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St. Mary's Episcopal Church

A parish in the Diocese of Pennsylvania

March 29, 2020, 10:00 AM— *The Fifth Sunday in Lent*

Our Mission: God is calling the people of St. Mary's Episcopal Church, Wayne, Pennsylvania to follow Jesus' teaching to love God with all our hearts, souls and minds; and to love our neighbor as ourselves. Therefore we love and embrace each other, friend and stranger alike in worship, service and prayer as we seek to live in and share God's Word.

— Adopted by the St. Mary's Vestry, May 2015

Physical Separation and the Holy Eucharist

Written by the Rev. Lucy Ann Dure

Love is something you can't do in the abstract. You can build buildings in the abstract. You can plan cities and even fight wars in the abstract. But as any lover will tell you, you have to love *concretely*.

Love isn't just an idea or a feeling. Love is concrete actions of receiving and giving. We "do love"— by biting our tongues when we want to win an argument; listening when we want to speak; making breakfast or doing the dishes when we'd rather be served; getting the yard work or the housework done; making phone calls to show we care; "gentling" the tone of our voices when talking about something we disagree about; and so on. You get the idea. In countless big and little ways like these, even without knowing or thinking about it, we "do love" all the time. The common denominator of loving *concretely* is giving and receiving something good, not merely for our own good, but for a greater good than ourselves alone.

God is Love —and so God loves us always and everywhere. But God especially loves us *concretely* in the Holy Eucharist, making us part of the "mystical Body" of Christ, one with Him and with one another. In the Holy Eucharist, God promises that our sins are forgiven, and gives us a share in the new life which transforms us both now and beyond the grave. We, in turn, receive and give our love back to God concretely by remembering, believing, and thanking Him for all He has done, and for all He is doing to make us more like His Body in the world.

Separated by social distancing from our congregation, kept apart from our friends and relatives and the rest of the world, separated even this morning from the Body and Blood which is consecrated at St. Mary's altar, are we still together as the Body of Christ? Are we still in the "mystical Communion of His Body and His Blood"? Does God feed us when we can't receive the host? Is God's gift of Jesus, His life and love in this Eucharist in the concrete, or in the abstract?

Anglican and catholic tradition teach us that when we open our hearts in faith to believe in God's promises and receive the Real Presence of Christ's Body and Blood at the altar under the physical signs of bread and wine, we will receive God's inward and spiritual grace, and feed on Him both physically and spiritually. But when we can not receive Him physically at the altar, we can still feed on Him *spiritually*, and still receive inward and spiritual grace. Whether we are fed only spiritually, or physically and spiritually, we "feed on Him in our hearts by faith with thanksgiving." God always feeds us with His love when we believe in Jesus and His promises.

As usual, Jesus said it best: "Is there anyone among you who, if your child asks for bread, will give a stone? ... If you then, who are wicked, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your Father in heaven give good things to those who ask him!" (*Mt. 7:9,11*)

Or as St. Augustine said, "to believe in Christ is to eat the living bread. Those who believe, eat. They are invisibly fed, because they are invisibly reborn."

Thr Penitential Order: Rite I

Stand and join in the singing of the opening hymn in procession.

Hymn 150 *Forty days and forty nights*

Aus der Tiefe rufe ich

1 For - ty days and for - ty nights thou wast fast - ing in the wild;
2 Should not we thy sor - row share and from world - ly joys ab - stain,
3 Then if Sa - tan on us press, Je - sus, Sa - vior, hear our call!
4 So shall we have peace di - vine: ho - lier glad - ness ours shall be;
5 Keep, O keep us, Sa - vior dear, ev - er con - stant by thy side;

1 for - ty days and for - ty nights tempt - ed, and yet un - de - filed.
2 fast - ing with un - ceas - ing prayer, strong with thee to suf - fer pain?
3 Vic - tor in the wil - der - ness, grant we may not faint nor fall!
4 round us, too, shall an - gels shine, such as min - is - tered to thee.
5 that with thee we may ap - pear at the e - ter - nal Eas - ter - tide.

