

ST. CATHERINE OF SIENA ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

March 8, 2026—Third Sunday of Lent



ALL ARE WELCOMED TO OUR PARISH!

We are so pleased that you chose to celebrate with us this weekend. We warmly invite you to actively participate in our liturgical celebration. Please feel free to approach one of our Ministers of Hospitality if you are in need of any assistance. No matter what your present status in the Catholic Church, your current family or marital situation, your past or present religious affiliation; no matter what your personal history, age, background, sexual orientation, gender, race, or color; no matter what your self-image or self-esteem: YOU are invited, welcomed, accepted, loved, and respected at St. Catherine of Siena Church in Ithaca, New York.

Shepherd us, O Lord, on our Lenten journey back to you.

Lord, we hear you calling us back, feeling the tug to be reconciled, but our egos and blindness block our journey to you.

We tire, lose our way, grow thirsty, and are unwilling to die to our past.

We are comfortable and therefore fearful of change.

Breathe life back into us.

Send us your Spirit that we may put aside our fears, be reconciled, and strengthened to complete our Lenten journey back to you.

O Shepherd God, breathe new life into our faith community, that as companions on this Lenten journey, we return to you with songs of praise and glory.

We ask this and all prayer through our Lord Jesus Christ.



PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

*The mission of St. Catherine of Siena Parish
is to inspire, engage, and nurture our community
through worship, witness, and service.*

St. Catherine of Siena Parish

309 Siena Drive, Ithaca, New York 14850

607-257-2493

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Office Hours: Monday 1–4 p.m.; Tuesday, Wednesday 9 a.m.–4 p.m.; and Friday 9 a.m.–12 p.m.

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NEW PARISHIONERS

Welcome to our parish community! Registration forms are available on our website or through the Parish Office.

STEWARDSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Clothing for the Needy

Clean used clothing in good condition accepted 24/7 at the shed adjacent to the parking lot.

Blue Mutual Aid Food Cabinet

We host a blue food cabinet in front of the church, which functions as a small food pantry that is available for all community members. Anyone is invited to donate or take food from the cabinet.

Ithaca Kitchen Cupboard

St. Catherine's, as a member of Area Churches Together (ACT), supports the Ithaca Kitchen Cupboard Food Pantry with food donated by parishioners and volunteer hours.

MASS SCHEDULE

Weekend Mass Schedule

Saturday at 5 p.m. and Sunday at 9 a.m.

All weekend Masses available to attend in person or via livestream; also archived and available at tinyurl.com/StCatLivestream.

Accommodations: *Gluten-reduced hosts* are available; please go to the presiding priest during Communion.

Personal listening receivers are available in the Atrium.

Daily Mass Schedule

We offer daily Mass on Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays at 9 a.m.; and on the first Saturday of the month at 9 a.m. at Immaculate Conception Church.

Church Hours

The church is open for prayer when the Parish Office is open: Monday 1–4 p.m.; Tuesday and Wednesday 9 a.m.–4 p.m.; and Friday 9 a.m.–12 p.m.

Eucharistic Adoration

Eucharistic Adoration is held in the church on Wednesday evenings from 7–8 p.m. Please enter through the east door.

SACRAMENTS

Reconciliation is available on Saturdays from 3:30–4:30 p.m. and by appointment.

Infant Baptisms

We're so happy about the new addition to your family. Parents participate in a preparation program prior to baptism. Please contact the office three months prior to the baptism. Please fill out the Baptism Registration Form on our website.

Marriage

Congratulations on your engagement! As with the other sacraments, prior preparation is necessary. Please contact the office **at least six months** before the wedding. If you do not live in New York State, you must do your preparation in your home state. Please fill out the Marriage Registration Form on our website.

Anointing of the Sick/Visitation

Please contact the office for arrangements for individual anointing or for a visitation to someone who is sick or homebound. For emergencies, please contact Fr. Dan directly at 607-351-6458. Please alert the Parish Office when family members are in the hospital. If you would like to add someone to the Prayer Corner, please call the Parish Office.

