

COMMUNION HYMN

In Perfect Charity, *DeBruyn*



1. O most high and glo-rious God, cast your light in - to  
2. O most high and glo-rious God, o - pen wide the door  
3. Then most high and thank-ful praise I will sing un - to

1. the dark - ness of my heart. Give me right faith, and cer-tain  
2. that leads me to your love. Give me your firm, yet gen-tle  
3. the glo - ry of your name: To Fa - ther, Son, and Spir - it

1. hope, and per - fect, per-fect char - i - ty. Give me true  
2. strength; may I live that per-fect char - i - ty. Lord, may your  
3. bright, Liv-ing Pres-ence, Per-fect Char - i - ty. Praise to the

1. in - sight, Lord, and wis-dom, that I may al - ways live with-  
2. peace be ev - er in me, that I may al - ways seek to  
3. Love that shines in splen-dor, that lights the path-ways of my

1. in your ev - er ho - ly will. Lord, may your light with -  
2. serve your chil-dren here on earth; that I may find my  
3. heart, and brings me close to you. O Ho - ly One, in -

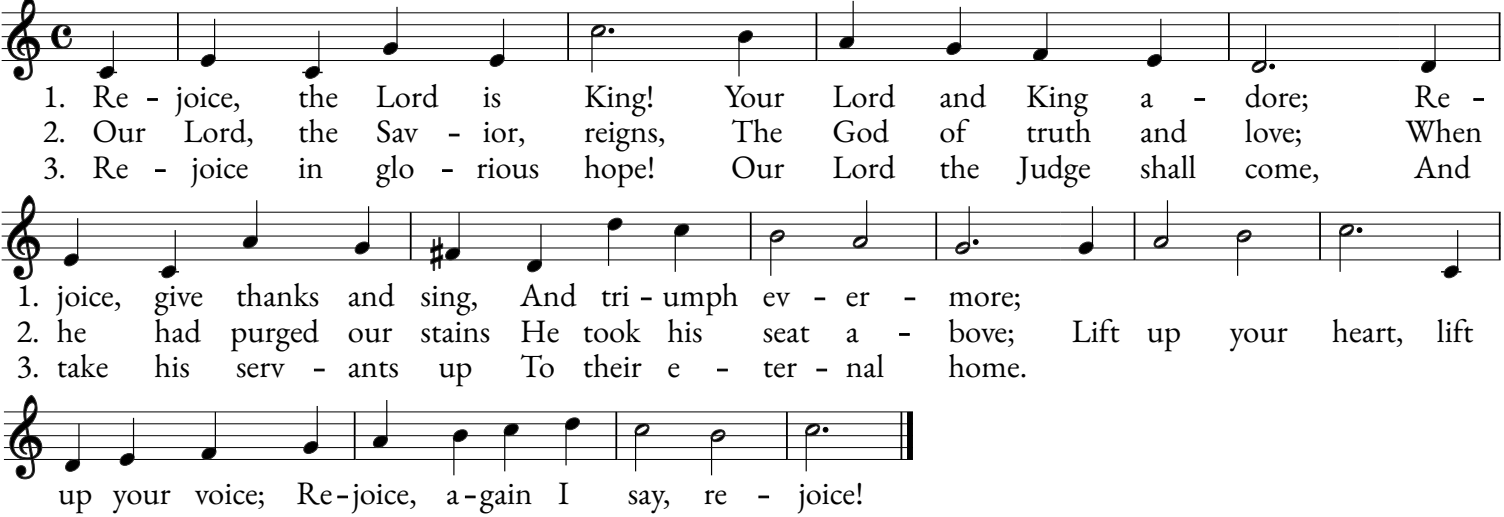
1. in me burn, shin - ing out in per-fect char - i - ty.  
2. home with you, and live in per-fect char - i - ty.  
3. vite me in, where you live in per-fect char - i - ty.

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

*Rejoice, the Lord Is King*



1. Re - joice, the Lord is King! Your Lord and King a - dore; Re -  
2. Our Lord, the Sav - ior, reigns, The God of truth and love; When  
3. Re - joice in glo - rious hope! Our Lord the Judge shall come, And

1. joice, give thanks and sing, And tri - umph ev - er - more;  
2. he had purged our stains He took his seat a - bove; Lift up your heart, lift  
3. take his serv - ants up To their e - ter - nal home.

up your voice; Re-joyce, a-gain I say, re - joice!

