



Prelude Music & Lighting of the Candles

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'Bless the Lord, my Soul' (sung)

The Blessing & Dismissal

The First Lesson

Isaiah 9:1-4

There will be no gloom for those who were in anguish. In the former time he brought into contempt the land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali, but in the latter time he will make glorious the way of the sea, the land beyond the Jordan, Galilee of the nations.

The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light;
those who lived in a land of deep darkness-- on them light has shined.
You have multiplied the nation, you have increased its joy;
they rejoice before you

as with joy at the harvest, as people exult when dividing plunder.
For the yoke of their burden, and the bar across their shoulders,
the rod of their oppressor, you have broken as on the day of Midian.

The Gospel

Matthew 4:12-23

Reader: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

People: **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

When Jesus heard that John had been arrested, he withdrew to Galilee. He left Nazareth and made his home in Capernaum by the sea, in the territory of Zebulun and Naphtali, so that what had been spoken through the prophet Isaiah might be fulfilled:

“Land of Zebulun, land of Naphtali,
on the road by the sea, across the Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles—
the people who sat in darkness have seen a great light,
and for those who sat in the region and shadow of death light has dawned.”

From that time Jesus began to proclaim, “Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near.” As he walked by the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon, who is called Peter, and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the sea—for they were fishermen. And he said to them, “Follow me, and I will make you fish for people.” Immediately they left their nets and followed him. As he went from there, he saw two other brothers, James son of Zebedee and his brother John, in the boat with their father Zebedee, mending their nets, and he called them. Immediately they left the boat and their father, and followed him.

Jesus went throughout Galilee, teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom and curing every disease and every sickness among the people.

Bless the Lord my soul

The musical score consists of two staves of music in 4/4 time, with a key signature of one flat. The top staff is for the soprano voice, and the bottom staff is for the bassoon. The lyrics are integrated into the music, appearing below the notes. The music features a mix of eighth and sixteenth notes, with some sustained notes and a final cadence marked by a fermata over the bassoon's note.

Bless the Lord my soul and bless God's ho - ly name.

Bless the Lord my soul, Who leads me in - to life.

Words: Psalm 103

Music: Jacques Berthier (1923-1994)

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SPBTL NEWS AND EVENTS

CENTERING PRAYER 10AM, Meets downstairs every Wed. Please join us!

COFFEE HOUR Sign up in Fotinos Hall or call the office.

MUSIC MINISTRY: Chancel Choir rehearsals, Wednesday 7PM in the Nave. **Handbell Choir** rehearsals Wednesdays @ 6:00 PM downstairs in the choir room.

COFFEE WITH THE CLERGY Gather in Fr. Ron's office at 9:30am on Sunday mornings for a relaxed, casual conversation based on questions you may have regarding faith, church, and society. We hope you can join us!

KITCHEN CLEAN 2026 We need for people to sign up for monthly kitchen cleaning in 2026. Please see the sign up sheet in the kitchen and sign up with a friend! Thank you.

2026 Dates to remember!

January 25th— Visit from Sister Madeleine Mary from the Community of St. Mary, Southern Province at both services. She will also be leading the Adult Forum in Fr. Ron's office at 9:30am.

January 20th—February 10th—Supper & The Word

February 1st—Bishop José visit and Confirmation at 10:30AM

February 8th— Annual Parish Meeting

February 17th —Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper

February 18th—Ash Wednesday

Financial Status as of Nov 30, 2025

	Actual YTD	Budget YTD	Variance YTD
Total Revenues	\$474,233	\$456,064	\$18,170
Total Expenses	\$462,867	\$456,030	(\$6,837)
Net Total	\$11,366	\$34	\$11,333

At the Liturgy:

Officiant: The Rev. Dr. Ron Taylor

Filming: Kate D'Amato

The altar flowers are given to the glory of God by Mark and Tricia Wagner in loving memory of Mrs. Dot Horne, September 16, 1925 - January 20, 2026