ST. PATRICK’S CATHEDRAL
“America’s Parish Church”
NEW YORK CITY

CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

FRIDAY OF THE TWENTY-FIFTH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME

SEPTEMBER 25, 2020
THE ORDER OF MASS
THE INTRODUCTORY RITES

ENTRANCE HYMN
“Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation”
WESTMINSTER ABBEY

1. Christ is made the sure foundation, Christ the head and cornerstone, Chosen of the Lord and precious,
2. To this temple, where we call thee, Come, O Lord of hosts, today; With thy wonted loving-kindness,
3. Grant we pray, to all thy people, All the grace of thee, forever;
4. Laud and honor to the Father, Laud and honor to the Spirit, To the Son, for ever and ever.

KYRIE
adapt. Litany of the Saints
There is an appointed time for everything,
   and a time for every thing under the heavens.
A time to be born, and a time to die;
   a time to plant, and a time to uproot the plant.
A time to kill, and a time to heal;
   a time to tear down, and a time to build.
A time to weep, and a time to laugh;
   a time to mourn, and a time to dance.
A time to scatter stones, and a time to gather them;
   a time to embrace, and a time to be far from embraces.
A time to seek, and a time to lose;
   a time to keep, and a time to cast away.
A time to rend, and a time to sew;
   a time to be silent, and a time to speak.
A time to love, and a time to hate;
   a time of war, and a time of peace.

What advantage has the worker from his toil?
I have considered the task that God has appointed
   for the sons of men to be busied about.
He has made everything appropriate to its time,
   and has put the timeless into their hearts,
without man’s ever discovering,
   from beginning to end, the work which God has done.

The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.
Psalm 144:1b and 2abc, 3-4

Blessed be the Lord, my Rock!

Blessed be the LORD, my rock,
my mercy and my fortress,
my stronghold, my deliverer,
    My shield, in whom I trust. R\n
LORD, what is man, that you notice him;
the son of man, that you take thought of him?
Man is like a breath;
his days, like a passing shadow. R

Responsorial Psalm

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Gospel


Once when Jesus was praying in solitude,
and the disciples were with him,
he asked them, “Who do the crowds say that I am?”
They said in reply, “John the Baptist; others, Elijah;
    still others, ‘One of the ancient prophets has arisen.’”
Then he said to them, “But who do you say that I am?”
Peter said in reply, “The Christ of God.”
He rebuked them and directed them not to tell this to anyone.

He said, “The Son of Man must suffer greatly
    and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes,
    and be killed and on the third day be raised.”

The Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.
The Liturgy of the Eucharist
The Preparation of the Gifts

Sanctus

Mass for the City
Richard Proulx

Mythology of Faith

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The Lord’s Prayer

Agnus Dei

Communion

The reception of Holy Communion is the most sacred act for Catholics. We believe that we are then receiving the Body and Blood of Christ. Catholics who are properly prepared should approach the ministers of Holy Communion. We ask non-Catholics not to receive. They are encouraged, however, to come forward with arms crossed over their heart to receive a blessing.
AN ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

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.

H Y M N

“Godhead Here in Hiding”
ADORO TE DEVOTE

1. Godhead here in hiding Whom I do adore,
2. Seeing, touching, tasting Are in the deceived;
3. On the cross thy Godhead Made no sign to men;
4. I am not like Thomas, Wounds I cannot see,
5. O thou, our rememberer Of the Crucified,
6. Like what tender tales tell Of the Pelican,

1. Masked by these bare shadows, Shape and nothing more,
2. How says truly hearing? That shall be believed;
3. Here thy very manhood Steals from human ken:
4. But I plainly call thee Lord and God as he:
5. Living Bread, the life of Us for whom he died,
6. Bathe me, Jesus Lord, in What thy bosom ran--

1. See, Lord, at thy service Low lies here a heart
2. What God’s Son has told me, Take for truth I do;
3. Both are my consolation, Both are my belief,
4. This faith each day deeper Be my holding of,
5. Lend this life to me, then; Feed and feast my mind,
6. Blood that but one drop of Has the pow’r to win

1. Lost, all lost in wonder At the God thou art.
2. Truth him self speaks truly Or there’s nothing true.
3. And I pray the prayer Of the dying thief.
4. Daily make me harder Hope and dearer love.
5. There be thou the sweetness man was meant to find.
6. All the world forgive ness Of its world of sin.
THE CONCLUDING RITES

RECESSIONAL HYMN

“O Bless the Lord, My Soul”
ST. THOMAS (WILLIAMS)

1. O bless the Lord, my soul! His grace to thee proclaim! And all that is with me join To bless his holy name!
2. O bless the Lord, my soul! His mercies bear in mind! For get not all his benefits! The Lord to thee is kind.
3. He clothes thee with his love; Up holds thee with his truth; He healeth thine infirmities And ransoms thee from death.
4. Then bless his holy name, Whose grace hath made thee whole, Whose loving-kindness crowns thy days! O bless the Lord, my soul!
GUIDELINES FOR THE RECEIPTION OF COMMUNION

FOR CATHOLICS
As Catholics, we fully participate in the celebration of the Eucharist when we receive Holy Communion. We are encouraged to receive Communion devoutly and frequently. In order to be properly disposed to receive Communion, participants should not be conscious of grave sin and normally should have fasted for one hour. A person who is conscious of grave sin is not to receive the Body and Blood of the Lord without prior sacramental confession except for a grave reason where there is no opportunity for confession. In this case, the person is to be mindful of the obligation to make an act of perfect contrition, including the intention of confessing as soon as possible (Code of Canon Law, canon 916). A frequent reception of the Sacrament of Penance is encouraged for all.

FOR OUR FELLOW CHRISTIANS
We welcome our fellow Christians to this celebration of the Eucharist as our brothers and sisters. We pray that our common baptism and the action of the Holy Spirit in this Eucharist will draw us closer to one another and begin to dispel the sad divisions which separate us. We pray that these will lessen and finally disappear, in keeping with Christ’s prayer for us “that they may all be one” (John 17:21).

Because Catholics believe that the celebration of the Eucharist is a sign of the reality of the oneness of faith, life, and worship, members of those churches with whom we are not yet fully united are ordinarily not admitted to Holy Communion. Eucharistic sharing in exceptional circumstances by other Christians requires permission according to the directives of the diocesan bishop and the provisions of canon law (canon 844 §4). Members of Orthodox Churches, the Assyrian Church of the East, and the Polish National Catholic Church are urged to respect the discipline of their own Churches. According to Roman Catholic Discipline, the Code of Canon Law does not object to the reception of Communion by Christians of these Churches (canon 844 §3).

FOR THOSE NOT RECEIVING HOLY COMMUNION
All who are not receiving Holy Communion are encouraged to express in their hearts a prayerful desire for unity with the Lord Jesus and with one another.

FOR NON-CHRISTIANS
We also welcome to this celebration those who do not share our faith in Jesus Christ. While we cannot admit them to Holy Communion, we ask them to offer their prayers for the peace and the unity of the human family.

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