# CHURCH OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION SOMERVILLE, NEW JERSEY



### TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME AUGUST 24, 2025

#### INTRODUCTORY RITES

#### **ENTRANCE HYMN**

#### COME TO THE BANQUET



- 1. Draw near and take the Body of the Lord, And drink with faith the Blood for you outpoured. Saved by his Body, hallowed by his Blood, With souls refreshed we give our thanks to God.
- 2. Our great Redeemer, God's eternal Son,Has by his cross and blood the vict'ry won.He spent his life for greatest and for least.Praise Christ, the Paschal Victim, Christ the Priest.
- 3. Let us approach with faithful hearts sincere And claim the promise of salvation here. Christ rules our hearts, and all his saints defends; He gives believers life that never ends.
  - 4. With heav'nly bread Christ makes the hungry whole; His living water fills the thirsting soul. Before your presence, Lord, all people bow. In this your feast of love be with us now.

#### **GREETING**

#### PENITENTIAL ACT

#### **GLORIA**



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#### **COLLECT**

#### LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING

Thus says the LORD: I know their works and their thoughts, and I come to gather nations of every language; they shall come and see my glory. I will set a sign among them; from them I will send fugitives to the nations: to Tarshish, Put and Lud, Mosoch, Tubal and Javan, to the distant coastlands that have never heard of my fame, or seen my glory; and they shall proclaim my glory among the nations. They shall bring all your brothers and sisters from all the nations as an offering to the LORD, on horses and in chariots, in carts, upon mules and dromedaries, to Jerusalem, my holy mountain, says the LORD, just as the Israelites bring their offering to the house of the LORD in clean vessels. Some of these I will take as priests and Levites, says the LORD.

#### **RESPONSORIAL PSALM**



SECOND READING

Hebrews 12:5-7, 11-13

Brothers and sisters, You have forgotten the exhortation addressed to you as children: "My son, do not disdain the discipline of the Lord or lose heart when reproved by him; for whom the Lord loves, he disciplines; he scourges every son he acknowledges." Endure your trials as "discipline"; God treats you as sons. For what "son" is there whom his father does not discipline? At the time, all discipline seems a cause not for joy but for pain, yet later it brings the peaceful fruit of righteousness to those who are trained by it. So strengthen your drooping hands and your weak knees. Make straight paths for your feet, that what is lame may not be disjointed but healed.

#### **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**



GOSPEL Luke 13:22-30

Jesus passed through towns and villages, teaching as he went and making his way to Jerusalem. Someone asked him, "Lord, will only a few people be saved?" He answered them, "Strive to enter through the narrow gate, for many, I tell you, will attempt to enter but will not be strong enough. After the master of the house has arisen and locked the door, then will you stand outside knocking and saying, 'Lord, open the door for us.' He will say to you in reply, 'I do not know where you are from. And you will say, 'We ate and drank in your company and you taught in our streets.' Then he will say to you, 'I do not know where you are from. Depart from me, all you evildoers!' And there will be wailing and grinding of teeth when you see Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob and all the prophets in the kingdom of God and you yourselves cast out. And people will come from the east and the west and from the north and the south and will recline at table in the kingdom of God. For behold, some are last who will be first, and some are first who will be last."

#### **HOMILY**

#### **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.

#### **UNIVERSAL PRAYER**

#### The Jubilee Prayer

Father in heaven, may the *faith* you have given us in your son, Jesus Christ, our brother, and the flame of charity enkindled in our hearts by the Holy Spirit, reawaken in us the blessed *hope* for the coming of your Kingdom.

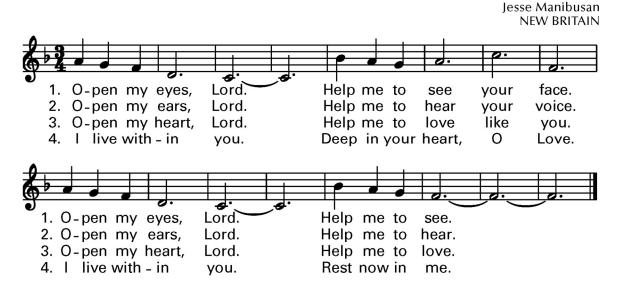
May your grace transform us into tireless cultivators of the seeds of the Gospel. May those seeds transform from within both humanity and the whole cosmos in the sure expectation of a new heaven and a new earth, when, with the powers of Evil vanquished, your glory will shine eternally.

May the grace of the Jubilee reawaken in us, *Pilgrims of Hope*, a yearning for the treasures of heaven. May that same grace spread the joy and peace of our Redeemer throughout the earth. To you our God, eternally blessed, be glory and praise for ever. Amen

#### LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

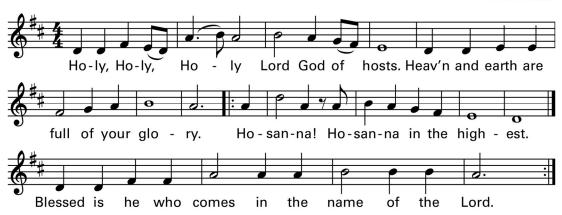
#### **OFFERTORY HYMN**

#### **OPEN MY EYES LORD**



#### HOLY

Heritage Mass Owen Alstott



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#### **MYSTERY OF FAITH**

#### WE PROCLAIM YOUR DEATH



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#### **AMEN**



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#### THE COMMUNION RITE

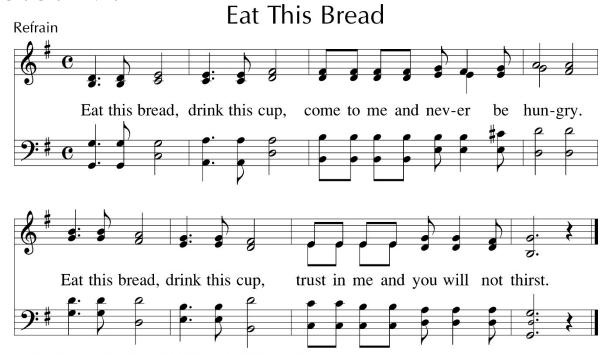
THE LORD'S PRAYER SIGN OF PEACE

#### LAMB OF GOD



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#### **COMMUNION HYMN**



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#### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

#### THE CONCLUDING RITES

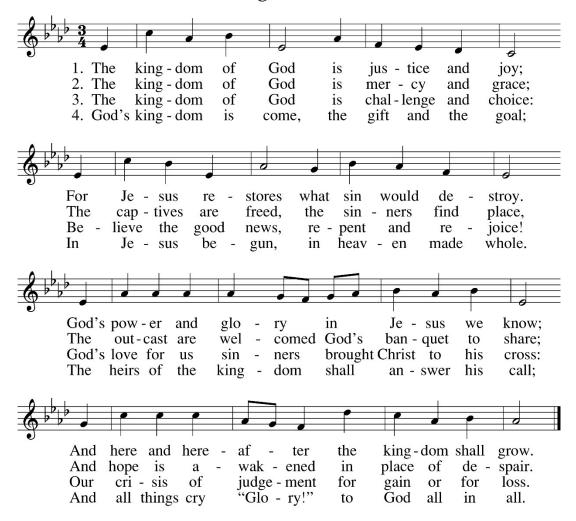
# BLESSING AND DISMISSAL MARIAN ANTIPHON

#### SALVE REGINA



#### **CONCLUDING HYMN**

## The Kingdom of God



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