Text: Charles Wesley. Melody: DARWALLS 148, 6.6.6.6.8.8; John Darwall.

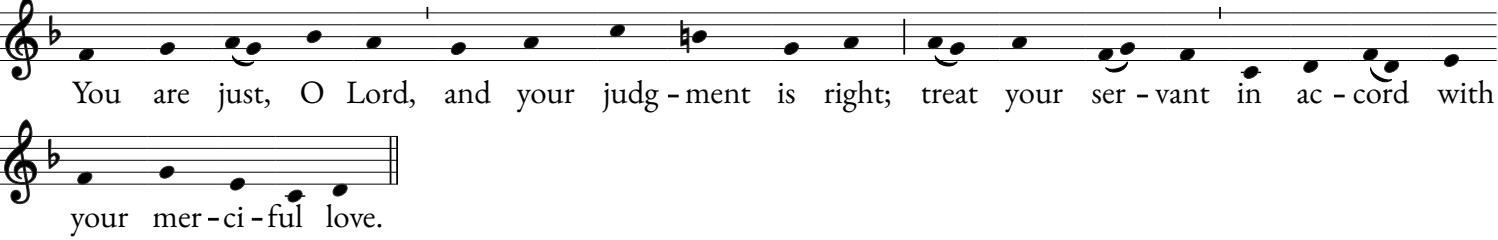
TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME ~ SEPTEMBER 6, 2026

WELCOME TO ST. NICHOLAS CATHOLIC CHURCH

-- PLEASE MAINTAIN A REVERENT SILENCE BEFORE AND AFTER THE LITURGY --

ENTRANCE CHANT

*Ps 119 (118): 137, 124 · 1*



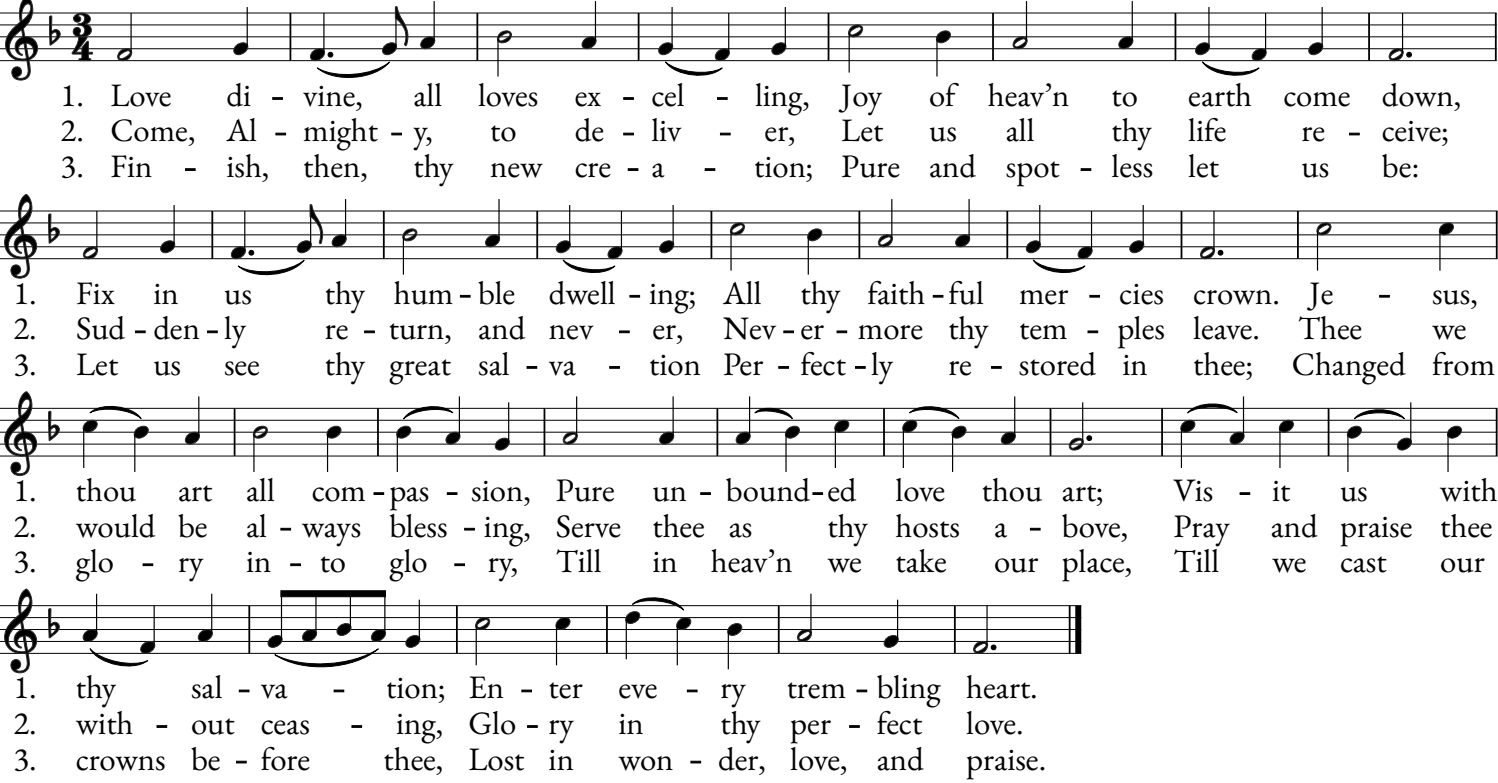
You are just, O Lord, and your judg - ment is right; treat your ser - vant in ac - cord with  
your mer - ci - ful love.

