



Half of a diptych; ivory; the Archangel Michael, Constantinople circa 525-550

**Solemnity of Saint Michael and All Angels**  
11 a.m. Solemn High Mass + October 2, 2022  
Church of the Ascension, Chicago

## This week's Calendar

Sun Oct 2      Solemnity of St. Michael and All Angels (Michaelmas) 9 a.m. & 11 a.m.  
                    Parish Picnic in Our Lady of Victory Garden after Mass  
                    Organ Recital by David White, 3:30 p.m.  
                    Choral Evensong and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament, 4 p.m.

Wed Oct 5      Wednesday evening Mass, 6:30 p.m. (Feria)

Sat Oct 8      Blessing of Animals at Division Street Farmers Market (*see below*)

Sun Oct 9      Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost (Proper 23C) 9 a.m. & 11 a.m.  
                    Bank of America Chicago Marathon hospitality (*see below*)

### Blessing of Animals, Saturday, October 8

We will have a table at the Division Street Farmers Market for pet blessings from 9 am to noon, October 8 and are in need volunteers to help set up and welcome four-legged friends for a blessing. We'll meet at the church at 8:30 am. If you are able to volunteer, please email Mtr. Murphy-Gill.

If you aren't able to help, please stop by the market anyway with your pets or a picture! You can also get involved by picking up a flyer at the church (or printing one yourself) and sharing it with others.

### Chicago Marathon Hospitality, Sunday, October 9

Come show marathon spectators a warm welcome with coffee and donuts, before Mass on Sunday, October 9. We're planning to put our best face forward with bells, cassocks, and asperges for those who want a blessing. **We'll need help with coffee and setting up beginning at 6:30 a.m.** and assistance handing out coffee and showing hospitality during the 9 a.m. Mass.

### Nursery Attendant Needed

We'd like to be able to show more hospitality to families with small children. One step for doing so would be to have a staffed nursery. Do you know anyone who is available on Sunday mornings? If so, please contact Mtr. Murphy-Gill for more information about requirements and compensation.

*Please silence all electronic devices that may distract you or others from worship.*

*Cameras in the church are for the purposes of live-streaming and/or recording our liturgies and music, but anyone in the church may be incidentally viewed.*



ORGAN Fantaisie pour la Fête de Saint-Michel [1919]

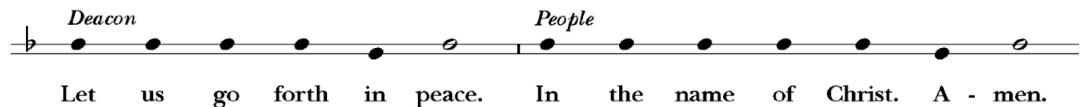
Charles-Camille Saint-Saëns

(1835-1921)

## ENTRANCE RITE

*Please stand as you are able as the Ministers enter through the Michael door and come before the altar.*

### The Procession



Hymn at the Procession to the Shrine 282 (Vss. 1-3)

CAELITES PLAUDANT

### Station at the Shrine of St. Michael the Archangel

*After incense is made, the Celebrant intones*

Holy Michael Archangel, defend us in the day of battle.

People That we perish not in the dreadful judgment.

Celebrant Let us pray.

Saint Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle: be our defense against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray; and do thou, O Prince of the heavenly host, by the power of God, thrust into hell Satan and the other evil spirits who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of our souls.

Amen.

*The Celebrant censes the Shrine; the hymn continues.*

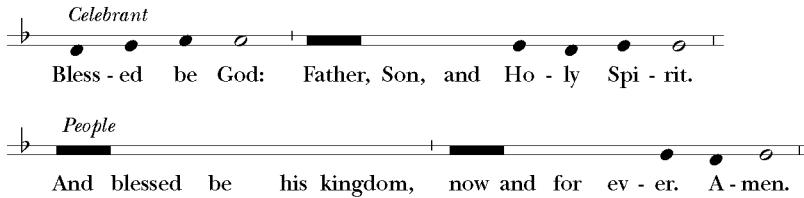
Hymn 282 (Vss. 4-6)

CAELITES PLAUDANT

Introit O praise the Lord, all ye his angels, ye that excel in strength, ye that fulfill his commandment, and hearken to the voice of his word.

