

St. Mary the Virgin

Anglican Catholic Parish

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The Right Reverend Anthony F. Rasch, Rector

The Rev. Deacon John Yeager, Assisting

The Sunday called Sexagesima or the second Sunday before Lent

8 February 2026

Choral Mass

Processional
Mannheim

Hymn 524
Congregational Church Music, 1853
adapted from Friedrich Filitz, 1847

1. God of grace and God of glo - ry, On thy peo - ple
2. Lo! the hosts of e - vil round us Scorn thy Christ, as -
3. Cure thy chil - dren's war - ring mad - ness, Bend our pride to
4. Set our feet on loft - y pla - ces; Gird our lives that
pour thy power; Crown thine an - cient Chur - ch's sto - ry;
sail his ways! From the fears that long have bound us
thy con - trol; Shame our wan - ton, sel - fish glad - ness,
they may be Ar - mored with all Christ - like gra - ces
Bring her bud to glo - rious flower. Grant us wis - dom,
Free our hearts to faith and praise: Grant us wis - dom,
Rich in things and poor in soul. Grant us wis - dom,
In the fight to set men free. Grant us wis - dom,
grantus cou - rage, For the fa - cing of this hour.
grantus cou - rage, For the liv - ing of these days.
grantus cou - rage, Lest we miss thy king - dom's goal.
grantus cou - rage, That we fail not man nor thee.

A - men.
Harry Emerson Fosdick, 1930, alt.

Collect for Purity

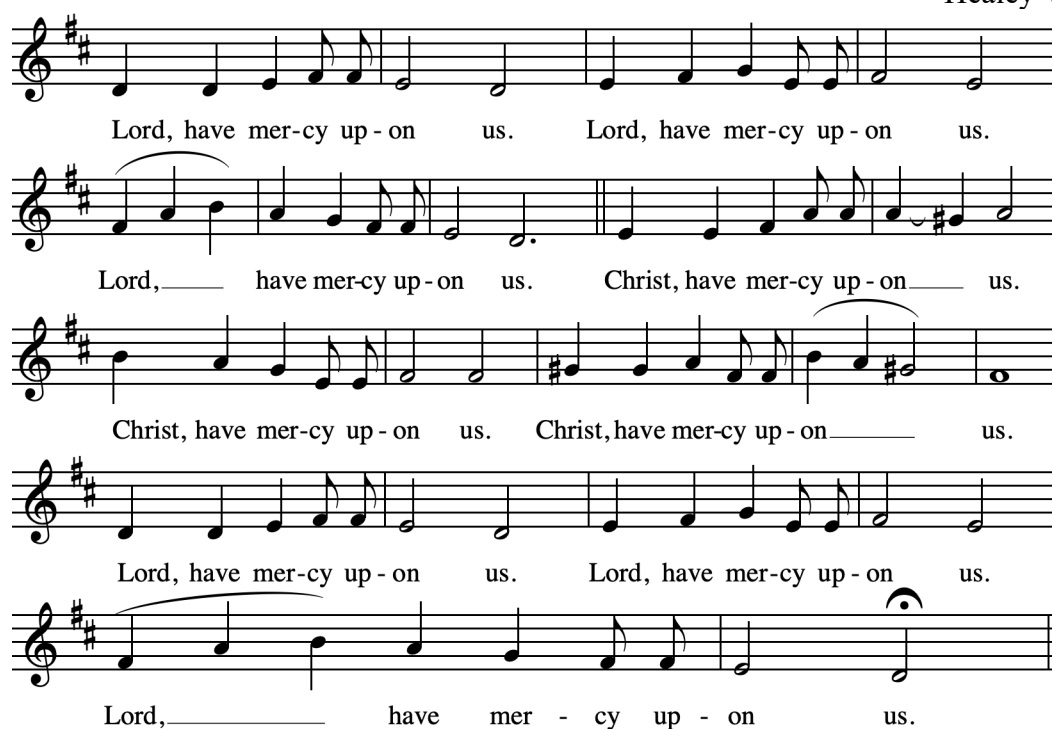
BCP 67

Introit
Summary of the Law

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Kyrie Eleison

Hymn 710
Healey Willan, 1928



Lord, have mer-cy up - on us. Lord, have mer-cy up - on us.

Lord, _____ have mer-cy up - on us. Christ, have mer-cy up - on _____ us.