The people standing, the Priest says

Celebrant Bless the Lord who forgiveth all our sins.

People **His mercy endureth for ever.**

The Priest may say

Hear what our Lord Jesus saith:

Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like unto it: Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself. On these two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets. *Matthew 22:37-40*

If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us; but if we confess our sins, God is faithful and just to forgive our sins, and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. *1 John 1:8,9*

The Priest then says

Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God.

Silence may be kept

Minister and People

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against thee in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved thee with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of thy Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in thy will, and walk in thy ways, to the glory of thy Name. Amen.

The Priest, stands and says

The Almighty and merciful Lord grant you absolution and remission of all your sins, true repentance, amendment of life, and the grace and consolation of his Holy Spirit. Amen.

Then all stand and sing together

Trisagion (sung three times)

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Ho - ly God, Ho - ly and Might - y,

Ho - ly Im - mor - tal One, Have mer - cy up - on us.

Collect of the Day

BCP, 325

Priest The Lord be with you.

People **And with thy spirit.**

Almighty God, you alone can bring into order the unruly wills and affections of sinners: Grant your people grace to love what you command and desire what you promise; that, among the swift and varied changes of the world, our hearts may surely there be fixed where true joys are to be found; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

The Lessons

The people sit. Lessons, as appointed, are read.

A reading from the Book of Ezekiel

Ezekiel 37:1-14

The hand of the Lord came upon me, and he brought me out by the spirit of the Lord and set me down in the middle of a valley; it was full of bones. He led me all around them; there were very many lying in the valley, and they were very dry. He said to me, "Mortal, can these bones live?" I answered, "O Lord God, you know." Then he said to me, "Prophecy to these bones, and say to them: O dry bones, hear the word of the Lord. Thus says the Lord God to these bones: I will cause breath to enter you, and you shall live. I will lay sinews on you, and will cause flesh to come upon you, and cover you with skin, and put breath in you, and you shall live; and you shall know that I am the Lord."

So I prophesied as I had been commanded; and as I prophesied, suddenly there was a noise, a rattling, and the bones came together, bone to its bone. I looked, and there were sinews on them, and flesh had come upon them, and skin had covered them; but there was no breath in them. Then he said to me, "Prophecy to the breath, prophesy, mortal, and say to the breath: Thus says the Lord God: Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe upon these slain, that they may live." I prophesied as he commanded me, and the breath came into them, and they lived, and stood on their feet, a vast multitude.

Then he said to me, "Mortal, these bones are the whole house of Israel. They say, 'Our bones are dried up, and our hope is lost; we are cut off completely.' Therefore prophesy, and say to them, Thus says the Lord God: I am

going to open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people; and I will bring you back to the land of Israel. And you shall know that I am the Lord, when I open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people. I will put my spirit within you, and you shall live, and I will place you on your own soil; then you shall know that I, the Lord, have spoken and will act,” says the Lord.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Remain seated

Psalm 130 - *De profundis* (Hymn 666)

St. Bride

Sung by all

1 Out of the depths I call, to God I send my cry; Lord,
 2 My soul with pa-tience waits for thee, the liv-ing Lord, my
 3 My long-ing eyes look out for thy en-liv-en-ing ray, more
 4 Let Is-rael trust in God; no bounds his mer-cy knows; the

hear my sup-pli-cat-ing voice and gra-cious-ly re-ply.
 hopes are on thy prom-ise built, thy nev-er-fail-ing word.
 du-ly than the morn-ing watch to spy the dawn-ing day.
 plen-teous source and spring from whence re-demp-tion ev-er flows.

A reading from Paul's letter to the Romans

Romans 8:6-11

To set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace. For this reason the mind that is set on the flesh is hostile to God; it does not submit to God's law-- indeed it cannot, and those who are in the flesh cannot please God.