Setting: George Alexander Macfarren (1813-1887) O praise the Lord, all ye his angels  
Psalm 103:20

### The Opening Acclamation



*The Celebrant may say*

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.**

### Kyrie eleison

*Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.*

Setting: Herbert Howells (1892-1983) *Office of Holy Communion "Collegium Regale"* (1956)

### Gloria in excelsis Deo

1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and  
peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly  
King, al - might - y God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we  
give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus  
Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa-ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you  
take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - - cy

on us; 5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa-ther: re -  
 ceive our prayer. 6. For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One,  
 you a - lone are the Lord, 7. you a - lone are the Most  
 High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spi - rit, in the  
 glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

### The Salutation and The Collect of the Day

Celebrant      The Lord be with you.

People      **And also with you.**

Celebrant      Let us pray.

Everlasting God, you have ordained and constituted in a wonderful order the ministries of angels and mortals: Mercifully grant that, as your holy angels always serve and worship you in heaven, so by your appointment they may help and defend us here on earth; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

*The people sit.*

## THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

### The First Lesson

Genesis 28:10-17

Jacob left Beer-sheba and went toward Haran. He came to a certain place and stayed there for the night, because the sun had set. Taking one of the stones of the place, he put it under his head and lay down in that place. And he dreamed that there was a ladder set up on the earth, the top of it reaching to heaven; and the angels of God were ascending and descending on it. And the Lord stood beside him and said, “I am the Lord, the God of Abraham your father and the God of Isaac; the land on which you lie I will give to you and to your offspring; and your offspring shall be like the dust of the earth, and you shall spread abroad to the west and to the east and to the north and to the south; and all the families of the earth shall be blessed in you and in your offspring. Know that I am with you and will keep you wherever you go, and will bring you back to this land; for I will not leave you until I have done what I have promised you.” Then Jacob woke from his sleep and said, “Surely the Lord is in this place—and I did not know it!” And he was afraid, and said, “How awesome is this place! This is none other than the house of God, and this is the gate of heaven.”

*Lector* The Word of the Lord.

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

**Gradual** “Benedicite Dominum” (Ps. 103) Mode III

Benedicite Dominum, omnes Angeli eius: potentes virtute, qui facitis verbum eius. *v.* Benedic anima mea Dominum; et omnia interiora mea Nomen sanctum eius.

*O praise the Lord, ye Angels of his, ye that excel in strength: ye that fulfill his commandment. v. O praise the Lord, O my soul, and all that is within me, praise his holy Name.*

### The Epistle

Revelation 12:7-12

War broke out in heaven; Michael and his angels fought against the dragon. The dragon and his angels fought back, but they were defeated, and there was no longer any place for them in heaven. The great dragon was thrown down, that ancient serpent, who is called the Devil and Satan, the deceiver of the whole world—he was thrown down to the earth, and his angels were thrown down with him. Then I heard a loud voice in heaven, proclaiming, “Now have come the

salvation and the power and the kingdom of our God and the authority of his Messiah, for the accuser of our comrades has been thrown down, who accuses them day and night before our God. But they have conquered him by the blood of the Lamb and by the word of their testimony, for they did not cling to life even in the face of death. Rejoice then, you heavens and those who dwell in them! But woe to the earth and the sea, for the devil has come down to you with great wrath, because he knows that his time is short!"

*Lector* The Word of the Lord.      *People* **Thanks be to God.**

*Please stand as you are able.*

**Alleluia** "Sancte Michaël Archangele" Mode VIII

Alleluia, alleluia. V. Sancte Michaël Archangele, defende nos in proelio: ut non pereamus in tremendo iudicio. Alleluia.

