



IMMACULATE CONCEPTION PARISH

OCTOBER 6, 2024 TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Saturday, October 5, 2024

8:30 a.m. Mass at Seton
3:00 p.m. Fanala/Gonsales Wedding
4:30 p.m. Bob & Mary Jane Sistik (Family)

Sunday, October 6, 2024

8:00 a.m. Robert Griffen (Kathy)
10:00 a.m. Kaitlynn Beatty (Dad & Family)
11:30 a.m. Our Parish Family

Monday, October 7, 2024

7:45 a.m. Rick Borland (Carol)

Tuesday, October 8, 2024

7:45 a.m. - Our Parish Family
*No Adoration, No Confessions, No Evening Mass
Due to Clergy Convocation*

Wednesday, October 9, 2024

7:45 a.m. *No Mass due to Clergy Convocation*

Thursday, October 10, 2024

7:45 a.m. *No Mass due to Clergy Convocation*

Friday, October 11, 2024

7:45 a.m. Joe & Joanne Mayers (Family)

Saturday, October 12, 2024

8:00 a.m. Michael Borland (Mom)
4:30 p.m. Rose Dallara (Boccabella Family)

Sunday, October 13, 2024

8:00 a.m. Margaret Saunders
(McCarthy Family)
10:00 a.m. Dolores Starzenski
(Tina & Jeff Fisher)
11:30 a.m. Brett James Noroski
(Riley Way Neighbors)

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724-837-1840

Immaculate Conception Parish Office
308 Second Street Irwin, Pa 15642
Parish Office: 724-863-9550
Please note this week's parish office hours
Parish Office Hours:
Monday October 7 - Friday Oct. 11
8 am to 1 pm

PASTOR'S NOTES

We Find Strength through our Relationships

The readings for this Sunday address one of the most prevalent problems that plague our society today: divorce. There probably is not a family in this nation that has not been touched in one way or another with the pain and devastation of divorce. Divorce is not just between two people, it affects every person in our lives; this is a fact that we too often forget. However, there is a much broader way of looking at our readings today, which has meaning for all of us, whether married or single. Jesus calls all of us to a way of living that protects values that will enrich all human life and dignity. More than anything else, our liturgy reminds us in a gentle way about how concerned God is for all people.

Our reading from Genesis shows us the order and purpose of creation, the intelligent plan of God. What we need to focus our attention on is the fact that God saw all of creation as being good. Today's account focuses on the loneliness of a man who is unfulfilled until God creates a helpmate. Rather than waylaid ourselves with the fact that "man" was created first, our concentration should be on the dignity, which should be found in the institution of marriage. Another important aspect of this story cannot be overlooked. We are being told in no mixed language that we humans were created for each other and must live in relationship, whether in marriage or other forms of communities and covenants. We are all called to be equal in dignity.

When Jesus is forced to address the presence of divorce in the church, he did so with firm conviction. His answer not only safeguards the sacred certainty of marriage but also reinforces the equality and dignity of women. When this Gospel was written, there was much controversy within the Jewish community about grounds for divorce. Divorce was entirely the prerogative of the husband. The wife had no say and no rights. The controversy about divorce still plagues the contemporary church, which recognizes marriage as a union until death. At the same time, it struggles with the heard reality that some marriages simply die. Divorce and re-marriage is one of the thorniest and most painful pastoral challenges of the church today.

The heart of any marriage is found in the idea of relationship. Jesus is asking us to strive for the ideal in all of our relationships, holding onto the importance of faithfulness in all relationships. As followers of Jesus, we are all called to be totally faithful. Otherwise how would we trust the faithfulness of God? We are called to live out the completeness of human relationships. We all thrive and delight in people who make our lives complete with honest relationships. Though Jesus gives us marriage as the primary expression of fidelity, all of us, single or married, must live and grow through rich and nourishing relationships in order to be fully human. Just as Jesus touched the little children, he embraces us to strengthen our lives through graced relationships.