But you are not in the flesh; you are in the Spirit, since the Spirit of God dwells in you. Anyone who does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him. But if Christ is in you, though the body is dead because of sin, the Spirit is life because of righteousness. If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ from the dead will give life to your mortal bodies also through his Spirit that dwells in you.

After the Reading, the Reader says

The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

All stand.

Gradual Hymn -457- *Thou art the way*

1 Thou art the Way, to thee a - lone from sin and death we flee;
2 Thou art the Truth, thy word a - lone true wis - dom can im - part;
3 Thou art the Life, the rend - ing tomb pro - claims thy con - quering arm;
4 Thou art the Way, the Truth, the Life: grant us that way to know,

and all who would the Fa - ther seek, must seek him, Lord, by thee.
thou on - ly canst in - form the mind and pu - ri - fy the heart.
and those who put their trust in thee nor death nor hell shall harm.
that truth to keep, that life to win, whose joys e - ter - nal flow.

Words: George Washington Doane (1799-1859), alt. Music: *St. James*, Raphael Courteville (d. 1735)

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John

People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

John 11:1-45

Now a certain man was ill, Lazarus of Bethany, the village of Mary and her sister Martha. Mary was the one who anointed the Lord with perfume and wiped his feet with her hair; her brother Lazarus was ill. So the sisters sent a message to Jesus, "Lord, he whom you love is ill." But when Jesus heard it, he said, "This illness does not lead to death; rather it is for God's glory, so that the Son of God may be glorified through it." Accordingly, though Jesus loved Martha and her sister and Lazarus, after having heard that Lazarus was ill, he stayed two days longer in the place where he was.

Then after this he said to the disciples, "Let us go to Judea again." The disciples said to him, "Rabbi, the Jews were just now trying to stone you, and are you going there again?" Jesus answered, "Are there not twelve hours of daylight? Those who walk during the day do not stumble, because they see the light of this world. But those who walk at night stumble, because the light is not in them." After saying this, he told them, "Our friend Lazarus has fallen asleep, but I am going there to awaken him." The disciples said to him, "Lord, if he has fallen asleep, he will be all right." Jesus, however, had been speaking about his death, but they thought that he was referring merely to sleep. Then Jesus told them plainly, "Lazarus is dead. For your sake I am glad I was not there, so that you may believe. But let us go to him." Thomas, who was called the Twin, said to his fellow disciples, "Let us also go, that we may die with him."

When Jesus arrived, he found that Lazarus had already been in the tomb four days. Now Bethany was near Jerusalem, some two miles away, and many of the Jews had come to Martha and Mary to console them about their brother. When Martha heard that Jesus was coming, she went and met him, while Mary stayed at home.

Martha said to Jesus, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died. But even now I know that God will give you whatever you ask of him." Jesus said to her, "Your brother will rise again." Martha said to him, "I know that he will rise again in the resurrection on the last day." Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. Those who believe in me, even though they die, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this?" She said to him, "Yes, Lord, I believe that you are the Messiah, the Son of God, the one coming into the world."

When she had said this, she went back and called her sister Mary, and told her privately, "The Teacher is here and is calling for you." And when she heard it, she got up quickly and went to him. Now Jesus had not yet come to the village, but was still at the place where Martha had met him. The Jews who were with her in the house, consoling her, saw Mary get up quickly and go out. They followed her because they thought that she was going to the tomb to weep there. When Mary came where Jesus was and saw him, she knelt at his feet and said to him, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died." When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who came with her also weeping, he was greatly disturbed in spirit and deeply moved. He said, "Where have you laid him?" They said to him, "Lord, come and see." Jesus began to weep. So the Jews said, "See how he loved him!" But some of them said, "Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man have kept this man from dying?"