*Alleluia, alleluia. V. Holy Michael Archangel, defend us in the day of battle: that we perish not in the dreadful judgment. Alleluia.*

**The Holy Gospel**

John 1:47-51

*Deacon* The Lord be with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*Deacon* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John

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

When Jesus saw Nathanael coming toward him, he said of him, "Here is truly an Israelite in whom there is no deceit!" Nathanael asked him, "Where did you get to know me?" Jesus answered, "I saw you under the fig tree before Philip called you." Nathanael replied, "Rabbi, you are the Son of God! You are the King of Israel!" Jesus answered, "Do you believe because I told you that I saw you under the fig tree? You will see greater things than these." And he said to him, "Very truly, I tell you, you will see heaven opened and the angels of God ascending and descending upon the Son of Man."

*Deacon* The Gospel of the Lord.    *People* **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

**The Sermon**

The Rev. Thomas Heard

The Nicene Creed Sung in Monotone. Please stand as you are able.

We believe in one God,  
the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,  
the only Son of God,  
eternally begotten of the Father,  
God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God,  
begotten, not made,  
of one Being with the Father.

Through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation

he came down from heaven:  
by the power of the Holy Spirit  
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,  
and was made man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;

he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again

in accordance with the Scriptures;

he ascended into heaven

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,

and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,

who proceeds from the Father and the Son.

With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.

He has spoken through the Prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

**The Prayers of the People**

Form VI (BCP p. 392)

*The Leader and People pray responsively*

In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

*Silence*

For all people in their daily life and work;

**For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.**

For this community, the nation, and the world;

**For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.**

For the just and proper use of your creation;

**For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.**

For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;

**For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.**

For the peace and unity of the Church of God;

**For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.**

For Justin, Archbishop of Canterbury, Michael, our Presiding Bishop and Primate, Paula, our Bishop; and for all bishops and other ministers;

**For all who serve God in his Church.**

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation.

*Silence*

*The People may add their own petitions*

Hear us, Lord;

**For your mercy is great.**

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life.

*Silence*

*The People may add their own thanksgivings*

We will exalt you, O God our King;  
And praise your Name for ever and ever.

We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.

*Silence*

*The People may add their own petitions*

Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;  
**Who put their trust in you.**

We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.

*Silence may be kept.*

*Leader and People*

**Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father;**  
**in your compassion forgive us our sins,**  
**known and unknown,**  
**things done and left undone;**  
**and so uphold us by your Spirit**  
**that we may live and serve you in newness of life,**  
**to the honor and glory of your Name;**  
**through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

*The Celebrant stands and says*

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

**The Peace**

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

*People*      **And also with you.**



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

## THE HOLY COMMUNION

### Offertory "Stetit Angelus" (Rev. 8) Mode 1

Stetit Angelus iuxta aram templi, habens thuribulum aureum in manu sua: et data sunt ei incensa multa: et ascendit fumus aromatum in conspectu Dei, alleluia.

*An Angel stood at the altar of the temple, having a golden censer in his hand, and there was given unto him much incense: and ascended up the smoke of the incense before God, alleluia.*

### Offertory Motet

*O how amiable are thy dwellings, thou Lord of hosts! My soul hath a desire and longing to enter into the courts of the Lord. My heart and my flesh rejoice in the living God. Yea, the sparrow hath found her a house and the swallow a nest where she may lay her young: even thy altars, O Lord of hosts, my King, and my God. Blessed are they that dwell in thy house. They will be alway praising thee. The glorious majesty of the Lord our God be upon us; prosper thou the work of our hands upon us. O prosper thou our handiwork. O God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come, our shelter from the stormy blast, and our eternal home.*

Setting: Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958) *O how amiable* (1934)  
text from Psalms 84 and 90

### Offertory Hymn 453

JACOB'S LADDER

### THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

*Eucharistic Prayer* (BCP p. 372)

**Orate Fratres** *Please stand as you are able.*

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

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

Celebrant Amen.

