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**MASSES**

Daily: Mon - Fri : 8:00 AM

Saturday 4:30 PM

Sunday 10 AM

PENANCE Saturdays 2:30-3:30 PM



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*Mission Statement:*

"Our Lady of Lourdes Parish, disciples of Jesus Christ in Worcester, MA, reaches out with love into the neighborhoods to welcome, serve, support, and engage the community in Jesus.

In creating a welcoming relationship with Eucharistic and prayerful celebrations, we gather to make a difference by coming closer to God and one another."

July 28, 2024  
17th Sunday in Ordinary Time



*"There is a boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish; but what good are these for so many?"*

*(John 6:9)*

The miracle of the Loaves and Fishes carries two important messages. First, no matter how little we have, we always have enough to share.

Second, Christ can take our humble gifts and do great things with them if we are just willing to let Him. Nothing is impossible with God. All of our gifts, big or small, were given to us for a reason.

No gift is too small or insignificant!

**Daily Rosary**-Praying of the Rosary will continue after the 8am daily mass in the church on Monday through Friday and at 9:15am before the 10am Sunday Mass. If you would still like to participate via Zoom, please let us know.

**Mass Intentions & Calendar**

**Sat, Jul 27**

4:30 pm **Harold E. Howard** anniv req by the family  
**Fr. Kelley** birthday remembrance req by Denise & Bill Perron

**Sun, Jul 28 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

10:00 am **Edmund Markevicius** req by Violeta & Juanas Perez  
**Laurie Meade** req by the Sousa family

**Mon, Jul 29**

8:00 am

**Tue, Jul 30**

8:00 am

**Wed, Jul 31**

8:00 am

**Thu, Aug 1**

8:00 am

**Fri, Aug 2**

8:00 am

**Sat, Aug 3**

4:30 pm

**Sun, Aug 4 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

10:00 am **Edmund Markevicius** req by Danute Minor  
**Catherine Jennings** b'day prayer and the Piper family  
Hospitality Meeting after mass in church hall  
Religious Ed Registration begins after mass in church hall

**SCRIPTURE READINGS**

**28 SUN** 2 Kgs 4:42-44/Ps 145:10-11, 15-16, 17-18 (see 16)/  
Eph 4:1-6/Jn 6:1-15

**29 MON** Jer 13:1-11/Ps 32:18-19, 20, 21/Jn 11:19-27 or  
Lk 10:38-42

**30 TUE** Jer 14:17-22/Ps 79:8, 9, 11 and 13/Mt 13:36-43

**31 WED** Jer 15:10, 16-21/Ps 59:2-3, 4, 10-11, 17, 18/  
Mt 13:44-46

**1 THU** Jer 18:1-6/Ps 146:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6ab/Mt 13:47-53

**2 FRI** Jer 26:1-9/Ps 69:5, 8-10, 14/Mt 13:54-58

**3 SAT** Jer 26:11-16, 24/Ps 69:15-16, 30-31, 33-34/Mt 14:1-12

## STEWARDSHIP OF TIME & TALENT

### Backpack and School Supply Drive

We are once again participating in the Backpack/School Supply Drive to benefit Catholic Charities of Worcester. There are flyers on the table of what supplies are needed. All donations are due by **Sunday, August 4th**.



### Hospitality Committee

There will be a meeting on Sunday, **August 4** after mass in the church hall to plan for our Annual Church Cookout being held on Sunday, September 15th. All are welcome.

### Religious Ed for Fall 2024-2025

-Grades 1 - 8 will have class from 8:45 -9:55am followed by Mass at 10AM (mandatory).  
-Grades 9 & 10 (Confirmation - 2 yr program) will also have class 8:45 - 9:55 followed by mandatory mass. Depending on the age group, we ask that students participate in the Mass either by volunteering to Lector, Altar Serve, Greet or pass the collection basket. The confirmation students will also be required to do a Community Project that will be assigned every month.  
Registration starts August 4th after the 10am mass in the church hall. Classes begin September 22.

## STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

### WEEKLY OFFERING

Sunday Offertory 7/20-7/21	\$1,755.20
Online Giving	405.00
Catholic Communications	5.00
Peter's Pence for the Holy Father	5.00
Candles	81.68
Maintenance	95.00
Mass Offerings	65.00

*Thank you for your continued, generous support.  
We appreciate your support of the church.*

### Everyday Stewardship

You sit down at a restaurant and order drinks and an appetizer. Then you order an entrée with a salad. When all of that has been consumed, you order a dessert. You leave after having had a good time, but your pants don't fit so well now. You are so full you regret ordering all those courses. Your eyes were bigger than your stomach. You ordered what you wanted and not what you needed.

In our daily lives, we find ourselves wanting many things. We desire outcomes and good fortunes that we think will make all the difference. However, oftentimes when we receive these things, we only find ourselves wanting more. Worse yet, if we do not get them, we can see our lives as incomplete.

God always provides what we need. It may not be what we want. Our eyes can deceive us into believing that what we receive is not enough to fulfill us. If we trust in God and seek to only live with what sustains us rather than dive into excess, we will find that we are happier, healthier, and at peace. No one should ever make himself or herself feel overcome by too much of anything. God knows what we need even if we cannot see it for ourselves.

-Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

## Forming a Pastoral Council for Our Lady of Lourdes

In last month's newsletter I invited parishioners to join in the establishment of a Pastoral Council. The Council is an *advisory group* of twelve parishioners to me, the pastor, helping to steer the parish into the future. It will meet four times a year starting in September for no more than one hour and a half. The agenda will be set by the council in consultation with the pastor and the prescriptions of the Canon Laws of the Church. The Council will act in consensus with the entire group, that is, decisions will be reached not by voting but by mutual agreement with the rest of the Council. **Interested?** Let me know by text (508-27-1452), email ([bianpotoole2002@gmail.com](mailto:bianpotoole2002@gmail.com)) or by phone (508-757-0789 ext 10).

### Prayer for Evangelization

Revitalization of Parishes in the  
Worcester Diocese



Eternal Father, we ask you, through the intercession of Mary, Our Mother, the Star of the New Evangelization, to pour forth your Holy Spirit upon the entire Diocese of Worcester.

Root us deeply in the heart of your Son so that we may radiate him more fully, sharing with others the Good News of Jesus Christ, who alone is the fulfillment of all human longing.

Help us revitalize our parishes and make them beacons of light and hope, so as to transform hearts, and welcome the lost back to your flock.

Through the power of the Holy Spirit, renew and transform us to be missional and fruitful in the work of evangelization according to your holy will. Amen.

# SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

# CYCLE B

## GATHERING HYMN

## Table Of Plenty

Dan Schutte

**Refrain**

Come to the feast of heav-en and earth! Come to the ta -  
- ble of plen - ty! God will pro-vide for all that we  
need, here at the ta - ble of plen - ty.

**Verses**

1. O come and sit at my ta - ble where saints and  
2. O come and eat with-out mon-ey; & come to  
3. My bread will ev - er sus - tain you through days of  
4. Your fields will flow - er in full-ness; your homes will

1. sin - ners are friends. I wait to wel-come the lost and  
2. drink with - out price. My feast of glad-ness will feed your  
3. sor - row and woe. My wine will flow like a sea of  
4. flour - ish in peace. For I, the giv - er of home and

**to Refrain**

1. lone - ly to share the cup of my love.  
2. spir - it with faith and full - ness of life.  
3. glad-ness to flood the depths of your soul.  
4. har-vest, will send my rain on the soil.

