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October 4, 2026 ~ Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

PRELUDE *Behold, O Lord, and Tend this Vine* Philip G. Kreckel

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 94 *People, My People* (4, response)

People, My people, how have I betrayed you?
How have I grieved you? How could I have failed you?
Once, like a chosen vine, you I gently planted.
To Me sour vinegar now you've kindly granted.

We are Your people, Lord, shamed into confessing:
Lord, we have wronged You so; we have scorned Your blessing.
Now turn us back to You. Lift our desolation.
Comfort Your aching heart. End our separation.

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INTROIT Psalm 80:9-10, 12-13

C: You brought a vine out of Egypt; You drove away nations and planted it. You cleared the ground; it took root and filled the land. **R: It sent out boughs as far as the sea, shoots as far as the river. Why have you broken down the walls, so that all who pass by pluck its fruit?** 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 O'Connor

GLORIA Powell

OPENING PRAYER

Heavenly Father, of all the nations on the earth You chose the people of Israel to be Your very own. May we, who share in Your new covenant, never cease to thank You for our Savior, Christ Jesus. We ask this through the same Jesus Christ, 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 5:1-7

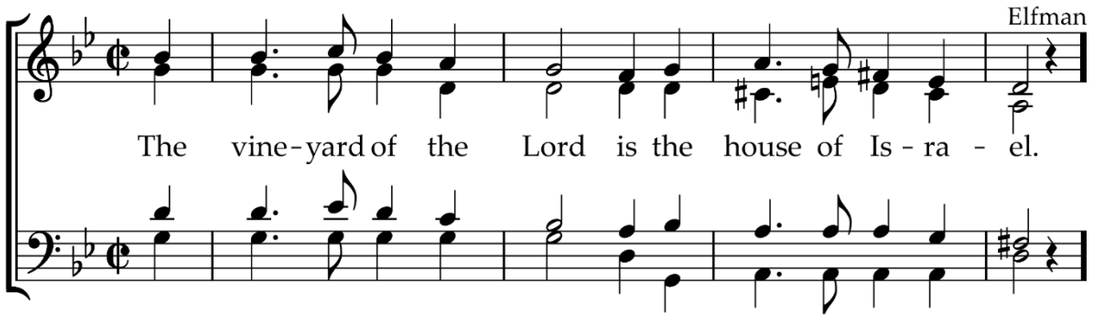
Let me now sing of my friend, my friend's song concerning his vineyard. My friend had a vineyard on a fertile hillside; he spaded it, cleared it of stones, and planted the choicest vines; within it he built a watchtower, and hewed out a wine press. Then he looked for the crop of grapes, but what it yielded was wild grapes.

Now, inhabitants of Jerusalem and people of Judah, judge between me and my vineyard: What more was there to do for my vineyard that I had not done? Why, when I looked for the crop of grapes, did it bring forth wild grapes? Now, I will let you know what I mean to do with my vineyard: take away its hedge, give it to grazing, break through its wall, let it be trampled! Yes, I will make it a ruin: it shall not be pruned or hoed, but overgrown with thorns and briers; I will command the clouds not to send rain upon it. The vineyard of the LORD of hosts is the house of Israel, and the people of Judah are his cherished plant; he looked for judgment, but see, bloodshed! for justice, but hark, the outcry!

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

GRADUAL - ***Traditional Mass*** Psalm 80:15-16, 20

C: Turn again, Lord of hosts; look down from heaven and see; attend to this vine, the shoot your right hand has planted. **R: Lord of hosts, restore us; let Your face shine upon us that we may be saved.**

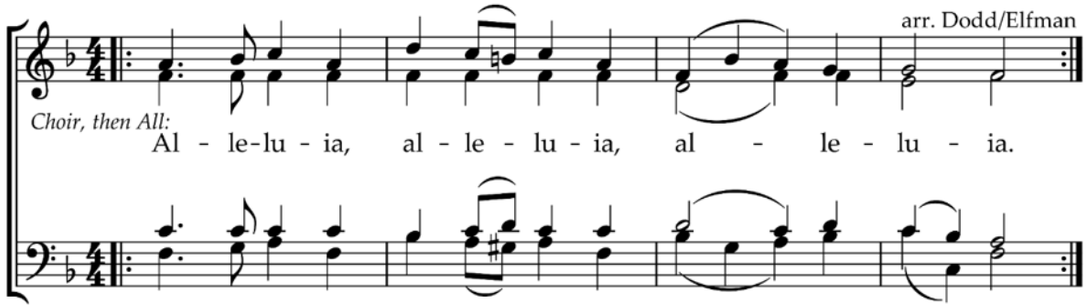
RESPONSORIAL PSALM - ***Contemporary Mass*** Psalm 80:9, 12, 13-14, 15-16, 19-20

R. (Is 5:7a) The vineyard of the Lord is the house of Israel.
A vine from Egypt you transplanted;
you drove away the nations and planted it.
It put forth its foliage to the Sea,
its shoots as far as the River.
R. The vineyard of the Lord is the house of Israel.
Why have you broken down its walls,
so that every passer-by plucks its fruit,
The boar from the forest lays it waste,
and the beasts of the field feed upon it?
R. The vineyard of the Lord is the house of Israel.
Once again, O LORD of hosts,
look down from heaven, and see;
take care of this vine, and protect what your right hand has planted,
the son of man whom you yourself made strong.
R. The vineyard of the Lord is the house of Israel.
Then we will no more withdraw from you;
give us new life, and we will call upon your name.
O LORD, God of hosts, restore us;
if your face shine upon us, then we shall be saved.
R. The vineyard of the Lord is the house of Israel.

