

# SEASON AFTER EPIPHANY



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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.**

{PROCESSIONAL HYMN}

## 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



glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

{COLLECT OF THE DAY}

*Celebrant*        The Lord be with you.  
*People*            **And also with you.**  
*Celebrant*        Let us pray.

**A**LMIGHTY GOD, whose Son our Savior Jesus Christ is the light of the world: Grant that your people, illumined by your Word and Sacraments, may shine with the radiance of Christ's glory, that he may be known, worshipped, and obeyed to the ends of the earth; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

{THE LESSONS}

THE FIRST LESSON: ISAIAH 49:1-7

**L**ISTEN TO ME, O coastlands, pay attention, you peoples from far away! The Lord called me before I was born, while I was in my mother's womb he named me. He made my mouth like a sharp sword, in the shadow of his hand he hid me; he made me a polished arrow, in his quiver he hid me away. And he said to me, "You are my servant, Israel, in whom I will be glorified." But I said, "I have labored in vain, I have spent my strength for nothing and vanity; yet surely my cause is with the Lord, and my reward with my God." And now the Lord says, who formed me in the womb to be his servant, to bring Jacob back to him, and that Israel might be gathered to him, for I am honored in the sight of the Lord, and my God has become my strength--he says, "It is too light a thing that you should be my servant to raise up the tribes of Jacob and to restore the survivors of Israel; I will give you as a light to the nations, that my salvation may reach to the end of the earth."

Thus says the Lord, the Redeemer of Israel and his Holy One, to one deeply despised, abhorred by the nations, the slave of rulers, "Kings shall see and stand up, princes, and they shall prostrate themselves, because of the Lord, who is faithful, the Holy One of Israel, who has chosen you."

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

THE PSALM: PSALM 40:1-12

*Antiphon:* I waited patiently upon the Lord: \*  
**God bent down and heard my cry.**

I waited patiently upon the Lord; \*  
**he stooped to me and heard my cry.**

He lifted me out of the desolate pit, out of the mire and clay; \*  
**he set my feet upon a high cliff and made my footing sure.**

He put a new song in my mouth, a song of praise to our God; \*  
**many shall see, and stand in awe,**

and put their trust in the Lord. Happy are they who trust in the Lord! \*  
**they do not resort to evil spirits or turn to false gods.**

Great things are they that you have done, O Lord my God!  
how great your wonders and your plans for us! \*  
**there is none who can be compared with you.**

Oh, that I could make them known and tell them! \*  
**but they are more than I can count.**

In sacrifice and offering you take no pleasure \*  
**(you have given me ears to hear you);**

Burnt-offering and sin-offering you have not required, \*  
**and so I said, "Behold, I come.**

In the roll of the book it is written concerning me: \*  
**'I love to do your will, O my God; your law is deep in my heart.'**

I proclaimed righteousness in the great congregation; \*  
**behold, I did not restrain my lips; and that, O Lord, you know.**

Your righteousness have I not hidden in my heart;  
I have spoken of your faithfulness and your deliverance; \*  
**I have not concealed your love and faithfulness from the great congregation.**

You are the Lord; do not withhold your compassion from me; \*  
**let your love and your faithfulness keep me safe for ever**

## THE SECOND LESSON: I CORINTHIANS 1:1-9

**P**AUL, called to be an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and our brother Sosthenes. To the church of God that is in Corinth, to those who are sanctified in Christ Jesus, called to be saints, together with all those who in every place call on the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, both their Lord and ours: Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that has been given you in Christ Jesus, for in every way you have been enriched in him, in speech and knowledge of every kind-- just as the testimony of Christ has been strengthened among you-- so that you are not lacking in any spiritual gift as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ. He will also strengthen you to the end, so that you may be blameless on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. God is faithful; by him you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

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

{SEQUENCE HYMN}

THE GOSPEL: JOHN 1:29-42

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St. John  
**Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

**J**OHAN SAW JESUS coming toward him and declared, "Here is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world! This is he of whom I said, 'After me comes a man who ranks ahead of me because he was before me.' I myself did not know him; but I came baptizing with water for this reason, that he might be revealed to Israel." And John testified, "I saw the Spirit descending from heaven like a dove, and it remained on him. I myself did not know him, but the one who sent me to baptize with water said to me, 'He on whom you see the Spirit descend and remain is the one who baptizes with the Holy Spirit.' And I myself have seen and have testified that this is the Son of God."

