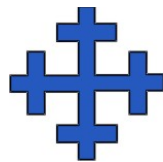


*You shall love your neighbor as yourself*



*St. Mary of the Harbor*



*June 26, 2022*

*The Third Sunday after Pentecost*

*Where the land, the sea and the sacred meet*

# The Holy Eucharist

**Hymnal 411**

O bless the Lord, my soul!

*St. Thomas (Williams)*

*Celebrant* Blessed be God: Creator, Christ and Holy Spirit.

*People* **And blessed be Christ's coming kingdom. Amen.**

## The Collect for Purity

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.



## The Collect of the Day

Almighty God, you have built your Church upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ himself being the chief cornerstone: Grant us so to be joined together in unity of spirit by their teaching, that we may be made a holy temple acceptable to you; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

## The First Reading

**2 Kings 2:1-2, 6-14**

When the LORD was about to take Elijah up to heaven by a whirlwind, Elijah and Elisha were on their way from Gilgal. Elijah said to Elisha, "Stay here; for the LORD has sent me as far as Bethel." But Elisha said, "As the LORD lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you." So they went down to Bethel. Then Elijah said to him, "Stay here; for the LORD has sent me to the Jordan." But he said, "As the LORD lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you." So the two of them went on. Fifty men of the company of prophets also went, and stood at some distance from them, as they both were standing by the Jordan. Then Elijah took his mantle and rolled it up, and struck the water; the water was parted to the one side and to the other, until the two of them crossed on dry ground. When they had crossed, Elijah said to Elisha, "Tell me what I may do for you, before I am taken from you." Elisha said, "Please let me inherit a double share of your spirit." He responded, "You have asked a hard thing; yet, if you see me as I am being taken from you, it will be granted you; if not, it will not." As they continued walking and talking, a chariot of fire and horses of fire separated the two of them, and Elijah ascended in a whirlwind into heaven. Elisha kept watching and crying out, "Father, father! The chariots of Israel and its horsemen!" But when he could no longer see him, he grasped his own clothes and tore them in two pieces. He picked up the mantle of Elijah that had fallen from him, and went back and stood on the bank of the Jordan. He took the mantle of Elijah that had fallen from him, and struck the water, saying, "Where is the LORD, the God of Elijah?" When he had struck the water, the water was parted to the one side and to the other, and Elisha went over.

*The reader says, Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.*

*All reply, **Thanks be to God.***

**Psalm 77:1-2, 11-20**     *read responsively by the half verse*

- 1 I will cry aloud to God; \*  
    I will cry aloud, and he will hear me.
- 2 In the day of my trouble I sought the Lord; \*  
    my hands were stretched out by night and did not tire; I refused to be comforted.
- 11 I will remember the works of the LORD, \*  
    and call to mind your wonders of old time.
- 12 I will meditate on all your acts \*  
    and ponder your mighty deeds.
- 13 Your way, O God, is holy; \*  
    who is so great a god as our God?
- 14 You are the God who works wonders \*  
    and have declared your power among the peoples.
- 15 By your strength you have redeemed your people, \*  
    the children of Jacob and Joseph.
- 16 The waters saw you, O God; the waters saw you and trembled; \*  
    the very depths were shaken.
- 17 The clouds poured out water;  
    the skies thundered; \*  
    your arrows flashed to and fro;
- 18 The sound of your thunder was in the whirlwind; your lightnings lit up the world; \*  
    the earth trembled and shook.
- 19 Your way was in the sea, and your paths in the great waters, \*  
    yet your footsteps were not seen.
- 20 You led your people like a flock \*  
    by the hand of Moses and Aaron.