SECOND LESSON Philippians 4:6-9

Brothers and sisters: Have no anxiety at all, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, make your requests known to God. Then the peace of God that surpasses all understanding will guard your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus.

Finally, brothers and sisters, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is gracious, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. Keep on doing what you have learned and received and heard and seen in me. Then the God of peace will be with you.

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

ALLELUIA Jeremiah 2:21

C: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. **R: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.** C: I had planted you, a choice vine of fully tested stock; How could you turn out obnoxious to me, a spurious vine? **R: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

GOSPEL Matthew 21:33-43

Jesus said to the chief priests and the elders of the people: "Hear another parable. There was a landowner who planted a vineyard, put a hedge around it, dug a wine press in it, and built a tower. Then he leased it to tenants and went on a journey. When vintage time drew near, he sent his servants to the tenants to obtain his produce. But the tenants seized the servants and one they beat, another they killed, and a third they stoned. Again he sent other servants, more numerous than the first ones, but they treated them in the same way. Finally, he sent his son to them, thinking, 'They will respect my son.' But when the tenants saw the son, they said to one another, 'This is the heir. Come, let us kill him and acquire his inheritance.' They seized

him, threw him out of the vineyard, and killed him. What will the owner of the vineyard do to those tenants when he comes?" They answered him, "He will put those wretched men to a wretched death and lease his vineyard to other tenants who will give him the produce at the proper times." Jesus said to them, "Did you never read in the Scriptures: The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone; by the Lord has this been done, and it is wonderful in our eyes? Therefore, I say to you, the kingdom of God will be taken away from you and given to a people that will produce its fruit."

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

HYMN TO THE HOLY SPIRIT 143 *Holy Spirit, Dwell Within Us* (1, 3)

Holy Spirit, dwell within us. Great Creator, come and teach us.
Send Your grace and consolation. Fill the hearts of Your creation.

Fill our minds, Your light releasing, Love within our hearts increasing.
Firm in godliness, You strengthen Mortal man with gifts from heaven.

HOMILY

PROFESSION OF FAITH

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL - ***Contemporary Mass***

R: Lord hear our prayer.

~ LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST ~

OFFERTORY VERSE John 15:1-2

I am the true vine, and my Father is the vine grower. He takes away every branch in Me that does not bear fruit, and everyone that does He prunes so that it bears more fruit.

OFFERTORY HYMN **(8:00)** *Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation* PICARDY

Christ is made the sure Foundation, Christ the Head and Cornerstone,
Chosen of the Lord and precious, Binding all the Church in one;
Holy Zion's habitation, And our confidence alone.

To this temple where we call You, Come, O Lord of Hosts, and stay;
Come with all Your loving-kindness; Hear Your people as they pray;
And Your fullest benediction Shine within these walls today.

Here bestow on all the faithful What they seek from You to gain;
What they gain from You, forever With the blessèd to retain;
And, hereafter, in Your glory Evermore with You to reign.

OFFERTORY ANTHEM **(9:30)** *Christ the Vine* Robert J. Powell

Christ the Vine, and God the Gardener; we, the branches bearing fruit,
We can bring forth shoots of promise when our lives in Christ take root.
Christ, the Vine from Jesse springing, You fulfilled the prophets' trust,
And You pray that we, Your Body, will fulfill Your trust in us.
Christ, we submit to pruning, that we bear more grapes for wine.
Help us, when we're overburdened, draw new strength from You, the Vine.
You made us to be partners growing Spirit's fruit anew;
Keep us one in love together, You in us, and we in You!

The Cathedral Chorale

PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

Lord God, accept these gifts of bread and wine which You have given to us. Help us to be faithful stewards of Your Sacred Mysteries. 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.**

PREFACE

SANCTUS Powell

~ CANON ~

THE LORDS PRAYER

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POST-COMMUNION HYMN *You Are the Vine, Lord* MORNING HAS BROKEN

You are the Vine, Lord; we are the branches,
Living in You as You live in us,
Hearing Your teaching, cleansed by Your promise,
Nourished on Your life, growing in trust.

Left to ourselves, Lord, we could do nothing;
Going our own way, fruitless we'd be.
Prune us and tend us; keep us connected,
Growing and fruiting abundantly,

Living Your teaching, sharing Your promise,
Feeding the starving, growing in trust;
You are the Vine, Lord; we are Your branches,
Living in You as You live in us.

COMMUNION VERSE John 15:5

I am the vine, you are the branches. Whoever remains in Me and I in him will bear much fruit, because without Me you can do nothing.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Lord Jesus Christ, You are the true vine and source of life. May we follow You and receive the power of Your Eternal Sacrifice, that in sharing the cup we may share Your glory and be perfected in Your love. For You live and reign with Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever 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 *Make Me a Channel of Your Peace*
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Make me a channel of Your peace.
Where there is hatred, let me bring Your love,
Where there is injury, Your pardon, Lord;
And where there's doubt, true faith in You.

Make me a channel of Your peace.
Where there's despair in life, let me bring hope;
Where there is darkness, let me bring Your light,
And where there's sadness, ever joy.

O Master, grant that I may never seek
So much to be consoled as to console,
To be understood, as to understand,
To be loved, as to love with all my soul.

Make me a channel of Your peace.
It is in pardoning that we are pardoned,
In giving of ourselves that we receive,
And in dying that we're born to eternal life.

POSTLUDE *Allegro from Symphony in D.* William Boyce