



# The Holy Eucharist

THE SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

8:00 a.m. Sunday, September 11, 2016

*Newcomers and visitors, we welcome you warmly.  
May you find here, by the grace of God, that which feeds your soul.*

## THE WORD OF GOD

### OPENING ACCLAMATION

all stand

*BCP, page 323*

Celebrant Blessed be God; Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People **And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

### THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

all say together

**Almighty God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

### KYRIE

Celebrant Lord, have mercy upon us.

People **Christ, have mercy upon us.**

Celebrant Lord, have mercy upon us.

### THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And with thy spirit.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

O God, forasmuch as without thee we are not able to please thee, mercifully grant that thy Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with thee and the same Spirit liveth and reigneth, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

### PRAYER FOR THE INTERIM TIME

all say together

**Almighty God, we pray for the people of St. Mary's during this time of transition. May we be genuine in our self-reflection, patient in our discernment, loving in our communion, imaginative about our future, and daring in our faith. As we seek to find, instill in us trust in your loving guidance. As we seek to challenge, unite us in our commitment to serve and to know Christ in each other and the world; As we seek to inspire, fill us with your bountiful spirit. All this we pray, empowered by the love of Christ our Lord. Amen**

**FIRST READING**

all sit

Exodus 32:7-14

**PSALM 51:1-11**

read responsively by half verse

*BCP*, pp. 656-657

*Miserere mei, Deus*

**SECOND READING**

1 Timothy 1:12-17

**THE HOLY GOSPEL**

all stand

Luke 15:1-10

Response after the Deacon introduces the Gospel

**Glory be to thee, O Lord.**

Response at the end of the Gospel reading

**Praise be to thee, O Christ.**

**THE HOMILY**

The Rev. Claire Dietrich Ranna

**THE AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

*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**

Leader Almighty God, we pray for your holy catholic Church. Unite the hearts of your servants  
and the will of those who desire your reign. Reveal to us your great purpose. Give us  
each the desire to follow your commandments and abide in your love. Lord, in your  
mercy,

People **Hear our prayer.**

Leader We pray for all bishops, ministers, and spiritual leaders of this parish as we begin another program year together. Cheer their hearts by your love. Leave them not to themselves, but guide their steps by the light of your knowledge and the truth of your promise. Lord, in your mercy,

People **Hear our prayer.**

Leader Let all who govern and hold authority in this nation and in the world be guided by the truth of our interconnectedness. Help them in their work to develop and enact policies that build bridges of understanding, repair broken communities, and strive for justice. We ask especially that you raise up compassionate leaders in our community who will be committed to listening and working with those they serve. Lord, in your mercy,

People **Hear our prayer.**

Leader In the chaos and confusion of our times we are overwhelmed by pain and tempted by despair, and our hearts are pulled by hatred, division, and doubt; give us the courage to hope, the audacity to love, and the faith to trust in your goodness. Lord, in your mercy,

People **Hear our prayer.**

Leader We pray for those in our community who are vulnerable—the poor, the sick, the hungry, the oppressed—and for those who seek a deeper knowledge of you, God. Help us to be your hands and feet in this world, and give us a heart to care for those among us in need. Lord, in your mercy,

People **Hear our prayer.**

Leader Give to the departed eternal rest, and comfort those who mourn. Lord, in your mercy,

People **Hear our prayer.**

Leader We pray for those who have invited our concern:...

The Deacon offers prayers from the St. Mary's Prayer List.  
Members of the congregation then add their personal petitions and thanksgivings.

Deacon Dear God, we pray to live with memory, with constant love, and with the promise both to combat evil and to cherish goodness. Do not let our pain cloud our hopes or crush our hearts. Help us grow through every tragedy, keep faith with all victims, and sustain our trust in You. **Amen.**

## THE CONFESSION OF SIN all kneel or stand

Celebrant Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God.

Silence may be kept.

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.**

Celebrant Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all those who with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto him, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## **THE PEACE**

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And with thy spirit.**

## **THE HOLY COMMUNION**

**THE GREAT THANKSGIVING, EUCHARISTIC PRAYER II** all stand *BCP, page 340*

**SANCTUS** *BCP, page 341*

**THE LORD'S PRAYER** *BCP, page 336*

## **THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD & THE INVITATION**

**PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING** all stand and say together *BCP, page 339*

**SENDING OF THE LAY EUCHARISTIC VISITOR \*** \*when needed

Celebrant N., in the name of this parish family, I send you forth bearing these holy gifts to \_\_\_\_\_. Together we share in the body and blood of Christ.

People **Though we are many, we are one body, because we all share one bread and one cup.**

## **THE BLESSING**

## **DISMISSAL**

Deacon Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the spirit.

People **Thanks be to God.**