**The Second Reading**

**Galatians 5:1,13-25**

For freedom Christ has set us free. Stand firm, therefore, and do not submit again to a yoke of slavery. For you were called to freedom, brothers and sisters; only do not use your freedom as an opportunity for self-indulgence, but through love become slaves to one another. For the whole law is summed up in a single commandment, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." If, however, you bite and devour one another, take care that you are not consumed by one another. Live by the Spirit, I say, and do not gratify the desires of the flesh. For what the flesh desires is opposed to the Spirit, and what the Spirit desires is opposed to the flesh; for these are opposed to each other, to prevent you from doing what you want. But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not subject to the law. Now the works of the flesh are obvious: fornication, impurity, licentiousness, idolatry, sorcery, enmities, strife, jealousy, anger, quarrels, dissensions, factions, envy, drunkenness, carousing, and things like these. I am warning you, as I warned you before: those who do such things will not inherit the kingdom of God. By contrast, the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control. There is no law against such things. And those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. If we live by the Spirit, let us also be guided by the Spirit.

*The reader says, Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.*

*All reply, Thanks be to God.*

**Hymnal 677**

God moves in a mysterious way

*London New*

*(omit vv. 2 & 3)*

## **The Holy Gospel**

**Luke 9:51-62**

*Deacon:* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St. Luke.

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

When the days drew near for Jesus to be taken up, he set his face to go to Jerusalem. And he sent messengers ahead of him. On their way they entered a village of the Samaritans to make ready for him; but they did not receive him, because his face was set toward Jerusalem. When his disciples James and John saw it, they said, "Lord, do you want us to command fire to come down from heaven and consume them?" But he turned and rebuked them. Then they went on to another village. As they were going along the road, someone said to him, "I will follow you wherever you go." And Jesus said to him, "Foxes have holes, and birds of the air have nests; but the Son of Man has nowhere to lay his head." To another he said, "Follow me." But he said, "Lord, first let me go and bury my father." But Jesus said to him, "Let the dead bury their own dead; but as for you, go and proclaim the kingdom of God." Another said, "I will follow you, Lord; but let me first say farewell to those at my home." Jesus said to him, "No one who puts a hand to the plow and looks back is fit for the kingdom of God."

*Deacon:* The Gospel of the Lord.

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

## **The Sermon**

The Reverend William W. Rich

# The Creed

*Please stand as you are able.*



1. We be - lieve in God the Fa - ther, God al - migh - ty, by whose plan  
2. Christ, who on the cross for - sa - ken, like a lamb to slaugh - ter led,  
3. We be - lieve in God the Spi - rit; in one Church, be - low, a - bove:  
earth and hea - ven sprang to be - ing, all cre - at - ed things be - gan.  
suf - fered un - der Pon - tius Pi - late, he des - cen - ded to the dead.  
saints of God in one com - mu - nion, one in ho - li - ness and love.  
We be - lieve in Christ the Sa - vior, Son of God in hu - man frame,  
We be - lieve in Je - sus ri - sen, hea - ven's King to rule and reign,  
So by faith, our sins for - gi - ven, Christ our Sa - vior, Lord and friend,  
vir - gin born, the child of Ma - ry up - on whom the Spi - rit came.  
to the Fa - ther's side as - cen - ded till as judge he comes a - gain.  
we shall rise with him in glo - ry to the life that knows no end.

## The Prayers of the People

*Leader:* Through the offering of our prayers, we witness love for our neighbors, and concern for one another. Our response to each petition is, "Lord, hear our prayer."

*Leader:* For the ability to discern that which harms the soul from that which enlightens the spirit, so that we may choose spiritual goods over material wealth, and the way of Jesus over earthly pleasures; let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, hear our prayer.**

*Leader:* For the passion to follow Christ with our whole heart and soul and mind, accepting his invitation to share in his ministry and to be spent in the service of his word; let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, hear our prayer.**

*Leader:* In thanksgiving for those who give their lives in the service of others: peacemakers throughout the world, volunteers in soup kitchens and shelters, vestry and search committee members, Peace Corps workers, and all who serve through non-profit organizations; let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, hear our prayer.**