The Annulment Process

Because our liturgy today speaks of divorce, it is important for all of us to understand the Church's stand on marriage. The Catechism of the Catholic Church defines marriage as a permanent partnership of a man and a woman which lasts "until death do us part." No one can enter into a second permanent partnership while his or her first spouse is living. Even if the civil contract is dissolved through divorce, the spiritual bond continues. The couple remains married in the eyes of the Church. However, the Church also recognizes legitimate reasons why a wedding may not have led to a valid marriage. If through the annulment investigation the Church comes to moral certitude that no valid marriage took place, then the parties are free to marry someone else. There are many misconceptions about the annulment process. Basically the process of annulment looks at a marriage from the beginning and tries to ascertain if there indeed was a sacramental union. There are many reasons why this union may not be complete. If after investigation of the marriage it is determined that the marriage was not a covenant relationship from the start (covenant referring to a 50/50 deal at the onset of the marriage) then that union is considered void and the party is free to enter into another union. If you have any questions concerning divorce and annulments, please know that I am always here to listen. Pope Francis is looking at the church and its views on Annulments and the Sacrament of Reconciliation. As more information is made available, I will certainly let you know.

World Mission Sunday

In the midst of the pain and struggles we are experiencing today in the Church, we recognize that the Lord is calling us to a conversion of heart. The Lord is calling us to be holier; perhaps we are becoming aware of this as we acknowledge the many ways in which we have not lived up to the call of holiness in our lives. On the other hand, even as we leave behind things that have stifled our holiness, we know that the Church will always be a mission Church. In "Today's Catholic Church" we continue to proclaim the Good News of Jesus Christ. For almost 100 years the Church has been celebrating World Mission Sunday on the next to the last Sunday of October. This year's celebration, with the theme of "Through Youth to the World: Voices for Mission," is on October 20. Pope Francis focuses on the youth of the Church to proclaim the Good News, but he also addresses "all Christians who live out in the Church the adventure of their life as children of God." No matter their age, the baptized are children of God and are called, necessarily, to participate in the missionary activity of the Church. Each of us carries the Gospel to some part of the world, whether it be through prayer, through material support, or through presence where the Gospel has not yet been heard.

- Father Mike

CANDLES

Sanctuary Candle:

In Memory of Edward Iwanowski (Pam & J.R.)

Divine Mercy:

In Memory George, Marie, & Timothy Salopek (Family)

St. Peregrine Candle:

In Memory of Mary Jo Corvino (Family)

Easter Flame Candle:

In Memory of Mila Sacramento (Family)

St. Joseph's Candle:

Month's Mind

Altar Candles for the Month of October:

In Memory of Langer & Raspotnik Families (Sandy)

If you would like to have a candle lit in memory of your loved one, please call the parish office. We will be glad to help you. 724-863-9550

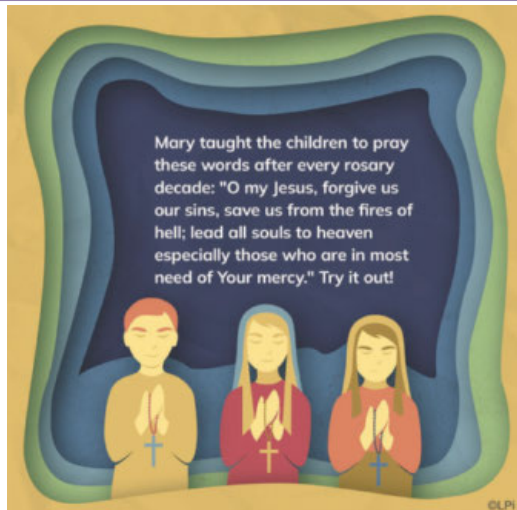


Please pray for all of our faithful departed.
Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them.



Prayer to Respect Life

Dear Lord, What a gift You have given in every human life. Inspire us to respect your handiwork in every human we encounter. Embolden us to protect the dignity of the most vulnerable members of society. Amen.



SACRAMENTS

Anointing of the Sick

The sacrament is available during Confession hour and after each Mass per request.

Matrimony

Couples wishing to celebrate the Sacrament of Matrimony must contact the parish office one year in advance of the Wedding.

Baptism

Families of our parish who wish to have their child baptized please email Susan Cheplic at skcheplic@dioceseofgreensburg.org to register for Baptism Preparation.

Confession

Tuesday 5:15 - 6:15 p.m. & Saturday 9-10 a.m. (except for the first Saturday of the month)

Divine Mercy

Join us for the Divine Mercy Chaplet Monday through Friday at 3:00 pm in the church.



**There will be
No Eucharistic
Adoration
Tuesday October 8.**

**Sunday Offertory
September 29 - \$11,272.78**

**Online Giving
Sept. 23 - Sept. 29- \$3,798.40**

Thank you for your generosity!