## GLORIA

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

# LITURGY OF THE WORD

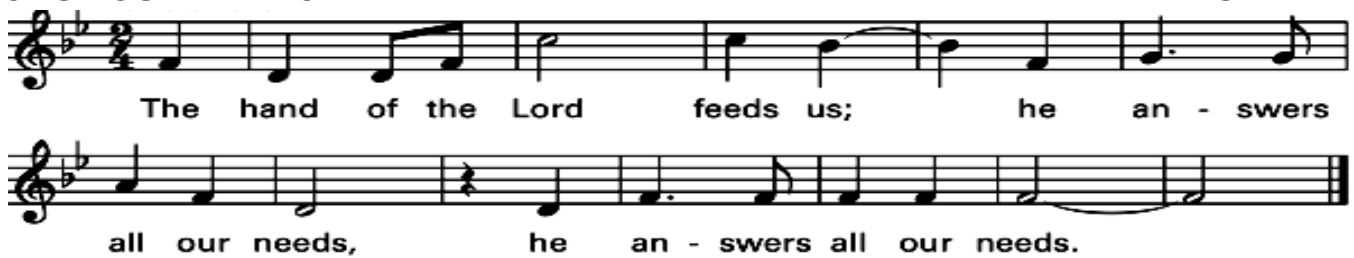
## FIRST READING

2KINGS 4:42-44

A man came from Baal-shalishah bringing to Elisha, the man of God, twenty barley loaves made from the first fruits, and fresh grain in the ear. Elisha said, "Give it to the people to eat." But his servant objected, "How can I set this before a hundred people?" Elisha insisted, "Give it to the people to eat." "For thus says the LORD, 'They shall eat and there shall be some left over.'" And when they had eaten, there was some left over, as the LORD had said.

## RESPONSORIAL PSALM

PSALM 145



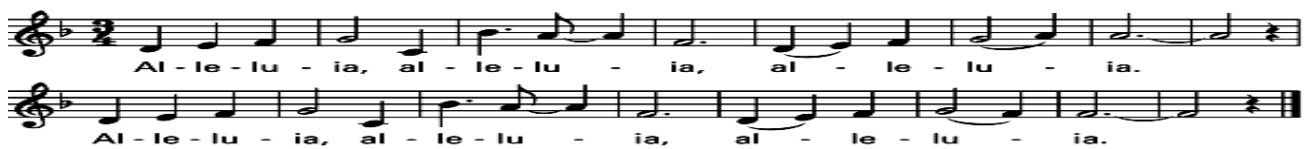
## SECOND READING

EPHESIANS 4:1-6

Brothers and sisters: I, a prisoner for the Lord, urge you to live in a manner worthy of the call you have received, with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another through love, striving to preserve the unity of the spirit through the bond of peace: one body and one Spirit, as you were also called to the one hope of your call; one Lord, one faith, one baptism; one God and Father of all, who is over all and through all and in all.

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Mass of Renewal  
Curtis Stephan



## GOSPEL

JOHN 6:1-15

Jesus went across the Sea of Galilee. A large crowd followed him, because they saw the signs he was performing on the sick. Jesus went up on the mountain, and there he sat down with his disciples. The Jewish feast of Passover was near. When Jesus raised his eyes and saw that a large crowd was coming to him, he said to Philip, "Where can we buy enough food for them to eat?" He said this to test him, because he himself knew what he was going to do. Philip answered him, "Two hundred days' wages worth of food would not be enough for each of them to have a little." One of his disciples, Andrew, the brother of Simon Peter, said to him, "There is a boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish; but what good are these for so many?" Jesus said, "Have the people recline." Now there was a great deal of grass in that place. So the men reclined, about five thousand in number. Then Jesus took the loaves, gave thanks, and distributed them to those who were reclining, and also as much of the fish as they wanted. When they had had their fill, he said to his disciples, "Gather the fragments left over, so that nothing will be wasted." So they collected them, and filled twelve wicker baskets with fragments from the five barley loaves that had been more than they could eat. When the people saw the sign he had done, they said, "This is truly the Prophet, the one who is to come into the world." Since Jesus knew that they were going to come and carry him off to make him king, he withdrew again to the mountain alone.

## **HOMILY**

### **NICENE CREED**

**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, 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.

### **GENERAL INTERCESSIONS**

**The Response is:**

***“Lord hear us.”***

**Lord Jesus Christ, who by your gift of your Body and Blood, are really present in our lives, hear the prayers of the Church of Worcester. Give us the faith of your Church, confident in your presence in our Masses, our tabernacles and our lives. Give us the faith to offer our lives to you, joined with the perfect sacrifice, which you offered on the altar of the Cross. Good and loving Shepherd, teach us how to lead your children home, that we might long together to glorify your name at the Supper of the Lord. For you are Lord forever and ever. Amen.**

# LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

## PREPARATION OF THE GIFTS

## *Bread Of Life*

Bobby Fisher

1. Bread of life and cup of hope, we come as gift to  
2. Lov-ing Lord, Cre - a - tor God, o - pen our eyes to  
3. Liv-ing Word, O Son of God, your love shows us the

1. you. 7 Change our hearts; fill us with peace. Trans-form our  
2. see the good that lives in each of us, that called the  
3. way that we may live in har - mo - ny, and from you

1. lives a - new. O - pen our eyes so that we might see  
2. world to be. And when we fail to — see the good,  
3. nev - er stray. Wipe all op-pres-sion — from our midst;

1. your pres-ence in one an - oth - er. Your life, poured out in  
2. when friend-ships fal - ter and crum-ble, give us the cour - age  
3. give us a love for all peo - ple. Your song of jus - tice

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1. love to-day, u - nites us all in you.  
2. to for-give that we may live in peace.  
3. sing in us, to live for peace to - day.

## HOLY, HOLY

## MASS OF RENEWAL

Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord, God of hosts.  
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.

## MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

## MASS OF RENEWAL

We proclaim your Death, O Lord,  
and profess your Resurrection  
until you come again

## GREAT AMEN

## MASS OF RENEWAL

## OUR FATHER

## SIGN OF PEACE

## LAMB OF GOD


## MASS OF RENEWAL

## COMMUNION


## Behold The Lamb

Martin Willett

Verses




1. Those who were in the dark are thank-ful for the  
2. Peace-ful now, those whose hearts are blessed with un-der-  
3. Gen-tle one, Child of God, join with us at this  
4. Lord of all, give us light. De-liv-er us from

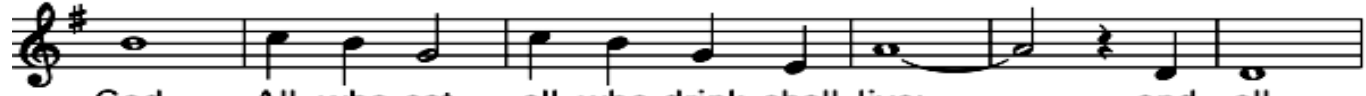


1. sun-light; we who live, we who die are grate-ful for his  
2. stand-ing of the wheat, of the wine u-nit-ed with his  
3. ta-ble. Bless our lives; nour-ish all who hun-ger for this  
4. e-vil. Make us one; be our shield. Make still the winds that


Refrain



1. gift, thank-ful for his love. Be-hold, be-hold the Lamb of  
2. word and the love we share.  
3. feast; shel-ter them with peace.  
4. blow; cra-dle us with love.



God. All who eat, all who drink shall live; and all,




all who dwell in God shall come to know his glo-ry.

## RECESSIONAL


## I Received The Living God

LIVING GOD

Refrain




I re-ceived the liv-ing God, and my heart is full of



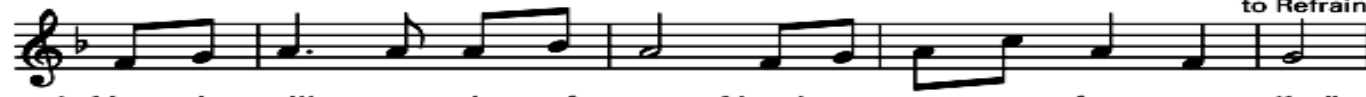
joy. I re-ceived the liv-ing God, and my heart is full of joy.

Verses



1. Je-sus said: "I am the Bread Knead-ed long to give you life;  
2. Je-sus said: "I am the Way, And my Fa-ther longs for you;  
3. Je-sus said: "I am the Truth; If you fol-low close to me,  
4. Je-sus said: "I am the Life Far from whom no thing can grow,

to Refrain



1. You who will par-take of me Need not ev-er fear to die."  
2. So I come to bring you home To be one with him a-new."  
3. You will know me in your heart, And my word shall make you free."  
4. But re-ceive this liv-ing bread, And my Spir-it you shall know."

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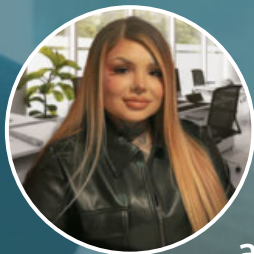
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