*Leader:* For the Church, that she may be known and respected for her work with poor and rich, young and old, weak and strong, and all who seek her sustenance; let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, hear our prayer.**

*Leader:* That we may stand firm in our faith, rooted in Christ's death and resurrection, bearing witness to his incarnate life, and proclaiming the promises of God's reign; let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, hear our prayer.**

*Leader:* We pray for the children, teachers, and caretakers at Baobab Children's Home and the Stephen Tito School in Tanzania, that they may continue to know your love and grow in grace; let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, hear our prayer.**



*Leader:* We pray for our brothers and sisters who have pledged their lives in service to our nation and the world, especially those who serve in the military, those who protect our communities and those who work to ensure the health and wellbeing of all of God's people; let us pray to the Lord. ***Lord, hear our prayer.***

*Leader:* For those who suffer in body, mind or spirit, we beseech that they may know your healing presence, especially: the people of Ukraine, Sandra Powell, Julie, Cameron Sager, Hazel Everett, Ken Barry, Tawanda deNagy, Shirley Baker, David Brunelle, Bobby Taylor, Mohammed Hameed, Tom Peters, Joan Walter, Susan Pesiri, Carol Studley, Helen Sutilla, Ron Kershaw, Cecelia Hall, Diana Hardy, Marcia McClure, Christian Hegarty, Leslie Blaut, Christine Maloney, Scott Ashley, Sam Adams, Anthony Guerriero, Reverend Al Haversat, Miriam Collinson, Frank Milby, Christopher Mistretta, Reverend Ken Thomas, Marcel d'Anjou, William and Stephanie Buffone, Priscilla McChesney, Frank Meserini, Maureen Cronin, Hyacinth Ranch, Gladys Taylor, Teri Delaney, Duane Steele, Quincy Wood, Michael Mason, and for those whose names are spoken on our lips, those who are known to us in our hearts, or those known only to you, [*pause for names to be added*] let us pray to the Lord. ***Lord, hear our prayer.***

*Leader:* For those who have died [*pause for names to be added*], and all the faithful departed, that through the mercy of God, they may rest in peace; let us pray to the Lord. ***Lord, hear our prayer.***

*Congregation:* **Spirit of the living God:**

**Guide us as we journey together in search for a new rector.**

**Grant us patience to listen and wisdom to understand each other and ourselves.**

**Equip us with open minds and truthful hearts.**

**Anchor us in faith, hope, and love during this transition and always. Amen.**

The prayers are concluded with hymn # 608, verse 1

*Eternal Father, strong to save, whose arm hath bound the restless wave, who bidd'st the mighty ocean deep its own appointed limits keep: O hear us when we cry to thee for those in peril on the sea.*

## **The Confession and Absolution**

*from Enriching Our Worship 1*

God of all mercy, we confess that we have sinned against you, opposing your will in our lives. We have denied your goodness in each other, in ourselves, and in the world you have created. We repent of the evil that enslaves us, the evil we have done, and the evil done on our behalf. Forgive, restore, and strengthen us through our Savior Jesus Christ, that we may abide in your love and serve only your will. *Amen.*

## **The Peace**

*Celebrant:* The peace of the Lord be always with you.

*People:* And also with you.

## **Offertory Anthem**

God of many names  
(St. Mary's Choir)

*Wren and Rowan*

## **The Presentation of the People's Gifts**

### **Presentation Hymn**

*Like the murmur of the dove's song*

*Bridegroom*

*During this time in which Covid numbers have increased, we will not be offering the chalice at Communion. Gluten free hosts are available. Please tell the priest if you would like a gluten free host. For those wishing to receive it, there is also sacramental anointing with oil and prayers for healing offered during Communion at the back of the church.*

# The Holy Communion

## Eucharistic Prayer B

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

*People* And also with you.

*Celebrant* Lift up your hearts.

