

Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish

25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday 20 September 2020

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| **ENTRANCE HYMN**  **1 SEEK YE FIRST**  **Seek ye first the kingdom of God**  **and his righteousness,**  **and all these things shall be added unto you.**  **Allelu, alleluia.**  **Ask and it shall be given unto you;**  **seek and ye shall find:**  **knock and it shall be opened unto you.**  **Allelu, alleluia.**  **Where two or three are gathered in**  **my name, there am I in their midst;**  **and whatsoever ye ask I will do**  **Allelu, alleluia.**  **GREETINGS**  **PENITENTIAL ACT**  **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. | **COLLECT**  O God, who founded all the commands of your sacred Law  upon love of you and of our neighbour,  grant that, by keeping your precepts,  we may merit to attain eternal life.  Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  one God, for ever and ever.  **Amen**    **FIRST READING** Is 55:6-9  *My thoughts are not your thoughts.*  Seek the Lord while he is still to be found,  call to him while he is still near.  Let the wicked man abandon his way,  the evil man his thoughts.  Let him turn back to the Lord who will take pity on him,  to our God who is rich in forgiving;  for my thoughts are not your thoughts,  my ways not your ways – it is the Lord who speaks.  Yes, the heavens are as high above earth  as my ways are above your ways,  my thoughts above your thoughts.  **The word of the Lord.**  **Thanks be to God.**  **RESP PSALM**  Psalm 144 (145)  **R.** *The Lord is near to all who call him.*  I will bless you day after day  and praise your name for ever.  The Lord is great, highly to be praised,  his greatness cannot be measured. **R**  The Lord is kind and full of compassion,  slow to anger, abounding in love.  How good is the Lord to all,  compassionate to all his creatures. **R**  The Lord is just in all his ways  and loving in all his deeds.  He is close to all who call him,  who call on him from their hearts. **R**  My soul, give thanks to the Lord  all my being, bless his holy name.  My soul, give thanks to the Lord  and never forget all his blessings. **R.** | **SECOND READING** Phil 1:20-24,27  *Life to me is Christ; but death would bring me more*  Christ will be glorified in my body, whether by my life or by my death. Life to me, of course, is Christ, but then death would bring me something more; but then again, if living in this body means doing work which is having good results – I do not know what I should choose. I am caught in this dilemma: I want to be gone and be with Christ, which would be very much the better, but for me to stay alive in this body is a more urgent need for your sake.  Avoid anything in your everyday lives that would be unworthy of the gospel of Christ.  **The word of the Lord.**  **Thanks be to God.**  **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION** Jn 13:34  Alleluia, alleluia!  Open our hearts, O Lord,  to listen to the words of your Son.  Alleluia.  **GOSPEL** Mt 20:1-16  The Lord be with you.  And with your spirit.  A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew  Glory to you, O Lord.  *Why be envious because I am generous?*  Jesus said to his disciples: ‘The kingdom of heaven is like a landowner going out at daybreak to hire workers for his vineyard. He made an agreement with the workers for one denarius a day, and sent them to his vineyard. Going out at about the third hour he saw others standing idle in the market place and said to them, “You go to my vineyard too and I will give you a fair wage.” So they went. At about the sixth hour and again at about the ninth hour, he went out and did the same. Then at about the eleventh hour he went out and found more men standing round, and he said to them, “Why have you been standing here idle all day?” “Because no one has hired us” they answered. He said to them, “You go into my vineyard too.” In the evening, the owner of the vineyard said to his bailiff,  “Call the workers and pay them their wages, starting with the last arrivals |

