

## October 6th – 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

### Opening Song For the Beauty of the Earth

For the beauty of the earth, for the glory of the skies  
For the love which from our birth over and around us lies:  
Lord of all, to you we raise this our hymn of grateful praise.

For the beauty of each hour of the day and of the night,  
Hill and vale and tree and flower, sun and moon and stars of light:  
Lord of all, to you we raise this our hymn of grateful praise

For the joy of ear and eye, for the heart and mind's delight,  
For the mystic harmony linking sense to sound and sight:  
Lord of all, to you we raise this our hymn of grateful praise

For the joy of human love, brother, sister, parent, child,  
Friends on earth, and friends above; for all gentle thoughts and mild:  
Lord of all, to you we raise this our hymn of grateful praise

For our church that ever more lifts its holy hands above,  
Offering up on every shore its pure sacrifice of love:  
Lord of all, to you we raise this our hymn of grateful praise

For yourself, best Gift Divine, to this world so freely given,  
Word Incarnate, God's design, Peace on earth and joy in heaven:  
Lord of all, to you we raise this our hymn of grateful praise

Presider: We gather together on this Sacred Morning in the name of God, who is the Source of All Being, God who is the Incarnation, and God who is Holy Spirit

**All: Amen**

### Rite of Reconciliation

**All: Lord have Mercy, Christ have mercy, Lord Have Mercy**

**Gloria All: Glory to God in the highest, and peace to all beings on earth. Lord God, heavenly Being, Compassionate God and Creator. We worship You, we give You thanks, and we praise You for Your glory. Lord Jesus who is the Christ, only Son of God; Lord God, Lamb of God, You take away the sins of the world; have mercy on us. You are seated at the right hand of God; receive our prayer. For You alone are the Holy One, You alone are the Lord, You alone are the Most High, Jesus the Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God our Creator. Amen.**

**Opening Prayer: All: Source of All Being, your goodness is beyond comprehension. Lead us to seek beyond our reach and give us the courage to stand before your truth. We ask this through Jesus, who is the Christ, Amen.**

## Liturgy of the Word:

1st Reading: Genesis 2: 18-24

Resp. Psalm: Psalm 128: 1-6

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

2nd Reading: Hebrews 2: 9-11

Gospel: Mark 10: 2-12

## Homily and Sharing

All are welcome to share your thoughts and insights of the homily.

## Intentional Prayers

### Liturgy of the Eucharist

*As the altar is set, please feel welcome to also have a small piece of bread that will also be consecrated so that you can receive communion.*

### Preparations:

Presider: Blessed are you, God of all creation. You are the giver of this bread, fruit of the earth and of human labor. It will become for us the Bread of Life

**All: Blessed be God forever**

Presider: Blessed are you, God of all creation. You are the giver of this wine (and juice), fruit of the vine and of human labor. It will become our spiritual drink.

**All: Blessed be God forever.**

Presider: Source of All Being, we ask you to receive us and be pleased with the gifts we offer you with humble and contrite hearts.... Pray, my sisters and brothers, that these our gifts may be acceptable to God, who is both Mother and Father.

**All: May God accept these gifts from our hands for the praise and glory of God's name, for our good, and the good of all God's people.**

**Prayer over the Gifts: All: Loving Creator, receive these gifts that we offer. May our service to you remind us of the fullness of your love for all of creation. We ask this in Jesus' name, Amen**

Presider: The God of Compassion is with you. **All: And also with you.** Lift up your hearts.

**All: We lift them up to God.** Let us give thanks to our Creator **All: It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

### Preface:

Presider: All loving and ever-living God, we do well always and everywhere to give you thanks through Jesus, who is the Christ. By his birth, we are reborn. in his suffering, we are

made free. By his rising from the dead, we rise to everlasting life. In his return to you we enter the heavenly realm. And so, we join the angels and the saints and sing the unending hymn of praise:

**All: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might; heaven and earth are filled with your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

Presider and **all:** *Source of All Being, you are holy indeed, the fountain of all holiness. Let your spirit come upon these gifts to make them holy, so that they may become for us the Body and Blood of your son, Jesus, the Christ, at whose invitation we celebrate this eucharist.*

Presider: Before he was given up to death, a death he freely accepted, he took bread and gave you thanks and praise. He broke the bread, gave it to his friends and said; "Take this all of you and eat it. This is my Body which will be given up to you."

