

25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

SEP 20, 2020

St. Mary of Sorrows Catholic Church, Fairfax, Virginia

Prayer for our Nation:

Almighty Father, source of all our blessings,
help us to trust in you.

Please bless our country with your care.

Keep safe our men and women in uniform,
here and in faraway lands.

Help their families, and all of our families,
to rely on you and your love for each of your children.

Stretch your hand to protect the innocent, here and abroad.

Make our country wise and strong, generous and accepting,
a symbol of what is best in each of us.

We ask this of you through Christ our Lord. Amen.

INTRODUCTORY RITES

ENTRANCE SONG

God, We Praise You



1. God, we praise you! God, we bless you! God, we
 2. True a - pos - tles, faith - ful proph - ets, Saints who
 3. Je - sus Christ, the King of glo - ry, Ev - er -
 4. Christ, at God's right hand vic - to - rious, You will



1. name you sov - 'reign Lord! Might - y King whom an - gels
 2. set their world a - blaze, Mar - tyrs, once un - known, un -
 3. last - ing Son of God, Hum - ble was your vir - gin
 4. judge the world you made; Lord, in mer - cy help your



1. wor - ship, Fa - ther, by your Church a - dored:
 2. heed - ed, Join one grow - ing song of praise,
 3. moth - er, Hard the lone - ly path you trod:
 4. ser - vants For whose free - dom you have paid:

PENITENTIAL ACT

GLORY TO GOD

Glo-ry to God in the high - est, and on earth peace to peo-ple
of good will. We praise you, we bless you, we a-
dore you, we glo-ri-fy you, we give you
thanks for your great glo-ry, Lord God, heav-en-ly
King, O God, al-might-y Fa-ther.
Lord Je-sus Christ, On-ly Be-got-ten Son, Lord God,
Lamb of God, Son of the Fa-ther, you take a-
way the sins of the world, have mer-cy on us; you take a-
way the sins of the world, re-ceive our prayer; you are seat-ed
at the right hand of the Fa-ther, have mer-
cy, have mer-cy on us. For you a-lone are the

Ho-ly One, you a-lone are the Lord, you a-lone are the
 Most High, Je-sus Christ, with the Ho-ly Spir-it,
 in the glo-ry of God the Fa-ther. A-men, a-men.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING

Isaiah 55:1, 6-9

Seek the LORD while he may be found, call him while he is near.
 Let the scoundrel forsake his way, and the wicked his thoughts;
 let him turn to the LORD for mercy; to our God, who is generous in forgiving.
 For my thoughts are not your thoughts, nor are your ways my ways, says the
 LORD. As high as the heavens are above the earth, so high are my ways above
 your ways and my thoughts above your thoughts.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 145:2-3, 8-9, 17-18

The Lord is near to all who call upon him.

Every day will I bless you,
 and I will praise your name forever and ever.
 Great is the LORD and highly to be praised;
 his greatness is unsearchable. **R.**
 The LORD is gracious and merciful,
 slow to anger and of great kindness.
 The LORD is good to all
 and compassionate toward all his works. **R.**
 The LORD is just in all his ways
 and holy in all his works.
 The LORD is near to all who call upon him,
 to all who call upon him in truth. **R.**

Brothers and sisters:
 Christ will be magnified in my body, whether by life or by death.
 For to me life is Christ, and death is gain.
 If I go on living in the flesh,
 that means fruitful labor for me.
 And I do not know which I shall choose.
 I am caught between the two.
 I long to depart this life and be with Christ,
 for that is far better.
 Yet that I remain in the flesh
 is more necessary for your benefit.
 Only, conduct yourselves in a way worthy of the gospel of Christ.



GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

*Open our hearts, O Lord,
 to listen to the words of your Son.*

GOSPEL

Matthew 20:1-16A

Jesus told his disciples this parable:
 “The kingdom of heaven is like a landowner
 who went out at dawn to hire laborers for his vineyard.
 After agreeing with them for the usual daily wage,
 he sent them into his vineyard.
 Going out about nine o’clock,
 the landowner saw others standing idle in the marketplace,
 and he said to them, ‘You too go into my vineyard,
 and I will give you what is just.’
 So they went off.
 And he went out again around noon,

and around three o'clock, and did likewise.
Going out about five o'clock,
the landowner found others standing around, and said to them,
'Why do you stand here idle all day?'
They answered, 'Because no one has hired us.'
He said to them, 'You too go into my vineyard.'
When it was evening the owner of the vineyard said to his foreman,
'Summon the laborers and give them their pay,
beginning with the last and ending with the first.'
When those who had started about five o'clock came,
each received the usual daily wage.
So when the first came, they thought that they would receive more,
but each of them also got the usual wage.
And on receiving it they grumbled against the landowner, saying,
'These last ones worked only one hour,
and you have made them equal to us,
who bore the day's burden and the heat.'
He said to one of them in reply,
'My friend, I am not cheating you.
Did you not agree with me for the usual daily wage?
Take what is yours and go.
What if I wish to give this last one the same as you?
Or am I not free to do as I wish with my own money?
Are you envious because I am generous?'
Thus, the last will be first, and the first will be last."