Order of Christian Initiation for Adults (O.C.I.A.):

For information on becoming Catholic, or questions about the Catholic faith, contact Fr. Dan.

Holy Orders:

Please contact the Diocesan Office of Vocation Awareness at 585-461-2890 or vocations@dor.org.

WHAT'S HAPPENING: MARCH 9–15

Both weekend Masses are available on livestream. You can reach our livestream feed via the Boxcast link on St. Catherine's website (stcathofsiena.org) or at tinyurl.com/StCatLivestream.

Monday, March 9

St. Frances of Rome, Religious

7:00 p.m. Centering Prayer, *via Zoom*

7:00 p.m. Cayuga Vocal Ensemble Rehearsal, *Church*

7:30 p.m. Monday Night SCC, *Pastoral Care Room*

Tuesday, March 10

9:00 a.m. MASS: *Katherina Kipfer by Barbara Iorio*

10:30 a.m. MASS AT KENDAL

5:00 p.m. Ignatian Prayer Group, *Pastoral Care Room*

7:00 p.m. Pastoral Council, *Conference Room*

7:00 p.m. Prayer Shawl Ministry, *Pastoral Care Room*

Wednesday, March 11

5:30 p.m. Adult Faith Enrichment Committee, *Pastoral Care Room*

7:30 p.m. Eucharistic Adoration, *Church*

Thursday, March 12

9:00 a.m. MASS: *Mary Louise Cochran by Pat & Jack Clark*

9:30 a.m. Meeting Christ in Prayer, *Pastoral Care Room*

7:30 p.m. Adult Choir Rehearsal, *Church*

Friday, March 13

9:00 a.m. MASS: *Violet Liberti by the Twomey Family*

5:30 p.m. Stations of the Cross, *Church*

6:00 p.m. Soup Supper, *Mahler Hall*

Saturday, March 14

9:10 a.m. AA, *Mahler Hall*

3:30 p.m. Reconciliation, *Church*

5:00 p.m. MASS: *Debra Fedrizzi by Mary Lou Bailey-Smith and Robert J. Clune by JoAnn & Elizabeth Clune*

Sunday, March 15

9:00 a.m. MASS: *Wilson Manik by the 2019 St. Catherine's Italian Trip Pilgrims and Our Parishioners*

10:00 a.m. Prayer of the Cosmos, *Pastoral Care Room*

10:00 a.m. Confirmation Prep, *Mahler Hall*

10:15 a.m. Life and Faith Talk by Dcn. Rick, *Mahler Hall*

6:00 p.m. First Eucharist Prep, *Mahler Hall*

SATURDAY

Confessions 2-3:30 p.m. Immaculate Conception, Ithaca

3-4 p.m. St. Anthony, Groton

3:30-4:30 p.m. St. Catherine of Siena, Ithaca

Mass 4:30 p.m. Immaculate Conception, Ithaca

4:30 p.m. St. Anthony, Groton

5 p.m. St. Catherine of Siena, Ithaca

SUNDAY

Mass 8:30 a.m. Holy Cross, Freeville

8:30 a.m. Immaculate Conception, Ithaca

9 a.m. St. Catherine of Siena, Ithaca

10:30 a.m. All Saints, Lansing

10:30 a.m. Immaculate Conception, Ithaca

11 a.m. Sage Chapel, Cornell University

6 p.m. Muller Chapel, Ithaca College

9 p.m. Sage Chapel, Cornell University

PRAYER CORNER

Please hold in prayer those who are sick:

Samuel Swartz, Stella Swartz, Alma Cárdenas Schneider, Judy Tennant, Gary Barnaba, Robert Hillman, Andrew Vajk, Rae Larkin, Lisa Hens, Deb Roe, Shirley Palardy, Sandi Mettler, Peter Parkes, Susan Piliero, Peter Ladley, Sophia Clark, Ryan Frisbee, Louis Soto, Lillian Blain, Jeannette Little, Lucas Fedrizzi, Soren Lowell, Ryan Steh, Tom Roach, Jackie Campbell, Chase Campbell, Parker Johnson, Mabel Bunting, Megan Spaulding, Steve DeGloria, Donna Updike, Chris Hughes, Greg Ferguson, Gene Milliman, Joe Leclere, Chloe Wetzell, Ramona Forney, Donna Dutton, Emily O'Mara, Cindy Horner, Ruth Horner, Joan Dalbano, Stephanie Hawkins, Beth Hawkins, Burt Allen, Lee Miller, Ruthe Bruen, Dale Bathe, Lonnie Slape, and Andrea Caraccilo.

DAILY READINGS

Monday, March 9 – 2 Kgs 5:1-15ab; Ps 42:2, 3; 43:3, 4; Lk 4:24-30

Tuesday, March 10 – Dan 3:25, 34-43; Ps 24:4-5ab, 6 and 7bc, 8-9; Mt 18:21-35

Wednesday, March 11 – Deut 4:1, 5-9; Ps 147:12-13, 15-16, 19-20; Mt 5:17-19

Thursday, March 12 – Jer 7:23-28; Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9; Lk 11:14-23

Friday, March 13 – Hos 14:2-10; Ps 81:6c-8a, 8bc-9, 10-11ab, 14 and 17; Mk 12:28-34

Saturday, March 14 – Hos 6:1-6; Ps 51:3-4, 18-19, 20-21ab; Lk 18:9-14

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE for FY2025-26

March 8, 2026 collection numbers will be included next week. Thank you for your patience.

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE
Weekly Offertory Income

	3/1/26
Sunday Mass Envelope Collection:	\$20,732
Loose Collection:	\$451
Electronic Giving (Sunday Collection):	\$2,386
All Other Categories:	\$360
Total Collection for this week:	\$23,929

Strategic Plan action:

We prayerfully ask that, as a community, you consider increasing your offertory giving, so that you can help us initiate the match 1:1 pledges. In this way, St. Catherine's can be solvent in its current form and fulfill its Vision, "A Vibrant Catholic Community where all are welcomed, challenged, and supported in their life's journey". We believe in St. Catherine's because we believe in you.

Treasury Development Committee

INCREASE IN TREASURE
Towards \$100,000 Goal
QTD Increase in Treasure (1)

Quarter #	Amount	Match \$
#1: 7/1/25-9/30/25	\$23,705	\$23,705
#2: 10/1/25-12/31/25	\$25,680	\$25,680
#3: 1/1/26-3/31/26	-\$1,422	\$0
#4: 4/1/26-6/31/26	\$0	\$0
Total	\$47,963	\$49,385

Note:
1. A \$0 in a cell means the quarter has not yet started. Also, we will not record the Match until two weeks after the end of each quarter.

YTD Amounts of Treasure

Totals of Treasure	
YTD Towards \$100,000 Goal	\$97,348
YTD Total Treasure	\$430,507

WHY IS ACHIEVING THE GOAL FOR THIS STRATEGIC INITIATIVE SO IMPORTANT?

- For St. Catherine’s to create a significant future, our parish must have financial stability as shown by a balanced operating revenues and expenses report each year.
- For 2024–25, the Task Force designed an initiative, so our parish could demonstrate its willingness to raise offertory giving by \$100,000. The parishioners’ generosity achieved this goal, thus demonstrating their commitment to maintaining balanced financial reports.
- For 2025–26, the newly re-named Treasury Development Committee again implemented the same initiative for a \$100,000 goal, so the parishioners could demonstrate their sustainability for having St. Catherine’s support a budget which would fully service the parish’s operational objectives.
- With a new future to create for St. Catherine’s, we believe this amount would provide the foundation for building our future.