Then Jesus, again greatly disturbed, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone was lying against it. Jesus said, "Take away the stone." Martha, the sister of the dead man, said to him, "Lord, already there is a stench because he has been dead four days." Jesus said to her, "Did I not tell you that if you believed, you would see the glory of God?" So they took away the stone. And Jesus looked upward and said, "Father, I thank you for having heard me. I knew that you always hear me, but I have said this for the sake of the crowd standing here, so that they may believe that you sent me." When he had said this, he cried with a loud voice, "Lazarus, come out!" The dead man came out, his hands and feet bound with strips of cloth, and his face wrapped in a cloth. Jesus said to them, "Unbind him, and let him go."

Many of the Jews therefore, who had come with Mary and had seen what Jesus did, believed in him.

After the Gospel, the Priest says

The Gospel of the Lord.

People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

The Sermon

The Reverend Joseph K Smith

On Sundays and other Major Feasts there follows, all standing

The Nicene Creed

**We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father.**

Through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation

**he came down from heaven:
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
and was made man.**

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.**

**On the third day he rose again
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.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.**

With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.

He has spoken through the Prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

**We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

The Prayers of the People

All remain standing.

Confident that with our hearts set on the glorious act of redemption revealed by God's beloved One, we receive the gift of new life, we offer our prayers and respond, "Kyrie eleison."

That the arms of Christ will reach into our spiritual tombs, releasing us from the fires of sin and division, or death and despair, and set our eyes upon the eighth day of our inheritance; *(silence)* let us pray.

People **Kyrie eleison.**

That the breath of God may rush into the hearts of the faithful, filling them with respect for the wisdom of their forebears, and the courage to walk where their feet had never trod; *(silence)* let us pray.

People **Kyrie eleison.**

For the unemployed and those who live with financial anxiety as we navigate this desert time, for children born into poverty and those whose wealth does not buy contentment, for those in troubled marriages and the lonely who suffer in silence, that all may be held by the risen Christ, who broke through the walls of darkness; *(silence)* let us pray.

People **Kyrie eleison.**

For those who are on the front line of this medical emergency; for doctors, nurses, and hospital workers; for truck drivers, grocery store workers and package delivers; for small business owners; and for those who are adhering to social distancing directives at great personal cost; *(silence)* let us pray.

People **Kyrie eleison.**

In thanksgiving for our life together even as we are currently separated, our persistence in listening to the divine word, and our commitment to proclaim the life-giving love of God; *(silence)* let us pray.

People **Kyrie eleison.**

That we who celebrate God in this worship may receive the mercy of the Lamb, who shares our burdens, removes our sin, and restores us in the company of the faithful; *(silence)* let us pray.

People **Kyrie eleison.**

For those who have died in the faith of Christ, especially John Noble, Sr. on the anniversary of his death this week, that they may reside in paradise; *(silence)* let us pray.

People **Kyrie eleison.**

In the certain hope of the resurrection from the dead; let us continue our prayers remembering those who are sick *(congregation reads the name aloud)* **Jennifer, Irene, Lisa, Judy, Patty, Mary, Jack, Betty, Brenda, Carl, Victoria, Genevieve, Ted, Gwynn, Lois, Nhu, Margaret and Jim** and any other special intentions which may be added at this time either silently or aloud.

(silence) let us pray.

People **Kyrie eleison.**

The Priest adds a concluding Collect.

The Peace

All stand. The Priest says to the people

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

Then the Priests and People greet one another in the name of the Lord.

Welcome and Announcements

The Holy Communion

Offertory Anthem - *Jesus, Thou the Virgin-born*

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Jesus, of a maiden Thou wast born, To save mankind that was forlorn, All for my sins.
Jesu, Thou Virgin-born, hear Thy children calling.

Within a cradle He was laid; Both ox and ass with Him played, With joy and bliss.
Jesu, Thou Virgin-born, hear Thy children calling.

Then for us He shed His blood, And also died he on the rood, All for our sins.
Jesu, Thou Virgin-born, hear Thy children calling.

And then to the cross He took the way, All sinners ransom there to pay, With joy and bliss.
Jesu, Thou Virgin-born, hear Thy children calling.

Representatives of the congregation bring the people's offerings of bread and wine, and money or other gifts, to the celebrant. The people stand while the offerings are presented and placed on the Altar.