✠. 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

*Love Divine, All Loves Excelling*



1. Love di - vine, all loves ex - cel - ling, Joy of heav'n to earth come down,  
2. Come, Al - might - y, to de - liv - er, Let us all thy life re - ceive;  
3. Fin - ish, then, thy new cre - a - tion; Pure and spot - less let us be:

1. Fix in us thy hum - ble dwell - ing; All thy faith - ful mer - cies crown. Je - sus,  
2. Sud - den - ly re - turn, and nev - er, Nev - er - more thy tem - ples leave. Thee we  
3. Let us see thy great sal - va - tion Per - fect - ly re - stored in thee; Changed from

1. thou art all com - pas - sion, Pure un - bound - ed love thou art; Vis - it us with  
2. would be al - ways bless - ing, Serve thee as thy hosts a - bove, Pray and praise thee  
3. glo - ry in - to glo - ry, Till in heav'n we take our place, Till we cast our

1. thy sal - va - tion; En - ter eve - ry trem - bling heart.  
2. with - out ceas - ing, Glo - ry in thy per - fect love.  
3. crowns be - fore thee, Lost in won - der, love, and praise.

Text: Charles Wesley. Melody: HYFRYDOL, 8.7.8.7 D; Rowland H. Prichard.

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, by whom we are redeemed and receive adoption, / look graciously upon your beloved sons and daughters, / that those who believe in Christ / may receive true freedom / and an everlasting inheritance. / 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

*If you do not speak out to dissuade the wicked from his way, I will hold you responsible for his death.*

Ezek 33: 7-9

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 95 (94): 8; ̎. 1-2, 6-7ab, 7c-9 · II

- ̎. Come, let us sing joyfully to the LORD; / let us acclaim the rock of our salvation.  
Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving; / let us joyfully sing psalms to him.

̎. Come, let us bow down in worship; / let us kneel before the LORD who made us.
- For he is our God, / and we are the people he shepherds, the flock he guides.

̎. Oh, that today you would hear his voice: / “Harden not your hearts as at Meribah, / as in the day of Massah in the desert,  
Where your fathers tempted me; / they tested me though they had seen my works.”

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SECOND READING

*Love is the fulfillment of the law.*

Rom 13: 8-10

ALLELUIA

2 Cor 5: 19 · II

- ̎. God was reconciling the world to himself in Christ and entrusting to us the message of reconciliation.

Ant. Melody: Gregorian Chant.

GOSPEL

*If your brother or sister listens to you, you have won them over.*

Mt 18: 15-20

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

℟. Lord, hear our prayer.

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

OFFERTORY HYMN

*Where True Charity is Dwelling*

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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 8: 12 · VII

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