A vibrant Catholic Community where all are welcomed, challenged, and supported in their life's journey.

Parish Information

PRAYER OF THE COSMOS

The Prayer of the Cosmos is a meditative translation of the Our Father from Aramaic by Middle Eastern scholar Neil Douglas-Klotz. The Ignatian Prayer Group invites anyone interested in deepening their relationship with God and broadening their understanding of this essential prayer to join us on **Sundays, February 22–March 22, from 10–11 a.m.** Each week for an hour after Mass we will facilitate a prayerful discussion of Douglas-Klotz’s translation and commentary. We will also practice “body prayers,” using breath and sound to experience the prayer in a new way. For more information, please contact Deb Gagnon at dagagnon20@gmail.com or Ellen Morris-Knower at emkithaca@gmail.com.

LENTEN STATIONS AND SOUP SUPPERS

You are invited to Stations of the Cross followed by a soup supper **this Friday, March 13, at 5:30 p.m.**, sponsored by the Ignatian Prayer Group. We will also have stations and soup on **March 20 and 27**. Come spend some contemplative time with the Stations and then some communal time at dinner—all are welcome!

LIFE AND FAITH TALK MARCH 15

Save the date: On **Sunday, March 15, immediately after the 9 a.m. Mass**, our very own Deacon Rick Burgess will give a presentation on his faith journey, entitled “From the Navy to the Nave.” After completing a career in the Navy, Deacon Rick moved to Ithaca and took a job at Cornell as Vice President for Facilities and Campus Services. He discerned a call to the diaconate and was ordained a permanent deacon by Bishop Matano in May 2025. He and his wife, Trish, have four children and two grandchildren. All are welcome!

EASTER FLOWERS

The flowers on our altar for Easter are supplied through generous donations given by parishioners in memory of deceased loved ones or in honor of the living. Envelopes for the flower memorials were in your packet of envelopes for this month and are also available outside the Parish Office. Please return your envelope by **Tuesday, March 17**, by dropping it off at the Parish Office or putting it in the collection basket. Names of those memorialized will be printed in the bulletin on Easter Sunday.



OFFERING OF LETTERS MARCH 21–22

Hunger is rising. Children are at risk. And God calls us to respond. As people of faith, we are called to care for our neighbors, especially those who are most vulnerable. We must come together to claim our collective power, to speak with one moral voice, and to join in the sacred work of ending hunger and nourishing our shared future. This is a moment for faithful action. You can make a difference by participating in an Offering of Letters—a letter-writing event—here at St. Catherine’s, urging our leaders to make ending hunger a top priority. Join the many faithful advocates across our nation who are writing letters to help end hunger. Together, through prayer, personal responsibility, and collective action, we can move closer to a world where all God’s children are fed. Come join us on **Saturday, March 21, or Sunday, March 22, following Mass** and write letters to your Congressional representatives.

ITHACA PEACE FESTIVAL SURVEY RESULTS

Thank you so much for participating in the coffee hour survey conducted February 21 and 22. Here are the key survey results among the 275 comments collected:

- Yes to guest speakers/program: 31
- Yes to live music: 57
- Yes to children’s activities: 50
- Yes to dancing, singing: 42
- Yes to involving the larger community: 39
- Yes to fundraising: 31

Thank you also for suggesting several new ideas. We welcome additional planners and many volunteers to make this event possible, affordable, and a living expression of the mission of our very special parish. Thank you to Fr. Dan for agreeing to let us conduct this survey. Special thanks to those who helped the committee collect your ideas, including *Rosalie Chamberlain, Denise Duvé, Marie de Roos, Eileen Gravani, Bernice McGee, Juan Arroyo, and Mary Crosley*. Thank you to Mary Crosley for helping to sponsor the coffee hours. If you have ideas and are willing to help us plan, please contact me at 607-351-6217.