## **Sursum Corda**

Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds

It is truly right to glorify you, Father, and to give you thanks; for you alone are God, living and true, dwelling in light inaccessible from before time and for ever. Fountain of life and source of all goodness, you made all things and fill them with your blessing; you created them to rejoice in the splendor of your radiance. Countless throngs of angels stand before you to serve you night and day; and, beholding the glory of your presence, they offer you unceasing praise. Joining with them, and giving voice to every creature under heaven, we acclaim you, and glorify your Name, as we sing:

## Sanctus and Benedictus

*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.

Setting: Herbert Howells (1892-1983) *Office of Holy Communion* "Collegium Regale" (1956)

The people stand or kneel. Then the Celebrant continues.

We acclaim you, holy Lord, glorious in power. Your mighty works reveal your wisdom and love. You formed us in your own image, giving the whole world into our care, so that, in obedience to you, our Creator, we might rule and serve all your creatures. When our disobedience took us far from you, you did not abandon us to the power of death. In your mercy you came to our help, so that in seeking you we might find you. Again and again you called us into covenant with you, and through the prophets you taught us to hope for salvation. Father, you loved the world so much that in the

fullness of time you sent your only Son to be our Savior. Incarnate by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, he lived as one of us, yet without sin. To the poor he proclaimed the good news of salvation; to prisoners, freedom; to the sorrowful, joy. To fulfill your purpose he gave himself up to death; and, rising from the grave, destroyed death, and made the whole creation new. And, that we might live no longer for ourselves, but for him who died and rose for us, he sent the Holy Spirit, his own first gift for those who believe, to complete his work in the world, and to bring to fulfillment the sanctification of all.

When the hour had come for him to be glorified by you, his heavenly Father, having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end; at supper with them he 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.”

Father, we now celebrate this memorial of our redemption. Recalling Christ's death and his descent among the dead, proclaiming his resurrection and ascension to your right hand, awaiting his coming in glory; and offering to you, from the gifts you have given us, this bread and this cup, we praise you and we bless you.

*Celebrant and People*

**We praise you, we bless you,  
we give thanks to you,  
and we pray to you, Lord our God.**

*The Celebrant continues*

Lord, we pray that in your goodness and mercy your Holy Spirit may descend upon us, and upon these gifts, sanctifying them and showing them to be holy gifts for your holy people, the bread of life and the cup of salvation, the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ. Grant that all who share this bread and cup may become one body and one spirit, a living sacrifice in Christ, to the praise of your Name.

Remember, Lord, your one holy catholic and apostolic Church, redeemed by the blood of your Christ. Reveal its unity, guard its faith, and preserve it in peace.

Remember all who have died in the peace of Christ, and those whose faith is known to you alone; bring them into the place of eternal joy and light. And grant that we may find our inheritance with the Blessed Virgin Mary, with patriarchs, prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and all the saints who have found favor with you in ages past. We praise you in union with them and give you glory through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

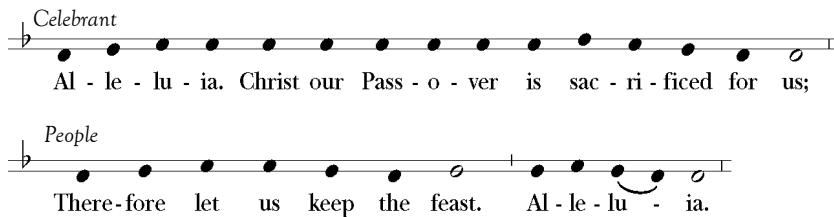
Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, all honor and glory are yours, Almighty God and Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, for ever and for ever. **AMEN.**

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

Our Fa - ther, who art in hea - ven, hal - low - ed  
be thy Name, thy king - dom come, thy will be done,  
on earth as it is in hea - ven. Give us this day our  
dai - ly bread. And for - give us our tres - pas - ses,  
as we for - give those who tres - pass a - gainst us. And lead  
us not in - to temp - ta - tion, but de - liv - er us  
from e - vil. For thine is the king - dom, and the power,  
and the glo - ry, for ev - er and ev - er. A - men.