**Immaculate Conception Parish offers
Online Giving.**

- Scan QR Code on the new Pew Cards or QR Code below.
- Click Create a new account.
- Create an ID and password.
- Allow 2 minutes to complete the process.



If you decide to switch to online giving and would like to discontinue your envelopes please contact the parish office. Thank you!

HAPPENINGS ON THE CORNER & AROUND THE DIOCESE



On Friday, October 4 we celebrated the feast of St. Francis. We all know that St. Francis is well known for his great love for all of creation, especially the animals. Because of his great love for animals, the church uses this occasion to bestow a blessing upon all of our pets. On Sunday, October 6th at 4:00 PM we will gather in the parking lot at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton and celebrate a blessing for all of our pets. On Monday, October 7th at 5:30 PM we will bless your pets at Immaculate Conception. If you have a pet of any kind, and would like them to be blessed, you can come on October 6th or October 7th.



The Immaculate Conception Creation Care Team meets the first Wednesday of each month at 6 p.m. in the Children's Liturgy Room. The team's focus is to study the encyclical "*Laudato Si*, Care for Our Common Home" and to turn the Pope's vision into effective actions.

For more information,
Chris Peta at chris@syncrous.com



St. Regis Bingo

Conducted by Knights of
Columbus

Gillen Hall, St. Regis Church Trafford PA
Sunday October 20, 2024 1:00 - 4:00 pm

Jackpot Bingo Pay-out,
\$250+ Guaranteed

Low \$15 Door Fee, \$1 Special Games, 50/50,
food & soft drinks sold,
family friendly atmosphere



ANNUAL LIFE CHAIN

Sunday, Oct. 6 from 2:00 p.m. - 3:00p.m.

We meet at the Irwin playground parking lot and stand for one hour of silent prayer along Pennsylvania Avenue, Irwin. All are invited to stay afterward for the Divine Mercy Chaplet. Join us in an hour of prayer to help put an end to abortion. If you have any questions, call Ray Takacs at 724-689-5681.

IMMACULATA MEN'S GROUP (IMG) & IMMACULATA WOMEN'S GROUP (IWG)

Our next sessions will be next Saturday, October 12th for the men's group (IMG) and next Sunday, October 13th for the women's group (IWG) at 6:30 am in Our Lady's Plaza. In this sixth session of the fall semester, we will continue with Season 4 of "The Chosen". All are welcome!



Losing a loved one is very often a devastating and life changing event. If you have experienced the death of a loved one or know someone that has, Immaculate Conception in Irwin invites you to be part of a 13-week program that offers support, conversation, and comfort.

Sessions are: Monday evenings from September 30, 2024
through December 9, 2024
from 6:00 pm to 7:30 pm.

We meet in the Children's Liturgy in the church.
Contact Gerri Dornin at gdornin@comcast.net

Alternative session is being held during the day at St Agnes
in North Huntingdon, PA
Starting on Thursday October 3, 2024 to December 12, 2024
from 1 to 2:30 pm

Contact Audrey Quinlan at audreyquinlan@comcast.net

The GriefShare Program is a special weekly seminar and support group designed to help you rebuild your life. We know it hurts, and we want to help.

Attention Senior Citizens

What are you doing Wednesday afternoons?

Come join the Emerald Club at St. Agnes
Resurrection Hall from Noon to 4 p.m.

We socialize, enjoy coffee & donuts, pray the rosary, have a short meeting then play cards or games. Interested?

Call Elena Marra 724-201-7488

HAPPENINGS ON THE CORNER & AROUND THE DIOCESE

Last Burger Bash of the Season Saturday Oct. 12 11 am to 1 pm



October Sponsors
Lanyi Insurance Agency
Dr. Carla Capozzi Orthodontics
Gift Basket World



**THIS WEEKEND
OCTOBER 5 & 6
Bethlehem Christian
Families will be Selling
Items From the Holy Land.**

Magnificat Breakfast Oct. 26 at St. Bruno Parish, Greensburg

The Greensburg Chapter of Magnificat – A Ministry to Catholic Women will hold a breakfast Sat. Oct. 26, from 9 a.m.-noon at St. Bruno Parish. Speaker will be Karen Jdrzejewski from Living Praise Worship Team, who will tell how God used horses and drumming to bring her to Him.

