



Twentieth Sunday

AUGUST 15.16, 2026

WELCOME!

We are grateful for your presence and invite you to participate fully in the liturgy. If you are a guest or visitor, we thank you for joining us today and hope you will return often. If you would like to become a member of our parish, please stop by the **Welcome and Registration Table** in the Gathering Space. A parishioner will be there and happy to help you.

We warmly welcome the presence of children at Mass. If your little one needs extra attention during Mass, please feel free to step into the Gathering Space until they are ready to return to the assembly. A **nursery** for children walking age to preschool age is available during the 9 a.m. and 11 a.m. liturgies. It is located in the Room 106 of the school. It is free of charge.

No-gluten reception of Communion, the Blood of Christ, is available for those receiving from the cup minister closest to the musicians first. Then all others may drink from that cup. **Low-gluten hosts** are available upon request from any bread minister. Low-gluten hosts are consecrated in a separate pyx.

Hearing assistance devices are available to use during Mass. They can be found in the vesting room near the font. Ushers can assist you.

OPENING HYMN: Help Us Accept Each Other
AURELIA

text Fred Kaan



1. Help us ac - cept each oth - er as Christ ac -
2. Teach us, O Lord, your les - sons, as in our
3. Let your ac - cept - ance change us, so that we
4. Lord, for to - day's en - coun - ters with all who



1. cept - ed us; teach us as sis - ter, broth - er each
2. dai - ly life we strug - gle to be hu - man and
3. may be moved in liv - ing sit - u - a - tions to
4. are in need, who hun - ger for ac - cept - ance, for



1. per - son to em - brace. Be pres - ent, Lord, a -
2. search for hope and faith. Teach us to care for
3. do the truth in love; to prac - tice your ac -
4. right - eous - ness and bread, we need new eyes for



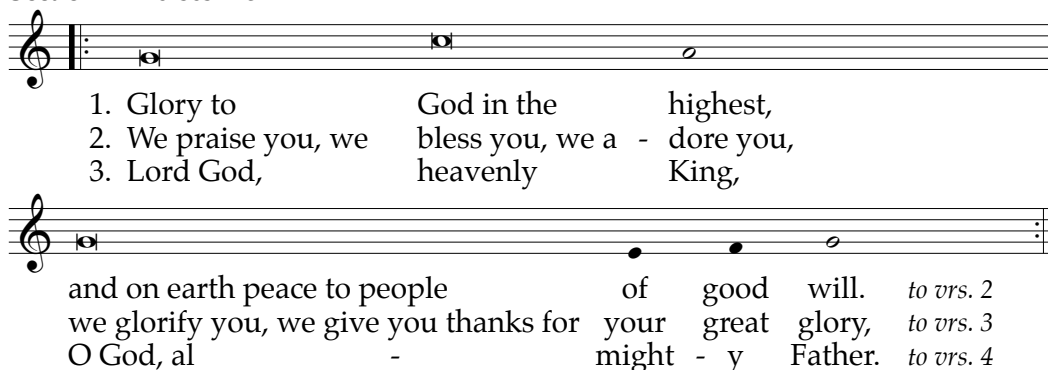
1. mong us and bring us to be - lieve we are our -
2. peo - ple, for all— not just for some, to love them
3. cept - ance un - til we know by heart the ta - ble
4. see - ing, new hands for hold - ing on: re - new us



1. selves ac - cept - ed and meant to love and live.
2. as we find them and as they may be - come.
3. of for - give - ness and laugh - ter's heal - ing art.
4. with your Spir - it; Lord, free us, make us one!