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| and ending with the first.” So those who were hired at about the eleventh hour came forward and received one denarius each. When the first came, they expected to get more, but they too received one denarius each. They took it, but grumbled at the landowner. “The men who came last” they said “have done only one hour, and you have treated them the same as us, though we have done a heavy day’s work in all the heat.” He answered one of them and said, “My friend, I am not being unjust to you; did we not agree on one denarius? Take your earnings and go. I choose to pay the last comer as much as I pay you. Have I no right to do what I like with my own? Why be envious because I am generous?” Thus the last will be first, and the first, last.’  **Gospel of the Lord.**  Praise to you, Lord Jesus  **PROFESSION OF FAITH**  **Apostle’s Creed**  I believe in God,  the Father almighty,  Creator of heaven and earth,  and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,  who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  born of the Virgin Mary,  suffered under Pontius Pilate,  was crucified, died and was buried;  he descended into hell;  on the third day he rose again from the  dead;  He ascended into heaven,  and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty;  from there he will come to judge the living and the dead.  I believe in the Holy Spirit,  the holy catholic Church,  the communion of saints,  the forgiveness of sins,  the resurrection of the body,  and life everlasting. Amen.  **PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL**  Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation,  for through your goodness we have received  the bread we offer you:…  **Blessed be God for ever.**  Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation,  for through your goodness we have received  the wine we offer you:  **Blessed be God for ever.**  Pray, brethren **(**brothers and sisters**)**,  that my sacrifice and yours  may be acceptable to God,  The almighty Father. | **May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands for the praise and glory of his name,**  **for our good** **and the good of all his holy Church.**  **PREP GIFTS HYMNS**  **42 HOSEA**  **Come back to me with all your heart**  **Don't let fear keep us apart.**  **Trees do bend, though straight and tall;**  **So must we to others call.**  **R. *Long have I* *waited for your coming***  ***Home to me and living deeply our new life.***  **The wilderness will lead you**  **To your heart where I will speak.**  **Integrity and justice.**  **With tenderness you shall know.**  **R. *Long have I* *waited for your coming***  ***Home to me and living deeply our new life.***  **PRAYER OVER THE OFFERING**  Receive with favour, O Lord, we pray,  the offerings of your people,  that what they profess with devotion and faith  may be theirs through these heavenly mysteries.  Through Christ our Lord.  **Amen.**  **THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER**  **PREFACE OF THE EUCHARIST**  Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts ...  **THE MEM ACCLAMATION**    **OUR FATHER**  **SIGN OF PEACE**  **LAMB OF GOD**  Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,  have mercy on us.  Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,  have mercy on us.  Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,  grant us peace.  **INVITATION TO COMMUNION** | **COMMUNION HYMN**  **52 WILL YOU LOVE ME**  **Will you give me your life forever?**  **Will you carry my cross ev'ry day?**  **Will you walk in the light of my presence?**  **Will you follow the truth of my ways?**  **R. *Will you love me as I have loved you?***  ***Will you live with me the darkness as I die?***  ***For the moon and the stars will be gone like the night.***  ***And the sun will be shining on you.***  **Like the purest of gold in the furnace,**  **Is your love strong enough to endure?**  **Does your faith carry on through the shadows?**  **Does it shine in the night for the world? R.**  **Can you walk in the footprints of silence**  **Through the wilderness sands in the sun?**  **From the desert of doubt and temptation,**  **to the glorious mountain of fire? R.**  **PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**  Graciously raise up, O Lord,  those you renew with this Sacrament,  that we may come to possess your redemption  both in mystery and in the manner of our life.  Through Christ our Lord.  Amen.  **FINAL SONG**  **69 HOW GREAT THOU ART**  **O Lord my God when I in awesome wonder**  **Consider all the beauty thou hast made.**  **I see the stars, I hear the mighty thunder.**  **Thy power throughout the universe displayed.**  ***Then sings my soul, my Saviour, God to thee***  ***How great thou art, How great thou art***  ***Then sings my soul my Saviour, God to thee***  ***How great thou art, how great thou art.***  **And when I think that God, His Son not sparing,**  **Sent him to die, I scarce can take it in;**  **That on the Cross, my burden gladly bearing,**  **He bled and died to take away my sin; R.**  **When Christ shall come with shout of acclamation**  **And take me home, what joy will fill my heart.**  **Then I shall bow in humble adoration-**  **And there proclaim, “My God, how great thou art.” R.** |