Doxology

1 Chronicles 29:14

Celebrant "All things come from Thee, O Lord"

People "And of Thine own, have we given Thee."

Great Thanksgiving

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Eucharistic Prayer I

The people remain standing.

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And with thy spirit.**

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People **We lift them up unto the Lord.**

Celebrant Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

People **It is meet and right so to do.**

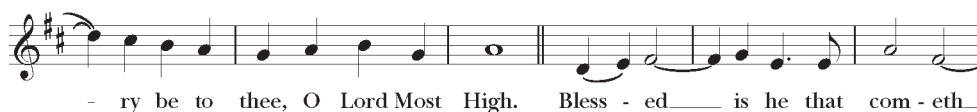
Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds

It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee,
O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God.

Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious
Name; evermore praising thee, and saying,

Sanctus S114

H. Willan



The people kneel or stand.

Then the Celebrant continues

All glory be to thee, Almighty God, our heavenly Father, for that thou, of thy tender mercy, didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption; who made there, by his one oblation of himself once offered, a full, perfect, and sufficient sacrifice, oblation, and satisfaction, for the sins of the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death and sacrifice, until his coming again.

At the following words concerning the bread, the Celebrant is to hold it, or lay a hand upon it; and at the words concerning the cup, to hold or place a hand upon the cup and any other vessel containing wine to be consecrated

For in the night in which he was betrayed, he took bread; and when he had given thanks, he brake it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat, this is my Body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Likewise, after supper, he took the cup; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink ye all of this; for this is my Blood of the New Testament, which is shed for you, and for many, for the remission of sins. Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me."

Wherefore, O Lord and heavenly Father, according to the institution of thy dearly beloved Son our Savior Jesus Christ, we, thy humble servants, do celebrate and make here before thy divine Majesty, with these thy holy gifts, which we now offer unto thee, the memorial thy Son hath commanded us to make; having in remembrance his blessed passion and precious death, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; rendering unto thee most hearty thanks for the innumerable benefits procured unto us by the same.

And we most humbly beseech thee, O merciful Father, to hear us; and, of thy almighty goodness, vouchsafe to bless and sanctify, with thy Word and Holy Spirit, these thy gifts and creatures of bread and wine; that we, receiving them according to thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ's holy institution, in remembrance of his death and passion, may be partakers of his most blessed Body and Blood.

And we earnestly desire thy fatherly goodness mercifully to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving; most humbly beseeching thee to grant that, by the merits and death of thy Son Jesus Christ, and through faith in his blood, we, and all thy whole Church, may obtain remission of our sins, and all other benefits of his passion.

And here we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, our selves, our souls and bodies, to be a reasonable, holy, and living sacrifice unto thee; humbly beseeching thee that we, and all others who shall be partakers of this Holy Communion, may worthily receive the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son Jesus Christ, be filled with thy grace and heavenly benediction, and made one body with him, that he may dwell in us, and we in him.

And although we are unworthy, through our manifold sins, to offer unto thee any sacrifice, yet we beseech thee to accept this our bounden duty and service, not weighing our merits, but pardoning our offenses, through Jesus Christ our Lord;

By whom, and with whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost, all honor and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end. **AMEN.**

And now, as our Savior Christ hath taught us, we are bold to say,

People and Celebrant

**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, and the power, and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.**

The Breaking of the Bread

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.

Celebrant Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People **Therefore let us keep the feast.**

Agnus Dei - S158 *H. Willan*

O Lamb of God, that ta - kest a -

way the sins of the world, have mer - cy up -

on us. O Lamb of God, that

ta - kest a - way the sins of the world, have

mer - cy up - on us. O Lamb of

God, that ta - kest a - way the sins of the

world, grant us thy peace.

The following prayer may be said. The People may join in saying this prayer

We do not presume to come to this thy Table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy Table. But thou art the same Lord whose property is always to have mercy. Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.

