



SAINT CLARE OF ASSISI
ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Parish Office Hours:

Sunday 7:30am-1:30pm

Monday—Thursday 9:00am-5:00pm

Closed for lunch from 12:00pm-1:00pm on weekdays

Friday-Saturday Closed

Religious Education

Religious Education will return in the Fall! Registration is now closed. Thank you for your interest!

Mental Health Resources

St. Clare of Assisi partners with Journey to Peace, a Catholic counseling office, to provide mental health services to our parishioners. Journey to Peace accepts most major insurance plans, including Medicare. Please contact Journey to Peace for more information: (480) 787-1955

Baby Safe Haven

St. Clare of Assisi is an official Baby Safe Haven location. Parents or agents of parents can drop off an unharmed newborn baby to a staff member during regular office hours.

For more information, please visit azsafebabyhaven.org

Pro-Life Resources:

Are you experiencing a crisis pregnancy and need help? These resources are recognized by the Diocese of Phoenix and can help you, regardless of income.

Life Choices Women's Clinic: www.pro-life-arizona.com | (602) 305-5100

Choices Pregnancy Center: www.choicesaz.com | (623) 486-5232

First Way Pregnancy Center: www.1stway.net | (602) 261-7522



Liturgy Schedule

Saturday Vigil Mass 4:00pm

Sunday Masses 7:00am, 9:00am, 11:00am, 5:00pm

Daily Masses Monday-Saturday, 8:00am

Adoration & Reconciliation

Eucharistic Adoration Fridays, 1:00pm-4:00pm

Reconciliation Wednesdays, 12:00pm-1:00pm

Fridays, 5:00pm-6:00pm

Saturdays, 2:30pm-3:30pm

Sacraments

For more information on the Sacraments of Baptism or Marriage, and what is needed to complete your sacraments, please contact Pastoral Care Coordinator Joe Lukaszewski. For all other Sacraments, please contact Director of Religious Education, Sarah Camplese.

Ministry of Care

If you are homebound, hospitalized or in a care facility, or know of someone who is and would like Holy Communion on a weekly basis, please contact Joe to make arrangements.

Mission Statement

St. Clare of Assisi parishioners strive to be faithful disciples of Christ's Catholic Church, drawing strength from the Sacraments, living the Gospel of Jesus without compromise, doing works of charity and justice.

St. Vincent de Paul 24 Hour Assistance Helpline

We are here to help! Please call (623) 975-5617. This is not a manned phone line. Leave a message and someone WILL call you back.



Mass Intentions

Week at a Glance

Saturday, August 10, 2024		
8:00am	Jamie Benton	by Rogelio Ventura
4:00pm	St. Clare of Assisi Parishioners	
Sunday, August 11, 2024		
7:00am	Imelda Heffernan [†]	by Bene Costello
9:00am	Arthur Spiehs [†]	by Fran & Don Dowsett
11:00am	Hassan Haddad [†]	by Glafira Haddad
5:00pm	Diego Villa Hernandez [†]	by Sally Valdez Hernandez
Monday, August 12, 2024		
8:00am	Carol Lynch [†]	by Greg Lynch
Tuesday, August 13, 2024		
8:00am	Flora Herran Gamez [†]	by Leonor Ward
Wednesday, August 14, 2024		
8:00am	Virginia & John Flynn [†]	by Kathleen Lewis
6:30pm	William DeNardi [†]	by Ronald Kaleta
Thursday, August 15, 2024		
8:00am	St. Clare of Assisi Parishioners All the Deceased	
12:00pm	Members of the Horabik Family [†]	by Ewa & Mitchell Horabik
6:30pm	The Holy Souls in Purgatory	
Friday, August 16, 2024		
8:00am	Frazier Family Members [†]	by Sharon Frazier
Saturday, August 17, 2024		
8:00am	John Mulvenna [†]	by Claire Carney
4:00pm	David Rowe [†]	by Leon & Betty Leadon
Sunday, August 18, 2024		
7:00am	St. Clare of Assisi Parishioners	
9:00am	Jim & Elaine Hunter [†]	by Cheryl & Don Darragh
11:00am	Beth Giovanini [†]	by Nancy Giovanini
5:00pm	Isabel Zafra Lerias [†]	by Marie Mesola

