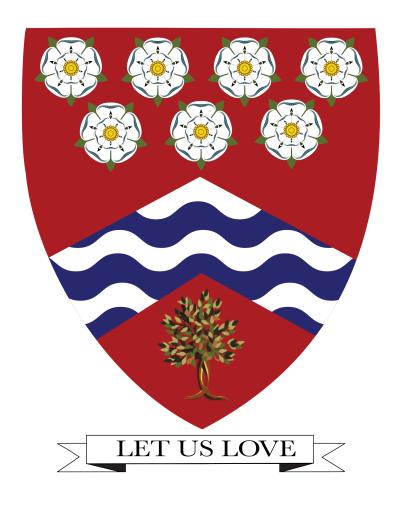
# **Church of the Little Flower**

Berkeley Heights, NJ



7th Sunday in Ordinary Time February 22-23, 2025

## **Entrance Hymn**

#### GATHER THE PEOPLE



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### GATHER THE PEOPLE (CONT. 2)



#### CANTOR VERSION

#### MASS OF SAINT ANN

Gloria (Through-Composed)

Ed Bolduc





# First Reading 1 Samuel 26:2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23

In those days, Saul went down to the desert of Ziph with three thousand picked men of Israel, to search for David in the desert of Ziph.

So David and Abishai went among Saul's soldiers by night and found Saul lying asleep within the barricade, with his spear thrust into the ground at his head and Abner and his men sleeping around him.

Abishai whispered to David:

"God has delivered your enemy into your grasp this day.
Let me nail him to the ground with one thrust of the spear;
I will not need a second thrust!"
But David said to Abishai, "Do not harm him, for who can lay hands on the Lord's anointed and remain unpunished?"

So David took the spear and the water jug from their place at Saul's head, and they got away without anyone seeing or knowing or awakening. All remained asleep, because the Lord had put them into a deep slumber.

Going across to an opposite slope, David stood on a remote hilltop at a great distance from Abner, son of Ner, and the troops.

He said: "Here is the king's spear. Let an attendant come over to get it. The Lord will reward each man for his justice and faithfulness. Today, though the Lord delivered you into my grasp, I would not harm the Lord's anointed."

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

## Responsorial Psalm

#### **Psalm 103**

#### The Lord is kind and merciful.

Bless the Lord, O my soul; and all my being, bless his holy name. Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits.

#### The Lord is kind and merciful.

He pardons all your iniquities, heals all your ills.

He redeems your life from destruction, crowns you with kindness and compassion.

#### The Lord is kind and merciful.

Merciful and gracious is the Lord, slow to anger and abounding in kindness.

Not according to our sins does he deal with us, nor does he requite us

according to our crimes.

#### The Lord is kind and merciful.

As far as the east is from the west, so far has he put our transgressions from us. As a father has compassion on his children, so the Lord has compassion on those who fear him.

The Lord is kind and merciful.

# Second Reading 1 Corinthians 15:45-49

Brothers and sisters:

It is written, *The first man, Adam, became a living being,* the last Adam a life-giving spirit.

But the spiritual was not first; rather the natural and then the spiritual.

The first man was from the earth, earthly; the second man, from heaven.

As was the earthly one, so also are the earthly, and as is the heavenly one, so also are the heavenly.

Just as we have borne the image of the earthly one, we shall also bear the image of the heavenly one.

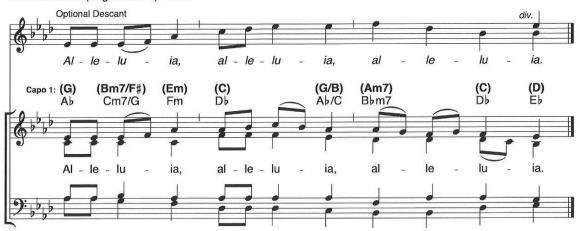
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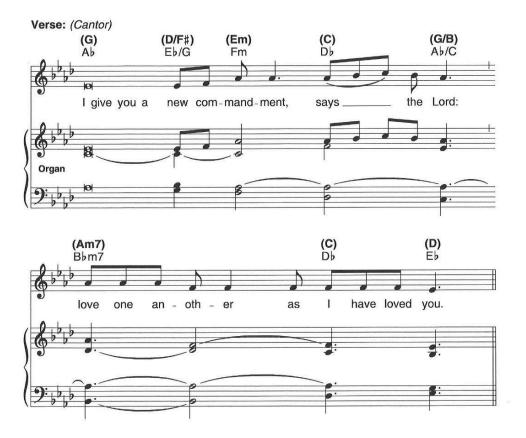
# **Gospel Acclamation**

SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, cont. (2)

#### Gospel Acclamation: John 13:34

Acclamation: (Organ/SATB) No. IV





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# **Gospel Luke 6:27-38**

Jesus said to his disciples:

"To you who hear I say, love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, bless those who curse you, pray for those who mistreat you. To the person who strikes you on one cheek, offer the other one as well, and from the person who takes your cloak, do not withhold even your tunic. Give to everyone who asks of you, and from the one who takes what is yours do not demand it back.

