FORTH

Refrain

Go forth, precious souls, from this world in the name of God.
Go forth, go forth, beautiful ones.

Fly away with the angels, with the aid of the holy ones,
to the place where tears are washed away to the place
where love abides. (Refrain)

2. Fly away to the Savior; fly away to the Savior's side,
to the place where mercy reigns,
to the place where love abides. (Refrain)