Monday, August 12, 2024	
6:30pm	To Jesus Through Mary—CLASSROOM #3
Tuesday, August 13, 2024	
9:00AM	Adult Bible Study—MODULAR HALL
11:30am	Nomad AA—MODULAR OFFICE
11:30am	Legion of Mary—MODULAR HALL
6:00pm	Knights of the Altar Meeting—CHURCH
6:30pm	CRHP Men's Classes—CAFE
6:30pm	CRHP Women's Classes—MODULAR OFFICE
6:30pm	St. Vincent de Paul Meeting—MODULAR HALL
6:30pm	Traditional Choir—CHURCH
Wednesday, August 14, 2024	
9:00am	Men's Scripture Study—MODULAR HALL
9:30am	Transformation into God's Kingdom of Light—CAFE
10:30am	Legion of Mary Jrs—MODULAR HALL
6:30pm	Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Vigil Mass—CHURCH
Thursday, August 15, 2024	
8:00am	Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Mass—CHURCH
9:00AM	Adult Bible Study—MODULAR HALL
11:30am	Nomad AA—MODULAR OFFICE
12:00pm	Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Mass—CHURCH
6:30pm	Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Mass—CHURCH
7:00pm	Knights of Columbus Meeting—MODULAR HALL
7:00pm	Metanoia—CAFE
Friday, August 16, 2024	
1:00pm	Prayer Shawl Ministry—MODULAR HALL
1:00pm	Rosary Makers—MODULAR OFFICE
4:00pm	Divine Mercy Cenacle Diary Study—CLASSROOM #5
7:00pm	El Buen Pastor Carismatica—CHURCH
Saturday, August 17, 2024	
1:00pm	Blood Drive
4:00pm	St. Martha's Meals Information Table—NARTHEX
Sunday, August 18, 2024	
St. Martha's Meals Information Table—NARTHEX	
8:00am	Blood Drive—MODULAR HALL
6:30pm	Young Adult Fellowship—MODULAR HALL



Fr. Hans Ruygt, Marie Frasca, Karen Opsahl, Tim Lukaszewski, Brian Vergara, George Kephart, Glenn Sutton, Carolyn Rouse, Patricia Whiting, Reyes Aguilera, Bob Murphy, Lois Koehler, Jose Carlos Butanda, Julie Natalio, Claire Keenan, MaryLou Sutton, David White, Melissa Andrews, Christina Belcastro,



