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August 27, 2023 ~ Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time

PRELUDE *A Mighty Fortress Is Our God*

setting, Emma Lou Diemer

Prayer Before Holy Mass (please rise)

My dear God and loving Father, as I participate in this Holy Mass, may Jesus fill me with His holy grace when I open my heart to Him in sincere prayer. May the sacraments I will receive, the prayers that I will say and the hymns that I will sing bring me closer to Jesus and help me to be more like Him in all that I say and do. May the Holy Communion that I will receive give me strength, so that I may share faith, hope and love with the people I will meet. Amen.

OPENING HYMN 231 *The Church's One Foundation* (1, 2)

The Church's one foundation is Jesus Christ her Lord;
She is His new creation by water and the word;
From heav'n He came and sought her to be His holy Bride;
With His own blood He bought her, and for her life He died.

Elect from ev'ry nation, yet one o'er all the earth,
Her charter of salvation: One Lord, one faith, one birth.
One holy Name she blesses, partakes one holy food,
And to one hope she presses with ev'ry grace endued.

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INTROIT

Deuteronomy 32:3-4

C: For I will sing to the Lord's renown. Oh, proclaim the greatness of our God! **R: The Rock – how faultless are His deeds, how right all His ways! A faithful God, without deceit, how just and upright He is!** C: Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. **R: As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.**

KYRIE

Vermulst

GLORIA

Englert

OPENING PRAYER

Blessed are You, God our Father, for You are the Rock of our salvation in which we place our trust. May this trust never dim so that we may not yield to temptation or hinder Your holy design. We ask this through our Lord, Jesus Christ, Your Son, Who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **R. Amen.**

~ LITURGY OF THE WORD ~

FIRST LESSON

Isaiah 22:15, 19-23

Thus says the Lord to Shebna, master of the palace: "I will thrust you from your office and pull you down from your station. On that day I will summon my servant Eliakim, son of Hilkiyah; I will clothe him with your robe, and gird him with your sash, and give over to him your authority. He shall be a father to the inhabitants of Jerusalem, and to the house of Judah. I will place the key of the House of David on Eliakim's shoulder; when he opens, no one shall shut, when he shuts, no one shall open. I will fix him like a peg in a sure spot, to be a place of honor for his family."

This is the Word of the Lord. **R. Thanks be to God.**

GRADUAL - *Traditional Mass*

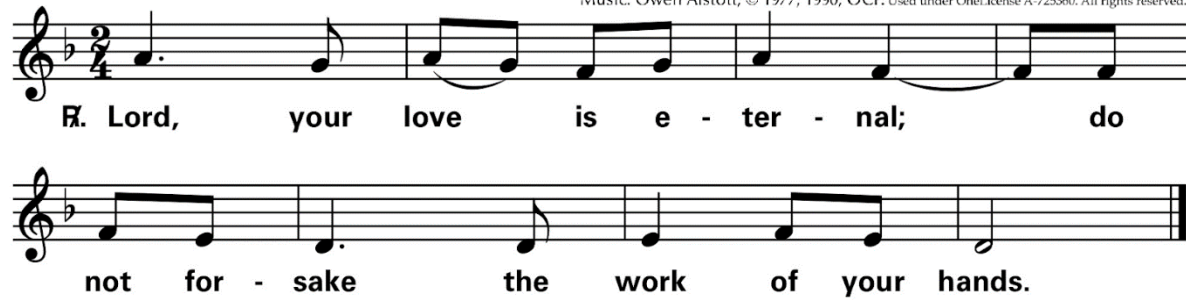
Psalm 18:32-33, 47

C: Truly, Who is God except the Lord? Who but our God is the Rock? This God Who girded me with might, kept my way unerring. **R: The Lord lives! Blessed be my Rock! Exalted be God, my Savior!**

RESPONSORIAL PSALM - *Contemporary Mass*

Psalm 138:1-2, 2-3, 6, 8

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R. Lord, your love is eternal; do not forsake the work of your hands.

