

21ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

AUGUST 22, 2021

ST. BENEDICT PARISH

Turn your ear, O Lord, and answer me; save the servant who trusts in you, my God.
Have mercy on me, O Lord, for I cry to you all the day long.

cf. Psalm 86:1-3

**PLEASE
STAND**

GREETING

PENITENTIAL RITE

I confess to almighty God and to you, my brothers and sisters,
that I have greatly sinned, in my thoughts and in my words,
in what I have done and in what I have failed to do,
through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault;
therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin, all the Angels and Saints,
and you, my brothers and sisters, to pray for me to the Lord our God.

GLORIA

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

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.

COLLECT

**PLEASE
SIT**

FIRST READING.....Joshua 24:1-2a, 15-17, 18b

Joshua gathered together all the tribes of Israel at Shechem,
summoning their elders, their leaders,
their judges, and their officers.
When they stood in ranks before God,
Joshua addressed all the people:
“If it does not please you to serve the LORD,
decide today whom you will serve,
the gods your fathers served beyond the River
or the gods of the Amorites in whose country you are now dwelling.
As for me and my household, we will serve the LORD.”

But the people answered,
“Far be it from us to forsake the LORD
for the service of other gods.
For it was the LORD, our God,
who brought us and our fathers up out of the land of Egypt,
out of a state of slavery.

He performed those great miracles before our very eyes
and protected us along our entire journey
and among the peoples through whom we passed.
Therefore we also will serve the LORD, for he is our God.”

RESPONSORIAL PSALM.....Psalm 34



SECOND READING.....Ephesians 5:21–32

Brothers and sisters:

Be subordinate to one another out of reverence for Christ.

Wives should be subordinate to their husbands as to the Lord.

For the husband is head of his wife

just as Christ is head of the church,

he himself the savior of the body.

As the church is subordinate to Christ,

so wives should be subordinate to their husbands in everything.

Husbands, love your wives,

even as Christ loved the church

and handed himself over for her to sanctify her,

cleansing her by the bath of water with the word,

that he might present to himself the church in splendor,

without spot or wrinkle or any such thing,

that she might be holy and without blemish.

So also husbands should love their wives as their own bodies.

He who loves his wife loves himself.

For no one hates his own flesh

but rather nourishes and cherishes it,

even as Christ does the church,

because we are members of his body.

For this reason a man shall leave his father and his mother

and be joined to his wife,

and the two shall become one flesh.

This is a great mystery,

but I speak in reference to Christ and the church.

**PLEASE
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GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



GOSPEL.....John 6:60–69

Many of Jesus’ disciples who were listening said,

“This saying is hard; who can accept it?”

Since Jesus knew that his disciples were murmuring about this,

he said to them, “Does this shock you?

What if you were to see the Son of Man ascending

to where he was before?

It is the spirit that gives life,

while the flesh is of no avail.

The words I have spoken to you are Spirit and life.
 But there are some of you who do not believe.”
 Jesus knew from the beginning the ones who would not believe
 and the one who would betray him.
 And he said,
 “For this reason I have told you that no one can come to me
 unless it is granted him by my Father.”

As a result of this,
 many of his disciples returned to their former way of life
 and no longer accompanied him.
 Jesus then said to the Twelve, “Do you also want to leave?”
 Simon Peter answered him, “Master, to whom shall we go?
 You have the words of eternal life.
 We have come to believe
 and are convinced that you are the Holy One of God.”

**PLEASE
SIT**

HOMILY

**PLEASE
STAND**

PROFESSION of FAITH: I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible. I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven, *(bow)* and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day 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. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

UNIVERSAL PRAYER.....our response: **Lord, hear our prayer**

**PLEASE
SIT**

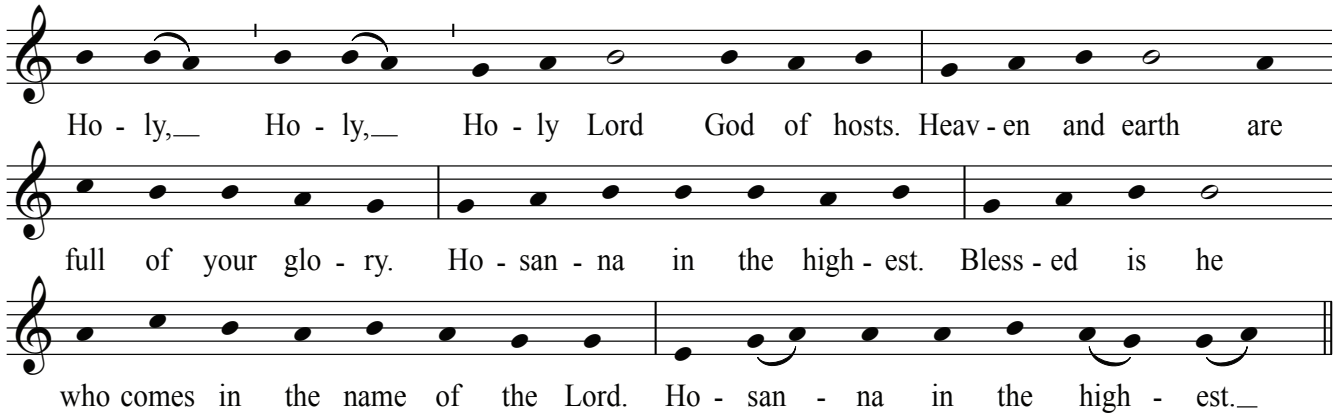
PRESENTATION and PREPARATION of the GIFTS

**PLEASE
STAND**

PRAYER over the OFFERINGS: *The priest says,* Pray, brothers and sisters, that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father. *All respond:* **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 DIALOG

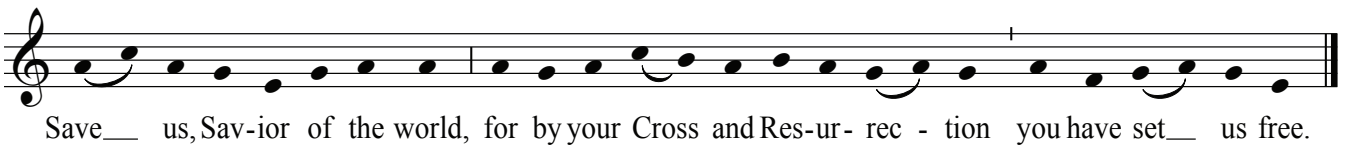
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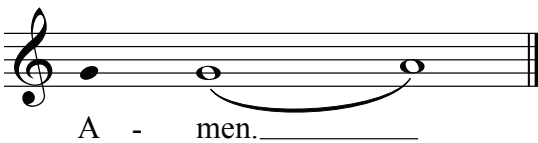
**PLEASE
KNEEL**

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

MYSTERY of FAITH



GREAT AMEN



**PLEASE
STAND**

LORD'S PRAYER

SIGN of PEACE

LAMB of GOD



COMMUNION: The priest says: Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who takes away the sins of the world. Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb. *All say together:* **Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.**

PLEASE SIT or KNEEL FOR A PERIOD OF SILENT THANKSGIVING AFTER RECEIVING THE MOST HOLY EUCHARIST.

Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood has eternal life,
says the Lord, and I will raise them up on the last day.

cf. John 6:54

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PRAYER after COMMUNION
BLESSING • DISMISSAL