Weekly Reflection

Ch. 1: The Eucharist as Sacred Meal, continued

Let us look a bit more closely at two Old Testament presentations of the sacred meal. At the very center of the Jewish story of salvation is the event of Exodus and Passover. The children of Israel, who had wandered into Egypt during the time of the patriarch Joseph, became, after many centuries, slaves to the Egyptians, compelled to build fortified cities and monuments for the pharaoh. The Church Father Origen provided a symbolic reading of this narrative, according to which the Israelites stand for all of the spiritual and physical powers that God has given to his people, and the pharaoh (and his underlings) stands for sin and the worship of false gods. Sin, the story is telling us, has enslaved the human race, pressing what is best in us into its service, using mind, will, imagination, courage, and creativity in a perverted way. This perversion, in turn, has set us at odds with one another, prompting the war of all against all. It is from this state of false worship and dissolution that God wishes to free the Israelites, and so he does battle with the pharaoh and his minions. The plagues that God sends should not be interpreted as arbitrary punishments but as the means by which God enters into the spiritual struggle on our behalf. The final plague, according to the narrative, is the killing of the firstborn throughout Egypt. To protect the children of Israel from disaster, God instructs them to daub their doorposts with the blood of a slaughtered lamb so that when the angel of death comes, he will see the blood and pass over the homes of the Israelites. Hence, the feast of *Pesach* or "Passover," one of the most sacred events on the Hebrew calendar. In the next section of this book, I will return to that sacrificed lamb and its blood, but for now, I want to focus on the meal that accompanied Passover. In the twelfth chapter of the book of Exodus, we hear that God, after announcing what he will do to the firstborn of the Egyptians, told Moses to instruct the entire nation of Israel to celebrate a ritual meal. Each household was to procure a young, unblemished lamb and to slaughter it in the evening twilight. Then they were to eat its roasted flesh, along with bitter herbs (reminding them of the bitterness of their slavery) and unleavened bread (because they were on the run, unable to wait for the bread to rise). This sacred Passover meal involving the whole nation must become, God commands, "a day of remembrance for you. You shall celebrate it as a festival to the Lord; throughout your generations you shall observe it as a perpetual ordinance." The English word "sin" is derived from the German word *Sünde*, which has the sense of "dividing." The closest English relative to *Sünde* would be "sunder." Sin divides and scatters us, since, as we saw, it involves a severing of our relationship with the Creator God through whom alone we find our unity. As he led the Israelites out of slavery (which is to say, bondage to sin), God established a meal that united the whole people, gathering them, in their households, around a common table and a common food.

Reflection question: In what ways do you notice God going to battle for you against sin and division? In what ways can you tackle sin and division against God and against neighbor?



WEEKLY SCRIPTURE READINGS

August 11: 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading: [First Kings 19](#): 4-8

Responsorial Psalm: [Psalms 34](#): 2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9

Second Reading: [Ephesians 4](#): 30 - 5: 2

Alleluia: [John 6](#): 51

Gospel: [John 6](#): 41-51

August 12: St. Jane Frances de Chantal

First Reading: [Ezekiel 1](#): 2-5, 24-28c

Responsorial Psalm: [Psalms 148](#): 1-2, 11-12, 13, 14

Alleluia: [Second Thessalonians 2](#): 14

Gospel: [Matthew 17](#): 22-27

August 13: St. Pontian

First Reading: [Ezekiel 2](#): 8 - 3: 4

Responsorial Psalm: [Psalms 119](#): 14, 24, 72, 103, 111, 131

Alleluia: [Matthew 11](#): 29

Gospel: [Matthew 18](#): 1-5, 10, 12-14

August 14: St. Maximilian Mary Kolbe

First Reading: [Ezekiel 9](#): 1-7; 10: 18-22

Responsorial Psalm: [Psalms 113](#): 1-2, 3-4, 5-6

Alleluia: [Second Corinthians 5](#): 19

Gospel: [Matthew 18](#): 15-20

August 15: Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

First Reading: [Revelation 11](#): 19a; 12: 1-6a, 10ab

Responsorial Psalm: [Psalms 45](#): 10, 11, 12, 16

Second Reading: [First Corinthians 15](#): 20-27

Gospel: [Luke 1](#): 39-56

August 16: St. Stephen of Hungary

First Reading: [Ezekiel 16](#): 1-15, 60, 63 or 16:59-63

Responsorial Psalm: [Isaiah 12](#): 2-3, 4bcd, 5-6

Alleluia: [First Thessalonians 2](#): 13

Gospel: [Matthew 19](#): 3-12

August 17

First Reading: [Ezekiel 18](#): 1-10, 13b, 30-32

Responsorial Psalm: [Psalms 51](#): 12-13, 14-15, 18-19

Alleluia: [Matthew 11](#): 25

Gospel: [Matthew 19](#): 13-15

August 18: 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading: [Proverbs 9](#): 1-6

Responsorial Psalm: [Psalms 34](#): 2-3, 10-11, 12-13, 14-15

Second Reading: [Ephesians 5](#): 15-20

Alleluia: [John 6](#): 56

Gospel: [John 6](#): 51-58

Please Prayerfully Consider Joining a Ministry!