The next day John again was standing with two of his disciples, and as he watched Jesus walk by, he exclaimed, "Look, here is the Lamb of God!" The two disciples heard him say this, and they followed Jesus. When Jesus turned and saw them following, he said to them, "What are you looking for?" They said to him, "Rabbi" (which translated means Teacher), "where are you staying?" He said to them, "Come and see." They came and saw where he was staying, and they remained with him that day. It was about four o'clock in the afternoon. One of the two who heard John speak and followed him was Andrew, Simon Peter's brother. He first found his brother Simon and said to him, "We have found the Messiah" (which is translated Anointed). He brought Simon to Jesus, who looked at him and said, "You are Simon son of John. You are to be called Cephas" (which is translated Peter).

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}

As we stand or kneel in awe of the holy mystery of God made manifest in Christ, let us offer our prayers to God.

**G**RANT, ALMIGHTY GOD, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth,  
live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world.  
Lord, in your mercy                   **Hear our prayer.**

**G**UIDE THE PEOPLE OF THIS LAND, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and  
peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good.  
Lord, in your mercy                   **Hear our prayer.**

**O**PEN WIDE OUR HEARTS AND HANDS for the welfare of all your beloved creation, that  
we may learn to walk gently on this good earth, as you walked gently among us.  
Lord, in your mercy                   **Hear our prayer.**

**B**LESS ALL WHOSE LIVES are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us.

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

**P**RESERVE AND DEFEND all the men and women of our armed forces at home and abroad, 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, and **Ruth Ann** Powell.

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

**C**OMFORT AND HEAL all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit, especially **Linda & Al** Nielsen, **Brian and the Kelly Family**, **Janet** Spears, **Marlyn** Stroud, **Todd** Rachel, **Dorothea** Kenyon, **Wendy** Mikula, **Mark** Udell, **Ron** Lunney, **Sara** DelCampo, **Jack** Harrington, **Joe and Victoria** Shively, **Steve** Kasimatis, **Mike** Arizo, **the Hart and McKenna family**, **Viki** Toll, **Charles** Lemont, **Judy** White, **Larry** Hemingway, **Daniel and River** Arthaud, **Tyler**, **Lynn** Mosser, **Diane** Mash, **Christina** Hart, and those we now name \_\_\_\_\_ (please add your own names silently or aloud).

Draw near to the broken-hearted, Lord; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation.

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

**W**E COMMEND TO YOUR MERCY all who have died, especially **Gloria** Hemingway, **Stephen** Dockendorff, **Molly** Dockendorff, **Jack** Cook, **Jim** Guffey, and those we now name \_\_\_\_\_ (please add your own names, silently or aloud): May your will for them be fulfilled, and may we share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom.

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

*Silence. Please add your own intentions and petitions, silently or aloud.*

*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.

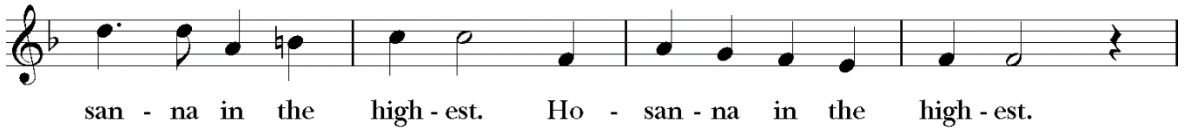
*People* **Amen.**

{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 in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit.

In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with the Blessed Virgin Mary and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your beloved children; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever.

*Celebrant* *People*

A-men.

The musical notation shows a single staff with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat. The melody for 'A-men.' is written in a simple, rhythmic style. The 'A' is a quarter note, 'm' is a quarter note, 'e' is a quarter note, 'n' is a quarter note, and 'n.' is a quarter note. There are slurs under the 'e' and 'n' notes.

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say

**O UR FATHER, who art in heaven,  
 hallowed be thy Name,  
 thy kingdom come,  
 thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.  
 Give us this day our daily bread.  
 And forgive us our trespasses,  
 as we forgive those who trespass against us.  
 And lead us not into temptation,  
 but deliver us from evil.  
 For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,  
 for ever and ever. Amen.**

{THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD}

*Celebrant*

Al - le - lu - ia. Christ our Pass - o - ver is sac - ri - ficed for us;

The musical notation shows a single staff with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat. The melody for 'Al - le - lu - ia. Christ our Pass - o - ver is sac - ri - ficed for us;' is written in a simple, rhythmic style. The notes are mostly quarter notes, with some eighth notes. There are slurs under the 'le - lu - ia' and 'sac - ri - ficed' phrases.

*People*

There-fore let us keep the feast. Al - le - lu - ia.

The musical notation shows a single staff with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat. The melody for 'There-fore let us keep the feast. Al - le - lu - ia.' is written in a simple, rhythmic style. The notes are mostly quarter notes, with some eighth notes. There are slurs under the 'Al - le - lu - ia' phrase.

*Celebrant*  
 The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

{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 AND ANNOUNCEMENTS}

{RECESSIONAL HYMN}

{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.*