

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

January 26, 2025



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National Catholic Schools Week

Pastor
Fr. Leo J Edgerly Jr

In Residence
Fr. Basil De Pinto

Visiting Celebrants
Fr. Paul R Vassar
Fr. Vince Cotter

Gathering Song *Rain Down – by Jaime Cortez*

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

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.

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Nehemiah 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10

Ezra the priest brought the law before the assembly, which consisted of men, women, and those children old enough to understand.

Standing at one end of the open place that was before the Water Gate, he read out of the book from daybreak till midday, in the presence of the men, the women, and those children old enough to understand; and all the people listened attentively to the book of the law. Ezra the scribe stood on a wooden platform that had been made for the occasion.

He opened the scroll so that all the people might see it –for he was standing higher up than any of the people – and, as he opened it, all the people rose.

Ezra blessed the LORD, the great God, and all the people, their hands raised high, answered, "Amen, amen!"

Then they bowed down and prostrated themselves before the LORD, their faces to the ground.

Ezra read plainly from the book of the law of God, interpreting it so that all could understand what was read.

Then Nehemiah, that is, His Excellency, and Ezra the priest-scribe and the Levites who were instructing the people said to all the people:

"Today is holy to the LORD your God.

Do not be sad, and do not weep"

for all the people were weeping as they heard the words of the law.

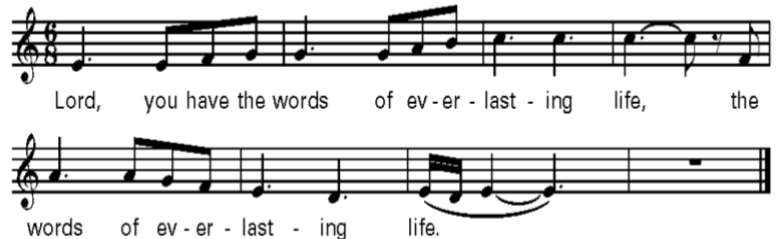
He said further: "Go, eat rich foods and drink sweet drinks, and allot portions to those who had nothing prepared; for today is holy to our LORD.

Do not be saddened this day,

for rejoicing in the LORD must be your strength!"

Psalm 19

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Psalm 25 *by Bob Hurd (10:30am liturgy)*

To you, O God, I lift up my soul;
lift up my spir-it, to_ my_ Lord.
To you I lift up my soul!

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1 Corinthians 12:12-14, 27 *(optional 2nd reading)*

Brothers and sisters:

As a body is one though it has many parts, and all the parts of the body, though many, are one body, so also Christ.

For in one Spirit we were all baptized into one body, whether Jews or Greeks, slaves or free persons, and we were all given to drink of one Spirit.

Now the body is not a single part, but many.

You are Christ's body, and individually parts of it.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia from Mass of a Joyful Heart, by Steve Angrisano



Lk 1:1-4; 4:14-21

Since many have undertaken to compile a narrative of the events that have been fulfilled among us, just as those who were eyewitnesses from the beginning and ministers of the word have handed them down to us, I too have decided, after investigating everything accurately anew, to write it down in an orderly sequence for you, most excellent Theophilus, so that you may realize the certainty of the teachings you have received.

Jesus returned to Galilee in the power of the Spirit, and news of him spread throughout the whole region. He taught in their synagogues and was praised by all.

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He came to Nazareth, where he had grown up, and went according to his custom into the synagogue on the sabbath day.

He stood up to read and was handed a scroll of the prophet Isaiah. He unrolled the scroll and found the passage where it was written: The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring glad tidings to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim liberty to captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to let the oppressed go free, and to proclaim a year acceptable to the Lord. Rolling up the scroll, he handed it back to the attendant and sat down, and the eyes of all in the synagogue looked intently at him. He said to them, "Today this Scripture passage is fulfilled in your hearing."

Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ

Apostles Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty,
Creator of heaven and earth,
and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended into hell;
on the third day he rose again from the dead;
he ascended into heaven, and is seated
at the right hand of God the Father almighty;
from there he will come to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting. Amen.

Preparation of the Table and Gifts

I Offer My Life by Claire Cloninger and Don Moen

1. All that I am, all that I have,
I lay them down_ before you_ O Lord.
All my regrets, all my acclaim, the joy and the pain,
I'm making them Yours_ *ref*



refrain

Lord, I offer my life to You,
Everything I've_ been through, use it for Your glo-ry,
Lord, I_ offer my days to you, lifting my praise_ to You,
as a pleasing sac-rifice. Lord, I offer You my life.

2. Things in the past, things yet unseen,
Wishes and dreams that are yet_ to come true.
All of my hopes, all of my plans,
my heart and my hands_ are lifted to You. *ref*

Bridge

What can we give, that you have not giv-en;
And what do we have, that is not already Yours?
All we possess, are these lives_ we're living,
and that's what we give_ to You, Lord.

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Eucharistic Acclamations *Mass of a Grateful Heart* *by Joseph Hébert*

Holy Holy Holy Lord, God of Hosts
Heaven and earth are full_ of your glo-ry
Hosanna in the high-est
Bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord
Hosanna in the high-est

When we eat this bread, and drink this cup,
We proclaim your death O Lord. Until you come a-gain.

Amen

Communion



Drawn To You by Sarah Hart

Drawn to you, Lord we are drawn to you,
To the beauty of your presence in this place.
Here for you, God we are here for you,
as the gifts we bring become a feast of grace.
We are drawn to you.

1. Drawn by the love that you have poured on us,
We bring these gifts, works of our hands.
You gather all we offer to yourself, receive our prayer.
2. Drawn by the faith that you accept our gifts,
And sanctify, what we have shared.
To make us holy by this bread and wine,
receive or prayer.
3. Drawn by the table you have laid for us,
the welcome feast, your heart prepares,
the words now spoken that will make us one,
receive our prayer.

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Song of Praise

Companions on the Journey by Carey Landry

We are com-pan-ions on the jour-ney,
Break-ing bread and shar-ing life;
And in the love we bear_ is the hope we share_
For we be-lieve in the love of our God,
We be-lieve in the love of our God.

No longer strangers to each other;
no longer strangers in God's house;
we are fed and we are nourished,
by the strength, of those who care,
by the strength, of those who care. *ref*

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