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El Buen Pastor Oracion Carismatica	Sandra Lopez (623) 293-2848 Jose Arellano (602) 919-2698
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Legion of Mary Juniors	Carla Wrublik (602) 818-4895
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Metanoia	Miguel Garcia (626) 539-0191
Nomad AA Group	Wes & Barb Ritchie (858) 220-4916
Our Lady of Antipolo Ministry	Marylou Gonzalez (571) 437-8461
Our Lady of Guadalupe	Leonor Ward (623) 986-9992
Pastoral Council	Laura Pike gotcha421@gmail.com
Prayer Shawl Ministry	Simonne Barthell (480) 390-9821
Rosary Makers	Christine Haak christine.haak@yahoo.com
Safety Committee	Dan Pike (740) 255-4350
St. Maximilian Kolbe Fraternity	Cathy Roszhart, OFS (309) 825-2900
St. Vincent de Paul Society	Pat Conlan (623) 975-5617
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Small Christian Communities	Dan & Kathy Berger dd.berger@yahoo.com
Sorority of Lisieux	Mary Oliver (773) 710-0270
Walking With Moms In Need	Charlie & Kathy Buckley wwminstclareaz@gmail.com
Women's Guild	Marge Buckner margebuckner@att.net
Young Adult Fellowship	Gabriel David gabriel.fto.d@gmail.com

How can we pray for you?

Share your prayer requests with us online at
stcpaz.org/prayer-request

You can share your intentions, the names of those who need healing or conversion, pray for the Holy Souls in Purgatory, or whatever the need may be. Each month, we will include a prayer during weekend Masses for your intentions. Intentions can even be submitted anonymously!

If you have questions about the Prayer Request form, please contact Kaitlynn at keaton@stcpaz.org or (623) 975-5002



Anniversary Blessings

Our parish wants to highlight, in a special way, the beauty of sacramental marriage! If you are a registered, active parishioner in a sacramental marriage (married in the Catholic Church!), please read on below to learn about the newest guidelines for scheduling an Anniversary Blessing of your marriage.

You should:

1. Be married for 25 years, 50 years, or 5 year increments after 50 years (e.g. 55, 60)
2. Give the office a minimum of 2 weeks notice and allow time for the office to confirm the date and Mass time with the Priest
3. Have your family arrive early enough to reserve enough space toward the front
4. Be prepared to receive your Blessing following the Prayer After Communion and before the Final Blessing and Dismissal.

Altar Flowers can now be reserved and donations for Altar Flowers can be made on the Parish website at: stcpaz.org/altar-flowers

ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

Holy Day of Obligation Mass Schedule

Vigil Mass:

August 14 at 6:30pm

Mass Day Of:

August 15 at 8:00am

12:00pm

6:30pm

12pm Confessions on August 15th are cancelled due to Mass.

Confessions will resume at 5pm on Friday, August 16th.



NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

ORDER OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (OCIA)

This program is for non-Catholics considering joining the Church and baptized Catholics needing to complete the sacraments of initiation. the program will meet in the new Parish Center on Monday evenings from 6:00pm-7:30pm.

To register: pick up a form in the back of the church or in the parish office and return it to the parish office at your convenience. You may also register online under the Formation tab!

Questions? Please call the parish office to speak with Fr. Menegay!



POSTPONED

ING WITH GREAT
HOPE

Grief support will return in the early fall! Keep an eye out for more information.

registered? **ARE YOU**

You attend Masses at St. Clare faithfully, you participate in the Eucharist, and you come to parish events but you haven't formally registered yet?! Here's why you should (yes, even if you're a snowbird!):

Registration is the official way to join our community!