R. (8bc) Lord, your love is eternal; do not forsake the work of your hands.

I will give thanks to you, O LORD, with all my heart,
for you have heard the words of my mouth;
in the presence of the angels I will sing your praise;
I will worship at your holy temple.

R. Lord, your love is eternal; do not forsake the work of your hands.

I will give thanks to your name,
because of your kindness and your truth:
When I called, you answered me;
you built up strength within me.

R. Lord, your love is eternal; do not forsake the work of your hands.

The LORD is exalted, yet the lowly he sees,
and the proud he knows from afar.
Your kindness, O LORD, endures forever;
forsake not the work of your hands.

R. Lord, your love is eternal; do not forsake the work of your hands.

SECOND LESSON

Romans 11:33-36

Oh, the depth of the riches and wisdom and knowledge of God! How inscrutable are his judgments and how unsearchable his ways! ‘For who has known the mind of the Lord or who has been his counselor? Or who has given the Lord anything that he may be repaid?’ For from him and through him and for him are all things. To him be glory forever. Amen.

This is the Word of the Lord. **R. Thanks be to God.**

ALLELUIA

1 Samuel 2:2



traditional Ukrainian chant, arr. Elfman

Choir, then all: Al - le-lu - ia, Al - le-lu - ia, Al - le-lu - ia.

C: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. **R: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.** C: There is no Holy One like the Lord; there is no Rock like our God. **R: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

GOSPEL

Matthew 16:13-20

Jesus went into the region of Caesarea Philippi and he asked his disciples, “Who do people say that the Son of Man is?” They replied, “Some say John the Baptist, others Elijah, still others Jeremiah or one of the prophets.” He said to them, “But who do you say that I am?” Simon Peter said in reply, “You are the Christ, the Son of the living God.” Jesus said to him in reply, “Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah. For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my heavenly Father. And so I say to you, you are Peter, and upon this rock I will build my church, and the gates of the netherworld shall not prevail against it. I will give you the keys to the kingdom of heaven. Whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven; and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven.” Then he strictly ordered his disciples to tell no one that he was the Christ.

This is the gospel of the Lord. **R. Praise be to You, Lord Jesus Christ.**

HYMN TO THE HOLY SPIRIT *Holy Spirit, Light Divine*

Holy Spirit, Light Divine, come into this heart of mine.
By Thy guidance may I live, and my life in service give.
Holy Spirit, come, I beseech Thee; Grant Thy gifts of wisdom and mercy.
Holy Spirit, Holy Spirit, come into this heart of mine.

HOMILY

PROFESSION OF FAITH

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL - *Contemporary Mass*

R: Lord hear our prayer.

~ LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST ~

OFFERTORY VERSE

Psalm 31:4

You are my Rock and my Fortress; for Your name's sake lead and guide me.

OFFERTORY HYMN (8:00) *My Life Flows On in Endless Song*

My life flows on in endless song above earth's lamentation;
I catch the sweet, though far-off hymn that hails a new creation.

Refrain: No storm can shake my inmost calm while to that Rock I'm clinging;
Since Christ is Lord of heav'n and earth, how can I keep from singing?

What though my joys and comforts die? The Lord, my Savior, liveth.
What though the darkness gather round? Songs in the night He giveth. (*Refrain*)

The peace of Christ makes fresh my heart, a fountain ever-springing!
All things are mine since I am His! How can I keep from singing? (*Refrain*)

OFFERTORY SOLO (9:30) *Bless the Lord*

Matt Redman

Bless the Lord, O my soul, O my soul, worship His holy name. Sing like
never before, O my soul. I'll worship Your holy name.
The sun comes up, it's a new day dawning. It's time to sing Your song again.
Whatever may pass, and whatever lies before me, let me be singing when the
evening comes.
You're rich in love and You're slow to anger. Your name is great, and Your
heart is kind. For all your goodness, I will keep on singing: ten thousand
reasons for my heart to find.
And on that day when my strength is failing, the end draws near, and my
time has come— still my soul will sing your praise unending: ten thousand
years and then forevermore. (Based on Ps. 103)

