

# THE KALENDAR

S. Stephen's Church  
in Providence

THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

14 August 2022

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MORNING PRAYER 8 AM

LOW MASS 8:10 AM

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## MORNING PRAYER

*Please stand when the bell is rung.*

*The Officiant may first begin with a sentence of scripture.*

*Officiant* ✠ O Lord, open thou our lips.

*People* And our mouth shall show forth thy praise.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, \*  
and to the Holy Ghost;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be \*  
world without end. Amen.

VENITE – *Psalm 95:1-7*

*Antiphon:* The Lord is glorious in his saints.

O come, let us adore him.

O come, let us sing unto the Lord; \*

let us heartily rejoice in the strength of our salvation.

Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving \*  
and show ourselves glad in him with psalms.

For the Lord is a great God, \*  
and a great King above all gods.

In his hand are all the corners of the earth, \*  
and the strength of the hills is his also.

The sea is his, and he made it, \*  
and his hands prepared the dry land.

O come, let us worship and fall down, \*  
and kneel before the Lord our Maker.

For he is the Lord our God, \*  
and we are the people of his pasture  
and the sheep of his hand.

O worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness; \*  
let the whole earth stand in awe of him.

For he cometh, for he cometh to judge the earth, \*  
and with righteousness to judge the world  
and the peoples with his truth.

*Antiphon:* The Lord is glorious in his saints.

O come, let us adore him.

**PSALM 34** (*prayed responsively by whole verse, pausing at the asterisk*)

1 I WILL alway give thanks unto the LORD;  
\* his praise shall ever be in my mouth.  
2 My soul shall make her boast in the LORD;  
\* the humble shall hear thereof, and be glad.  
3 O praise the LORD with me,  
\* and let us magnify his Name together.  
4 I sought the LORD, and he heard me;  
\* yea, he delivered me out of all my fear.  
5 They had an eye unto him, and were lightened;  
\* and their faces were not ashamed.  
6 Lo, the poor crieth, and the LORD heareth him;  
\* yea, and saveth him out of all his troubles.  
7 The angel of the LORD tarrieth round about them that fear him,  
\* and delivereth them.  
8 O taste, and see, how gracious the LORD is:  
\* blessed is the man that trusteth in him.

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

**FIRST READING** – Isaiah 61: 10-11 (*Please be seated*)

I will greatly rejoice in the LORD, my soul shall exult in my God; for he has clothed me with the garments of salvation, he has covered me with the robe of righteousness, as a bridegroom decks himself with a garland, and as a bride adorns herself with her jewels. For as the earth brings forth its shoots, and as a garden causes what is sown in it to spring up, so the Lord GOD will cause righteousness and praise to spring forth before all the nations.

*Reader* The Word of the Lord.

*People* Thanks be to God.

**TE DEUM LAUDAMUS** (*Please stand*)

We praise thee, O God; we acknowledge thee to be the Lord.  
All the earth doth worship thee, the Father everlasting.  
To thee all Angels cry aloud,  
the Heavens and all the Powers therein.  
To thee Cherubim and Seraphim continually do cry:  
Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Sabaoth;  
Heaven and earth are full of the majesty of thy glory.  
The glorious company of the apostles praise thee.  
The goodly fellowship of the prophets praise thee.  
The noble army of martyrs praise thee.

The holy Church throughout all the world doth acknowledge thee,  
the Father, of an infinite majesty,  
thine adorable, true, and only Son,  
also the Holy Ghost the Comforter.

Thou art the King of glory, O Christ.

Thou art the everlasting Son of the Father.

When thou tookest upon thee to deliver man,  
thou didst humble thyself to be born of a Virgin.

When thou hadst overcome the sharpness of death,  
thou didst open the kingdom of heaven to all believers.

Thou sittest at the right hand of God, in the glory of the Father.

We believe that thou shalt come to be our judge.

We therefore pray thee, help thy servants,  
whom thou hast redeemed with thy precious blood.

Make them to be numbered with thy saints,  
in glory everlasting.

#### THE SUFFRAGES *(Please remain standing)*

*Officiant* The Lord be with you.

*People* And with thy Spirit.

*Officiant* Let us pray.

V. O Lord, save thy people and bless thine heritage;

R. **Govern them and lift them up for ever.**

V. Day by day we magnify thee;

R. **And we worship thy Name ever, world without end.**

V. Vouchsafe, O Lord, to keep us this day without sin;

R. **O Lord, have mercy upon us, have mercy upon us.**

V. O Lord, let thy mercy be upon us;

R. **As our trust is in thee.**

V. O Lord, in thee have I trusted;

R. **Let me never be confounded.**

#### A COLLECT FOR SUNDAYS

O God, who makest us glad with the weekly remembrance of the glorious resurrection of thy Son our Lord: Grant us this day such blessing through our worship of thee, that the days to come may be spent in thy favor; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord.  
**Amen.**

#### INTERCESSIONS

Anglican Cycle of Prayer

Intercession Paper for the Confraternity of the Blessed Sacrament

Intercession Paper for the Guild of All Souls

✠ May their souls, and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. **Amen.**

## CONCLUDING VERSICLES

*Officiant* The Lord be with you.

