

The Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Entrance Hymn: *Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee*

Celebrant: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Response: Amen.

Celebrant: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

The 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.

Celebrant continues: ...

May almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us our sins, and bring us to everlasting life.

Response: Amen

The Gloria: (see supplemental page)

Celebrant: Let us pray ...

Liturgy of the Word

A Reading from the Book of Sirach:

SIR 27:30—28:7

Wrath and anger are hateful things, yet the sinner hugs them tight. The vengeful will suffer the LORD's vengeance, for he remembers their sins in detail. Forgive your neighbor's injustice; then when you pray, your own sins will be forgiven. Could anyone nourish anger against another and expect healing from the LORD? Could anyone refuse mercy to another like himself, can he seek pardon for his own sins? If one who is but flesh cherishes wrath, who will forgive his sins? Remember your last days, set enmity aside; remember death and decay, and cease from sin! Think of the commandments, hate not your neighbor; remember the Most High's covenant, and overlook faults. The Word of the Lord.

Response: Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm: *The Lord is kind and merciful, slow to anger, and rich in compassion.*

A Reading from St. Paul's Letter to the Romans:

ROM 14:7-9

Brothers and sisters: None of us lives for oneself, and no one dies for oneself. For if we live, we live for the Lord, and if we die, we die for the Lord; so then, whether we live or die, we are the

Lord's. For this is why Christ died and came to life, that he might be Lord of both the dead and the living. The Word of the Lord.

Response: Thanks be to God.

Celebrant/Deacon: Alleluia, alleluia. I give you a new commandment, says the Lord: love one another as I have loved you.

Response: Alleluia, alleluia.

Celebrant/Deacon: A Reading from the Holy Gospel according to Matthew: **MT 18:21-35**

Response: + Glory to You, Lord Jesus Christ.

Peter approached Jesus and asked him, "Lord, if my brother sins against me, how often must I forgive? As many as seven times?" Jesus answered, "I say to you, not seven times but seventy-seven times. That is why the kingdom of heaven may be likened to a king who decided to settle accounts with his servants. When he began the accounting, a debtor was brought before him who owed him a huge amount. Since he had no way of paying it back, his master ordered him to be sold, along with his wife, his children, and all his property, in payment of the debt. At that, the servant fell down, did him homage, and said, 'Be patient with me, and I will pay you back in full.' Moved with compassion the master of that servant let him go and forgave him the loan. When that servant had left, he found one of his fellow servants who owed him a much smaller amount. He seized him and started to choke him, demanding, 'Pay back what you owe.' Falling to his knees, his fellow servant begged him, 'Be patient with me, and I will pay you back.' But he refused. Instead, he had the fellow servant put in prison until he paid back the debt. Now when his fellow servants saw what had happened, they were deeply disturbed, and went to their master and reported the whole affair. His master summoned him and said to him, 'You wicked servant! I forgave you your entire debt because you begged me to. Should you not have had pity on your fellow servant, as I had pity on you?' Then in anger his master handed him over to the torturers until he should pay back the whole debt. So will my heavenly Father do to you, unless each of you forgives your brother from your heart." The Word of the Lord.

Homily:

The Creed: (see supplemental page)

Prayers of the Faithful:

Response: Lord hear our prayer

Celebrant: closes the prayers

The Liturgy of the Eucharist

Offertory Hymn: *In Christ Alone*

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

Response: 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.

Celebrant: Prayer over the Offerings.

Response: Amen.

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

Response: And with your spirit.

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

Response: We lift them up to the Lord.

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

Response: It is right and just.

Celebrant: Eucharistic Prayer 1 and words of Consecration.

The Mystery of Faith:

Celebrant: At the Savior's command and formed by divine teaching, we dare to say:

All ~ Our Father...

Celebrant: Deliver us, Lord, we pray, from every evil, graciously grant peace in our days, that, by the help of your mercy, we may be always free from sin and safe from all distress, as we await the blessed hope and the coming of our Savior, Jesus Christ.

Response: For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours now and forever.

Celebrant: Lord Jesus Christ, who said to your Apostles: 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.

Response: Amen.

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

Response: And with your spirit.

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

Celebrant: reads the prayer for Spiritual Communion - (see supplemental page)

Communion Hymn: *Parable*

Celebrant: Prayer after Communion

The Concluding Rites:

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

Response: And with your spirit.

Response: Amen.

Celebrant: Final Blessing

(**Bishop Mark:** Blessed be the name of the Lord.

Response: Now and forever.

Bishop Mark: Our help is in the name of the Lord.

Response: Who made heaven and earth.)

Response: Amen.

Celebrant/Deacon: Go in peace, alleluia, alleluia.

Response: Thanks be to God, alleluia, alleluia.

Celebrant: Prayer to Saint Michael (see supplemental page)

Concluding Hymn: *Seek Ye First*