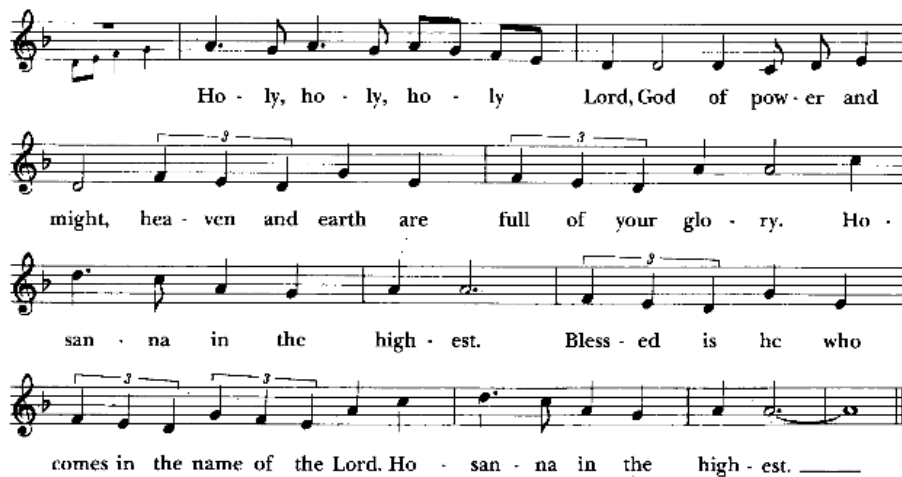
*People* We lift them to the Lord.

*Celebrant* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

*People* It is right to give God thanks and praise.

*Celebrant* It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.... Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Holy, holy, holy Lord     *Sanctus*



Setting: Robert Powell (b. 1932)

*Celebrant* We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me." Therefore, according to his command, O God,

*Celebrant & People* **We remember his death, we proclaim his resurrection, we await his coming in glory;**

*Celebrant* and we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with [ ] and] all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours. Almighty God, now and for ever. Amen.

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

## **The Lord's Prayer** *traditional form*

## **The Breaking of the Bread**

*Celebrant* Be known to us, Lord Jesus, in the breaking of the bread. The bread which we break is the communion of the body of Christ.

*People* One body are we, for though many we share one bread. Be known to us, Lord Jesus, in the breaking of the bread.

## **Communion Hymn**

**Hymnal 301**

Bread of the world, in mercy broken

*Rendez a Dieu*

**Hymnal 487**

Come, my Way, my Truth, my Life

*The Call*

## **Post Communion Prayer**

Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Holy God, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To Christ, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. *Amen.*

## **The Blessing**

**Hymnal 567**

Thine arm, O Lord, in days of old

*St. Matthew*

## **The Dismissal**

*Celebrant* Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

*People* Thanks be to God.

## **Clergy**

The Reverend William W. Rich, Presider & Preacher

The Reverend Bruce Mason, Deacon

The Reverend Charlie Nichols, Deacon

## **Musicians**

Bill Carlson, Organist

Susan Mitchell, Vocal soloist

St. Mary of the Harbor Choir

## Church Office Hours

Wednesday & Friday 10:00AM – 5:00PM

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# St. Mary of the Harbor

## The Second Sunday after Pentecost

June 26, 2022—10 AM

### **Interim Rector, Presider, and Preacher**

The Reverend William W. Rich

### **Deacon**

The Reverend Charlie Nichols

### **Intercessor**

The Reverend Bruce Mason

### **Organist**

Bill Carlson

### **Acolyte**

Mary Jo Avellar

### **Lector**

Priscilla Jackett

### **Healer**

Khristine Hopkins

### **Ushers and Altar Guild**

John Carroll, John Loftin

### **Hospitality**

Carol Pesiri

### **Livestream**

John Carroll-Yagel

### **Welcome**

Whoever you are, wherever you may be in life, there is a place for you at St. Mary of the Harbor. When you enter this harborside church, you will find sojourners like yourself who are searching for truth, meaning, and purpose. We welcome you as Christ has welcomed us—with open arms and open hearts. And we invite you to explore and experience the gift of God's love in this place where the land, the sea, and the sacred meet.