## The Breaking of the Bread

*The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.*



Celebrant  
Al - le - lu - ia. Christ our Pass - o - ver is sac - ri - ficed for us;  
People  
There-fore let us keep the feast. Al - le - lu - ia.

## Invitation to Communion

Celebrant Behold the Lamb of God; behold him that takes away the sins of the world. Happy are they who are called to his supper.

Lord, I am not worthy that you should come under my roof.

People **But speak the word only, and my soul shall be healed.**

Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God.

## Agnus Dei

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.

Setting: Herbert Howells (1892-1983) *Office of Holy Communion "Collegium Regale"* (1956)

† All baptized Christians are welcome to receive Communion, and all may come forward.

Those who are not baptized or who do not wish to take Communion may indicate a desire for a blessing by crossing arms on the chest upon approaching the priest.

- If you prefer not to receive the Chalice, please cross your arms on your chest and remain until the minister has said the words of reception, "The Blood of Christ, the cup of salvation." If you desire to receive by intinction, please present the host to the minister so that it may be dipped and placed on your tongue.
- Please alert an usher if you need the Sacrament brought to you in the pew.

## THE COMMUNION

### Communion Motet

*O taste and see how gracious the Lord is;  
Blest is the man that trusteth in Him.*

Setting: Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958) *O taste and see*  
Composed for the coronation of Queen Elizabeth II, June, 1953  
Psalm 34:8

### Communion “Benedicite, omnes Angeli” (Dan. 3) Mode III

Benedicite omnes Angeli Dómini Dóminum: hymnum dícite, et superexaltáte eum in sæcula. V. Benedicite, ómnia ópera Dómini, Dómino; laudáte et superexaltáte eum in sæcula. V. Gloria Patri.

*All you Angels of the Lord, bless the Lord: sing a hymn, and exalt him above all forever.*

*V. Bless the Lord, all you works of the Lord; praise and exalt him above all forever.*

*V. Glory be.*

### Communion Hymn

### JERUSALEM



2. There Da-vid stands with harp in hand, Da-vid the mas-ter of the choir, ten thou-sand



times would one be blessed who might this heav'n-ly mu - sic hear! Je - ru - sa -



lem, Je - ru - sa - lem, God's mer - cy grant that I may see the heav'n-ly choir and of the

### Organ interlude



same a joy - ful mem-ber ev - er be!

## The Post-Communion Prayer

*The People stand or kneel. The Celebrant says* Let us pray.

*Celebrant and People*

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, Father, 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 him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit,  
be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

## The Blessing

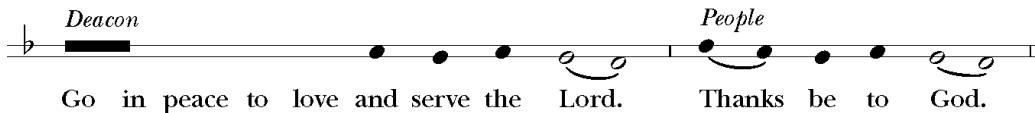
*Celebrant*      The Lord be with you.

*People*      And also with you.

*The Priest blesses the People. The People respond, "Amen."*

*The People stand as they are able.*

## The Dismissal



Recessional Hymn 618

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

ORGAN Improvisation on *Cælites plaudant*

David R. White (b. 1959)



*Please do remember your financial offerings to the church. At this time, they may be placed in the offering plates as they are passed. You may also write a check and mail it to the church or make a gift by scanning this QR Code.*

### **Ascension Prayer List**

**For our prayers:** Irma, Burton Nelson, Winslow, Pablo Illás, Victor Fernandez, Claire Green, Beth Hall, Sue Lenz, Brenda Martins, Lee Gould, Gertrude Isaac, Marty Stenson

**Birthdays:** Mtr. Meghan Murphy-Gill, 10/2; Trevor Anton Peterson, 10/3; Anthony William Clark, 10/3; Michael J. Vales, 10/4; Ralph Vara, 10/4; Richard William Connaughton, 10/5; Deacon Charles Farrell, 10/7

**Requiescat in pace:** Gary Peter Fertig, *priest, 15th Rector, 10/2/2014;*  
Adelle M. Norén, 10/7/2003; Gladys Schlough, 10/8/2009

### **New Ascension Parking Stickers**

Ascension will be issuing new parking stickers to replace the current blue ones.