– Maureen McKenna, on behalf of the 2026 Peace Festival Planning Committee

MASS ATTENDANCE, FEB. 28–MAR. 1		
	<i>In person</i>	<i>Virtual</i>
Feb. 28, 5 p.m.:	111	48
Mar. 1, 9 a.m.	174	64
Total:	285	112
Church capacity:	800	

SCAM EMAIL NOTICE

Scam emails are once again circulating, purporting to be from Fr. Dan. *These are fake.* Fr. Dan's email address is fr.daniel.mcmullin@dor.org. Any email with his name from a different address is *not* from Fr. Dan. Please delete these emails if you receive them. Contact the Parish Office if you have a question about any email communication.

COLLIS INSTITUTE

Please join the COLLIS Institute for two events on beauty and the changing Catholic priesthood with sociologist Dr. Brandon Vaidyanathan from the Catholic University of America on **March 19 and 20**. For more information and to register, please go to <https://collisinstitute.org/upcoming-events>.

HELP FOR THE HEARING IMPAIRED

Hearing enhancement devices are available near entrances to the sanctuary. They are situated in cases along with earphones (just one needed). Turn it on to note that the device is charged. Turn it off when replacing it in the case. If you have any questions about the devices, please see Fr. Dan.

AN INVITATION FROM FR. JOHN

Fr. John Omboga will be marking the 30th anniversary of his priestly ordination with a celebration on **Sunday, March 29, after the 10:30 a.m. Mass** at St. Michael's in Newark, NY. All are welcome!

CRS RICE BOWL FOR LENT

In Guatemala, nutrition classes and savings programs give mothers and families better opportunities to improve their health, nutrition, and financial well-being. Visit crsricebowl.org/week-3 to read how your support is helping the Guatemala community thrive. Thank you for supporting the CRS Rice Bowl.

AN EASY WAY TO UPGRADE YOUR EFT GIVING ONLINE

- stcathofsiena.org
- Click "online donations."
- Online giving click "here."
- Sign in.
- Amend your gift.

St. Catherine's dedicated staff and its budgeted building expenditures will thank you!

CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL (CMA)

Our CMA Progress

So far, **104** parishioners have pledged **\$39,031** toward our goal of \$58,000. That is **67 percent** of our goal. Thank you so much for your generosity!

What happens to the donations that parishioners send to the Diocese of Rochester via the Catholic Ministries Appeal (CMA)?

The monies are used for the programs, services, and ministries for which they are designated.

What is St. Catherine's CMA goal for this fiscal year and what happens if we do not reach this goal?

St. Catherine's goal is \$58,000. If we do not reach this goal by the end of the parish's fiscal year, the money from St. Catherine's budget will be used to supplement the deficit from the CMA donations.

What is a *specific group* that benefits from our donations to the CMA?

Various **diocesan charities** throughout 12 counties within the diocese receive approximately \$623,000 annually from the CMA. One of the groups is **Catholic Charities of Tompkins/Tioga County**. This charity provides nourishment to children, families, and individuals and offers shelter and emergency housing to those without a place to call home. They deliver relief by responding to disasters and bringing immediate care and renewed hope to communities.

What difference can you make with your CMA gift?

You can help to impact the lives of many today with one act of kindness. Your gift can bring warmth, comfort, and hope to those struggling during these critical (cold) months and beyond.

What is an effortless way to donate online?

At cma@dor.org, click on "Catholic Ministries Appeal," then on "Donate to the CMA." Scroll down to "Set up your gift."

READINGS AND PRAYERS FOR THE THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

Processional: *All Who Hunger* (Gather #925)

Greeting

Priest: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

Priest: The Lord be with you.

People: And with your spirit.

Penitential Act – Mass of St. Mary Magdalene

Ky - ri - e, e - lé - i - son. Chri - ste, e - lé - i - son.
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Liturgy of the Word

First Reading: Ex 17:3-7

In those days, in their thirst for water, the people grumbled against Moses, saying, "Why did you ever make us leave Egypt? Was it just to have us die here of thirst with our children and our livestock?"