Christ, have mer-cy up - on us. Christ, have mer-cy up - on _____ us.

Lord, have mer-cy up - on us. Lord, have mer-cy up - on us.

Lord, _____ have mer - cy up - on us.

Gloria in Excelsis

Hymn 739
Old Scottish Chant



Glory be to God on high, and on earth peace, good will towards men.

We praise thee, we bless thee, we wor - ship thee,

we glorify thee, we give thanks to thee for thy great glo - ry,

O Lord God, heav'nly King, God the Father Al - migh - ty.

O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Je - sus Christ;

O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Fa - - - ther,

that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy up - on us.

Thou that takest away the sins of the world, re - ceive our prayer.

Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Fa-ther, have mercy up-on us.

For thou on - ly art ho - ly; Thou on - ly art the Lord;

Thou only, O Christ, with the Ho-ly Ghost, art most high in the glory of God the Fa - ther.

A - - men.

Collect for Sexagesima Sunday

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O LORD God, who seest that we put not our trust in any thing that we do; Mercifully grant that by thy power we may be defended against all adversity; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Prayer for Every Man in his Work

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ALMIGHTY God, our heavenly Father, who declarest thy glory and showest forth thy handiwork in the heavens and in the earth; Deliver us, we beseech thee, in our several callings, from the service of mammon, that we may do the work which thou givest us to do, in truth, in beauty, and in righteousness, with singleness of heart as thy servants, and to the benefit of our fellow men; for the sake of him who came among us as one that serveth, thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

The Lesson

Isaiah 55:6-11

Seek ye the Lord while he may be found, call ye upon him while he is near: Let the wicked forsake his way, and the unrighteous man his thoughts: and let him return unto the Lord, and he will have mercy upon him; and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon. For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways, saith the Lord. For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways, and my thoughts than your thoughts. For as the rain cometh down, and the snow from heaven, and returneth not thither, but watereth the earth, and maketh it bring forth and bud, that it may give seed to the sower, and bread to the

eater: So shall my word be that goeth forth out of my mouth: it shall not return unto me void, but it shall accomplish that which I please, and it shall prosper in the thing whereto I sent it.

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PRAISE the LORD, ye servants; * O praise the Name of the LORD.

² Blessed be the Name of the LORD * from this time forth for evermore.

³ The LORD'S Name is praised * from the rising up of the sun unto the going down of the same.

⁴ The LORD is high above all nations, * and his glory above the heavens.

⁵ Who is like unto the LORD our God, that hath his dwelling so high, * and yet humbleth himself to behold the things that are in heaven and earth!

⁶ He taketh up the simple out of the dust, * and lifteth the poor out of the mire;

⁷ That he may set him with the princes, * even with the princes of his people.

⁸ He maketh the barren woman to keep house, * and to be a joyful mother of children.

Celebrant: Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;

All: As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be; world without end. Amen.

The Epistle

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BRETHREN: Ye suffer fools gladly, seeing ye yourselves are wise. For ye suffer, if a man bring you into bondage, if a man devour you, if a man take of you, if a man exalt himself, if a man smite you on the face. I speak as concerning reproach, as though we had been weak. Howbeit whereinsoever any is bold, (I speak foolishly,) I am bold also. Are they Hebrews? so am I. Are they Israelites? so am I. Are they the seed of Abraham? so am I. Are they ministers of Christ? (I speak as a fool) I am more; in labours more abundant, in stripes above measure, in prisons more frequent, in deaths oft. Of the Jews five times received I forty stripes save one. Thrice was I beaten with rods, once was I stoned, thrice I suffered shipwreck, a night and a day I have been in the deep; in journeyings often, in perils of waters, in perils of robbers, in perils by mine own countrymen, in perils by the heathen, in perils in the city, in perils in the wilderness, in perils in the sea, in perils among false brethren; in weariness and painfulness, in watchings often, in hunger and thirst, in fastings often, in cold and nakedness. Beside those things that are without, that which cometh upon me daily, the care of all the churches. Who is weak, and I am not weak? who is offended, and I burn not? If I must needs glory, I will glory of the things which concern mine infirmities. The God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, which is blessed for evermore, knoweth that I lie not.

Gradual and Tract

The Gospel

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Glo - ry be to thee, O Lord.