To register, visit MagnificatGreensburg.com, call Brenda Concanon at 724-836-2094, or registration forms are on counter in back of church. Postmark deadline is Oct. 17 and online registration ends Oct. 19, but a waiting list is available.

What is Formed?

Formed is a streaming platform that has a wide variety of Catholic movies, Bible Studies, speakers, and audio books. You can log on through your computer, Or download apps on your phone, Roku, Amazon Firestick, or Apple TV! **Our parish has a parish subscription, so all of this is available to each and every parishioner for free!** All you have to do is sign up and you are ready to start watching and continuing your faith journey!

1. Go to FORMED.org/signup
2. Enter your parish zip code or select
3. Immaculate Conception Catholic Church

Lantern Saint Tour at St. Emma Monastery October 25

The 4th annual Lantern Saint Tours is Fri. Oct. 25, from 4-8 p.m. at St. Emma Monastery, co-sponsored by the Greensburg-Catholic Schoolhouse (rain date Sat. Oct. 26). The walking tour will feature a new Eucharistic saints' journey through Church history and Eucharistic miracles. Refreshments, a Chinese auction, 50/50 raffle and special souvenirs are planned. All proceeds benefit the monastery. Hour-long tours leave every 10 minutes beginning in the main parking lot; guests are encouraged to bring flashlights. Cost is \$10 per person, \$5 for students (free for children 12 and under). For information, contact Donna Sunseri at greensburgpa@catholicsschoolhouse.com or (724) 961-0224.

St. Rose Smokeless Fall Bingo

Hillview Avenue -- Route 982
Latrobe PA

Thursday October 17, 2024

Doors Open: 5:00 PM
Bingo Starts: 6:00 PM

Admission: \$15 per package

Admission Packages Include:

6 paper cards per sheet and 4 special (3 per sheet)

No one under 18 is permitted to play without a paying adult.

Jackpot Game:

Payout \$400
Mystery Jug \$1
Plenty of free parking.

Bingo Games Played

Regular
4 Corners
Big Star
Little Star

Benefits Immaculate Conception & St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parishes

Come join us for a night of fun with good friends and great food!

CASH BASH

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton and Immaculate Conception		
CASH BASH		
SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 2, 2024		
Mack Hall ~ 200 Leger Road, North Huntingdon		
Doors open at 5:00 p.m. ~ Food served 5:00 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.		
Only 250 seats available – first come, first served		
6:00 p.m. - \$300	7:00 p.m. - \$300	8:00 p.m. - \$200
6:15 p.m. - \$200	7:15 p.m. - \$200	8:15 p.m. - \$300
6:30 p.m. - \$300	7:30 p.m. - \$750	8:30 p.m. - \$200
6:45 p.m. - \$200	7:45 p.m. - \$300	8:45 p.m. - \$1000
Food, beer, and soda are included in ticket price ~ BYOB ~ Must be 21 to attend		
Winner need not be present to win. Winners will be notified. SGOC #497 and #531		
Donation: \$30.00 per person		

12 chances to win cash prizes – two numbers per ticket

Tickets are on sale in Immaculate Conception & Seton's parish offices until sold out.

We only have 250 seats available. Buy early to ensure a seat!

For questions or to reserve a table, please contact

Lori Anselmino 412-877-9566 or lanselmino924@gmail.com



We need VOLUNTEERS to make this event successful.

You can email Courtney Ruby at cruby@dioceceofgreensburg.org, or

Lori Anselmino at lanselmino924@gmail.com

Can't work but would like to help? Consider donating a basket for the Raffle Basket Auction.

We will also accept gift cards and/or lottery tickets, and we will make the basket for you.



2024 SHOEBOX SANTA FOR ADULTS

Once again this year, our St. Vincent De Paul Society (St. Agnes Conference) which services all 3 parishes (St. Agnes, Immaculate Conception & St. Elizabeth Ann Seton) is sponsoring the “ShoeBox Santa Project” for people of Appalachia. If you would like to participate, please fill a shoebox with some of the items listed below—items from both columns.

Please wrap the shoe box in Christmas paper and put a signed Christmas Card inside the shoe box to add to the recipient's holiday cheer!

Please mark the left side on the top of each box with ‘Male’ or ‘Female.’

