



**ST. PAUL**  
Catholic Church

September 13, 2020 THE 24<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

*"Grow to love God more and to be better disciples for Christ."*

*During the COVID-19 virus, St. Paul Parish is working with the Green Bay Diocese to keep everyone safe during Liturgy. We want everyone to Worship at their comfort level. We ask that if you choose to Worship in song with the cantor, please wear a mask. Thank You.*

**PROCESSIONAL HYMN**

**Sing to the Mountains**

**Bob Dufford, SJ**

Refrain: Sing to the mountains, sing to the sea.

Raise your voices, lift your hearts.

This is the day the Lord has made.

Let all the earth rejoice.

1. I will give thanks to you, my Lord.

You have answered my plea.

You have saved my soul from death.

You are my strength and my song.

2. Holy, holy, holy Lord.

Heaven and earth are full of your glory.

3. This is the day that the Lord has made.

Let us be glad and rejoice.

Death has lost and all is life.

Sing of the glory of God.

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**GLORIA**

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, almighty Father.

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.

For 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

### First Reading

**Sirach 27:30–28:7**

Wrath and anger are hateful things, yet the sinner hugs them tight. The vengeful will suffer the LORD's vengeance, for he remembers their sins in detail. Forgive your neighbor's injustice; then when you pray, your own sins will be forgiven. Could anyone nourish anger against another and expect healing from the LORD? Could anyone refuse mercy to another like himself, can he seek pardon for his own sins? If one who is but flesh cherishes wrath, who will forgive his sins? Remember your last days, set enmity aside; remember death and decay, and cease from sin! Think of the commandments, hate not your neighbor; remember the Most High's covenant, and overlook faults.

### Responsorial Psalm

**Psalm 103: 1-2, 3-4, 9-10,11-12**

**The Lord is kind and merciful, slow to anger, and rich in compassion.**

### Second Reading

**Romans 14:7-9**

Brothers and sisters: None of us lives for oneself, and no one dies for oneself. For if we live, we live for the Lord, and if we die, we die for the Lord; so then, whether we live or die, we are the Lord's. For this is why Christ died and came to life, that he might be Lord of both the dead and the living.

### Gospel

**Matthew 18:21-35**

Peter approached Jesus and asked him, "Lord, if my brother sins against me, how often must I forgive? As many as seven times?" Jesus answered, "I say to you, not seven times but seventy-seven times. That is why the kingdom of heaven may be likened to a king who decided to settle accounts with his servants. When he began the accounting, a debtor was brought before him who owed him a huge amount. Since he had no way of paying it back, his master ordered him to be sold, along with his wife, his children, and all his property, in payment of the debt. At that, the servant fell down, did him homage, and said, 'Be patient with me, and I will pay you back in full.' Moved with compassion the master of that servant let him go and forgave him the loan. When that servant had left, he found one of his fellow servants who owed him a much smaller amount. He seized him and started to choke him, demanding, 'Pay back what you owe.' Falling to his knees, his fellow servant begged him, 'Be patient with me, and I will pay you back.' But he refused. Instead, he had the fellow servant put in prison until he paid back the debt. Now when his fellow servants saw what had happened, they were deeply disturbed, and went to their master and reported the whole affair. His master summoned him and said to him, 'You wicked servant! I forgave you your entire debt because you begged me to. Should you not have had pity on your fellow servant, as I had pity on you? Then in anger his master handed him over to the torturers until he should pay back the whole debt. So will my heavenly Father do to you, unless each of you forgives your brother from your heart.'

## Profession of Faith

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,  
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,

## The Nicene Creed

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.

## Prayers of the Faithful

### Prayer to St. Joseph

(concludes Intercessions)

Good St. Joseph,  
As you led the Holy Family, watch over our families.  
Help our family and all families to know and share God's love.  
In our family relationships, may we find healing and seek to be holy.  
May our fathers help us to become faithful disciples of Jesus who share our love for Him.  
As foster father of Jesus, watch over all who serve as spiritual fathers.  
In a special way, bless our Holy Father, our Bishop, and our priests.  
May they follow your humble example in their fatherly care for the people of God, the Church.  
With Mary, you raised Jesus the High Priest. You know our need for priests.  
Please raise up good and holy priests from our families to serve the people of our diocese.  
May our children and grandchildren hear and say "yes" to the call of Jesus,  
just as you and Mary did  
Good St. Joseph, pray for us.

## OFFERTORY HYMN

## Loving and Forgiving

Scott Soper

Refrain: Loving and forgiving are you, O Lord;  
slow to anger, rich in kindness,  
loving and forgiving are you.

1. All my being bless the Lord;  
bless the holy name of God.  
All my being bless the Lord,  
remembering the goodness of God.

2. God forgives us all our sins,  
healing those who live in pain,  
saving us from final death.  
God fills us with goodness and love.

3. Good and gracious is the Lord,  
slow to anger, rich in love.  
God remembers not our sins;  
forgiving and loving is God.

4. As heaven soars above the earth,  
so great the love of God for us.  
As far as east is from west,  
the Lord takes our sins from us.

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## Liturgy of the Eucharist

## COMMUNION HYMN

Lord prepare me, to be a sanctuary,  
Pure and holy, tried and true.  
With thanksgiving,  
I'll be a living sanctuary for you.

## CLOSING HYMN

## Love Has Come

Matt Maher

1. With one voice the Angels sing  
Songs that make creation ring.  
Prophets hear and call us to  
Live in spirit and in truth.

2. God the Father, Elohim,  
Voice of thunder, spirit, wind:  
Breathe on me your very life;  
Grace will make the darkness bright.

Refrain: Word of God, enthroned,  
Dwell in us forevermore.  
Love has come to show the way.  
Hallelujah, peace be with us.  
Love has come to show the way.

3. God of covenant, divine,  
Lead us to the end of time,  
Beyond sorrow, beyond fear,  
Beyond pride and earthen tears

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