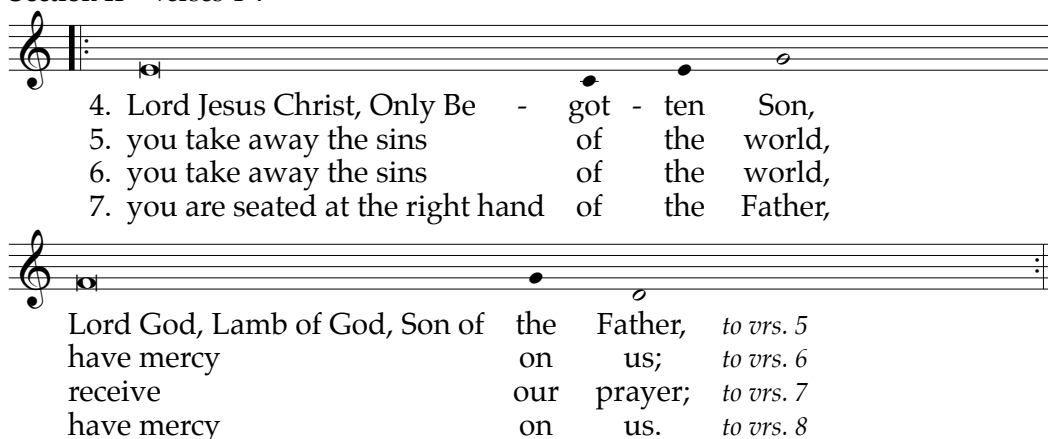
GLORIA Psallite Mass: At the Table of the Lord

Section I—Verses 1–3



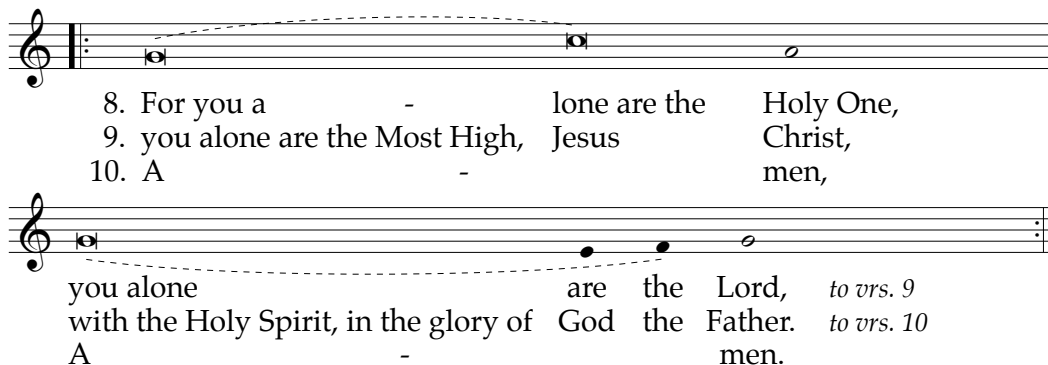
1. Glory to God in the highest,
2. We praise you, we bless you, we adore you,
3. Lord God, heavenly King,
and on earth peace to people of good will. *to vrs. 2*
we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory, *to vrs. 3*
O God, almighty Father. *to vrs. 4*

Section II—Verses 4–7



4. Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,
5. you take away the sins of the world,
6. you take away the sins of the world,
7. you are seated at the right hand of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, *to vrs. 5*
have mercy on us; *to vrs. 6*
receive our prayer; *to vrs. 7*
have mercy on us. *to vrs. 8*

Section III—Verses 8–10



8. For you alone are the Holy One,
9. you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,
10. A men,
you alone are the Lord, *to vrs. 9*
with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. *to vrs. 10*
A men.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

READING I Isaiah 56:1,6-7

Response at the conclusion of the reading:

LECTOR: The Word of the Lord.

PEOPLE: Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 67: O God, Let All The Nations Praise You Michel Guimont



Cantor

verse 1 O God, be gracious and bless us, and let your face shed its light upon us. So will your ways be known upon the earth and all the nations learn your saving help.

verse 2 Let the nations be glad and exult for you rule the world with justice. With fairness you rule the people, you guide the nations on earth.

verse 3 Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the people's praise you. May God still give us blessing till the ends of the earth stand in awe.

READING II Romans 11:13-15, 29-32

Response at the conclusion of the reading:

LECTOR: The Word of the Lord.