Then, drop off your wrapped shoeboxes at any of our three churches through Sunday, October 20th. SEAS & IC will each have a table in the vestibule of each church. St. Agnes will have a container inside of the vestibule where you can deposit your Shoeboxes. Your generous donations will be collected by St. Vincent De Paul Society members for distribution to people in need in Southwest West Virginia and Kentucky.

If you have any questions, please call **Carl Becker** of our local St. Vincent De Paul Society at **412-751-5019**. Thank you so much for your time and consideration of this worthwhile project!

PERSONAL HYGIENE PRODUCTS

Razors and Blades
Shaving Cream and After Shave
Q-Tips and Cotton Balls
Hand Lotion
Corn Plasters, etc.
Soap (bar or liquid)
Shampoo
Toothbrush and Toothpaste
Hand Sanitizer
Denture Cleanser
Adhesive Band Aids
Mouthwash/Dental Floss
Deodorant

GIFT ITEMS

Large Print Playing Cards
Stamps
Chewing Gum
Note Pads, Pens, Pencils
Hose (one size fits all)
Socks
Jar Grips
Dominoes, Checkers, etc
Magnifying Glass
Calendars
Puzzle Books
Nail Clippers
Perfume Sets
Hairbrush or Comb
Folding Umbrella
Tweezers
Gloves (one size fits all)
Purse Sized Tissues
Greeting/Note Cards

ANGELS CORNER—QUEEN OF ANGEL CATHOLIC SCHOOL

Queen of Angels Catholic School – October is the month dedicated to the rosary and we would like to invite you to **“The Living Rosary”** on Tuesday, October 8th at 1:30 PM in the gym. We invite grandparents, aunts, uncles, cousins, neighbors, community friends or anyone else who may want to witness such a prayerful event. Time goes by so fast; and this is one way that makes our Catholic School so special. Events like these are priceless and are remembered in our children’s hearts forever.
Please join us! Any questions, please call the school office at 724-978-0144.



QUEEN OF ANGELS CATHOLIC SCHOOL



TODDLER-TWO PROGRAM

This “Toddler Time” Parent/Child Program is designed for children and their parent or caregiver to come together to play and learn.

A typical session will include: Exploratory Play, Arts & Crafts, Circle Time (a gentle introduction to group time) and Snack.

- ✓ WHO: 2-3 year old children with a parent or caregiver (Must be 2 before session starts)
- ✓ WHERE: Queen of Angels Catholic School
- ✓ WHEN: 1 hour class – Monday AND/OR Wednesday
TIME: 1:00 PM – 2:00 PM
- ✓ SESSIONS AVAILABLE: Each session is 8 weeks
Fall- Oct 14/16- Dec 9/11 (no session Nov 27th or Dec 2nd)
Winter -Jan 6/8- March 10/12 (no session Jan 20/22 or Feb 17/19)
Spring- March 17/19- May 12/14 (no session April 16th or 21st)
- ✓ Cost per session: \$100 for 1 day per week or \$175 for 2 days per week



REGISTRATION FORM

IF INTERESTED, PLEASE SEND FORM AND PAYMENT TO THE SCHOOL OFFICE:

ONE MAIN ST. NORTH HUNTINGDON, PA 15642. YOU MAY ALSO REGISTER AT

[HTTPS://FORMS.OFFICE.COM/R/BMBS4IPZAM](https://forms.office.com/R/BMBS4IPZAM) OR SCAN THE QR CODE

Guardian's Name: _____

Child's Name: _____

Phone Number: _____ Email: _____

Session: ___ Fall ___ Winter ___ Spring

Day: ___ Monday ___ Wednesday ___ Monday & Wednesday

The Power To Change and Save Lives



Step 1:
Take a Bottle
(available October 5 & 6)

Step 2:
Fill it with change, cash or
check made out to
Alternatives.Yes

Step 3:
Return the bottle to church
by Sunday, October 20
(place in box in the narthex)

Donate Online

<https://pregnancy-support.com/donate/>



If you have any questions, contact
Andrea at apritts@altnyes.org
or call the center at 724-628-5555

All donations benefit the
pregnancy support centers of
Alternatives.Yes Ministries



6 Frank Gallo Lane
Connellsville, PA 15425
www.altnyes.org

Find us on Facebook at
"Friends of Alternatives.Yes"

Everyone is invited to attend the annual

Interfaith Pro-Life Prayer Breakfast

Sponsored by the
Greensburg Diocesan Council of the
National Council of Catholic Women

