

# 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

## Gathering Song: *Table Of Plenty*

**Refrain: Come to the feast of heaven and earth. Come to the table of plenty. God will provide for all that we need, here at the table of plenty.**

1. O come and sit at my table where saints and sinners are friends. I wait to welcome the lost and lonely to share the cup of my love.

### Refrain

2. O come and eat without money; come to drink without price. My feast of gladness will feed your spirit with faith and fullness of life.

### Refrain

3. My bread will ever sustain you through days of sorrow and woe. My wine will flow like a sea of gladness to flood the depths of your soul.

### Refrain

## Greeting

### Penitential Act: Confiteor

I confess to almighty God and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have greatly sinned in my thoughts and in my words, in what I have done and in what I have failed to do,

through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault;

Therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin, all the Angels and Saints; and you, my brothers and sisters, to pray for me to the Lord our God.

-AND/OR-

Lord have Mercy,  
Christ have Mercy,  
Lord have Mercy

## **Gloria**

Glory to God, Glory to God, Glory to God in the highest, and on earth  
peace 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, 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.  
Glory to God, Glory to God, Glory to God in the highest, and on earth  
peace on earth, peace to people of good will.

~ *Amen.*

## **Liturgy of the Word**

### **1st Reading** IS 55:1-3

Thus says the LORD:

All you who are thirsty,  
come to the water!

You who have no money,  
come, receive grain and eat;

Come, without paying and without cost,  
drink wine and milk!

Why spend your money for what is not bread;  
your wages for what fails to satisfy?

Heed me, and you shall eat well,  
you shall delight in rich fare.

Come to me heedfully,

listen, that you may have life.  
I will renew with you the everlasting covenant,  
the benefits assured to David.  
The Word of the Lord,  
~Thanks be to God

## **Responsorial Psalm** PS 145:8-9, 15-16, 17-18

**R. The hand of the Lord feeds us; he answers all our needs.**

The LORD is gracious and merciful,  
slow to anger and of great kindness.  
The LORD is good to all  
and compassionate toward all his works.

**R. The hand of the Lord feeds us; he answers all our needs.**

The eyes of all look hopefully to you,  
and you give them their food in due season;  
you open your hand  
and satisfy the desire of every living thing.

**R. The hand of the Lord feeds us; he answers all our needs.**

The LORD is just in all his ways  
and holy in all his works.  
The LORD is near to all who call upon him,  
to all who call upon him in truth.

**R. The hand of the Lord feeds us; he answers all our needs.**

## **2nd Reading** ROM 8:35, 37-39

Brothers and sisters:

What will separate us from the love of Christ?

Will anguish, or distress, or persecution, or famine,  
or nakedness, or peril, or the sword?

No, in all these things we conquer overwhelmingly  
through him who loved us.

For I am convinced that neither death, nor life,  
nor angels, nor principalities,  
nor present things, nor future things,  
nor powers, nor height, nor depth,  
nor any other creature will be able to separate us  
from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

The Word of the Lord,

**~Thanks be to God**

## **Alleluia** MT 4:4B

**R. Alleluia, alleluia.**

One does not live on bread alone, but on every word that comes forth from  
the mouth of God.

**R. Alleluia, alleluia.**

## **Gospel** MT 14:13-21

When Jesus heard of the death of John the Baptist,  
he withdrew in a boat to a deserted place by himself.

The crowds heard of this and followed him on foot from their towns.

When he disembarked and saw the vast crowd,  
his heart was moved with pity for them, and he cured their sick.

When it was evening, the disciples approached him and said,

“This is a deserted place and it is already late;  
dismiss the crowds so that they can go to the villages  
and buy food for themselves.”

Jesus said to them, “There is no need for them to go away;

give them some food yourselves.”  
But they said to him,  
“Five loaves and two fish are all we have here.”  
Then he said, “Bring them here to me, ”  
and he ordered the crowds to sit down on the grass.  
Taking the five loaves and the two fish, and looking up to heaven,  
he said the blessing, broke the loaves,  
and gave them to the disciples,  
who in turn gave them to the crowds.  
They all ate and were satisfied,  
and they picked up the fragments left over—  
twelve wicker baskets full.  
Those who ate were about five thousand men,  
not counting women and children.  
The Gospel of the Lord,

**~Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ**

## **Homily**

**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, 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: Prayers of Petition**

~ Lord, hear our prayers

# **Liturgy of the Eucharist**

## **Eucharistic Acclamations:**

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts. Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

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When we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim your death oh Lord, until you come again.

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Amen, Amen, A----men

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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.

## **Communion Song: To Be Your Bread**

**Refrain:** To be your bread now, be your wine now, Lord, come and change us to be a sign of your love. Blest and broken, poured and flowing, gift that you gave us, to be your body once again.

1. We come to your table with our lives as they are. Heal us Lord, for we are broken; make us one again.

**Refrain**

2. Lord, we stumble through the darkness of night. Lead us now, O Lord, we follow; bring us home to you.

**Refrain**

3. Give us the bread and wine that bring us to life. Feed us, and we'll never hunger, never thirst again.

**Refrain**

## **Spiritual Communion:**

My Jesus, I believe that you are present  
in the Most Holy Sacrament.

I love you above all things,  
and I desire to receive you into my soul.

Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally,  
Come at least spiritually into my heart.

I embrace You as if You were already there  
And unite myself wholly to You.

Never permit me to be separated from You.

Amen.

## **Concluding Rite**

### **Closing Song *Rain Down***

**Refrain:** Rain Down, rain down, rain down your love on your people. Rain down, rain down, rain down your love, God of life.

1. Faithful and true is the word of our God. All of God's works are so worthy of trust. God's mercy falls on the just and the right; full of God's love is the earth.

**Refrain**

2. We who revere and find hope in our God live in the kindness and joy of God's wing. God will protect us from darkness and death; God will not leave us to starve.

**Refrain**

3. God of creation, we long for your truth; you are the water of life that we thirst. Grant that your love and your peace touch our hearts, all of our hope lies in you.

## **Vocations Prayer**

Heavenly Father,

Bless our diocese with the grace of many vocations  
to the priesthood, diaconate and to religious life.

Through the intercession of the Blessed Mother,

grant to those You have called

the willingness and the generosity of spirit

to give of themselves in devoting their lives and their talents  
to the service of our Lord and to His Church.

Increase the faith of all within our diocese,

and especially the faith of those You are calling.

We ask this through Christ, Your Son our Lord. ~ **Amen**