*People* **And with thy Spirit.**

*Officiant* Let us bless the Lord.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

✠ The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Ghost, be with us all evermore.

**Amen.** *2 Corinthians 13:14*

## LOW MASS

*The Liturgy begins immediately after the conclusion of Morning Prayer.*

## THE OPENING RITE

### OPENING ACCLAMATION *(Standing)*

*Celebrant* ✠ Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

*People* **And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

### COLLECT FOR PURITY *(Standing)*

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

### SUMMARY OF THE LAW *(Standing)*

Hear what our Lord Jesus Christ saith: Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like unto it: Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself. On these two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets.

### KYRIE ELEISON *(Standing)*

Kyrie eleison. **Kyrie eleison.** Kyrie eleison.

**Christe eleison.** Christe eleison. **Christe eleison.**

Kyrie eleison. **Kyrie eleison.** Kyrie eleison.

## GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

Glory be to God on high, and on earth peace, good will towards men. We praise thee, we bless thee, we worship thee, we glorify thee. We give thanks to thee for thy great glory. O Lord God, heavenly king, God the Father Almighty. O Lord, the only begotten Son Jesus Christ; O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us. Thou that takest away the sins of the world, receive our prayer. Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us. For thou only art holy; thou only art the Lord; thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost ☩ art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

## COLLECT OF THE DAY *(Please remain standing)*

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

*People* **And with thy spirit.**

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

O God, who hast taken to thyself the blessed Virgin Mary, mother of thine incarnate Son: Grant that we, who have been redeemed by his blood, may share with her the glory of thine eternal kingdom; through the same thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

## THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

### EPISTLE READING – Galatians 4: 4-7

But when the time had fully come, God sent forth his Son, born of woman, born under the law, to redeem those who were under the law, so that we might receive adoption as sons. And because you are sons, God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying, “Abba! Father!” So through God you are no longer a slave but a son, and if a son then an heir.

*Reader* The Word of the Lord.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

### THE HOLY GOSPEL – St. Luke 1:45-55

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

*People* **And with thy spirit.**

*Celebrant* ☩ The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

*People* **Glory be to thee, O Lord.**

And Mary said, “My soul magnifies the Lord, and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior, for he has regarded the low estate of his handmaiden. For behold, henceforth all generations will call me blessed; for he who is mighty has done great things for me, and holy is his name. And his mercy is on those who fear him from generation to generation. He has shown strength with his arm, he has scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts, he has put down the mighty from their thrones, and exalted those of low degree; he has filled the hungry with good things, and the rich

he has sent empty away. He has helped his servant Israel, in remembrance of his mercy, as he spoke to our fathers, to Abraham and to his posterity for ever.”

*Celebrant* The Gospel of the Lord.

*People* Praise be to thee, O Christ.

## HOMILY

Fr. Benjamin

## NICENE CREED *(Please stand)*

I believe in one God,  
the Father Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
and of all things visible and invisible;  
And in one Lord Jesus Christ,  
the only-begotten Son of God,  
begotten of his Father before all worlds,  
God of God, Light of Light,  
very God of very God,  
begotten, not made,  
being of one substance with the Father;  
by whom all things were made;  
who for us men and for our salvation  
came down from heaven,  
*and was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary,*  
*and was made man;*  
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate;  
he suffered and was buried;  
and the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures,  
and ascended into heaven,  
and sitteth on the right hand of the Father;  
and he shall come again, with glory,  
to judge both the quick and the dead;  
whose kingdom shall have no end.  
And I believe in the Holy Ghost the Lord, and Giver of Life,  
who proceedeth from the Father and the Son;  
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped  
and glorified;  
who spake by the Prophets.  
And I believe one holy Catholic and Apostolic Church;  
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins;  
and I look for the resurrection of the dead,  
✠ and the life of the world to come. Amen.

*(Genuflect or  
bow)*

## PARISH INTERCESSIONS LIST *(Please remain standing)*

### CONFESSION OF SIN *(Kneel after exhortation)*

*The Celebrant says the following*

Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God.

*Minister and People*

Almighty God,

**Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,  
maker of all things, judge of all men:**

**We acknowledge and bewail our manifold sins and wickedness,  
which we from time to time most grievously have committed,  
by thought, word, and deed, against thy divine Majesty,  
provoking most justly thy wrath and indignation against us.**

**We do earnestly repent,  
and are heartily sorry for these our misdoings;  
the remembrance of them is grievous unto us,  
the burden of them is intolerable.**

**Have mercy upon us,  
have mercy upon us, most merciful Father;  
for thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake,  
forgive us all that is past;  
and grant that we may ever hereafter  
serve and please thee in newness of life,  
to the honor and glory of thy Name;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

### ABSOLUTION

*The Celebrant stands and says*

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all those who with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto him, have mercy upon you, ✠ pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

### THE PEACE

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

*People* **And with thy spirit.**

*Announcements may be made.*

## THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

### OFFERTORY PRAYERS *(Please be seated)*

*Celebrant* Blessed art thou, Lord God of all creation; through thy goodness we have this bread to offer, which earth hath given and human hands have made. It will become for us the bread of life.

