

August 28/29, 2021
Worship Aid
22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Gathering Hymn: Christ Before Us

1. Christ before us, Christ beside us, Christ to guide us all our days. He to carry all our sorrows, he to bear us perfect grace. Jesus, Savior, Friend and Brother, Intercessor, Son of God, save your people in your dying, and in rising, conquer death.
2. May we be for one another all that you would have us be. May we live your law of kindness, love, compassion, charity. May we climb your holy mountain; may we see your holy face! Visit now this humble dwelling; dwell within this holy place.
3. God before us through the ages; Christ beside us here today. Spirit, lead us forth forever; guide and help us all our days. Christ the Savior, God the Living, Great Creator, Spirit blest! Holy Three-in-One Immortal, come and be our welcome guest.
4. O Redeemer, fill your servants with your words of lasting life. Give to those with hands of healing love transcending pain and strife. Make us loving sons and daughters; make us holy, kind and true, sent to labor for your Kingdom—restless till we rest in you.

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Opening Prayer

Gloria, Mass of St. Frances Cabrini

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will. We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory, Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father.

Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, You take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us; You take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer; You are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us.

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. Amen.

First Reading Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 6-8

Responsorial Psalm Psalm 15:2-3, 3-4, 4-5
“The one who does justice will live in the presence of the Lord.”

Second Reading James 1:17-18, 21b-22, 27

Gospel Acclamation

Gospel Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

Homily

Profession of Faith

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.

I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven, and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Mass Parts: Mass of St. Frances Cabrini

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Offertory Hymn: Your Words Are Spirit and Life

Refrain: Your words are spirit and life, O Lord: richer than gold, stronger than death. Your words are spirit and life, O Lord; life everlasting.

1. God's love is perfect, refreshing the soul, reviving the weary spirit. God's rule can be trusted: bringing us wisdom, bringing God's wisdom to birth. *Refrain*
2. God's precepts keep us; their purpose is right. They gladden the hearts of people. God's command is so clear it brings us new vision; bringing God's light to our eyes. *Refrain*

3. Living by God's truth is holy and sure; God's presence is everlasting. God's truth is eternal, bringing us justice; bringing God's justice to earth. *Refrain*

4. God's word is precious, desired more than gold; worth more than we dare imagine and, sweeter than honey, this word will feed us, bringing fulfillment and joy.

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Communion Hymn: Purify My Heart

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, cleanse me from within and make me holy. Purify my heart, cleanse me from my sin, deep within. *Refrain*

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Sending Hymn: City of God

3. God is light; in him there is no darkness. Let us walk in his light, his children, one and all. O comfort my people; make gentle your words. Proclaim to my city the day of her birth.

Refrain: Let us build the city of God. May our tears be turned into dancing! For the Lord, our light and our love, has turned the night into day!

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If you are not able to receive communion today, the Spiritual Communion Prayer:

My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the most Blessed Sacrament. I love You above all things and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot now 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