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July 28, 2024 ~ Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

PRELUDE *Soul, Adorn Yourself with Gladness*

setting, J. Brahms

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 195 Morning Hymn (1-2)

Lord, this morn we raise our voices as the world in song rejoices.

(All the works of Your creation join to sing in adoration.)

You have formed us, God our Savior, overwhelmed us with Your favor.

(Blessed with gifts beyond all measure, may we praise You now and ever.)

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INTROIT

Psalm 132:13-15

C: For the Lord has chosen Zion; He prefers her for His dwelling: "Zion is My resting place forever." **R: "In her I will dwell, for I prefer her. I will bless her with abundant provision, her poor I will fill with bread.** 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

Alstott

GLORIA

Englert

OPENING PRAYER

Blessed are You, Lord our God, for Your Son Jesus multiplied bread for the poor. Help us, who are nourished with the life of Your Son, understand that we, like the apostles, must share our material goods with our brethren. 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.**

~ LITURGY OF THE WORD ~

FIRST LESSON

2 Kings 4:42-44

A man came from Baal-shalishah bringing to Elisha, the man of God, twenty barley loaves made from the firstfruits, and fresh grain in the ear. Elisha said, "Give it to the people to eat." But his servant objected, "How can I set this before a hundred people?" Elisha insisted, "Give it to the people to eat. For thus says the Lord, 'They shall eat and there shall be some left over.'" And when they had eaten, there was some left over, as the Lord had said.


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

GRADUAL - *Traditional Mass*

Revelation 7:17a; Micah 5:3

C: For the Lamb Who is in the center of the throne will shepherd them and lead them to the springs of life-giving water. **R: He shall stand firm and shepherd His flock by the strength of the Lord, in the majestic name of the Lord, his God. And they shall remain, for now His greatness shall reach to the ends of the earth.**

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R. The hand of the Lord feeds us; he answers all our needs.

R. (cf. 16) The hand of the Lord feeds us; he answers all our needs.

Let all your works give you thanks, O LORD,
 and let your faithful ones bless you.

Let them discourse of the glory of your kingdom
 and speak of your might.

R. The hand of the Lord feeds us; he answers all our needs.

The eyes of all look hopefully to you,
 and you give them their food in due season;
 you open your hand
 and satisfy the desire of every living thing.

R. The hand of the Lord feeds us; he answers all our needs.

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.

R. The hand of the Lord feeds us; he answers all our needs.

SECOND LESSON

Ephesians 4:1-6

Brothers and sisters: I, a prisoner for the Lord, urge you to live in a manner worthy of the call you have received, with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another through love, striving to preserve the unity of the spirit through the bond of peace: one body and one Spirit, as you were also called to the one hope of your call; one Lord, one faith, one baptism; one God and Father of all, who is over all and through all and in all.

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

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: For the kingdom of God is not a matter of food and drink, but of righteousness, peace and joy in the Holy Spirit. **R: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

GOSPEL

John 6:1-15

Jesus went across the Sea of Galilee. A large crowd followed him, because they saw the signs he was performing on the sick. Jesus went up on the mountain, and there he sat down with his disciples. The Jewish feast of Passover was near. When Jesus raised his eyes and saw that a large crowd was coming to him, he said to Philip, "Where can we buy enough food for them to eat?" He said this to test him, because he himself knew what he was going to do. Philip answered him, "Two hundred days' wages worth of food would not be enough for each of them to have a little."

One of His disciples, Andrew, the brother of Simon Peter, said to him, "There is a boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish; but what good are these for so many?" Jesus said, "Have the people recline." Now there was a great deal of grass in that place. So the men reclined, about five thousand in number. Then Jesus took the loaves, gave thanks, and distributed them to those who were reclining, and also as much of the fish as they wanted. When they had had their fill, he said to his disciples, "Gather the fragments left over, so that nothing will be wasted." So they collected them, and filled twelve wicker baskets with fragments from the five barley loaves that had been more than they could eat.

When the people saw the sign He had done, they said, "This is truly the Prophet, the one who is to come into the world." Since Jesus knew that they were going to come and carry him off to make him king, he withdrew again to the mountain alone.

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

HYMN TO THE HOLY SPIRIT *Spirit of God, Descend upon My Heart*

Spirit of God, descend upon my heart; wean it from earth, through all its pulses move;
Stoop to my weakness; strength to me impart, and make me love You as I ought to love.

I ask no dream, no prophet ecstasies, no sudden rending of the veil of clay, I'm
No angel visitant, no op'ning skies, but take the dimness of my soul away.

HOMILY

PROFESSION OF FAITH

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL - *Contemporary Mass*

R: Lord hear our prayer.

~ LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST ~

OFFERTORY VERSE

John 4:32

But He said to them: "I have food to eat of which you do not know."

OFFERTORY HYMN *Bread of Life from Heaven*

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Refrain: Bread of life from heaven, Your Blood and Body given,
We eat this Bread and drink this Cup until You come again.

Break now the Bread of Christ's sacrifice;
Giving thanks, hungry ones, gather 'round.
Eat, all of you, and be satisfied;
In Christ's presence the loaves will abound. *Refrain*

Seek not the food that will pass away;
Set your hearts on the food that endures.
Come, learn the true and the living way,
That the fullness of life may be yours. *Refrain*

Love as the One, who, in love for you,
Gave Himself for the life of the world.
Come to the One who is food for you,
That your hunger and thirst be no more. *Refrain*

(9:30) *Ernie Pappa, guitar*

PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

Heavenly Father, accept in this sacrifice of Your Son our gifts of bread and wine. Unite us around Your altar that we may live a life worthy of Your calling, eager to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. 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

Elfman

POST-COMMUNION SOLO *Soul, Adorn Yourself with Gladness*

Soul, adorn yourself with gladness; leave the gloomy haunts of sadness.
Come into the daylight's splendor; there with joy your praises render.
Bless the One whose grace unbounded this amazing banquet founded.
Christ, though heav'nly, high, and holy, deigns to dwell with you most lowly.

Now in faith I humbly ponder over this surpassing wonder,
That the Bread of Life is boundless, though the souls it feeds are countless.
With the choicest wine of heaven Christ's own Blood to us is given.
Oh, most glorious consolation, pledge and seal of my salvation.

Jesus, source of lasting pleasure, truest Friend, and dearest Treasure,
Peace beyond all understanding, Joy into all life expanding:
Humbly now I bow before You. Love incarnate, I adore You.
Worthily let me receive You, and so favored, never leave You.

Rebecca Elfman, soprano

COMMUNION VERSE

Isaiah 58:14b

I will nourish you with the heritage of Jacob, your father, for the mouth of the Lord has spoken.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Lord Jesus Christ, by the power of Your love, which comes to us in this Sacred Meal, teach us to live as You would have us live, so that we may find You in our midst where it pleases You to dwell. For You live and reign with the Father 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 *Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing*

PEŁNA ŚWIĘTOŚCI

Lord, dismiss us with Your blessing; Fill our hearts with joy and peace.
Let us each, Your love possessing, Triumph in redeeming grace.
(Oh, refresh us, oh, refresh us, trav'ling through this wilderness!)

Thanks we give and adoration for Your gospel's joyful sound.
May the fruits of Your salvation in our hearts and lives abound.
(Ever faithful, ever faithful to Your truth may we be found!)

POSTLUDE *Rigaudon*

Andre Campra

Monday, July 29th

8:30 am – Holy Mass

Tuesday, July 30th

8:30 am – Holy Mass

Wednesday, July 31st

8:30 am – Holy Mass

Thursday, August 1st

8:30 am – Healing Mass

Friday, August 2nd

8:30 am – Holy Mass

Saturday, August 3rd

8:00 am – Holy Mass

12:00 noon – 1:00 pm – One Hot Meal

Next Sunday, August 4th – Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Holy Mass: **8:00 am** Traditional **9:30 am** Contemporary

11:15 am Cathedral Chapel, Tripp Park

<i>Lectors:</i>
7/28 – 8:00 – Kathy Michalina
9:30 – Eve Hughes
11:15 – David Rychleski
8/4 – 8:00 – Kathy Michalina
9:30 – Tera Jean Notari
11:15 – David Rychleski

It's Here! Vacation Bible School tomorrow, July 29th through Friday, August 2, from 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm!!! **Let's 'Start the Party'!**

Our Sincerest Gratitude to St. Stan's basketball League for their donation of \$1600 under Artie and Dee Golembeski's guidance.

Parish Records – Please assist our efforts to maintain accurate parish records by periodically sending updated contact information to the Parish Office at St. Stanislaus. Three previous unknown phone numbers were found this week after comparing the computer database to the reservation list from the "Second Sunday Picnic".

This is especially important with our graduating students who may be moving away for their careers and for our more senior members who may be leaving their homes for assisted living facilities. Recently one of our members who was at Mountain View was relocated, her sister-in-law from NJ called the parish office to update her contact information. This simple attention to detail resulted in a letter from the Parish Office with our contact information should the parishioner request a visit from a member of the clergy.

Circumstances vary, whether it is a marriage, purchasing a home, relocating for a career move, etc. Maintaining contact with your home PNCC Parish benefits everyone.

Thank you in advance for your assistance.

Mary Z