Saturday, October 19th, 2024

Ferrantes Lakeview
Greensburg, PA

10:00 am - 12:00 pm
Registration 9:30 am

Keynote Speaker: Remil Teny

Remil Teny is the Education Director of the Pennsylvania Pro-Life Federation, the largest single issue pro-life organization in the Commonwealth. She carries out the organization's mission of educating the public about pro-life issues through research, writing, and speaking. Prior to this, she served as a full-time Catholic Missionary in the villages of India and is familiar with the marginalized and the poor, sharing with them meals and the faith. During that time, she worked closely with schools and non-profits, educating young ones on various topics and speaking truth and dignity into their circumstances. Her favorite topic to speak about is the preciousness of each individual life and the reverence we owe every person because of this inherent dignity, which she believes is the essential pro-life message that can effect change into the existing culture of death. She is also host of Positively Pro-Life Podcast, an educational outreach of the Federation.

No Walk-ins

Deadline: Friday, October 11th

Name: _____

Address: _____

I wish to make _____ reservation(s) at \$15.00 each student

I wish to make _____ reservation(s) at \$25.00 each adult

TOTAL FOR RESERVATIONS \$ _____

DONATIONS: ANGEL (\$10 - 24) _____ ARCHANGEL (\$25 - \$49) _____
CHERUBIM (\$50 +) _____ SERAPHIM (\$250 +) _____

TOTAL DONATIONS \$ _____

TOTAL AMOUNT \$ _____

Make checks payable to: GREENSBURG DCCW and note on memo line: **Pro-Life Breakfast**
Mail checks to: Kathy Imbrescia, 401 Indiana Avenue, Monessen, PA 15062
Questions: 724-787-2415 (Kathy Byron, President) or 724-668-7436 (Betty Nemchik)

Saturday, November 9, 2024 • 9 AM - 3 PM

Spirited 2024 Women's Conference

Rejoice Always!

- 1 Thessalonians 5:16

Join us for Mass with Bishop Larry J. Kulick, nationally renowned keynote speakers, a Tea Party luncheon, and praise and worship. There will also be opportunities for adoration, rosary, confession and prayer, and vendor tables.



Christ Our Shepherd Center, Greensburg

2900 Seminary Drive, Greensburg

Registration \$50

\$25 in financial aid available through the Francis Fund



Jackie Francois Angel

Bishop Larry J. Kulick

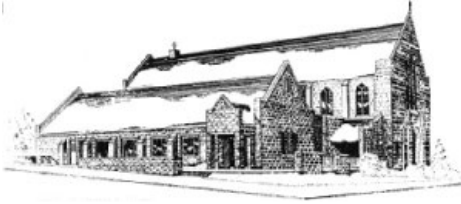
Dr. Mary Healy



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Register today at DioceseofGreensburg.org/Spirited



IMMACULATE CONCEPTION PARISH
Irwin, Pennsylvania
Office of Liturgical Music Ministry

THE TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

October 6, 2024 - Order of the Mass

VOCATIONS PRAYER

Lord Jesus, raise up from our homes those called by the Father:
courageous and humble men to the Priesthood, generous servants to the Permanent Diaconate,
faithful people to Consecrated Life, and holy men and women to the Sacrament of Marriage.
Holy Spirit, help us to live our universal vocation to holiness by listening to the Father's voice and
responding with a sacrificial love. Holy Mary, Model of vocations, pray for us.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

1 Love di-vine, all loves ex-celling, joy of heaven, to earth come down, fix in
2 Come, al-might-y to de-liv-er, let us all thy grace re-ceive; sudden-
3 Fin-ish then thy new cre-a-tion: pure and spot-less let us be; let us
us thy hum-ble dwell-ing, all thy faith-ful mer-cies crown. Je - su,
ly re - turn, and nev - er, nev - er more thy tem-ples leave. Thee we
see thy great sal - va - tion per-fect - ly re-stored in thee; Changed from
thou art all com - pas - sion, pure un - bound - ed love thou art;
would be al - ways bless-ing, serve thee as thy hosts a - bove;
glo - ry in - to glo - ry till in heaven we take our place,
vis - it us with thy sal - va - tion, en - ter ev - ery trem-bling heart.
pray, and praise thee, with - out ceas-ing, glo-ry in thy per - fect love.
till we cast our crowns be-fore thee, lost in won-der, love, and praise.