### **Holy Communion**

Though the Diocese of Massachusetts has lifted many of its COVID-related restrictions, we at St. Mary's are continuing to receive Communion in one kind only. Masks continue to be preferred throughout our worship services. Thank you for your understanding.

### **Following Today's Service**

Coffee and refreshments will be served in Nicholson Hall. You are welcome to join us.

### **Summer Worship Schedule Begins on July 3**

Beginning on Sunday, July 3, and continuing through Sunday, September 4, St. Mary's will offer the Holy Eucharist at both 8 am and 10 am. The 8 am service will be about 30 minutes in length. Our principal service at 10 am will be unchanged, with a sermon, music, a healing station, and coffee hour.

### **Refreshing Our Prayer List**

On July 3, we will freshen our prayer list by beginning with a clean slate. If you would like a name from the present list or a new name prayed for, please either email ([smothoffice@gmail.com](mailto:smothoffice@gmail.com)) or call the parish office at 508-487-2622.

### **Many Hands**

Each Sunday, our worship is enhanced and enabled by acolytes, lectors, choristers, ushers, altar-guild members, and other volunteers. We always need—and welcome—new volunteers. If you can help, please contact our junior warden Tim Brown at [tim@seascaperealty.com](mailto:tim@seascaperealty.com).

## **A Commitment to Outreach**

St. Mary's designates 10% of its operating budget for community service and outreach. Recent benefactions include Habitat for Humanity of Cape Cod, the Homeless Prevention Council, Amazing Grace (a summer camp for children of incarcerated parents), Seguimos Adelante (supplying food and water to asylum seekers waiting on our nation's southern border), and Episcopal Relief and Development, which is partnering with the Convocation of Episcopal Churches in Europe to aid Ukrainian refugees.

## **Supporting Our Neighbors**

Our friends at the Unitarian Universalist Meeting House offer a "Little Free Pantry," providing non-perishable grocery and toiletry items for anyone in need. They have asked for help from St. Mary's in keeping the pantry stocked. Please bring pantry items to St. Mary's and leave them in the basket by the baptismal font. *Please, no perishables and no glass containers.* We also need a volunteer to assist on Mondays with the restocking of the food pantry. Requirements are light—once a week, for no more than half an hour. If you can help, please contact Christine Niles at 603-502-0889. Thank you.

## **In the Beginning**

In 1904, Episcopalians first gathered in Provincetown for casually organized summer services held in a variety of locations, both sacred and secular. Winter services commenced in 1919, a year that coincided with the acquisition of an old "salt house" near 517 Commercial Street. Extended in 1934, extensively remodeled in 1936, and consecrated on August 26 of that year, the old salt house is the nucleus of the art-filled sanctuary where you are worshipping today.

## **In Case of Need**

If pastoral needs should arise, please contact the Reverend William W. Rich, Interim Rector, at 774-383-1236 or [WWRich53@protonmail.com](mailto:WWRich53@protonmail.com).

## **This Week at St. Mary's**

**Wednesday, June 22—12 noon**

### **Noonday Prayer**

A weekly, Zoom-based gathering for prayer and conversation. To receive a meeting code and password, please contact Deacon Charlie at [ack4me@comcast.net](mailto:ack4me@comcast.net).

**Saturday, June 25—8:30 am**

### **Strength for the Journey**

An in-person, lay-led service of contemplation and healing.

**Sunday, June 26—11:30 am**

### **Annual Parish Meeting**

Immediately following our 10 am service on June 26, the annual parish meeting of St. Mary of the Harbor will convene in Nicholson Hall. For those wishing to attend remotely, Zoom links will be available later in the week.

## **The Church of St. Mary of the Harbor**

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