

COMMUNION HYMN

Gift of Finest Wheat

Refrain

You sat-is-fy the hun-gry heart With gift of fin-est wheat, Come

Verses

give to us, O sav-ing Lord, The bread of life to eat.

1. As when the

2. With joy - ful

3. Is not the

4. The mys-t'ry

5. You give your-

1. shep - herd calls his sheep, They know and heed his voice; So

2. lips we sing to you Our praise and grat - i- tude, That

3. cup we bless and share The blood of Christ out-poured? Do

4. of your pres-ence, Lord, No mor - tal tongue can tell: Whom

5. self to us, O Lord; Then self - less let us be, To

to Refrain

1. when you call your fam-'ly, Lord, We fol - low and re-joice.

2. you should count us wor-thy, Lord, To share this heav'n-ly food.

3. not one cup, one loaf, de-clare Our one-ness in the Lord?

4. all the world can-not con-tain Comes in our hearts to dwell.

5. serve each oth - er in your name In truth and char - i - ty.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Having consumed these gifts, we pray, O Lord, / that, by our participation in this mystery, / its saving effects upon us may grow. / Through Christ our Lord.

PRAYER TO ST. MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL

Saint Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle; / be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the devil. / May God rebuke him, we humbly pray: / and do thou, O Prince of the heavenly host, / by the power of God, / cast into hell Satan and all the evil spirits / who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.

RECESSIONAL HYMN

Praise to the Holiest in the Height

1. Praise to the Ho-liest in the height And in the depth be praise; In

2. O lov - ing wis-dom of our God! When all was sin and shame, A

3. O wis - est love! that flesh and blood, Which did in Ad - am fail, Should

4. Praise to the Ho-liest in the height, And in the depth be praise; In

1. all his words most won - der - ful, Most sure in all his ways.

2. sec - ond Ad - am to the fight And to the res - cue came.

3. strive a - fresh a - gainst the foe, Should strive and should pre - vail:

4. all his words most won - der - ful, Most sure in all his ways.

Text: John Henry Newman. Melody: NEW BRITAIN, 8.6.8.6 (C.M.); *Virginia Harmony*, 1831. Harm.: Richard Terry, 1865-1938.

FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

WELCOME TO ST. NICHOLAS CATHOLIC CHURCH

~ PLEASE HELP MAINTAIN A REVERENT SILENCE BEFORE AND AFTER THE LITURGY ~



ENTRANCE CHANT

Ps 17 (16): 15 · 1

As for me, in jus - tice I shall be - hold your face; I shall be filled with the vi - sion

of your glo - ry.



D. Glory be to the Father, and to *the* Son, * and to the Holy Spirit. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever *shall* be, * world without end. *Amen.*

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OPENING HYMN

For the Beauty of the Earth

1. For the beau - ty of the earth, For the glo - ry of the skies,

2. For the beau - ty of each hour Of the day and of the night,

3. For your Church, that ev - er - more Lifts her ho - ly hands a - bove,

1. For the love which from our birth O - ver and a - round us lies.

2. Hill and vale, and tree and flow'r, Sun and moon, and stars of light. Lord of all, to

3. Of-f'ring up on eve - ry shore Her pure sac - ri - fice of love.

you we raise This our hymn of grate - ful praise.

Text: Folliot S. Pierpoint. Melody: DIX, 7.7.7.7.7.7; Conrad Kocher.

PENITENTIAL ACT

GLORIA

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.

COLLECT

O God, who show the light of your truth / to those who go astray, / so that they may return to the right path, / give all who for the faith they profess / are accounted Christians / the

grace to reject whatever is contrary to the name of Christ / and to strive after all that does it honor. / Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, / who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, / God, for ever and ever.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING

The rain makes the earth fruitful.

Is 55: 10-11

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Lk 8: 8; *ŷ.* Ps 65 (64): 10, 11, 12-13, 14 · 1

- ŷ.* You have visited the land and watered it; / greatly have you enriched it.
God’s watercourses are filled; / you have prepared the grain.
- ŷ.* You have crowned the year with your bounty, / and your paths overflow with a rich harvest;
The untilled meadows overflow with it, / and rejoicing clothes the hills.
- ŷ.* Thus have you prepared the land: drenching its furrows, / breaking up its clods,
Softening it with showers, / blessing its yield.
- ŷ.* The fields are garmented with flocks / and the valleys blanketed with grain. / They shout and sing for joy.

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SECOND READING

Creation awaits the revelation of the children of God.

Rom 8: 18-23

ALLELUIA

Mode 2

- ŷ.* The seed is the word of God, Christ is the sower.
All who come to him will have life forever.

Ant. Melody: Gregorian Chant.

GOSPEL

A sower went out to sow.

Mt 13: 1-23

HOMILY

CREED

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.

UNIVERSAL PRAYER

Ŗ. Lord, hear our prayer.

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

OFFERTORY HYMN

At the Name of Jesus

1. At the Name of Jesus, every knee shall bow,
Every tongue confess him King of glory now;
’Tis the Father’s pleasure we should call him Lord,
Who from the beginning was the mighty Word.

2. Humbled for a season, to receive a name
From the lips of sinners unto whom he came,
Faithfully he bore it, spotless to the last,
Brought it back victorious when from death he passed.
3. Bore it up triumphant with its human light,
Through all ranks of creatures, to the central height,
To the throne of Godhead, to the Father’s breast;
Filled it with the glory of that perfect rest.

4. In your hearts enthrone him; there let him subdue
All that is not holy, all that is not true;
Crown him as your Captain in temptation’s hour;
Let his will enfold you in its light and pow’r.

Text: Caroline Maria Noel.

PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

Look upon the offerings of the Church, O Lord, / as she makes her prayer to you, / and grant that, when consumed by

those who believe, / they may bring ever greater holiness. / Through Christ our Lord.

SANCTUS

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts. / Heaven and earth are full of your glory. / Hosanna in the highest. / Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. / Hosanna in the highest.

MYSTERY OF FAITH

We proclaim your Death, O Lord, / and profess your Resurrection / until you come again.

DOXOLOGY AND AMEN

Amen.

LORD’S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, / hallowed be thy name; / thy kingdom come, / thy will be done / on earth as it is in

heaven. / Give us this day our daily bread, / and forgive us our trespasses, / as we forgive those who trespass against us; / and lead us not into temptation, / but deliver us from evil.

AGNUS DEI

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, grant us peace.

COMMUNION CHANT

Jn 6: 57 · VI

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