

25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Liturgy Sheets for September 23/24, 2023

St. Pius X Church Loudonville, NY

Opening Hymn: 589 O God, Beyond All Praising



O God be-yond all prais-ing, we wor-ship you to - day
And sing the love a - maz-ing that songs can - not re - pay;
For we can on - ly won - der at ev - 'ry gift you send,
At bless-ings with - out num - ber and mer - cies with - out end.
We lift our hearts be - fore you and wait up - on your word;
We hon - or and a - dore you, our great and might - y Lord.

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, 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.

First Reading: Isaiah 55:6-9

Seek the LORD while he may be found, call him while he is near. Let the scoundrel forsake his way, and the wicked his thoughts; let him turn to the LORD for mercy; to our God, who is generous in forgiving. For my thoughts are not your thoughts, nor are your ways my ways, says the LORD. As high as the heavens are above the earth, so high are my ways above your ways and my thoughts above your thoughts.

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 145:2-3, 8-9, 17-18 (18a)



R. The Lord is near to all who call up - on him.

Every day will I bless you, and I will praise your name forever and ever. Great is the LORD and highly to be praised; his greatness is unsearchable. The LORD is gracious and merciful, slow to anger and of great kindness. The LORD is good to all and compassionate toward all his works. The LORD is just in all his ways and holy in all his works. The LORD is near to all who call upon him, to all who call upon him in truth. (Refrain)

Second Reading: Philippians 1:20c-24, 27a

Brothers and sisters: Christ will be magnified in my body, whether by life or by death. For to me life is Christ, and death is gain. If I go on living in the flesh, that means fruitful labor for me. And I do not know which I shall choose. I am caught between the two. I long to depart this life and be with Christ, for that is far better. Yet that I remain in the flesh is more necessary for your benefit. Only, conduct yourselves in a way worthy of the gospel of Christ.


Gospel: Matthew 20:1-16a

Jesus told his disciples this parable: "The kingdom of heaven is like a landowner who went out at dawn to hire laborers for his vineyard. After agreeing with them for the usual daily wage, he sent them into his vineyard. Going out about nine o'clock, the landowner saw others standing idle in the marketplace, and he said to them, 'You too go into my vineyard, and I will give you what is just.' So they went off. And he went out again around noon, and around three o'clock, and did likewise. Going out about five o'clock, the landowner found others standing around, and said to them, 'Why do you stand here idle all day?' They answered, 'Because no one has hired us.' He said to them, 'You too go into my vineyard.' When it was evening the owner of the vineyard said to his foreman, 'Summon the laborers and give them their pay, beginning with the last and ending with the first.' When those who had started about five o'clock came, each received the usual daily wage. So when the first came, they thought that they would receive more, but each of them also got the usual wage. And on receiving it they grumbled against the landowner, saying, 'These last ones worked only one hour, and you have made them equal to us, who bore the day's burden and the heat.' He said to one of them in reply, 'My friend, I am not cheating you. Did you not agree with me for the usual daily wage? Take what is yours and go. What if I wish to give this last one the same as you? Or am I not free to do as I wish with my own money? Are you envious because I am generous?' Thus, the last will be first, and the first will be last."

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried; He descended into hell; on the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from there He will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Holy Catholic Church, the communion of Saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting. Amen.

Offertory Hymn: 672 O God, Our Help in Ages Past



1. O God, our help in a - ges past, Our
2. Un - der the shad - ow of your throne Your
3. Be - fore the hills in or - der stood, Or

hope for years to come, Our shel - ter from the
saints have dwelt se - cure; Suf - fi - cient is your
earth re - ceived its frame, From ev - er - last - ing

storm - y blast, And our e - ter - nal home.
arm a - lone, And our de - fense is sure.
you are God, To end - less years the same.

An Act of Spiritual Communion: My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen

Communion Hymn: 776 Ubi Caritas

Refrain: All



*U - bi ca - ri - tas est ve - ra, est ve - ra: De - us i - bi

Verses: Cantor/Choir



est, De - us i - bi est.

1. The love of Christ joins us to -
2. In true com - mu - nion let us
3. May we who gath - er at this
4. For those in need make us your
5. May we one day be - hold your



1. geth - er. Let us re - joice in him, and in our love and
2. gath - er. May all di - vi - sions cease and in their place be
3. ta - ble to share the bread of life be - come a sac - ra -
4. mer - cy, for those op - pressed, your might. Make us, your Church, a
5. glo - ry and see you face to face, re - joic - ing with the

to Refrain



1. care for all now love God in re - turn.
2. Christ the Lord, our ris - en Prince of Peace.
3. ment of love, your heal - ing touch, O Christ.
4. ho - ly sign of jus - tice and new life.
5. saints of God to sing e - ter - nal praise.

Closing Hymn: 573 All the Ends of the Earth

Refrain



All the ends of the earth, all you crea - tures of the sea, lift up your



eyes to the won - ders of the Lord. For the Lord of the earth, the



mas - ter of the sea, has come with jus - tice for the world.

Verse



Break in - to song at the deeds of the Lord,



the won - ders God has done in ev - 'ry age.

to Refrain

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