

The Last Sunday After Epiphany

February 14, 2021

The Processional

Alleluia, sing to Jesus

Hymnal 460

The Opening Acclamation

Blessed be God; Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

✠ **And blessed be God's kingdom, now and forever. Amen.**

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 Gloria in Excelsis**

Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to his people on earth.

Lord God, heavenly King,
almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks,
we praise you for your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world:
have mercy on us;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:
receive our prayer.

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.

The Collect of the Day

The Lord be with you.

✠ **And also with you.**

Let us pray.

O God, who before the passion of your only-begotten Son revealed his glory upon the holy mountain: Grant to us that we, beholding by faith the light of his countenance, may be strengthened to bear our cross, and be changed into his likeness from glory to glory; 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 2:1-12

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. The company of prophets who were in Bethel came out to Elisha, and said to him, "Do you know that today the Lord will take your master away from you?" And he said, "Yes, I know; keep silent."

Elijah said to him, "Elisha, stay here; for the Lord has sent me to Jericho." But he said, "As the Lord lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you." So they came to Jericho. The company of prophets who were at Jericho drew near to Elisha, and said to him, "Do you know that today the Lord will take your master away from you?" And he answered, "Yes, I know; be silent."

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.

The Word of the Lord.

✘ **Thanks be to God.**

✘ **The Psalm 50:1-6**

**The Lord, the God of gods, has spoken; *
he has called the earth from the rising of the sun
to its setting.**

**Out of Zion, perfect in its beauty, *
God reveals himself in glory.**

**Our God will come and will not keep silence; *
before him there is a consuming flame,
and round about him a raging storm.**

**He calls the heavens and the earth from above *
to witness the judgment of his people.**

**"Gather before me my loyal followers, *
those who have made a covenant with me
and sealed it with sacrifice."**

**Let the heavens declare the rightness of his cause; *
for God himself is judge.**

The Holy Gospel

Mark 9:2-9

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

✠ **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus took with him Peter and James and John, and led them up a high mountain apart, by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, and his clothes became dazzling white, such as no one on earth could bleach them. And there appeared to them Elijah with Moses, who were talking with Jesus. Then Peter said to Jesus, “Rabbi, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah.” He did not know what to say, for they were terrified. Then a cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud there came a voice, “This is my Son, the Beloved; listen to him!” Suddenly when they looked around, they saw no one with them any more, but only Jesus. As they were coming down the mountain, he ordered them to tell no one about what they had seen, until after the Son of Man had risen from the dead.

The Gospel of the Lord.

✠ **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

The Sermon

The Rev. David S. Sugeno

The Prayers of the People

Form III

Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;

✠ **That we all may be one.**

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you.

✠ **That your Name may be glorified by all people.**

We pray for Michael, our Presiding Bishop, Andrew, Jeff, Hector, Kai, our bishops; Dave and Nan, our priests; Christine and Ryan, our Seminarians, and for all bishops, priests, and deacons;

✠ **That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.**

We pray for Joseph, our President; Greg, our Governor; John, our Mayor; Mike, our City Manager, and for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world.

✘ **That there may be justice and peace on the earth.**

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;

✘ **That our works may find favor in your sight.**

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble; those who suffer from coronavirus and those who care for them.

✘ **That they may be delivered from their distress.**

Give to the departed eternal rest;

✘ **Let light perpetual shine upon them.**

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;

✘ **May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.**

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

We give thanks for those celebrating birthdays:

We commend to God's gracious care and keeping all the men and women of our armed forces at home and abroad, all first responders, and all who labor for justice and peace in the world.

I invite your thanksgivings and petitions, either silently or aloud.

(The people may add their own petitions.)

The Priest adds a concluding Collect.

The Peace

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

✘ **And also with you.**

The Ministers and People greet one another in the name of the Lord.

The Celebration of the Holy Eucharist

The Offertory

Higher Ground

Parish Ensemble

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer B

The Lord be with you.

✠ **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

✠ **We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. Because in the mystery of the Word made flesh, you have caused a new light to shine in our hearts, to give the knowledge of your glory in the face of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. 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:

✠ **The Sanctus**

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,

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.

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.

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 Father,

- ✠We remember his death,
- ✠We proclaim his resurrection,
- ✠We await his coming in glory;

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.

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

✠AMEN.

The Lord's Prayer

And now, as our Savior Christ has 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

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

✠ **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

The Invitation

The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

A spiritual communion is a personal devotional that anyone can pray at any time to express their desire to receive Holy Communion at that moment, but in which circumstances impede them from actually receiving Holy Communion. Those worshipping virtually are invited to say the following prayer while communion is being distributed to the in-person gathering:

✠ **Jesus, we believe that you are truly present in the Blessed Sacrament of the Altar, and we desire to offer you praise and thanksgiving as we proclaim your resurrection. Loving you above all things, we long to be united to you in love. Since we cannot receive you in the Sacrament of your Body and Blood, come spiritually into our hearts. Cleanse and strengthen us with your grace, Lord Jesus, and let us never be separated from you. May we live in you, and you in us, in this life and in the life to come. Amen.**

(Adapted from St. Alphonsus de Liguori, 1696-1787)

The Post-Communion Prayer

Let us pray.

✠ **Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

The Blessing

The Recessional *My Faith Looks Up to Thee* Hymnal 691

The Dismissal

The Priest pronounces the dismissal, after which the congregation responds:
✠ **Thanks be to God. Alleluia. Alleluia.**

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THIS WEEK AT TRINITY

Sunday, February 14

8:30 AM Holy Eucharist in the Courtyard
9:30 AM Christian Ed via Zoom
10:30 AM Holy Eucharist Rite II in Church
10:30 AM Livestream Holy Eucharist

Tuesday, February 16

9:00 AM Worship in the Courtyard

Wednesday, February 17

12 Noon Imposition of Ashes in the Courtyard
5:30 PM Imposition of Ashes in the Church