

St. Thomas the Apostle Catholic Church
Huntsville, TX

33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Entrance Hymn

Rain Down

Jaime Cortez

**Rain down, rain down, rain down your love on your people.
Rain down, rain down, rain down your love, God of life.**

1. Faithful and true is the word of our God.
All of God's works are so worthy of trust.
God's mercy falls on the just and the right;
full of God's love is the earth.
2. We who revere and find hope in our God
live in the kindness and joy of God's wing.
God will protect us from darkness and death;
God will not leave us to starve.



Preparation of the Gifts

If God is For Us

Grayson Warren Brown

1. If God is for us, who can be against us?
If God is on our side, what can we be denied?
In all these things we are more than conquerors in Jesus.
If God is on our side, what can we be denied?
2. If God is for us, who then can condemn us?
Surely not Christ our Lord, who arose from the dead.
There's nothing in this world that can separate us from his love.
If God is on our side, what can we be denied?

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Communion Procession

Eat This Bread

Jacques Berthier

**Eat this bread, drink this cup, come to me and never be hungry.
Eat this bread, drink this cup, trust in me and you will not thirst.**

1. I am the bread of life, the true bread sent from the Father.
2. Your ancestors ate manna in the desert, but this is the bread come down from heaven.
3. Eat my flesh and drink my blood, and I will raise you up on the last day.
4. Anyone who eats this bread, will live for ever.
5. If you believe and eat this bread, you will have eternal life.

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1. Spirit and grace, here in this meal;
you are the wind that breathes through the field.
Gather the wheat and form us in Christ.
Come, be our source and breath of life.

**In the bread, blessed, broken and shared,
Christ is our life, whose presence we bear.
Come, O Spirit, make your grace revealed in this holy meal.**

2. Spirit and grace, here in this meal;
you are the life that flows through the vine.
Gather this drink and form us in Christ.
Come, be our source and blood of life.
3. Spirit and grace, here in this place;
you are the light that shines in this space.
Gather your people and form us in Christ.
Come, be the heartbeat of our lives.
4. Spirit of God, sending us forth;
we spread your wisdom throughout all the earth.
Gather the nations and form us in Christ.
Come, be the presence in our lives.

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Now thank we all our God
With heart, and hands, and voices,
Who wondrous things hath done,
In whom his world rejoices;
Who, from our mother's arms
Hath blessed us on our way
With countless gifts of love,
And still is ours today. | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 2. O may this gracious God
Through all our life be near us!
With ever joyful hearts
And blessed peace to cheer us;
Preserve us in his grace,
And guide us in distress,
And free us from all sin,
Till heaven we possess. |
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