*People* **Blessed be God for ever.**

*Celebrant* Blessed art thou, Lord God of all creation; through thy goodness we have this wine to offer: fruit of the vine and work of human hands. It will become our spiritual drink.

*People* **Blessed be God for ever.**

### ORATE, FRATRES *(Please stand)*

*Celebrant* Pray, my brothers and sisters, that this my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God, the Father Almighty.

*People* **May the Lord receive this Sacrifice at thy hands, to the praise and glory of his Name, both to our benefit, and that of all his holy Church.**

### SURSUM CORDA & PREFACE *(Standing)*

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

*People* **And with thy spirit.**

*Celebrant* Lift up your hearts.

*People* **We lift them up unto the Lord.**

*Celebrant* Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

*People* **It is meet and right so to do.**

It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God. And that on this festival of Blessed Mary Ever-Virgin, we should praise, bless, and tell forth thy wonders; in that by the overshadowing of the Holy Ghost, she conceived thine only-begotten Son, and without loss to the glory of her abiding maidenhood, brought forth for man the light eternal, even Jesus Christ our Lord.

Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying,

### SANCTUS ET BENEDICTUS *(Standing)*

**Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts:**

**Heaven and earth are full of thy Glory.**

**Glory be to thee, O Lord Most High.**

✠ **Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**



## **EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER II** *(Kneeling or standing)*

All glory be to thee, O Lord our God, for that thou didst create heaven and earth, and didst make us in thine own image; and, of thy tender mercy, didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to take our nature upon him, and to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption. He made there a full and perfect sacrifice for the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death and sacrifice, until his coming again.

For in the night in which he was betrayed, he took bread; and when he had given thanks to thee, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, “Take, eat,

THIS IS MY BODY,  
WHICH IS GIVEN FOR YOU.  
Do this in remembrance of me.”



Likewise, after supper, he took the cup; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, “Drink this, all of you;

FOR THIS IS MY BLOOD OF THE NEW COVENANT  
WHICH IS SHED FOR YOU, AND FOR MANY, FOR THE REMISSION OF  
SINS.

Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me.”



Wherefore, O Lord and heavenly Father, we thy people do celebrate and make, with these thy holy gifts which we now offer unto thee, the memorial thy Son hath commanded us to make; having in remembrance his blessed passion and precious death, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; and looking for his coming again with power and great glory.

And we most humbly beseech thee, O merciful Father, to hear us, and, with thy Word and Holy Spirit, to bless and sanctify these gifts of bread and wine, that they may be unto us the Body and Blood of thy dearly-beloved Son Jesus Christ.

And we earnestly desire thy fatherly goodness to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, whereby we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, our selves, our souls and bodies. Grant, we beseech thee, that all who partake of this Holy Communion may worthily receive the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son Jesus Christ, and be filled with thy ✠ grace and heavenly benediction; and also that we and all thy whole Church may be made one body with him, that he may dwell in us, and we in him; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord;

✠ By whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost all honor and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end. **AMEN.**

## **THE LORD’S PRAYER** *(Kneeling)*

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

**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.  
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,  
for ever and ever. Amen.

#### THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD *(Kneeling)*

Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;  
Therefore let us keep the feast.

#### AGNUS DEI *(Kneeling)*

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,  
have mercy upon us.  
O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,  
have mercy upon us.  
O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,  
grant us thy peace.

#### PRAYER OF HUMBLE ACCESS

We do not presume to come to this thy Table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy Table. But thou art the same Lord whose property is always to have mercy. Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the Flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his Blood, that our sinful bodies may be made clean by his Body, and our souls washed through his most precious Blood, and that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.

#### INVITATION TO COMMUNION: ECCE AGNUS DEI *(Kneeling)*

*Celebrant* ✠ Behold the Lamb of God. Behold him that taketh away the sins of the world.  
*People* Lord, I am not worthy that thou shouldest come under my roof, but speak the word only, and my soul shall be healed.

#### THE ADMINISTRATION OF HOLY COMMUNION

*All baptized Christians are welcome to receive the Eucharist at the Lord's Table. If you are not receiving, you are invited to come forward for a blessing (indicated by crossing your arms over your chest). If you have not been baptized, and find yourself drawn to Jesus Christ and life in him, please let one of our clergy know. We would be honored to have a conversation with you about the possibility of baptism, or any other questions. Baptism and life in the Body of Christ is open to all.*

## THE CLOSING RITE

### POST-COMMUNION PRAYER *(Please kneel)*

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.

### BLESSING

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

*People* And with thy spirit.

May the Holy Spirit, by whose presence Mary became the God-bearer, give you grace to carry the good news of Christ; and the blessing of God almighty, ✠ the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be amongst you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

### DISMISSAL *(Please stand)*

*Celebrant* Let us go forth in the Name of Christ.

*People* Thanks be to God.

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