

# THE FEAST OF ST. MARY



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# H O L Y E U C H A R I S T

## R I T E I I A C C O R D I N G T O T H E B O O K O F C O M M O N P R A Y E R

{WELCOMING PRAYER}

**H**OLY SPIRIT living within us, guide our hearts and minds as we welcome today all those who worship *with* St. Mary's. Give us discerning hearts so that everyone who crosses our threshold feels welcomed in the spirit of your love. Help us to recognize each person as an individual sent by you who will enrich our lives. And most of all, O God, let this be a *community* of love and acceptance for all your children; in the name of your Son, our Savior, Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

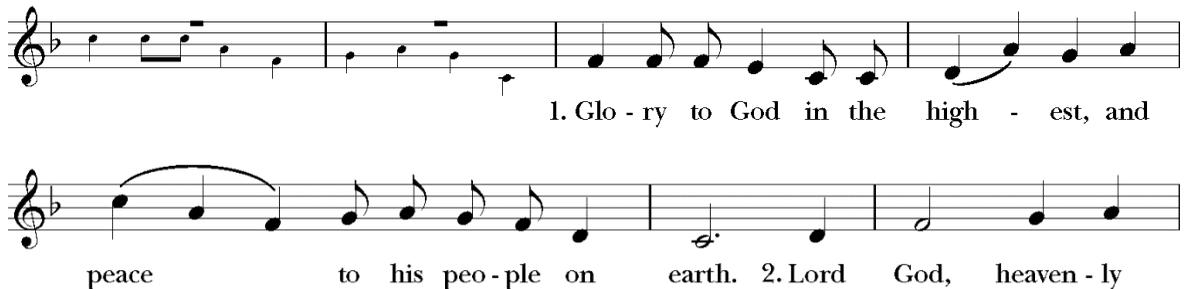
## T H E L I T U R G Y O F T H E W O R D O F G O D

{OPENING ACCLAMATION & COLLECT FOR PURITY}

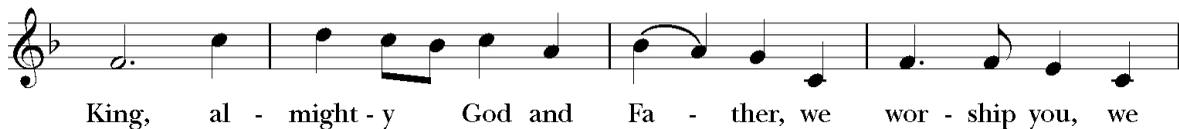
*Celebrant* Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.  
*People* **And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

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

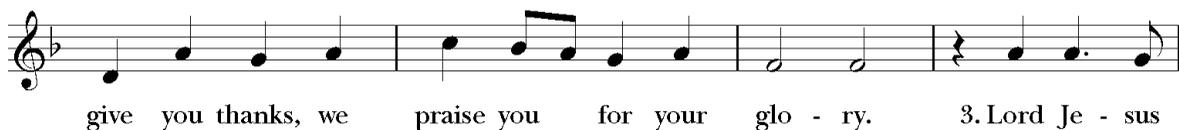
{GLORIA IN EXCELSIS}



1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and  
peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly



King, al - might - y God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we



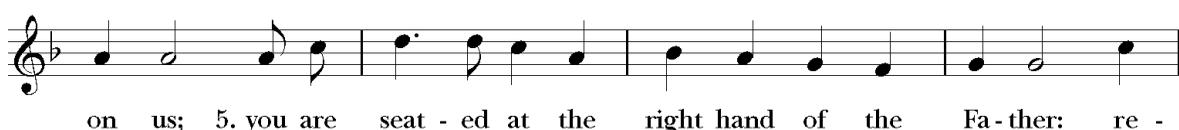
give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus



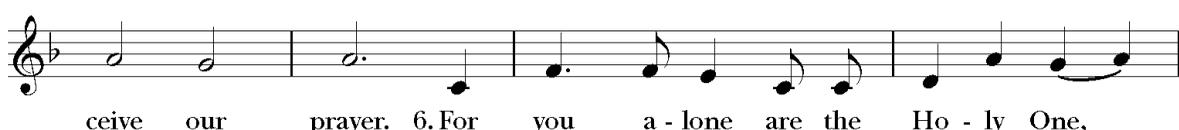
Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you



take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy



on us; 5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re -



ceive our prayer. 6. For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One,



you a - lone are the Lord, 7. you a - lone are the Most



High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spi - rit, in the



The Word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

THE PSALM: PSALM 34: 1-9

*Antiphon:* Taste and see that the Lord is good; \*  
**happy are they that trust in God!**