PEOPLE: Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: Alleluia *from* Mass of Christ the Savior



Dialogue at the beginning of the gospel:

PRESIDER: The Lord be with you.

PEOPLE: **And with your spirit.**

PRESIDER: A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Matthew.

PEOPLE: **Glory to You, O Lord.**

GOSPEL Matthew 15:21-28

Response at the conclusion of the gospel:

PRESIDER: The Gospel of the Lord.

PEOPLE: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

HOMILY

PROFESSION OF FAITH – THE NICENE CREED

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 and for our salvation he came down from heaven,

All bow.

and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary,
and became man.

All rise.

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

UNIVERSAL PRAYER

Response to each intercession:

LECTOR: We pray:

PEOPLE: Lord, hear our prayer.

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

PREPARATION OF THE GIFTS

The presider may speak these words aloud:

PRESIDER: Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation,
for through your goodness we have received
the bread/wine we offer you:
fruit of the earth/vine and work of human hands,
it will become for us the bread of life/our spiritual drink.

PEOPLE: Blessed be God forever.

PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

PRESIDER: Pray, brothers and sisters, that my sacrifice and yours
may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.

PEOPLE: 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.

PREFACE DIALOGUE

PRESIDER: The Lord be with you.

PEOPLE: And with your spirit.

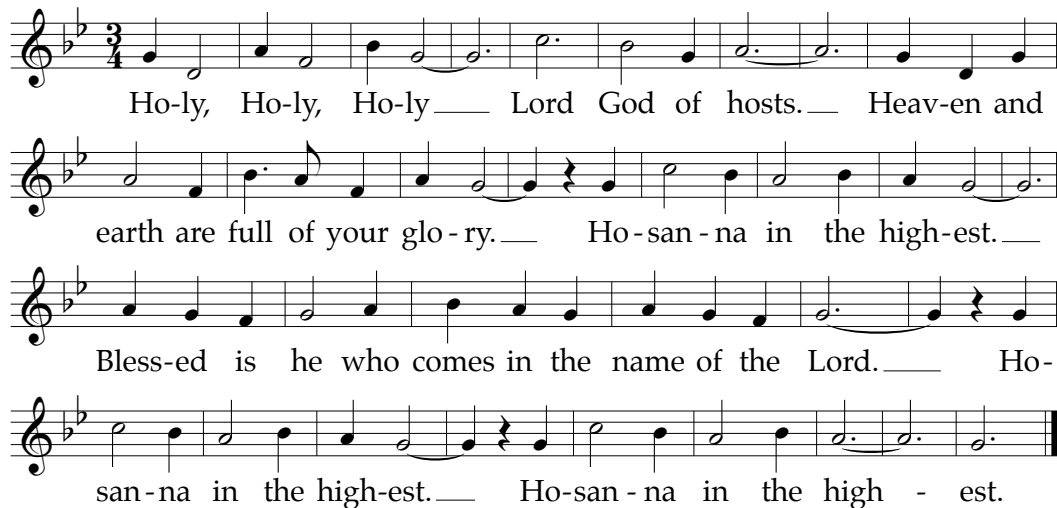
PRESIDER: Lift up your hearts.

PEOPLE: We lift them up to the Lord.

PRESIDER: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

PEOPLE: It is right and just.

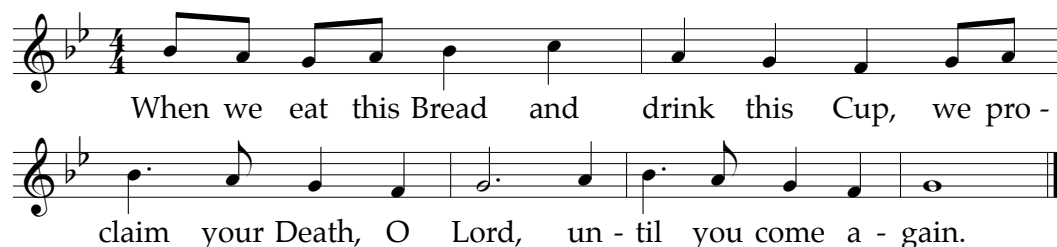
Sanctus



Ho-ly, Ho-ly, Ho-ly — Lord God of hosts. — Heav-en and
 earth are full of your glo-ry. — Ho-san-na in the high-est. —
 Bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. — Ho-
 san-na in the high-est. — Ho-san-na in the high - est.