Do to others as you would have them do to you. For if you love those who love you, what credit is that to you? Even sinners love those who love them. And if you do good to those who do good to you, what credit is that to you? Even sinners do the same.

If you lend money to those from whom you expect repayment, what credit is that to you? Even sinners lend to sinners, and get back the same amount.

But rather, love your enemies and do good to them, and lend expecting nothing back; then your reward will be great and you will be children of the Most High, for he himself is kind to the ungrateful and the wicked. Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful.

"Stop judging and you will not be judged. Stop condemning and you will not be condemned. Forgive and you will be forgiven.

Give, and gifts will be given to you; a good measure, packed together, shaken down, and overflowing, will be poured into your lap. For the measure with which you measure will in return be measured out to you."

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.** 

#### The Nicene Creed

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.

I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven.

#### All bow:

and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come.

Amen.

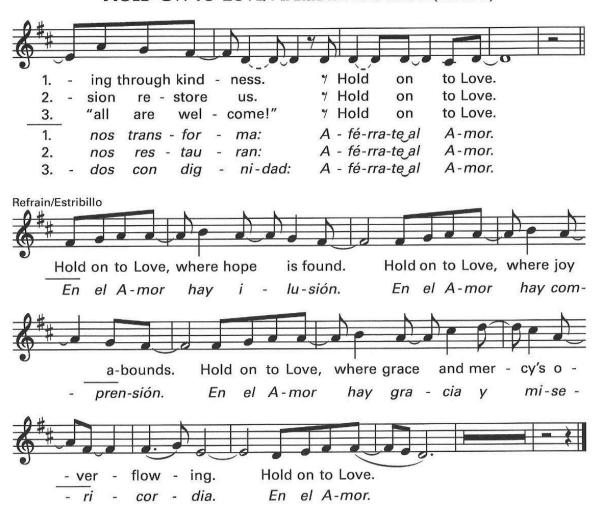
## **Preparation of the Gifts**

#### HOLD ON TO LOVE/AFÉRRATE AL AMOR

Jesse Manibusan Verses/Estrofas sad - ness. Hold on a place for the 1. There is o-ver-whelm hold on 2. When ter-ror and fear us, hold to di - vide on 3. When ha-tred is used us, A - fé-rra-te al En tiem-pos de a-mar - ga tris - te za: A - fé-rra-te al 2. Cuan-do el mie-do y fu - ror nos de - tie - nen: A - fé-rra-te al 3. Cuan-do el ar - ma del o - dio u-ti - li sea - son of glad - ness. 1. to Love. 3 There is a 2. to Love. Cour-age and faith will sus-tain us. Wis-dom and truth re - u - nite us. 3. to Love. A -1. ₹ En tiem-pos de paz y pro-me sa: A-mor. A -Y La fuer-zą y la fe nos sos - tie - nen: 2. A-mor. u - ni - fi - can: A -La jus - ti - cią y ver - dad 3. A-mor. 7 When pain and con - fu - sion seem endto Love. 1. Hold on 7 When vi - o-lence seeks to de - stroy 2. Hold to Love. on free-7 When pre - ju-dice pos - es as to Love. 3. Hold on Cuan-do el do - lor tras - tor-1. fé-rra-te al A - mor. 7 Siel o - dioy te - rror des - ga -2. fé-rra-te al A - mor. nos ser 3. fé-rra-te al A - mor. Si el pre - jui - cio a-pa - ren - ta We cul - ti - vate heal to Love. 1. - less, hold Acts of com-pashold to Love. 2. on us, Dig - ni - ty means 7 hold on to Love. dom, El don del a - mor 1. - na: A - fé - rra-te al A - mor. Los ac - tos de a-mor A - fé - rra-te al A - mor. 2. - rran: A - fé - rra-te al A - mor. To - dos son bien-ve - ni ber-tad:

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### HOLD ON TO LOVE/AFÉRRATE AL AMOR (CONT. 2)



# Holy, Holy, Holy

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts.

Heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosana in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosana, hosana in the highest.

Hosana, hosana in the highest.

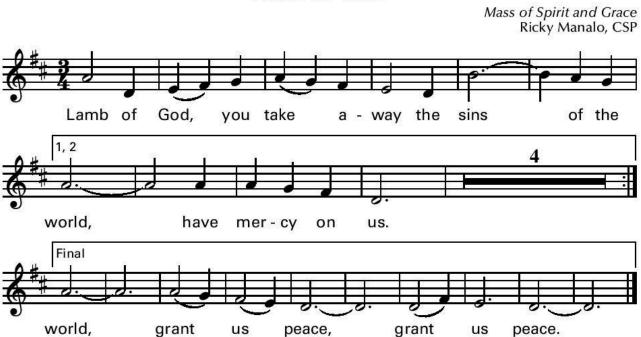
# **When We Eat This Bread**

When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup, we proclaim your Death, O Lord, until you come again, until you come again.

# **Great Amen**

Amen, Amen, Amen. Amen, Amen.

## LAMB OF GOD



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## **Communion**

#### **UBI CARITAS**



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#### **DRAWN TO YOU**



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## **Spiritual Communion Prayer**

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.0
Amen.

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### **Recessional**

# Blest Are They



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