Leslie Doyle, voice and guitar

PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

Heavenly Father, we have heard Your word of promise and in return we offer You this
sacrifice. Bless us now with the gift of Your Son that we may live amid the tension and doubt
of this life in peace, faith and hope. We ask this through the same Jesus Christ, Who lives
and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. **R. Amen.**

PREFACE

SANCTUS

Proulx

~ CANON ~

THE LORDS PRAYER

AGNUS DEI

Alstott

POST-COMMUNION HYMN 160 *We Kneel Before You* (1, 2, 4- as needed)

We kneel before You, Eternal Savior.
In adoration, this song we offer.
Though so unworthy to ask Your blessing,
We join in praise with angels rejoicing.

We now confess You, Divine Creator.
Our hearts' full love we give You, O Master.
Savior, we thank You for our redemption.
In Your great sacrifice is our redemption.

Fall down on bended knee before your Savior.
Hold fast in your heart, His Wondrous Presence.
Sing of His glory with songs of gladness.
He is your Father, He, your Friend Precious.

COMMUNION VERSE

Psalm 89:27

He shall cry to me, 'You are my Father, my God, the Rock that brings me victory.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Heavenly Father, may we who have received the Body and Blood of Your Son, together with the Apostles and all the Church ever proclaim the greatness of Jesus Christ. We ask this through the same Jesus Christ, Who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. **R. Amen.**

FINAL BLESSING (please kneel)

DISMISSAL

C: Let us bless the Lord! **R: Thanks be to God.**

Prayer After Holy Mass (please remain kneeling)

I am grateful to You, Lord, that I was able to come to church and participate in the Holy Sacrifice of Mass. I thank You for receiving Your gracious pardon, Your instruction and teaching through Your Word, and Your Body and Blood in Holy Communion. May Your sacraments continue to strengthen and help me to be faithful to You and Your Church. Help me to face all the challenges of life on my journey to Your heavenly kingdom. Amen.

CLOSING HYMN 227 *Holy God, We Praise Thy Name* (1, 4)

Holy God, we praise Thy Name! Lord of all, we bow before Thee!
All on earth Thy scepter claim. All in heav'n above adore Thee:
(Boundless is Thy vast domain; everlasting is Thy reign.)

Holy Father, Holy Son, Holy Spirit: Three we name Thee;
While in essence only One, undivided God we claim Thee;
(And adoring, bend the knee, while we own the mystery.)

POSTLUDE *Come, Ye Faithful, Raise the Strain*

setting, Walter Ehrig

THIS WEEK'S LITURGIES

Monday, August 28

9:30 am – Holy Mass

Tuesday, August 29

9:30 am – Holy Mass

Wednesday, August 30

9:30 am – Holy Mass

Thursday, August 31

9:30 am – Healing Mass

Friday, September 1

9:30 am – Holy Mass

Saturday, September 2

9:30 am – Holy Mass

Lectors:

8/27 – 8:00 – Kathy Michalina
9:30 – Patrick McHugh
11:15 – David Rychleski
9/3 – 8:00 – John Andrzejewski
9:30 – Maria Hughes
11:15 – David Rychleski

Tuesday, August 29th

6:30 pm – Parish Committee Meeting

Saturday, September 2nd

Noon – 1:00 pm – One Hot Meal

Next Sunday, September 3rd –Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Holy Mass: **8:00 am** Traditional **9:30am** Contemporary
11:15 am Cathedral Chapel, Tripp Park

Cathedral Office Manager Job Posting – St. Stanislaus Cathedral is seeking to fill the office manager position by this September when Luann, our current Office Manager will be retiring. The candidate search is underway as we repost the announcement of this placement opportunity. The position is flexible and rewarding. All interested applicants may contact the parish office for more details to include flexible hours, salary, and responsibilities as they work with the parish committee and clergy.