

Fifth Sunday of Easter
St. Stephen Parish
May 1-2, 2021



Prelude: Ave Maria (Gregory Norbet)

Entrance: To Live With Him Forever (Hart/Feduccia)

*We are the wheat, we are the bread;
our lives we bring as offering.
And as the grain, we're crushed by trials
yet bound by healing water.
The fruit of vine, the work of hands,
the cup of love's endeavor:
we place before the Son of Man
to live with him forever.*

Sprinkling Rite

AGUA DE VIDA/WATER OF LIFE

Misa del Pueblo Inmigrante
Jaime Cortez

Estrillo/Refrain

A-gua de vi - da, san-to re-cuer - do; u - ne-y re-nue - va
Wa-ter of life, ho-ly re-mind - er; touch-ing, re-new - ing

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al cuer-po de Cris - to. al cuer-po de Cris - to.
the bod - y of Christ. *the bod - y of Christ.*

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Glory To God: Golden Jubilee Mass (Maria Banson)

*Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will.
We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you,
We give you thanks for your great glory.
Lord God, heavenly King, O God, Almighty Father.*

*Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
You take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us;
You take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer;
You are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us.*

*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.*

First Reading: Acts of the Apostles 9:26–31

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

When Saul arrived in Jerusalem he tried to join the disciples, but they were all afraid of him, not believing that he was a disciple. Then Barnabas took charge of him and brought him to the apostles, and he reported to them how he had seen the Lord, and that he had spoken to him, and how in Damascus he had spoken out boldly in the name of Jesus. He moved about freely with them in Jerusalem, and spoke out boldly in the name of the Lord. He also spoke and debated with the Hellenists, but they tried to kill him. And when the brothers learned of this, they took him down to Caesarea and sent him on his way to Tarsus.

The church throughout all Judea, Galilee, and Samaria was at peace. It was being built up and walked in the fear of the Lord, and with the consolation of the Holy Spirit it grew in numbers.

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 22 (Luke Mayernik)

"I will praise you, Lord, in the assembly of your people."

Second Reading: 1 John 3:18–24

A reading from the first Letter of Saint John.

Children, let us love not in word or speech but in deed and truth.

Now this is how we shall know that we belong to the truth and reassure our hearts before him in whatever our hearts condemn, for God is greater than our hearts and knows everything. Beloved, if our hearts do not condemn us, we have confidence in God and receive from him whatever we ask, because we keep his commandments and do what pleases him. And his commandment is this: we should believe in the name of his Son, Jesus Christ, and love one another just as he commanded us. Those who keep his commandments remain in him, and he in them, and the way we know that he remains in us is from the Spirit he gave us.

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Acclamation

CELTIC ALLELUIA

Celtic Mass

Fintan O'Carroll and Christopher Walker

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

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Gospel: John 15:1-8

The Lord be with you. And with your spirit.

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to John.

Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus said to his disciples: "I am the true vine, and my Father is the vine grower. He takes away every branch in me that does not bear fruit, and every one that does he prunes so that it bears more fruit. You are already pruned because of the word that I spoke to you. Remain in me, as I remain in you. Just as a branch cannot bear fruit on its own unless it remains on the vine, so neither can you unless you remain in me. I am the vine, you are the branches. Whoever remains in me and I in him will bear much fruit, because without me you can do nothing. Anyone who does not remain in me will be thrown out like a branch and wither; people will gather them and throw them into a fire and they will be burned. If you remain in me and my words remain in you, ask for whatever you want and it will be done for you. By this is my Father glorified, that you bear much fruit and become my disciples."

The Gospel of the Lord. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Presentation of the Gifts

MANY AND GREAT

Ricky Manalo, CSP

Verses

A musical score for a single melodic line. It consists of a treble clef, a key signature of one flat, and a common time signature. The melody starts with a dotted half note followed by eighth notes.

1. Man - y and great are bear - ers of the Word: the Christ
2. Man - y and great are seeds up - on the field: the hand
3. Man - y and great are voic - es of de - spair: the rain
4. Man - y and great are peb - bles in the sand: the sun

A continuation of the musical score, starting with a whole note followed by a dotted half note and a half note.

1. speaks; the heart seeks. Gath - ered as one, we
2. sows; the seeds grow. Take now and eat the
3. falls; the voice calls. Take now and drink the
4. glows; the wind blows. Take now and spread the

A continuation of the musical score, starting with a dotted half note followed by eighth notes.

1. lis - ten to the Word and share the meal of new birth.
2. cov - e - nant ful - filled, the bread of prom - ise and life.
3. wine of hope and care; our cup of bless - ing we share.
4. Word to ev - 'ry land, the Word of good - ness and hope.

Refrain

A musical score for a single melodic line. It consists of a treble clef, a key signature of one flat, and a common time signature. The melody starts with a dotted half note followed by eighth notes.

The wheat grows from spring-time to fall; the wine flows; in

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A continuation of the musical score, starting with a dotted half note followed by eighth notes.

Christ we re - call the shar - ing of our lives with one and all.

Holy: Golden Jubilee Mass (Maria Banson)

*Holy, holy, holy Lord God of hosts.
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna! Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna! Hosanna in the highest.*

Memorial Acclamation: Golden Jubilee Mass (Maria Banson)

*When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup,
We proclaim your Death, O Lord, until you come again.*

Amen: Golden Jubilee Mass (Maria Banson)

Amen, Amen, Amen. Amen.

Lamb of God: Golden Jubilee Mass (Maria Banson)

*Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, grant us peace.*

Communion Antiphon

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER COMMUNION ANTIphon

Steve Angrisano, Sarah Hart, and Curtis Stephan

The musical notation consists of four staves of music in common time (indicated by '4'). The first staff begins with a treble clef and a sharp sign indicating F major. The lyrics for this staff are: "I am the true vine and you are the branch - es, says the Lord." The second staff begins with a bass clef and a sharp sign. The lyrics for this staff are: "Who-ev-er re-mains in me, and I in him, bears fruit in plen-". The third staff begins with a treble clef and a sharp sign. The lyrics for this staff are: "- ty, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia,". The fourth staff begins with a bass clef and a sharp sign. The lyrics for this staff are: "al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia."

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Communion Song

VINE AND BRANCHES

Trevor Thomson

Refrain

I am the vine and you the branch-es.

Re-main in

me as I re-main in you; you will bear great fruit in me.

Verses

1. A new com-mand - ment I give you: e - ven
2. No great - er love is there than this: than to
3. I am the liv - ing bread from heav - en; if you
4. All those who eat my flesh and drink my blood re -
5. The words that I have spo - ken are
6. And now as I have washed your feet, so

to Refrain

1. as I have loved you, now love one an - oth - er.
2. lay down your life, your life for your friends.
3. eat this bread, you will live for - ev - er.
4. main in me and I re-main in them.
5. spir - it and life, they are spir - it and life.
6. you must do just as I have done.

Text based on John 6:35-63; 13:14-15; 15:1-13.

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Closing Song: Hallelujah Is Our Song (Hart/Kroger/Blakesley/Heffinger)

*What hope we have, even in the longest night,
for the light will overcome.*

And we shall live; sinners, we will rise to saints.

Hallelujah is our song.

Hallelujah! Hallelujah!

He is risen over all.

Hallelujah! Hallelujah!

Hallelujah is our song.



Thank you for joining us!

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