12th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Gathering Song: Sing of the Lord's Goodness

1. Sing of the Lord's goodness, father of all wisdom, come to him and bless his name. Mercy He has shown us, His love is forever, faithful to the end of days.

Refrain: Come then all you nations, sing of your Lord's goodness, melodies of praise and thanks to God. Ring out the Lord's glory, praise Him with your music, worship Him and bless His name.

2. Power He has wielded, honor is His garment, risen from the snares of death. His word he has spoken, one bread He has broken, new life He now gives to all.

Refrain

3. Courage in our darkness, comfort in our sorrow, spirit of our God most high; solace for the weary, pardon for the sinner, splendor of the living God.

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 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 in the highest, and on earth peace on earth, peace to people of good will. ~ Amen.

Liturgy of the Word

1st Reading JER 20:10-13

Jeremiah said:

"I hear the whisperings of many:

'Terror on every side!

Denounce! let us denounce him!' All those who were my friends are on the watch for any misstep of mine. 'Perhaps he will be trapped; then we can prevail, and take our vengeance on him.' But the LORD is with me, like a mighty champion: my persecutors will stumble, they will not triumph. In their failure they will be put to utter shame, to lasting, unforgettable confusion. O LORD of hosts, you who test the just, who probe mind and heart, let me witness the vengeance you take on them, for to you I have entrusted my cause. Sing to the LORD, praise the LORD, for he has rescued the life of the poor from the power of the wicked!"

Responsorial Psalm PS 69:8-10, 14, 17, 33-35

R. (14c) Lord, in your great love, answer me.

For your sake I bear insult, and shame covers my face.
I have become an outcast to my brothers, a stranger to my children,
Because zeal for your house consumes me, and the insults of those who blaspheme you fall upon me.

R. Lord, in your great love, answer me.

I pray to you, O LORD, for the time of your favor, O God!

In your great kindness answer me with your constant help.
Answer me, O LORD, for bounteous is your kindness; in your great mercy turn toward me.

R. Lord, in your great love, answer me.

"See, you lowly ones, and be glad; you who seek God, may your hearts revive! For the LORD hears the poor, and his own who are in bonds he spurns not. Let the heavens and the earth praise him, the seas and whatever moves in them!"

R. Lord, in your great love, answer me.

2nd Reading ROM 5:12-15

Brothers and sisters: Through one man sin entered the world, and through sin, death,

and thus death came to all men, inasmuch as all sinned—for up to the time of the law, sin was in the world, though sin is not accounted when there is no law. But death reigned from Adam to Moses, even over those who did not sin

after the pattern of the trespass of Adam, who is the type of the one who was to come.

But the gift is not like the transgression.

For if by the transgression of the one the many died, how much more did the grace of God and the gracious gift of the one man Jesus Christ

overflow for the many.

Alleluia JN 15:26B, 27A

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

The Spirit of truth will testify to me, says the Lord; and you also will testify.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

Gospel MT 10:26-33

Jesus said to the Twelve:

"Fear no one.

Nothing is concealed that will not be revealed,

nor secret that will not be known.

What I say to you in the darkness, speak in the light;

what you hear whispered, proclaim on the housetops.

And do not be afraid of those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul;

rather, be afraid of the one who can destroy

both soul and body in Gehenna.

Are not two sparrows sold for a small coin?

Yet not one of them falls to the ground without your Father's knowledge.

Even all the hairs of your head are counted.

So do not be afraid; you are worth more than many sparrows.

Everyone who acknowledges me before others

I will acknowledge before my heavenly Father.

But whoever denies me before others,

I will deny before my heavenly Father."

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.

We proclaim your Death, O Lord, and profess your Resurrection until you come again.

Amen

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: Like A Shepherd

Refrain: Like a Shepherd He feeds his flock and gathers the lambs in His arms, holding them carefully close to His heart, leading them home

- 1. Say to the cities of Judah: Prepare the way of the Lord. Go to the mountaintop life your voice: Jerusalem, here is your God.
- 2. I myself will shepherd them, for others have led them astray. The lost I will rescue and heal their wounds and pasture them, giving them rest.
- 3. Come unto me if you are heavily burdened, and take my yoke upon your shoulders. I will give you rest.

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: City of God

1. Awake from your slumber! Arise from your sleep. A new day is dawning for all those who weep. The people in darkness have seen a great light. The Lord of our Longing has conquered the night.

Refrain: Let us build the city of God. May our tears be turned into dancing. For the Lord, our light and our love, has turned the night into day!

2. We are songs of the morning. We are daughters of day. The one who has loved us has brightened our way. The Lord of all kindness has called us to be a light for his people to set their hearts free.

Refrain

3. God is light; in him there is no darkness. Let us walk in his light, his children one and all. O comfort my people; make gentle your words. Proclaim to my city the day of her birth.

Refrain

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