Many people think because they attend the parish, they are automatically members. Without formal enrollment, we can't accurately gauge our membership or take a census. Census numbers determine how many priests are assigned to a parish, how many Masses or Confession opportunities we provide, and the number or frequency of faith formation opportunities. Registration shows us you belong!

It is also necessary for certain benefits, like scheduling sacraments, getting God parent and sponsor certificates, getting approved for reduced tuition through Catholic schools, and getting copies of your donations for tax reporting. Registering in our parish is a statement of faith, of confidence in our mission, and your response to the call for the New Evangelization! You can register online at stcpaz.org/im-new or in the parish office.

Whoever believes has
Eternal Life



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9TH ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT

September 21
Arizona Traditions Golf Club


SCAN ME

Register until September 14!
\$90/person | \$360/foursome
includes: golf, cart, range balls,
prizes & lunch

Wayne Lorenzana - (602) 290-7866 | Frank Davis - (623) 297-6555

Discovering God Together: THE GUIDE TO RAISING FAITHFUL KIDS

Have you wondered what your responsibility is as a Catholic parent, on how to share and instill a deep love for our Faith that lasts through adulthood? Are you wondering what lies beyond "I take them to Mass and I take them to Religious Ed classes?" Join us each week as we work through *Discovering God Together: The Catholic Guide to Raising Faithful Kids* by Dr. Gregory K. and Lisa Popcak for help on your journey of raising faithful kids. In August, we will learn about **Life in the Domestic Church: Rituals & Routines**

The family with strong **play rituals**, e.g. family game nights, family days, and special celebrations for birthdays, anniversaries, and the like create a sense of joy anticipation, and excitement for being together. Play rituals build your discipleship relationship by making deposits in the so-called relationship bank account. Metaphorically speaking, every time we offer compliments, give affection, or do something fun with our kids, we make deposits in the relationship bank account. By contrast, every time we correct our children or ask them to do chores or other work-related activities – especially if they aren't fun work activities – we make withdrawals from the relationship bank account. Research on marital relationships suggests that couples need to have twenty times more good loving, supportive, pleasant interactions than they do negative, critical, or challenging exchanges in order for the relationship to be stable and happy. There is good reason to think this ratio holds up for other relationships – especially parent-child relationships – as well. People in general and children in particular behave better, are less likely to be disrespectful, and are more open to correction and instruction with people they feel happy to be around. Play rituals show our children that we can teach them not only how to follow rules and fulfill responsibilities but also how to enjoy themselves in healthful ways and experience life as a gift.

Reflection questions to ask ourselves as a family.

1. What are our play rituals?
2. Are we missing any play rituals?
3. How do each of us like to receive a "deposit" in our relationship bank account? Do we like compliments, quality time, etc?



PROROME

REGISTER TODAY

**A Jubilee Pilgrimage to Italy
Join St. Clare of Assisi Parish from Surprise, AZ**

This pilgrimage features three nights in Assisi, two nights in San Giovanni Rotondo, and four nights in Rome, with day-trips to Orvieto, Loreto and the Sanctuary of St. Michael the Archangel. Daily Mass - the cornerstone of each day - will be complemented by a touring program that will immerse the pilgrims in the incredible history, heritage and relics of our Catholic Faith. Highlights include an audience with the Holy Father in Saint Peter's Square, the Papal Basilicas of Rome, the Catacombs, the Duomo of Orvieto, the Basilicas of Saint Francis and Saint Clare in Assisi, and the incorrupt body of St. Padre Pio. Roundtrip direct airfare and centrally-located accommodations will be arranged. A ProRome tour manager will accompany the group throughout the course of the pilgrimage, and private bus transportation, Catholic tour guides, all tours and tickets, daily breakfast and daily dinner are included in the price. One daily meal (either lunch or dinner) is the only item not included in the price.