I will bless the Lord at all times; \*  
**his praise shall ever be in my mouth.**

I will glory in the Lord; \*  
**let the humble hear and rejoice.**

Proclaim with me the greatness of the Lord; \*  
**let us exalt his Name together.**

I sought the Lord, and he answered me \*  
**and delivered me out of all my terror.**

Look upon him and be radiant, \*  
**and let not your faces be ashamed.**

I called in my affliction and the Lord heard me \*  
**and saved me from all my troubles.**

The angel of the Lord encompasses those who fear him, \*  
**and he will deliver them.**

Taste and see that the Lord is good; \*  
**happy are they who trust in him!**

Fear the Lord, you that are his saints, \*  
**for those who fear him lack nothing.**

THE SECOND LESSON: HEBREWS 11:29- 12:2

A Reading from Hebrews:

**B**Y FAITH the people passed through the Red Sea as if it were dry land, but when the Egyptians attempted to do so they were drowned. By faith the walls of Jericho fell after they had been encircled for seven days. By faith Rahab the prostitute did not perish with those who were disobedient, because she had received the spies in peace.

And what more should I say? For time would fail me to tell of Gideon, Barak, Samson, Jephthah, of David and Samuel and the prophets-- who through faith conquered kingdoms, administered justice, obtained promises, shut the mouths of lions, quenched

raging fire, escaped the edge of the sword, won strength out of weakness, became mighty in war, put foreign armies to flight. Women received their dead by resurrection. Others were tortured, refusing to accept release, in order to obtain a better resurrection. Others suffered mocking and flogging, and even chains and imprisonment. They were stoned to death, they were sawn in two, they were killed by the sword; they went about in skins of sheep and goats, destitute, persecuted, tormented-- of whom the world was not worthy. They wandered in deserts and mountains, and in caves and holes in the ground.

Yet all these, though they were commended for their faith, did not receive what was promised, since God had provided something better so that they would not, apart from us, be made perfect.

Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight and the sin that clings so closely, and let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus the pioneer and perfecter of our faith, who for the sake of the joy that was set before him endured the cross, disregarding its shame, and has taken his seat at the right hand of the throne of God.

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

#### THE GOSPEL: LUKE 1:46-55

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St. Luke

**Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Mary said,

"My soul magnifies the Lord, and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior,  
for he has looked with favor on the lowliness of his servant.  
Surely, from now on all generations will call me blessed;  
for the Mighty One has done great things for me, and holy is his name.  
His mercy is for those who fear him from generation to generation.  
He has shown strength with his arm;  
he has scattered the proud in the thoughts of their hearts.  
He has brought down the powerful from their thrones, and lifted up the lowly;  
he has filled the hungry with good things, and sent the rich away empty.  
He has helped his servant Israel, in remembrance of his mercy,  
according to the promise he made to our ancestors,  
to Abraham and to his descendants forever."

The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

{THE SERMON}

{THE NICENE CREED}

**W**E BELIEVE in one God,  
the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all that is, seen and unseen.

**W**E 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.

**W**E 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 worshiped and glorified,  
Who 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.

{PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE}

In peace, let us pray to Jesus our Lord, raised in power so that he might intercede for us  
at the very Throne of Grace.

**L**ORD OF THE CHURCH, empower by your Spirit all your holy people, especially the  
people of St. Mary's, who in our life and witness strive to live according to the high  
calling with which you called us in Holy Baptism. Strengthen for your service

+Bonnie, our Bishop, and Andy+, our priest, and give to us all, grace to proclaim the Good News joyfully in word and deed.

Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

**S**HEPHERD AND GUARDIAN OF OUR SOULS, guide and enable all who lead and serve our common life, and those on whom we depend for our daily needs. Bring your peace in the world and make us instruments of your peace. Watch over all those who keep watch for us in the armed services, especially **Kevin** Tye, **Josh** Tindall, **Craig** Froehlich, **Justin** Briggs, **Josom** Alomran, **Jason** Kelly, **James** Monaghan, **Scott, Blake** Abel, **Joshua, Jerry** Holley, **Corbin, Nick** McKenna, **Sean** Kellogg, **Brandon** Jamison, **Patrick** Kline, **Anna** Whetstone, **Kyle** Sholos, **Marcus** Powell, **LeeAnn** Beckman, **Ruth Ann** Powell, and **Phillip** Halliburton. Grant that we may seek the peace and welfare of this place and of the world.

Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

**S**AVIOR OF THE WORLD, be present in all places of suffering, violence, and pain. Stretch out your hand to bring comfort, wholeness, and peace to **Linda & Al** Nielsen, **Brian and the Kelly Family, Janet** Spears, **Marlyn** Stroud, **Hannah and Tyler, Todd** Rachel, **Bobbi** Patton, **Dorothea** Kenyon, **Wendy** Mikula, **the Probert Family, Karen** Schreiber, **the Freeman Family, Mark** Udell, **the Neal Family, Stephanie and Henry, Don** Foran, **Michael** Hurst, **Danny** DiNardo, **Derek** Kolp, **Brittany, the Schein Family, Ron** Lunney, **Megan, Sara** DelCampo, **Andrea, Wil, and Eleanor, Jannie, the Shaull family** and all who suffer in body, mind, or spirit, and all those we now name \_\_\_\_\_ (*please add your own names silently or aloud*). Fill us with compassion, that we may be channels of your healing love.

Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

**C**ONQUEROR OF DEATH, remember for good those whom we love but see no longer, especially **Helen** Schmitz, **Ken** Shaull, and those we now name \_\_\_\_\_ (*please add your own names silently or aloud*). Keep them, we pray, in your everlasting memory, with all those whose lives and names are for ever hidden in you.

Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Let us commend ourselves, and all for whom we pray to the mercy and protection of God.

*A moment of silence will be held for you to offer your own prayers and intentions.  
The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.*

{CONFESSION OF SIN}

*Celebrant* Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*All*  
**Most merciful God,  
we confess that we have sinned against you  
in thought, word, and deed,  
by what we have done,  
and by what we have left undone.  
We have not loved you with our whole heart;  
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.  
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.  
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,  
have mercy on us and forgive us;  
that we may delight in your will  
and walk in your ways,  
to the glory of your Name. Amen.**

*Celebrant* Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord, Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit, keep you in eternal life.

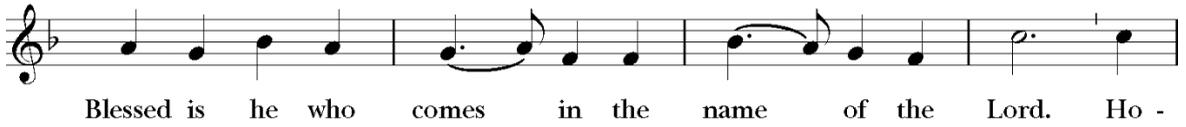
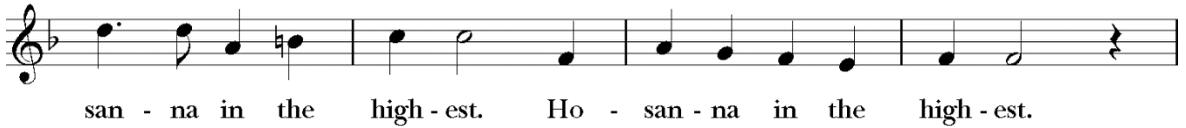
*People* **Amen.**

{THE PEACE}

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

*People* **And also with you.**





**W**E GIVE THANKS TO YOU, O GOD, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

**We remember his death,  
We proclaim his resurrection,  
We await his coming in glory;**

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son



{COMMUNION}

*During Communion all are welcome to come forward. If you have a gluten intolerance, gluten-free hosts are available. If you would prefer a blessing instead of receiving the Sacrament, please cross your arms over your chest and the priest will gladly bless you.*

*We are now able to offer the Eucharistic wine from a common chalice, but we will continue to offer individual cups also for those who would prefer to receive the Eucharistic wine in that way. You may also choose to refrain from the Blood of Christ, resting assured that the grace of the Eucharistic Feast is fully present if one kind only is received.*

{PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION}

*Book of Common Prayer, p. 365*

**E**TERNAL GOD, heavenly Father,  
you have graciously accepted us as living members  
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ,  
and you have fed us with spiritual food  
in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood.  
Send us now into the world in peace,  
and grant us strength and courage  
to love and serve you  
with gladness and singleness of heart;  
through Christ our Lord. Amen.

{BLESSING}

{ANNOUNCEMENTS}

{THE DISMISSAL}

*The Dismissal will be given, and the people respond*

**Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia!**

## *St. Mary's In The Hills.*

*inspired by the Word and nurtured by the sacraments,  
promotes an active and community-conscious congregation  
supporting the mission and ministry of  
Jesus Christ.*



*Here at St. Mary's we believe we are blessed and strengthened by God's diverse creation of age, race, gender, gender identity, sexual orientation, ability, nationality, and spoken language. We welcome all who seek to follow Christ into the full life and service of the Church.*