

CHURCH OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

SOMERVILLE, NEW JERSEY



TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
SEPTEMBER 7, 2025

INTRODUCTORY RITES

ENTRANCE HYMN

I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say

1. I heard the voice of Je - sus say, "Come
2. I heard the voice of Je - sus say, "Be -
3. I heard the voice of Je - sus say, "I

un - to me and rest; Lay down, O wea - ry
hold, I free - ly give light; The liv - ing wa - ter;
am this dark world's light; Look un - to me, your

one, lay down Your head up - on my breast." I
thirst - y one, Stoop down, and drink, and live." I
morn shall rise, And all your day be bright." I

came to Je - sus as I was, So
came to Je - sus, and I drank Of
looked to Je - sus, and I found In

wea - ry, worn, and sad; I found in him a
that life - giv - ing stream; My thirst was quenched, my
him my star, my sun; And in that light of

rest - ing place, And he has made me glad.
soul re - vived, And now I live in him.
life I'll walk Till trav - 'ling days are done.

Text: Horatius Bonar, 1808-1889

Tune: KINGSFOLD, CMD; English; harm. by Ralph Vaughan Williams, 1872-1958

GREETING
PENITENTIAL ACT
GLORIA

All:

Glo-ry to God in the high - est, and on earth peace to peo-ple of good
will. We praise you, we bless you, we a - dore you, we
glo-ri - fy you, we give you thanks for your great glo - ry,
Lord God, heav'n-ly King, O God, al - might-y Fa - ther.

Choir (Congr. ad lib):

Lord Je-sus Christ, On - ly Be-got - ten Son, Lord God,
Lamb of God, Son of the Fa - ther, you take a - way the
sins of the world, have mer - cy on us; you
take a - way the sins of the world, re - ceive our
prayer; you are seat - ed at the right hand of the
Fa - ther, have mer - cy on us.

All:

For you a-lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,
you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho-ly Spir-it,
in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - - men.

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COLLECT

LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING

Wisdom 9:13-18b

Who can know God's counsel, or who can conceive what the LORD intends? For the deliberations of mortals are timid, and unsure are our plans. For the corruptible body burdens the soul and the earthen shelter weighs down the mind that has many concerns. And scarce do we guess the things on earth, and what is within our grasp we find with difficulty; but when things are in heaven, who can search them out? Or who ever knew your counsel, except you had given wisdom and sent your holy spirit from on high? And thus were the paths of those on earth made straight.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM



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SECOND READING

Philemon 9-10, 12-17

I, Paul, an old man, and now also a prisoner for Christ Jesus, urge you on behalf of my child Onesimus, whose father I have become in my imprisonment; I am sending him, that is, my own heart, back to you. I should have liked to retain him for myself, so that he might serve me on your behalf in my imprisonment for the gospel, but I did not want to do anything without your consent, so that the good you do might not be forced but voluntary. Perhaps this is why he was away from you for a while, that you might have him back forever, no longer as a slave but more than a slave, a brother, beloved especially to me, but even more so to you, as a man and in the Lord. So if you regard me as a partner, welcome him as you would me.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



GOSPEL

Luke 14:25-33

Great crowds were traveling with Jesus, and he turned and addressed them, "If anyone comes to me without hating his father and mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters, and even his own life, he cannot be my disciple. Whoever does not carry his own cross and come after me cannot be my disciple. Which of you wishing to construct a tower does not first sit down and calculate the cost to see if there is enough for its completion? Otherwise, after laying the foundation and finding himself unable to finish the work the onlookers should laugh at him and say, 'This one began to build but did not have the resources to finish.' Or what king marching into battle would not first sit down and decide whether with ten thousand troops he can successfully oppose another king advancing upon him with twenty thousand troops? But if not, while he is still far away, he will send a delegation to ask for peace terms. In the same way, anyone of you who does not renounce all his possessions cannot be my disciple."

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

PREPARATION OF THE ALTAR AND GIFTS

EUCCHARISTIC ACCLAMATIONS

HOLY

Heritage Mass
Owen Alstott



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

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MYSTERY OF FAITH

WE PROCLAIM YOUR DEATH

Heritage Mass
Owen Alstott



We pro - claim your Death, O Lord, and pro - fess your
Res - ur - rec - tion un - til you come, un - til you come a - gain.

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AMEN



A - men, a - men, a - men.

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THE COMMUNION RITE

THE LORD'S PRAYER SIGN OF PEACE

LAMB OF GOD

Heritage Mass
Owen Alstott



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COMMUNION HYMN

PSALM 42/43: AS THE DEER LONGS

Refrain

As the deer longs for run-ning streams, so I long, so I long,
so I long for you.

1
2-6 to Verses
Final 2

Verses

1. A-thirst my soul for you, the God who is my life! When shall I
2. 7 Ech-oes meet as deep is call-ing un-to deep, o-ver my
3. Con-tin-u-al-ly the foe de-lights in taunt-ing me: "Where is God, _
4. De-fend me God, send forth your light _ and your truth, they will lead
5. Then I shall go un-to the al-tar of my God. Prais-ing you, _

to Refrain

1. see, when shall I _ see, _ see the face of God?
2. head, all your might-y wa-ters, sweep-ing o-ver me.
3. _ where is your _ God?" _ Where, O where are you?
4. me to your ho-ly moun-tain, to your dwell-ing place.
5. _ O my joy and glad-ness, I shall praise your name.

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PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

THE CONCLUDING RITES

BLESSING AND DISMISSAL

MARIAN ANTIPHON

SALVE REGINA

Sal-ve, Re - gí - na, ma - ter mi - se - ri - cór - di - ae, Vi - ta dul -
cé - do et spes no - stra, sal - ve. Ad te cla - má - mus,
éx - su - les, fí - li - i He - vae. Ad te sus - pi - rá - mus,
ge - mén - tes et flen - tes in hac la - cri - má - rum val - le.
E - ia er - go, Ad - vo - cá - ta no - stra, il - los tu - os mi -
se - ri - cór - des ó - cu - los ad nos con - vér - te.
Et Je - sum, be - ne - dí - ctum fruc - tum ven - tris tu - i,
no - bis post hoc ex - sí - li - um os - tén - de.
O cle - mens, O pi - a,
O dul - cis Vir - go Ma - rí - a.

CONCLUDING HYMN

CHRIST, BE OUR LIGHT

Bernadette Farrell

Verses



1. Long-ing for light, — we wait in dark - ness. Long-ing for
2. Long-ing for peace, — our world is trou - bled. Long-ing for
3. Long-ing for food, — man - y are hun - gry. Long-ing for
4. Long-ing for shel-ter, man - y are home-less. Long-ing for
5. Man - y the gifts, — man - y the peo - ple, man - y the



1. truth, — we turn to you. Make us your own, —
2. hope, — man - y de - spair. Your word a - lone —
3. wa - ter, man - y still thirst. Make us your bread, —
4. warmth, — man - y are cold. Make us your build - ing,
5. hearts that yearn to be - long. Let us be ser - vants



1. your ho - ly peo-ple, light for the world to see.
2. has pow'r to save us. Make us your liv - ing voice.
3. bro - ken for oth-ers, shared un - til all are fed.
4. shel - ter - ing oth-ers, walls made of liv - ing stone.
5. to one an - oth - er, mak - ing your king - dom come.

Refrain



Christ, be our light! Shine in our hearts. Shine through the dark - ness.



Christ, be our light! Shine in your church gath-ered to-day.

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