So Moses cried out to the LORD, "What shall I do with this people? a little more and they will stone me!"

The LORD answered Moses, "Go over there in front of the people, along with some of the elders of Israel, holding in your hand, as you go, the staff with which you struck the river. I will be standing there in front of you on the rock in Horeb.

Strike the rock, and the water will flow from it for the people to drink." This Moses did, in the presence of the elders of Israel. The place was called Massah and Meribah, because the Israelites quarreled there and tested the LORD, saying, "Is the LORD in our midst or not?"

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 95
If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts.

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Second Reading: Rom 5:1-2, 5-8

Brothers and sisters:

Since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ,

through whom we have gained access by faith to this grace in which we stand,

and we boast in hope of the glory of God.

And hope does not disappoint, because the love of God has been poured out into our hearts

through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us.

For Christ, while we were still helpless,

died at the appointed time for the ungodly.

Indeed, only with difficulty does one die for a just person,

though perhaps for a good person one might even find courage to die.

But God proves his love for us

in that while we were still sinners Christ died for us.

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Lenten Gospel Acclamation – Mass of St. Mary Magdalene

Glo - ry to you, Word of God, Lord Je - sus Christ!

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Priest: The Lord be with you.

People: And with your spirit.

Priest: A reading from the holy Gospel according to John.

People: Glory to you, O Lord.

Gospel: Jn 4:5-42

Jesus came to a town of Samaria called Sychar, near the plot of land that Jacob had given to his son Joseph.

Jacob's well was there.

Jesus, tired from his journey, sat down there at the well.

It was about noon.

A woman of Samaria came to draw water.

Jesus said to her,

"Give me a drink."

His disciples had gone into the town to buy food.

The Samaritan woman said to him,

"How can you, a Jew, ask me, a Samaritan woman, for a drink?"

– For Jews use nothing in common with Samaritans.
 Jesus answered and said to her,
 “If you knew the gift of God
 and who is saying to you, ‘Give me a drink,’
 you would have asked him
 and he would have given you living water.”
 The woman said to him,
 “Sir, you do not even have a bucket and the cistern
 is deep;
 where then can you get this living water?
 Are you greater than our father Jacob,
 who gave us this cistern and drank from it himself
 with his children and his flocks?”
 Jesus answered and said to her,
 “Everyone who drinks this water will be thirsty
 again;
 but whoever drinks the water I shall give will never
 thirst;
 the water I shall give will become in him
 a spring of water welling up to eternal life.”
 The woman said to him,
 “Sir, give me this water, so that I may not be thirsty
 or have to keep coming here to draw water.”
 Jesus said to her,
 “Go call your husband and come back.”
 The woman answered and said to him,
 “I do not have a husband.”
 Jesus answered her,
 “You are right in saying, ‘I do not have a husband.’
 For you have had five husbands,
 and the one you have now is not your husband.
 What you have said is true.”
 The woman said to him,
 “Sir, I can see that you are a prophet.
 Our ancestors worshiped on this mountain;
 but you people say that the place to worship is in
 Jerusalem.”
 Jesus said to her,
 “Believe me, woman, the hour is coming
 when you will worship the Father
 neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem.
 You people worship what you do not understand;
 we worship what we understand,
 because salvation is from the Jews.
 But the hour is coming, and is now here,
 when true worshipers will worship the Father in
 Spirit and truth;
 and indeed the Father seeks such people to worship
 him.
 God is Spirit, and those who worship him
 must worship in Spirit and truth.”
 The woman said to him,
 “I know that the Messiah is coming, the one called