Applications are hard copy only and, unless special arrangements are made, can be picked up from a Sunday morning usher and then submitted in person to clergy, Sunday usher or at the church office. Completed applications with accompanying signature and date assure compliance with all requirements, limitations and responsibilities listed on the application form. New stickers will be mailed within two weeks of approval by the vestry. **The current Blue stickers will no longer be valid after Nov 30, 2022.**

Please contact Ken Cozette with questions: 630-660-5293 or [cozetteken@yahoo.com](mailto:cozetteken@yahoo.com)

### **Prayer requests**

Do you have a need for special prayer in your life? Whether your prayer needs are because you have an upcoming surgery, an ill family member, or you're just feeling particularly lonely lately, Fr. Heard and Mtr. Murphy-Gill would like to know.

We've created a way for letting us know about your requests for prayers in a way we hope makes it easy for you to reach out, though you can always call the church or reach out to one of the priests personally. Check out the link in TWAA to share your prayer requests.

**Flowers** on the High Altar and at the Shrine of St. Mary the Virgin are given by Gary MacDougal to the glory of God and in memory of his wife, Charlene Gehm MacDougal.

**Many thanks to those who serve:** Patrick Johnston, Enrique Vilaseco, Gary Alexander, MB Hwang, Dan Stell, Mark Aparece, Acolytes; Joshua Simpson, *Lector*; Eric Canales, George Panice, *Technology*; Elizabeth Simpson, Joshua Simpson, Roberta Dawson, Jay Jacot, *Ushers*, Herbert H., *Coffee Hour*

### **The Choir of the Ascension**

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*Alto* Amy Johnson, Cassidy Smith

*Tenor* Enrico Bellomo, Aaron Short

*Bass* Evan Bravos, Ian Prichard, Peter Wesoloski

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Welcome to worship at the  
**Church of the Ascension**  
An Anglican-Episcopal parish in the  
city and Diocese of Chicago

SOME WHO HAVE GATHERED HERE TODAY may have traveled from afar and visited before. Church of the Ascension has long been a destination for those who feel blessed by the Anglo-Catholic worship here. Others may have made a shorter trip, and those here for the first time may ask, "What's Anglo-Catholic?" The term refers to two aspects of our history and ongoing faith and worship.

Anglican churches are those in the tradition of, and with ongoing ties to, the Church of England. (In the United States we are mainly called Episcopalians.)

The 'Catholic' part of our identity is evident all around us here, in the church interior and in our worship.

- + We value and relish liturgy and music that engage and nourish the heart the mind and all the senses.
- + Our reverence for the sacrament of the Eucharist, the Mass, Christ's Body and Blood, is emphasized by the architecture of the space and many elements of our worship.
- + We have a strong sense of taking part, as Christ's people, in the Communion of Saints, including Blessed Mary and our patron saint, Michael the Archangel. Our faith is inspired and sustained by remembering the lives and witness of those who are now eternally with God.

We hope and pray that our sense of grateful, divine fellowship translates to our welcome of all and to faithfulness in the ministries that we share beyond our life of worship.

Your questions about our parish community, our worship and other ministries may be found by inquiring with our clergy or parishioners, or on our website – [www.ascensionchicago.org](http://www.ascensionchicago.org).

Thank you and bless you for joining us.



*The mosaic on the door of the altar tabernacle, Church of the Ascension*

- All baptized Christians are welcomed to receive Communion. Others are welcomed to come forward at the time of Communion to receive a blessing.
- Live-Streaming of select liturgies is available on Facebook and YouTube. Links for these can be found on our website Home page.
- Please ask an usher about a parking permit if your car will be in our parking lot after 1:30 pm today.