PROFESSION OF FAITH
PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL

Nicene Creed
Lord, hear our prayer.

Capital Campaign Prayer:

Loving God, at this time in the life of our parish,
we turn to you with grateful hearts for what we have
and with great anticipation for what is yet to be.

Bless us with a sense of unity,
a spirit of cooperation, and a generous heart as we face
the responsibilities and challenges of this undertaking.

We know there is much to do.

We believe our goals are rooted in your Word and in your work. Please
guide us, strengthen us, and bless us with your presence,
now and in the years to come.

In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

OFFERTORY

*At this time, we invite you to send your guardian angel
to the altar, asking him to present the prayers
that you offer for this Mass.*

THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

HOLY, HOLY HOLY

Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly Lord God of hosts. Heav-en and
earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho-san-na in the high - est.
Bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-
san-na in the high-est. Ho-san-na in the high - est.

MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION



When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup, we pro -
claim your Death, O Lord, un - til you come a - gain.

GREAT AMEN



A - men, a - men, a - men.

THE COMMUNION RITE

THE LORD'S PRAYER

LAMB OF GOD



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sins of the world, have mer - cy,
have mer - cy on us. world, grant us, grant us peace.

Spiritual Communion Prayer:

My Jesus,
I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.
I love You above all things,
and I desire to receive You into my soul.
Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally,
come at least spiritually into my heart.
I embrace You as if You were already there
and unite myself wholly to You.
Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

COMMUNION

In EveryAge

Janet Sullivan Whitaker

Verse 1



1. Long be - fore the moun - tains came to be and the land and



1. sea and stars of the night, through the end - less sea - sons of all



1. time, you have al - ways been, you will al - ways be.

Refrain




In ev - 'ry age, O God, you have been our ref - uge.



In ev - 'ry age, O God, you have been our hope.

1-3 to Verses 2,3
last time: to Refrain

Final



God, you have been our hope,



you have been our ref - uge, you have been our hope.

Verse 2



2. Des - ti - ny is cast, and at your si - lent word we re - turn to



2. dust and scat - ter to the wind. A thou - sand years are like a sin - gle mo - ment




2. gone, as the light that fades at the end of day.

to Refrain

IN EVERY AGE (CONT 2)

Verse 3



3. Teach us to make use of the time we have. Teach us to be
 3. pa - tient e-ven as we wait. Teach us to em-brace our ev-'ry joy and
 3. pain. To sleep peace - ful - ly, and to rise up strong.

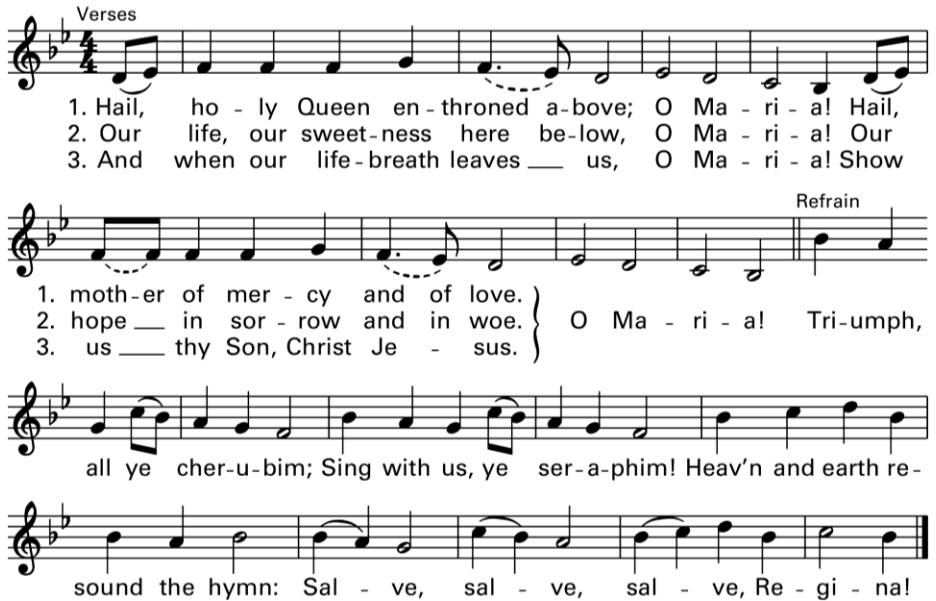
to Refrain

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

FINAL BLESSING AND DISMISSAL

Hail, Holy Queen

Verses



1. Hail, ho - ly Queen en - throned a - bove; O Ma - ri - a! Hail,
 2. Our life, our sweet - ness here be - low, O Ma - ri - a! Our
 3. And when our life - breath leaves __ us, O Ma - ri - a! Show

Refrain

1. moth - er of mer - cy and of love.)
 2. hope __ in sor - row and in woe. } O Ma - ri - a! Tri - umph,
 3. us __ thy Son, Christ Je - sus. }

all ye cher-u-bim; Sing with us, ye ser-a-phim! Heav'n and earth re -
 sound the hymn: Sal - ve, sal - ve, sal - ve, Re - gi - na!

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