The Celebrant says

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

From Presiding Bishop Michael Curry, A Prayer before Spiritual Communion

The Invitation to Holy Comunion

“A spiritual communion is a personal devotional that anyone can pray at any time to express their desire to receive Holy Communion at that moment, but in which circumstances impede them from actually receiving”

“My Jesus, I believe that you are truly present in the Blessed Sacrament of the Altar. I love you above all things, and long for you in my soul. Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. As though you have already come, I embrace you and unite myself entirely to you; never permit me to be separated from you. Amen.

—St. Alphonsus de Liguori, 1696–1787

1. I want Je - sus _____ to walk with me (walk with me); I want
 2. In my tri - als, _____ Lord, walk with me (walk with me); In my
 3. In my sor - rows, _____ Lord, walk with me (walk with me); In my

1. Je - sus _____ to walk _____ with me (walk with me); All a -
 2. tri - als, _____ Lord, walk _____ with me (walk with me); When the
 3. sor - rows, _____ Lord, walk _____ with me (walk with me); When my

1. long my _____ pil - grim jour - ney, _____ Lord, I want
 2. shades of _____ life _____ are fall - ing, _____ Lord, I want
 3. heart with - in _____ is ach - ing, _____ Lord, I want

1. Je - sus _____ to walk with me (walk with me).
 2. Je - sus _____ to walk with me (walk with me).
 3. Je - sus _____ to walk with me (walk with me).

Let us pray.

The People may join in saying this prayer (This Post Communion Prayer was written by Fr. Kevin Maroney and inserted by Bishop Gutiérrez).

Lord of the Feast, we thank you for gathering us as your people. We call to remembrance the many times we have been fed at your table and we lament our distance now. Be present Lord Jesus as you were present with your disciples, be known to us in the breaking of the bread, and may your Holy Spirit sustain us and all your Church until we can gather together again. We ask this for the sake of your love. Amen.

A prayer for those observing birthdays

Watch over your children, O Lord, as their days increase; bless and guide them wherever they may be. Strengthen them when they stand; comfort them when discouraged or sorrowful; raise them up if they fall; and in their hearts may your peace which passes understanding abide all the days of their lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Celebrant blesses the people.

Blessing

Closing Hymn -152-Kind Maker of the world

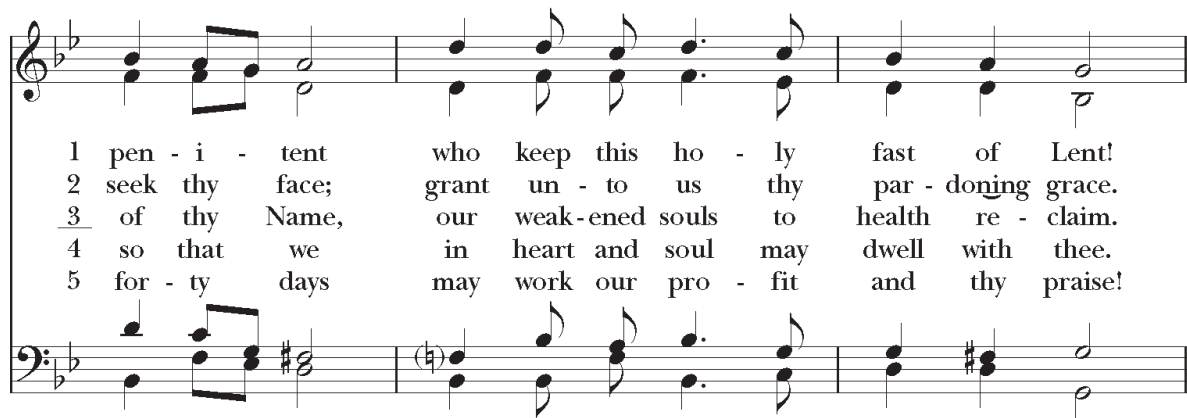
A la venue de Noel



1 Kind Ma - ker of the world, O hear the fer - vent
2 Each heart is man - i - fest to thee; thou know - est
3 Spare us, O Lord, who now con - fess our sins and
4 Give us the dis - ci - pline that springs from ab - sti -
5 Grant, O thou bless - ed Trin - i - ty; grant, O un -