April 29 - May 9, 2025

\$5400 per person (includes airfare from Phoenix Airport)

For more information or to register, please visit www.prorometours.com/phoenix or contact ProRome Tours directly at (434) 953 1112 or by email at office@prorome.com

VIA DEI FERTILITY

Our Mission is to help you work with God in His wonderful design of your fertility and marriage.

WHAT IS NFP?
Natural Family Planning (NFP) is a holistic way for a husband and wife to monitor and observe a woman's fertility. The natural signs of a woman's fertility are recorded and used to either achieve or avoid a pregnancy. NFP involves practicing periodic abstinence for the husband and wife, and does not utilize any form of barrier or withdrawal of the marital act.

HORMONE MONITORING
Monitors fertile and infertile days by measuring female urinary hormones, with a home digital hormone monitor. The monitoring of female urinary hormones can help estimate a woman's fertile phase. Can be used in conjunction with basal body temperature and/or cervical mucus.

CLASSES AVAILABLE NOW
Now booking one on one classes via video conference with Amanda.
\$100 class includes:
-Initial introductory class -1 hour
-Required follow up meetings at 1, 3, and 6 months
Amanda is available to you via text or email whenever questions arise during the 6 month instruction.



MARQUETTE METHOD IS FOR

- PRE-CANA COUPLES
- MARRIED
- POSTPARTUM
- PERIMENOPAUSE
- SINGLE WOMEN*

*Looking to monitor hormone health




AMANDA BRADNER
Marquette Student Instructor

Contact
Viadeifertility@gmail.com
602-826-2843 (text only)

9TH ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT

SEPTEMBER 21 | ARIZONA TRADITIONS GOLF CLUB

SPONSORS NEEDED!

- Hole Sponsor: \$125
- Lunch Sponsor: \$500
- Front 9 Sponsor: \$500
- Back 9 Sponsor: \$500
- Hole-in-One Sponsor: \$250



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Journey to Peace Counseling Services

Contact: (480) 787-1955 OR jtpcs.org/contact

Journey to Peace is focused on the healing of the whole person. All of our staff are Catholic, so we are able to integrate spiritual themes when appropriate and if client-desired. We are now offering counseling services in the St. Clare of Assisi parish office two days per week.



We take BCBS, Aetna, most United Healthcare plans, and Medicare. Please contact us to make out-of-network arrangements.



Recovering from a hospital stay? Pregnant or recently postpartum? Recovering from an illness? St. Martha's Meals is here to help! St. Martha, who was one of Jesus' closest friends, is the patron saint of hospitality, cooks, and homemakers. Those who volunteer to cook for St. Martha's Meals incorporate their love of Jesus, friend, and neighbor, delivering meals to parishioners of St. Clare of Assisi who are unable to cook! If you are in a season of life where you need the support of your parish community, we are here to help!

More information will be announced at Masses on August 24th and 25th!

Catholic Books!

FICTION:

- MANALIVE - G. K. CHESTERTON
- CITADEL OF GOD - LOUIS DE WOHL
- THE FATHER'S TALE - MICHAEL D. O'BRIEN

KID'S & TEENS:

- YOUNG GEORGE & THE DRAGON - EMILY ORTEGA
- LOOK AGAIN, THOMAS - THE SISTERS OF LIFE
- THE PERFECT BLINDSIDE - LESLEA WAHL

EXPLORING THE FAITH:

- SACRAMENTS IN SCRIPTURE - DR. TIM GRAY
- CHRISTIANITY, ISLAM, & ATHEISM: THE STRUGGLE FOR THE SOUL OF THE WEST - WILLIAM KIRKPATRICK
- THE WORLD'S FIRST LOVE: MARY, MOTHER OF GOD - ARCHBISHOP FULTON J. SHEEN

These titles can be read through Formed.org! Our parishioners have access to Formed content - just sign in to your account or create an account today! Don't forget to check out our lending library for more reading.