Presider: When supper was ended, Jesus took the cup. Again he gave you thanks and praise, gave the cup to his friends and said: "Take this all of you and drink from it. This is the cup of my Blood, the Blood of the new and everlasting covenant. It will be shed for you and for all so that sins may be forgiven. Do this in memory of me."

Presider: Let us proclaim the mystery of our faith:

**All: Christ Jesus, by your life, death and resurrection you have set us free. You are the redeemer of the world.**

Presider: In memory of his life, death and resurrection we offer you, God of Compassion, this life-giving bread, this redeeming cup. We thank you for counting us worthy to be in your presence and serve you. May all of us who share in the body and blood of the Christ remember our connection with the Circle of Life and our unity through the indwelling of the Holy Spirit.

Loving God, remember your People throughout the world and nurture our growth in love together with our bishop Michael, and all the people of God.

Remember our family members, our partners, spouses, pets and friends, and all who have walked with us on the life's journey and who have crossed over to be completely in the light of your divine presence. With gratitude, we honor them and are thankful they shared their lives with us.

Keep us mindful of the precious gift of our Mother Earth, and all of creation. Continue to awaken us to her wondrous mystery. May your love for your creation show us the path to harmony and balance.

May we always remember your Compassion, as we share eternal life with Mary, the Mother of God, with all who have followed the spiritual path and who have done your will throughout the ages. May we praise you in union with them, and give you glory through your Son, Jesus, our brother, who is the Christ.

**ALL: Through him, with him, in him,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
all glory and honor are yours, our loving God  
forever and ever, Amen**

### The Lord's Prayer

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy Kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory, now and forever. Amen.**

The Lord be with you  
**And also with you**

**All: Lamb of God, your love and compassion heals the world, have mercy on us ...  
Lamb of God, your love and compassion heals the world, have mercy on us ...  
Lamb of God, your love and compassion heals the world, grant us peace**

**(the Sacred Bread is given out, after which we all receive together)**

**Prayer of Receiving: All: Lord, you have made us worthy to receive you and by your Word, we are healed.**

**Communion Song:** I Have Loved You

I have loved you with an everlasting love I have called you and you are mine. (Repeat)

Seek the face of the Lord and long for him; He will bring you his light and his peace  
(Refrain)

Seek the face of the Lord and long for him; He will bring you his joy and his hope (Refrain)

Seek the face of the Lord and long for him; He will bring you his joy and his love. (Refrain)

**Communion Prayer: All: God of Compassion, let this Eucharist we share fill us with your life. May the love of the Christ touch our lives in the most profound of ways. In gratitude, we thank you through Jesus, the Christ, Amen**

### **Solemn Blessing**

Presider:

The Source of All Being blesses us and keeps us **All: Amen**

The face of God shines on us and is gracious to us **All: Amen**

We are looked upon with Kindness and peace dwells within **All: Amen**

And we are blessed by our Creator who is Mother and Father, who is Son, and who is Holy Spirit **All: Amen**

**Closing Song:** Glory and Praise

Glory and praise to our God Who alone gives light to our days  
Many are the blessings he bears To those who trust in his ways.

We the daughters and sons of him Who built the valleys and plains,  
Praise the wonders out God has done In every heart that sings

In his wisdom he strengthens us, Like gold that's tested in fire.  
Though the power of sin prevails, Our God is there to save.

Every moment of every day Our God is waiting to save.  
Always ready to seek the lost, To answer those who pray.

**Blessings to your day.  
Remember..  
Be all you are called to be.  
As you are Light, so let your light shine!**