1 prayer, with man - ya tear poured forth by all the
2 our in - fir - mi - ty; now we re - pent, and
3 all our wick - ed - ness, and, for the glo - ry
4 nence in out - ward things with in - ward fast - ing,
5 chang - ing Un - i - ty; that this our fast of



1 pen - i - tent who keep this ho - ly fast of Lent!
2 seek thy face; grant un - to us thy par - doning grace.
3 of thy Name, our weak - ened souls to health re - claim.
4 so that we in heart and soul may dwell with thee.
5 for - ty days may work our pro - fit and thy praise!

Dismissal

Celebrant

Let us bless the Lord.

People

Thanks be to God.

Invitation & Announcements

To all who are lonely and need friendship; to all who are discouraged and need good news; to all who mourn and need comfort; to all who are tempted and need help; to all who are sinners and need forgiveness; to all who are complacent and need disturbing; to all who thirst for the water of life; to all who love Christ and would follow Christ, this church opens wide its doors and bids you WELCOME!

We welcome all visitors to St. Mary's this morning. Please sign our guest book by the front door of the Church and complete a visitor's card so we will have a record of your presence with us.

Today is Sunday, March 29, 2020

10:00 a.m. - Holy Eucharist Rite II (livestreamed and recorded)

The Sanctuary Light is given by Enid Ball to the Glory of God and in loving memory of John Standing.

Intercession List

Jennifer Lurie, Irene Steinhardt, Lisa Hart, Judy Austin, Patty Lander, Mary Tatnall, Jack Stratton, Betty Rippel, Brenda Ziglar, Carl Hinchey, Victoria Coates, Genevieve Blandy, Ted Miller, Gwyna Kreider, Lois Kreider, Nhu Tran, Margaret Everett and Jim Williams. Included on the list for prayers at home are John David, Paige Longstreth, Dan and Bob.

Please note: It is our practice to take individuals off the Intercession list after four weeks unless we are notified to keep them on. Please let the office know if you need to keep someone on for longer. The names read aloud today include St. Mary's parishioners and family members of parishioners. You are encouraged to say aloud the names of your loved ones during the Prayers of the People when the lector pauses for the congregation to add their own petitions.

Stay Connected

As you know, we are respecting the mandate of our Governor, Tom Wolf by canceling all face-to-face meetings including the midweek 12:15 p.m. and Sunday 7:45 a.m. services. In order to maintain our momentum and continuity of programs, we are organizing virtual meetings via a web-based video conferencing tool called Zoom. Zoom is free to use and allows you to engage via computer or telephone. If you are involved in any of the formation programs, you will receive an e-mail invitation from Joseph which will contain all the details you need to join the meeting. The links will

also be posted weekly to our website under the Virtual Resources (Zoom links). Click this link for a helpful tutorial on the Zoom meetings, which has also been posted to our Facebook and website.

Helping Hands

Our Vestry is working to both identify people who may need help in the form of grocery shopping, rides, etc. and to organize volunteers to help meet these needs. Thank you in advance for remaining responsive to the needs of others.

Easter Flower Memorials

If you are interested in an Easter memorial, please complete one of the small cards located in your pew. Place your completed card in the collection plate or drop off at the church office. The deadline for orders is April 5th. Contact Susan Huck with questions at 610-722-9475 or sbmhuck@aol.com.

Do you, or someone you know, need a ride to church?

Current need: A driver coming from the West Chester area.

As this pandemic is teaching us, we need to remain connected and work together to facilitate community, whatever that means at the moment. Let's use this opportunity to raise our consciousness and strengthen our resolve to serve others. Please contact Debbie Ealer at debbie@stmaryswayne.org if you can serve as a driver and if you need a ride. God Bless

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