Text: Charles Wesley (1707-1788)*

Music (BLAENWERN 87 87 D): William Penfro Rowlands (1860-1937)

Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and on earth

peace to peo-ple of good will. A - men, a - men, a - men.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING

Genesis 2:18-24

The LORD God said: "It is not good for the man to be alone. I will make a suitable partner for him." So the LORD God formed out of the ground various wild animals and various birds of the air, and he brought them to the man to see what he would call them; whatever the man called each of them would be its name. The man gave names to all the cattle, all the birds of the air, and all wild animals; but none proved to be the suitable partner for the man. So the LORD God cast a deep sleep on the man, and while he was asleep, he took out one of his ribs and closed up its place with flesh. The LORD God then built up into a woman the rib that he had taken from the man. When he brought her to the man, the man said: "This one, at last, is bone of my bones and flesh of my flesh; this one shall be called 'woman,' for out of 'her man' this one has been taken." That is why a man leaves his father and mother and clings to his wife, and the two of them become one flesh.

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 128

Michel Guimont

May the Lord bless us all the days of our lives.

SECOND READING

Hebrews 2:9-11

Brothers and sisters: He "for a little while" was made "lower than the angels," that by the grace of God he might taste death for

everyone. For it was fitting that he, for whom and through whom all things exist, in bringing many children to glory, should make the leader to their salvation perfect through suffering. He who consecrates and those who are being consecrated all have one origin. Therefore, he is not ashamed to call them "brothers."

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL READING

Mark 10:2-12

The Pharisees approached Jesus and asked, "Is it lawful for a husband to divorce his wife?" They were testing him. He said to them in reply, "What did Moses command you?" They replied, "Moses permitted a husband to write a bill of divorce and dismiss her." But Jesus told them, "Because of the hardness of your hearts he wrote you this commandment. But from the beginning of creation, God made them male and female. For this reason a man shall leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh. So they are no longer two but one flesh. Therefore what God has joined together, no human being must separate." In the house the disciples again questioned Jesus about this. He said to them, "Whoever divorces his wife and marries another commits adultery against her; and if she divorces her husband and marries another, she commits adultery."

The Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

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 life of the world to come. Amen.

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Not for Tongues of Heaven's Angels



1. Not for tongues of heav-en's an - gels, Not for wis - dom
2. Love is hum - ble, love is gen - tle, Love is ten - der,
3. Nev - er jeal - ous, nev - er self - ish, Love will not re -
4. In the day this world is fad - ing Faith and hope will



to dis - cern, Not for faith that mas - ters moun - tains,
true, and kind; Love is gra - cious, ev - er pa - tient,
joice in wrong; Nev - er boast - ful nor re - sent - ful,
play their part; But when Christ is seen in glo - ry



For this bet - ter gift we yearn:
Gen - er - ous of heart and mind: May love be ours, Lord:
Love be - lieves and suf - fers long:
Love shall reign in ev - 'ry heart:



may love be ours. May love be ours, O Lord.

Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Lord God of hosts.

Hea - ven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -

san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

Bless - ed is he who comes, who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho

san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

Save us, Sav - ior of the world for by your

Cross and Res - ur - rec - tion you have set us free.

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

Lamb of God, you take a - way the

sins of the world, have mer - cy on us.

Lamb of God, you take a - way the

sins of the world, grant us peace.

COMMUNION HYMN

Love One Another

Love one an - oth - er, for love is of God.

Love one an - oth - er, for God is love.

Text: 1 John 4; James J. Chepponis, b.1956
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RECESSIONAL HYMN

All Hail the Power of Jesus Name

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1. All hail the pow'r of Je - sus' name! Let an - gels pros - trate
 2. Hail him, you heirs of Da - vid's line Whom Da - vid Lord did
 3. Crown him, you ho - ly saints of God, Who from his al - tar

1. fall; Bring forth the roy - al di - a - dem To
 2. call, The God in - car - nate, Man di - vine, And
 3. call; Ex - tol him in whose path you trod, And

1. crown him Lord of all; Bring forth the roy - al
 2. crown him Lord of all; The God in - car - nate,
 3. crown him Lord of all; Ex - tol him in whose

1. di - a - dem To crown him Lord of all.
 2. Man di - vine, And crown him Lord of all.
 3. path you trod, And crown him Lord of all.

Text: 86 86 86; Edward Perronet, 1726-1792, alt. by John Rippon, 1751-1836.
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