AT that time; When much people were gathered together, and were come to him out of every city, Jesus spake by a parable: A sower went out to sow his seed: and as he sowed, some fell by the way-side; and it was trodden down, and the fowls of the air devoured it. And some fell upon a rock; and as soon as it was sprung up, it withered away, because it lacked moisture. And some fell among thorns; and the thorns sprang up with it, and choked it. And other fell on good

ground, and sprang up, and bare fruit an hundredfold. And when he had said these things, he cried, He that hath ears to hear, let him hear. And his disciples asked him, saying, What might this parable be? And he said, Unto you it is given to know the mysteries of the kingdom of God: but to others in parables; that seeing they might not see, and hearing they might not understand. Now the parable is this: The seed is the word of God. Those by the way-side are they that hear; then cometh the devil, and taketh away the word out of their hearts, lest they should believe and be saved. They on the rock are they, which, when they hear, receive the word with joy; and these have no root, which for a while believe, and in time of temptation fall away. And that which fell among thorns are they, which, when they have heard, go forth, and are choked with cares and riches and pleasures of this life, and bring no fruit to perfection. But that on the good ground are they, which in an honest and good heart, having heard the word, keep it, and bring forth fruit with patience.



Praise - be to thee, O Christ.

Nicene Creed

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I BELIEVE in one God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, And of all things visible and invisible:

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God; Begotten of his Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, Very God of very God; Begotten, not made; Being of one substance with the Father; By whom all things were made: Who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven, And was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary, And was made man: And was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate; He suffered and was buried: And the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures: And ascended into heaven, And sitteth on the right hand of the Father: And he shall come again, with glory, to judge both the quick and the dead; Whose kingdom shall have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Ghost, The Lord, and Giver of Life, Who proceedeth from the Father and the Son; Who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified; Who spake by the Prophets: And I believe one Catholic and Apostolic Church: I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins: And I look for the Resurrection of the dead: And the Life of the world to come. *Amen.*

Announcements

Installation of the 2026 Parish Treasurer and Clerk

Sermon Hymn
Weymouth

Hymn **401**
Theodore P. Ferris, 1941



Be - hold a Sow - er! from a - far He go - eth forth with
O Lord of life, to thee we lift Our hearts in praise for
Shine forth, O Light, that we may see, With hearts all un - a -
Light up thy word; the fet - tered page From kill - ing bond - age



might; The roll - ing years his fur - rows are, His
those, Thy pro - phets, who have shown thy gift Of
fraid, The mean - ing and the mys - ter - y Of
free: Light up our way; lead forth this age In



seed the grow - ing light; For all the just his word is sown, It
grace that ev - er grows, Of truth that spreads from shore to shore, Of
things that thou hast made: Shine forth, and let the dark - ling past Be -
love's large li - ber - ty. O Light of Light! with - in us dwell, Through



spring - eth up al - way; The ten - der blade is
wis - dom's wide - ning ray, Of light that shin - eth
neath thy beam grow bright; Shine forth, and touch the
us thy ra - diance pour, That word and life thy



hope's young dawn, The har - vest, love's new day. A - men.
more and more Un - to thy per - fect day.
fu - ture vast With thine un - trou - bled light.
truths may tell, And praise thee ev - er - more.

Washington Gladden, 1904

Sermon

The Rt. Rev. Anthony F. Rasch

Offertory Verse and Sentences

Offertory Hymn
Maryton

Hymn 572
H. Percy Smith, 1874



1. O Mas - ter, let me walk with thee In low - ly
2. Help me the slow of heart to move By some clear,
3. Teach me thy pa - tience; still with thee In clo - ser,
4. In hope that sends a shi - ning ray Far down the



paths of ser - vice free; Tell me thy se - cret; help me
win - ning word of love; Teach me the way - ward feet to
dear - er com - pa - ny, In work that keeps faith sweet and
fu - ture's broad - 'ning way, In peace that on - ly thou canst



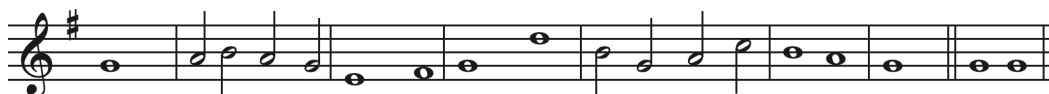
bear The strain of toil, the fret of care. A - men.
stay, And guide them in the home - ward way.
strong, In trust that tri - umphs o - ver wrong,
give, With thee, O Mas - ter, let me live.