Welcome to St. Clare of Assisi Parish! We are glad you are here for the celebration of the Holy Mass. Please take note of the guidelines for the reception of Holy Communion: Prior to receiving Communion, Catholics should have fasted for one hour; water and medicine excepting. Catholics aware of grave sin (e.g. intentionally missing Mass on Sunday/Holy Days, abortion, theft, sexual sin, use of contraceptives, etc.) should go to Confession prior to receiving Communion. Because of our belief in the Eucharist being the Body and Blood of Christ, reception of Communion is reserved to Catholics. There may exist circumstances in the lives of some individual Catholics, which may not facilitate immediate participation in receiving Communion (e.g., cohabitation, marriage outside the Church). A priest would be happy to assist you in rectifying these situations. We come together to worship God in spirit and in truth.

Entrance Hymn: Alleluia! Sing to Jesus (953)

1. Alleluia! Sing to Jesus! His the scepter, his the throne. His the triumph, His the victory alone. Hark! The songs of peaceful Zion Thunder like a mighty flood: "Jesus out of ev'ry nation has redeemed us by his blood."
2. Alleluia! Not as orphans are we left in sorrow now; Alleluia! He is near us; Faith believes nor questions how. Though the cloud from sight received him when the forty days were o'er. Shall our hearts forget his promise: "I am with you evermore"?
3. Alleluia! Bread of angels, here on earth our food, our stay! Alleluia! Here the sinful flee to you from day to day. Intercessor, friend of sinners, Earth's redeemer, plead for me. Where the songs of all the sinless sweep across the crystal sea.
4. Alleluia! King eternal, You the Lord of lords we own. Alleluia! Born of Mary, Earth your footstool, heav'n your throne. You within the veil have entered, robed in flesh, our great high priest.

Sign of the Cross & Greeting

Penitential Act:

I confess to almighty God and to you, my brothers and sisters that I have greatly sinned, in my thoughts and in my words, in what I have done and in what I have failed to do,

[striking their breast, they say:] through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault; *[then they continue:]* therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin, all the Angels and Saints, and you, my brothers and sisters, to pray for me to the Lord our God.

Kyrie eleison. Kyrie eleison. Christe eleison. Christe Eleison. Kyrie eleison. Kyrie eleison.

Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

Gloria 297: Gloria in excelsis Deo. Et in terra pax hominibus bonae voluntatis. Laudamus te. Benedicimus te. Adoramus te. Glorificamus te. Gratias agimus tibi propter magnam gloriam tuam. Domine Deus, Rex caelestis, Deus Pater omnipotens. Domine Fili unigenite Iesu Christe. Domine Deus, Agnus Dei, Filius Patris, Qui tollis peccata mundi, miserere nobis. Qui tollis peccata mundi, suscipe deprecationem nostram. Qui sedes ad dexteram Patris, miserere nobis. Quoniam tu solus sanctus. Tu solus Dominus. Tu solus Altissimus, Iesu Christe. Cum Sancto Spiritu, in gloria Dei Patris. Amen.

Glory to God in the highest. And on earth peace to people of good will. We praise You, we bless You, we adore You, we glorify You, we give You thanks for Your great glory, Lord God, heavenly King, O God, Father almighty.

Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, You take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us; You take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer; You are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us. You alone are the Holy One, You alone are the Lord. You alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

Liturgy of the Word: Worship Hymnal

Responsorial Psalm: R/. Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.

1. I will bless the LORD at all times; his praise shall be ever in my mouth. Let my soul glory in the LORD the lowly will hear me and be glad.
 2. Glorify the LORD with me, let us together extol his name. I sought the LORD, and he answered me and delivered me from all my fears.
 3. Look to him that you may be radiant with joy. And your faces may not blush with shame. When the afflicted man called out, the LORD heard, and from all his distress he saved him.
 4. The angel of the LORD encamps around those who fear him and delivers them. Taste and see how good the LORD is; blessed the man who takes refuge in him.
- Gospel Acclamation: R. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**
I am the living bread that came down from heaven, says the Lord whoever eats this bread will live forever.