All bow reverently with the presider as he bows or genuflects.

Memorial Acclamation



When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup, we pro -
 claim your Death, O Lord, un - til you come a - gain.

Amen



A - men, a - men, a - men.

THE COMMUNION RITE

THE LORD'S PRAYER

SIGN OF PEACE

PRESIDER: Peace I leave you, my peace I give you; look not on our sins, but on the faith of your Church, and graciously grant her peace and unity in accordance with your will. Who live and reign for ever and ever.

PEOPLE: **Amen.**

PRESIDER: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

PEOPLE: **And with your spirit.**

PRESIDER: Let us offer each other the sign of peace.

All offer one another a sign that expresses peace, communion, and charity.

Lamb of God

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the

To repeat:

world: have mercy on us.

Last time:

world: grant us peace.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

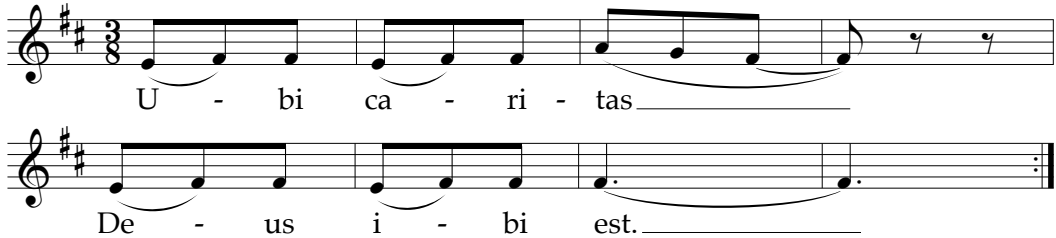
PRESIDER: Behold the Lamb of God,
behold him who takes away the sins of the world.
Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.

PEOPLE: Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof,
but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.

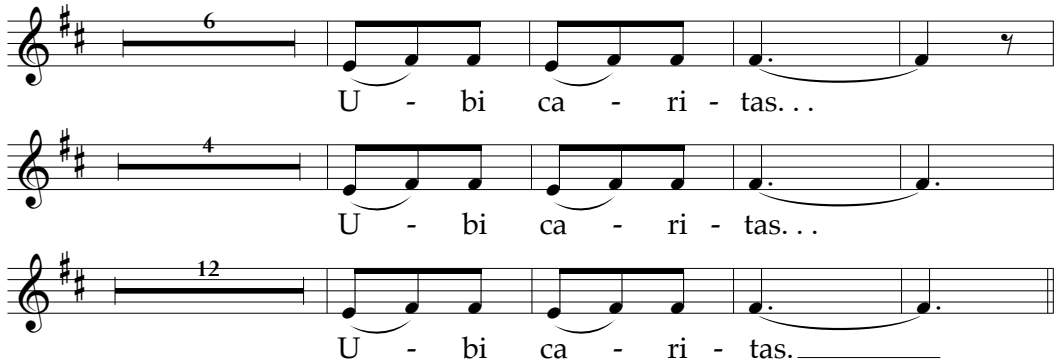
TABLE PRAYER: Ubi Caritas

Francis Patrick O'Brien

Refrain



Verses



CONCLUDING RITE

FINAL BLESSING

PRESIDER: The Lord be with you.

PEOPLE: **And with your spirit.**

PRESIDER: May almighty God bless you,
the Father, and the Son, + and the Holy Spirit.

PEOPLE: **Amen.**

DISMISSAL

PRESIDER: Go in peace, glorifying the Lord by your life.

PEOPLE: **Thanks be to God.**

SENDING FORTH: Help Us Accept Each Other
verses 3,4 from Opening Hymn page 2

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