Washington Gladden, 1879

Doxology (Hymnal 139, 1st verse)



Praise God, from whom all bless-ings flow; Praise him, all crea-tures here be - low;



Praise him above, ye heav'n-ly host: Praise Father, Son, and Ho-ly Ghost. Amen.

Bidding Prayers

Orate, Fratres

Celebrant: Brethren, pray that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God the Father Almighty.

People: The Lord receive this sacrifice at thy hands, to the praise and glory of his Name; both to our benefit and that of all his holy Church. *Amen.*

Prayer for the Whole State of Christ's Church

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General Confession

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ALMIGHTY God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, Maker of all things, Judge of all men; We acknowledge and bewail our manifold sins and wickedness, Which we, from time to time, most grievously have committed, By thought, word, and deed, Against thy Divine Majesty, Provoking most justly thy wrath and indignation against us. We do earnestly repent, And are heartily sorry for these our misdoings; The remembrance of them is grievous unto us; The burden of them is intolerable. Have mercy upon us, Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; For thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, Forgive us all that is past; And grant that we may ever hereafter Serve

and please thee In newness of life, To the honour and glory of thy Name; Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Absolution

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The Comfortable Words

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Sursum Corda

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Priest The Lord be with you. *All* And with thy spirit.

Priest Lift up your hearts.

All We lift them up unto the Lord.

Priest Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

All It is meet and right so to do.

Preface

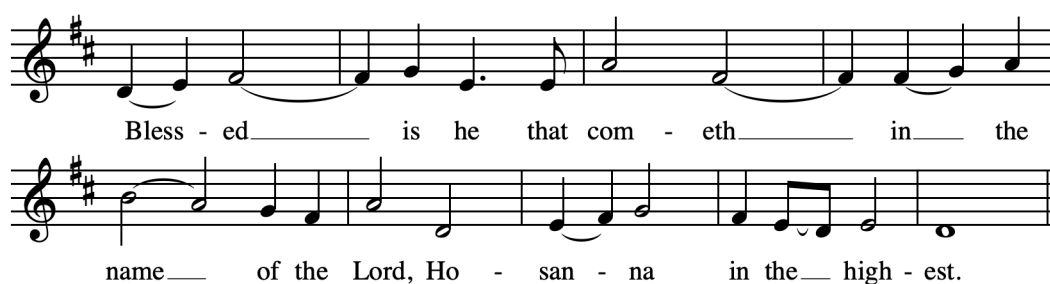
Sanctus and Benedictus

Hymn 797
Healey Willan, 1928

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, Lord God of hosts,

heav-en and earth are full of thy glo - ry:

Glo - - - ry be to thee, oh Lord most High.



Prayer of Consecration

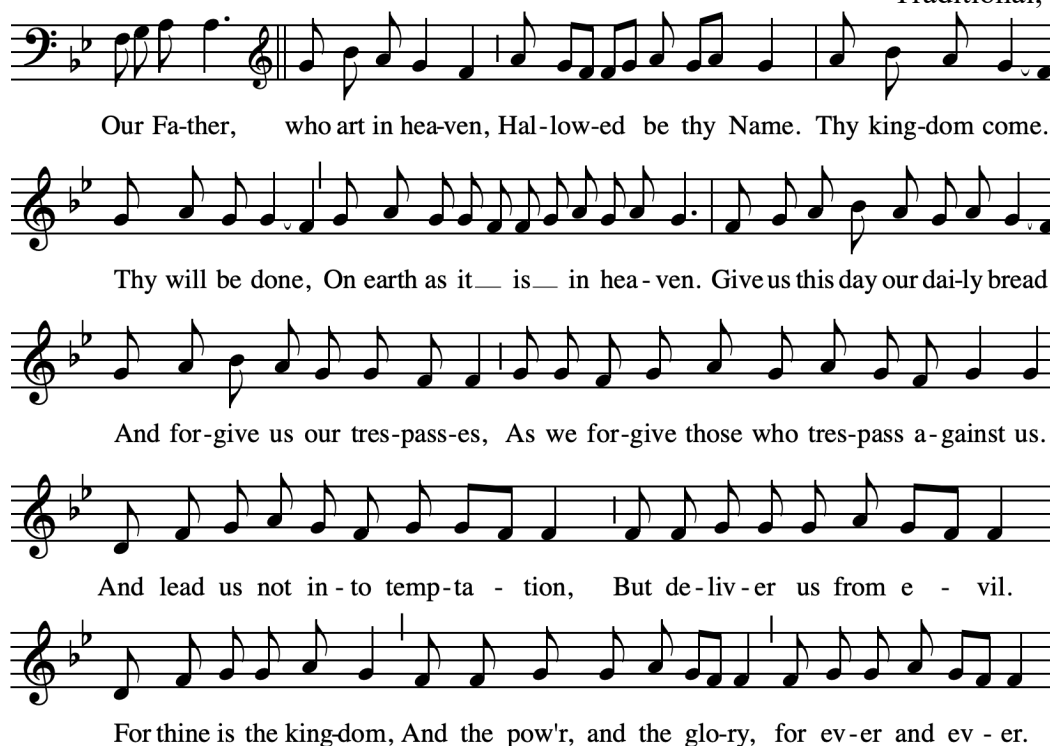
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Celebrant: Let us pray : And now, as our Saviour Christ hath taught us, we are bold to say:

The Lord's Prayer

Hymn 722

Traditional, very ancient



The Fracture

The Peace

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: And with thy spirit.

Agnus Dei

Hymn 712
Healey Willan, 1928

O Lamb of God, that ta-kest a-way the sins of the world, have mer-cy up-on us.

O Lamb of God, that ta-kest a-way the sins of the world, have mer-cy up-on us.

O Lamb of God, that ta-kest a-way the sins of the world, grant us thy peace.

Prayer of Humble Access

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By traditional use, prayed by the Priest on behalf of all who will receive. By St. Mary's usage, the congregation may join in praying aloud:

WE do not presume to come to this thy Table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy Table. But thou art the same Lord, whose property is always to have mercy: Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that our sinful bodies may be made clean by his body, and our souls washed through his most precious blood, and that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. *Amen.*

Communion of the Faithful

Celebrant: Behold the Lamb of God; behold Him that taketh away the sins of the world.

People: (3x) Lord, I am not worthy that thou shouldst come under my roof, but speak the word only and my soul shall be healed.

For those attending in person, we have resumed the custom of kneeling or standing at the Altar Rail to Receive. Here are the various Ways of Receiving:

1. *Receive the Host into your hands, or directly onto the tongue.
Receive directly from the Chalice, guiding it gently by the base.*
2. *Receive by Intinction, receiving the Host into your hands and leaving it there; the Deacon will take it and dip it in the Chalice and place it onto your tongue.*

3. *You may receive only the Host of itself, either in your hands or on your tongue. Our Lord is equally present in either Form.*

As a precaution and courtesy to others and for your own safety, we respectfully request that in the event you are currently suffering from a cold or other communicable illness, please refrain from receiving from the Chalice.

For those attending remotely: Please take a moment of silence to realize the presence of Jesus Christ in your soul and make your spiritual communion.

In union, O Dear Lord, with the faithful at every Altar of Thy Church, where Thy blessed Body and Blood have been offered to the Father, I desire to offer Thee praise and thanksgiving. I present to Thee my soul and body, with the earnest wish that I may ever be united to Thee. And since I cannot now receive Thee sacramentally, I beseech Thee to come spiritually into my heart. I unite myself to Thee, and embrace Thee with all the affections of my soul. O let nothing ever separate me from Thee. Let me live and die in Thy love. Amen.

Grant, O Lord Jesus Christ, that as the hem of Thy garment, touched in faith, healed the woman who could not touch Thy Body, so the soul of Thy servant may be healed by like faith in Thee, Whom I cannot now sacramentally receive; through Thy tender mercy, Who livest and reignest with the Father in the unity of the Holy Ghost ever one God. Amen.