Liturgy of the Eucharist

Offertory Hymn: O God Our Help in Ages Past

1. O God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come. Our shelter from the stormy blast, and our eternal home.
2. Under the shadow of Your throne, Your saints have dwelt secure. Sufficient is Your arm alone, and our defense is sure.
3. Before the hills in order stood, or earth received its frame, from everlasting You are God, to endless years the same.
4. A thousand ages in Your sight are like an evening gone, short as the watch that ends the night before the rising sun.
5. Time, like an ever-rolling stream, bears all our Years away. They fly forgotten as a dream dies at The op'ning day.
6. O God, our help in ages past our hope for years to come, still be our guard while troubles last, and our eternal home.

Prayer Over the Offerings & Invitation to Prayer

Preface Dialogue & Preface

Sanctus:

Sanctus, Sanctus, Sanctus Dominus Deus Sabaoth. Pleni sunt coeli et terra gloria tua. Hosanna in excelsis. Benedictus qui venit in nomine Domini. Hosanna in excelsis.

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts. Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Eucharistic Prayer

Mystery of Faith:

We proclaim Your death, O Lord, and profess Your Resurrection, until You come again.

The Communion Rite

The Lord's Prayer

The Sign of Peace

Agnus Dei:

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, miserere nobis. (2x)
Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, dona nobis pacem.

Lamb of God, You take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us. (2x) Lamb of God, You take away the sins of the world, grant us peace.

Communion Antiphon: The bread which I will give is my flesh for the life of the world.

Communion Hymn: I Receive the Living God (923)

I receive the living God, and my heart is full of joy.

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1. Jesus says: I am the Bread sent to you from God Most High. Take and eat, and you will live; you need Never fear to die.
2. Jesus says: I am the Vine, far from whom no life can grow. If you join yourself to me, a rich harvest you will know.
3. Jesus says: I am the Way, and my path is straight and true. Follow me to where I lead; there my Father waits for you.
4. Jesus says: I am the Truth. If you follow close to me, You will know me in your heart, and my word will make you free.
5. Jesus says: I am the Life, raised in triumph from the dead. As one Body now remain, members joined to me, the Head.
6. Jesus says: I am the Day, shining brightly through Your night. Welcome me, and you will walk by the Spirit's guiding light.

Communion Hymn: Anima Christi

1. Soul of Christ, sanctify me: Body of Christ, save me. Blood of Christ, inebriate me: water from the side of Christ, wash me.
2. Passion of Christ, strengthen me. O good Jesus, Hear me. Within Thy wounds, hide me. Separated from Thee let me never be.
3. From the malicious enemy, defend me. At the hour of my death, call me, and bid me come unto Thee that with Thy saints I may praise Thee. Forever and ever. Amen. Amen.

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The Concluding Rites

Blessing & Dismissal

Prayer to St. Michael: St. Michael, the Archangel, defend us in battle. Be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray; and do thou, O Prince of the Heavenly Host, by the Power of God, cast into hell, Satan and all the evil spirits, who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.

Recessional Hymn: All Creatures of Our God and King (607)

1. All creatures of our God and King lift up your voice and with us sing: Alleluia! Alleluia! O burning sun with golden beam and silver moon with softer gleam, Sing your praises! Alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
2. Oh rushing wind and breezes soft, O clouds that ride the winds aloft, Sing your praises! Alleluia! O rising morn in praise rejoice. O lights of evening find a voice. Sing your praises! Alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
3. Oh flowing water, pure and clear, make music for your Lord to hear. Sing your praises! Alleluia! O fire so masterful and bright, providing us with warmth and light. Sing your praises! Alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
4. Dear mother earth who day by day, unfold rich blessings on our way. Sing your praises! Alleluia! The flowers and fruits that in you grow, let them God's glory also show. Sing your praises! Alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

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