the Christ;
 when he comes, he will tell us everything.”
 Jesus said to her,
 “I am he, the one speaking with you.”
 At that moment his disciples returned,
 and were amazed that he was talking with a
 woman,
 but still no one said, “What are you looking for?”
 or “Why are you talking with her?”
 The woman left her water jar
 and went into the town and said to the people,
 “Come see a man who told me everything I have
 done.
 Could he possibly be the Christ?”
 They went out of the town and came to him.
 Meanwhile, the disciples urged him, “Rabbi, eat.”
 But he said to them,
 “I have food to eat of which you do not know.”
 So the disciples said to one another,
 “Could someone have brought him something to
 eat?”
 Jesus said to them,
 “My food is to do the will of the one who sent me
 and to finish his work.
 Do you not say, ‘In four months the harvest will be
 here’?
 I tell you, look up and see the fields ripe for the
 harvest.
 The reaper is already receiving payment
 and gathering crops for eternal life,
 so that the sower and reaper can rejoice together.
 For here the saying is verified that ‘One sows and
 another reaps.’
 I sent you to reap what you have not worked for;
 others have done the work,
 and you are sharing the fruits of their work.”
 Many of the Samaritans of that town began to
 believe in him
 because of the word of the woman who testified,
 “He told me everything I have done.”
 When the Samaritans came to him,
 they invited him to stay with them;
 and he stayed there two days.
 Many more began to believe in him because of his
 word,
 and they said to the woman,
 “We no longer believe because of your word;
 for we have heard for ourselves,
 and we know that this is truly the savior of the
 world.”
 Priest: The Gospel of the Lord.
People: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Homily

Profession of Faith (Nicene Creed): Breaking Bread,
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Universal Prayer

Response: Lord, hear our prayer.

Liturgy of the Eucharist**Presentation and Preparation of the Gifts**

Offertory Hymn: *O Beauty, Ever Ancient* (Breaking Bread #467)

Invitation to Prayer

Priest: Pray ... that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.

People: May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands, for the praise and glory of his name, for our good and the good of all his holy Church.

Preface Dialogue

Priest: The Lord be with you.

People: And with your spirit.

Priest: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them up to the Lord.

Priest: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right and just.

Priest: ... we acclaim:

Holy, Holy, Holy – Mass of St. Mary Magdalene

Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly Lord God of hosts.
Heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry.
Ho - san - na in the high - est.
Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

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Priest: The mystery of faith.

Memorial Acclamation – Mass of St. Mary Magdalene

Save us, Sav-ior of the world, for by your Cross and Res - ur -
rec - tion you have set us free.

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Priest: Through him, and with him, and in him, O God, almighty Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honor is yours, for ever and ever.

Great Amen – Mass of St. Mary Magdalene

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a - men, a - men.

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Priest: ... we dare to say:

The Lord's Prayer

People: 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.

Priest: Deliver us, Lord, we pray, from every evil, graciously grant peace in our days, that, by the help of your mercy, we may be always free from sin and safe from all distress, as we await the blessed hope and the coming of our Savior, Jesus Christ.

People: For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours now and for ever.

Sign of Peace

Priest: Lord Jesus Christ, who said to your Apostles, peace I leave you, my peace I give you, look not on our sins, but on the faith of your Church, and graciously grant her peace and unity in accordance with your will. Who live and reign for ever and ever.

People: Amen.

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

People: And with your spirit.

Priest: Let us offer each other the sign of peace.

Lamb of God – Mass of St. Mary Magdalene

Lamb of God, you take a-way the sins of the world, have mer - cy,

mer - cy on us. world, grant us, grant us peace.

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Priest: Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who takes away the sins of the world. Blessed are those who are called to the supper of the Lamb.

People: Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.

Communion Hymn: *In These Days of Lenten Journey*
(Breaking Bread #135)

Concluding Rites

Priest: The Lord be with you.

People: And with your spirit.

Priest: Go in peace.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Recessional Hymn: *I Heard the Voice of Jesus* (Breaking Bread #524)

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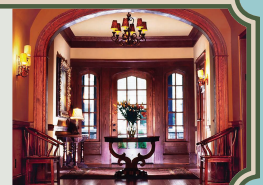


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