Communion Hymn

Sohren

Hymn 556, 1st Tune
Winfred Douglas, 1938



1. Chris - tian, dost thou see them On the ho - ly ground,
2. Chris - tian, dost thou feel them, How they work with - in,
3. Chris - tian, dost thou hear them, How they speak thee fair?
4. "Well I ____ know thy trou - ble, O my ser - vant true;



How the ____ powers of dark - ness Rage thy steps a - round?
Stri - ving, tempt - ing, lur - ing, Goad - ing in - to sin?
"Al - ways fast and vi - gil? Al - ways watch and prayer?"
Thou art ____ ve - ry wea - ry, I was wea - ry too;



Chris-tian, up and smite them, Count - ing gain but loss,
Chris-tian, nev - er trem - ble; Nev - er be down - cast;
Chris-tian, an - swer bold - ly: "While I breathe I pray!"
But that toil shall make thee Some day all mine own,



In the strength that com - eth By the ho - ly cross.
Gird thee for the bat - tle, Watch and pray and fast.
Peace shall fol - low bat - tle, Night shall end in day.
And the end of sor - row Shall be near my throne."

Ascribed to St. Andrew of Crete, 660-732; Tr. John Mason Neale

Prayer of Thanksgiving

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By traditional use, prayed by the Priest. By St. Mary's usage, the congregation may join in praying aloud:

Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee, for that thou dost vouchsafe to feed us who have duly received these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favour and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, which is the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs through hope of thy everlasting kingdom, by the merits of his most precious death and passion. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honour and glory, world without end. *Amen.*

Communion Verse and Post-Communion Prayers

Dismissal

Episcopal Blessing

Bishop: Blessed be the name of the Lord

People: From this time forth forever more.

Bishop: Our help is in the name of the Lord

People: Who hath made heaven and earth.

Bishop: The Peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord: And the ✠Blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be amongst you, and remain with you always. *Amen.*

Retiring Processional:

Sicilian Mariners

Hymn 489, 1st Tune

Sicilian Melody, pub. 1794

1. Lord, dis - miss us with thy bless-ing; Fill our hearts with
 2. Thanks we give and ad - o - ra - tion For thy Gos - pel's
 3. So that when thy love shall call us, Sa - viour, from the
 joy and peace; Let us each, thy love pos - sess - ing,
 joy - ful sound: May the fruits of thy sal - va - tion
 world - a - way, Fear of death shall not ap - pall us,
 Tri - umph in re - deem - ing grace: O re - fresh us,
 In our hearts and lives a - bound: May thy pres - ence,
 Glad thy sum - mons to o - bey. May we ev - er,
 O re - fresh us, Trav - 'ling thro' this wil - der - ness. A - men.
 may thy pres - ence With us ev - er - more be found;
 may we ev - er Reign with thee in end - less day.

Ascribed to John Fawcett, 1773, alt.

Announcements

Celebrant

Assisting

Epistoler

Lector

Acolytes

Acolyte in Training

Floral Arrangements, Altar Guild, and Accompanist

Zoom Wrangler

The Right Reverend Anthony F. Rasch

The Reverend Deacon John Yeager

Robert Jones

Ken Kubo, Candidate for Holy Orders

Tony Shehata, Robert Yeager

Evan Sears

Beth Kubo

Landon Melamed

Welcome to our Visitors this morning. Please sign the Visitor Register inside the Church Entrance. You are cordially invited to join us in the Parish Hall for Coffee and Refreshments after the Mass.

The Midweek Mass for this week will be celebrated on Wednesday at 10 am (Feria of Sexagesima).

Lent commences Wednesday, February 18th

February 17th SHROVE TUESDAY PANCAKE SUPPER.

There will be a Sign Up sheet posted in the Parish Hall for the Pancake Supper. If you plan to attend, please sign up! It will be held at either Gretchen Martin's home or at Debbie Ruiz's home. 5:30p.m. We request that reservations must be firm.

February 18th ASH WEDNESDAY Mass at 7:00 p.m. only, with Imposition of Blessed Ashes. Also, prior to the beginning of Mass on the First Sunday in Lent, Blessed Ashes will be Imposed upon those unable to be present on Ash Wednesday.

The Lenten Wednesday Study is scheduled for 7:00p.m. We will be putting up a Sign Up sheet for the use of volunteers to host their homes for the study. We have yet to decide whether to begin with potluck, or as we did last year to have desert only. We will study a book entitled *The Miracles Among Us* by Dr. Marc Siegel. Dr. Siegel is a senior medical analyst for Fox News, a professor of medicine and practicing internist. He is a contributor to USA Today, The Hill, and the Wall Street Journal. His book is presently in hard cover at \$20.98-29.99 and as an eBook for \$14.99 and is available at Barnes and Noble ([ebook](#), [hc](#)) and Amazon ([link](#)).