# THE KALENDAR

# S. Stephen's Church in Providence

#### THE NINTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

**7 AUGUST 2022** 

SUNG MASS 10 AM

Missa de Sancta Maria Magdalena Healey Willan (1880–1968)

NOTE: Hymns can be found in the blue hymnals in front of you in the pew rack.

#### THE OPENING RITE

**VOLUNTARY** – There is a Happy Land

arr. George Shearing (1919-2011)

**HYMN 390** – "Praise to the Lord, the almighty"

Lobe den Herren

#### **INTROIT** – Respice, Domine (please remain standing)

Tone VII

Look, O Lord, graciously upon thy covenant, and forsake not the congregation of the poor forever: arise, O Lord, maintain thine own cause; and be not unmindful of the voices of them that seek thee. *Ps.* O God, wherefore art thou absent from us so long: why is thy wrath so hot against the sheep of thy pasture? Glory be... Look, O Lord, graciously...

#### **OPENING ACCLAMATION**

*Celebrant* ▶ Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

#### **COLLECT FOR PURITY**

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

#### **SUMMARY OF THE LAW**

Hear what our Lord Jesus Christ saith: Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like unto it: Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself. On these two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets.

#### **KYRIE ELEISON**



#### **GLORIA IN EXCELSIS**





#### **COLLECT OF THE DAY**

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And with thy spirit.

Celebrant Let us pray.

Grant to us, Lord, we beseech thee, the spirit to think and do always such things as are right, that we, who cannot exist without thee, may by thee be enabled to live according to thy will; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.** 

#### THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

## FIRST READING – Genesis 15:1-6 (Please be seated)

The word of the Lord came to Abram in a vision, "Fear not, Abram, I am your shield; your reward shall be very great." But Abram said, "O Lord God, what wilt thou give me, for I continue childless, and the heir of my house is Elie'zer of Damascus?" And Abram said, "Behold, thou hast given me no offspring; and a slave born in my house will be my heir." And behold, the word of the Lord came to him, "This man shall not be your heir; your own son shall be your heir." And he brought him outside and said, "Look toward heaven, and number the stars, if you are able to number them." Then he said to him, "So shall your descendants be." And he believed the Lord; and he reckoned it to him as righteousness.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Tone V

Blessed is the people whose God is the Lord: and blessed are the folk that he hath chosen to him to be his inheritance. V. By the Word of the Lord were the heavens made: and all the hosts of them by the breath of his mouth.

#### **EPISTLE READING –** *Hebrews 11:3,8-16*

By faith we understand that the world was created by the word of God, so that what is seen was made out of things which do not appear.

By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called to go out to a place which he was to receive as an inheritance; and he went out, not knowing where he was to go. By faith he sojourned in the land of promise, as in a foreign land, living in tents with Isaac and Jacob, heirs with him of the same promise. For he looked forward to the city which has foundations, whose builder and maker is God. By faith Sarah herself received power to conceive, even when she was past the age, since she considered him faithful who had promised. Therefore from one man, and him as good as dead, were born descendants as many as the stars of heaven and as the innumerable grains of sand by the seashore. These all died in faith, not having received what was promised, but having seen it and greeted it from afar, and having acknowledged that they were strangers and exiles on the earth. For people who speak thus make it clear that they are seeking a homeland. If they had been thinking of that land from which they had gone out, they would have had opportunity to return. But as it is, they desire a better country, that is, a heavenly one. Therefore God is not ashamed to be called their God, for he has prepared for them a city.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

## ALLELUIA – Eripe me (Please stand)

Tone VI



V. Lord, thou hast been our refuge: from one generation to another. Alleluia.

#### THE HOLY GOSPEL – Luke 12: 32-40

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And with thy spirit.

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

People Glory be to thee, O Lord.

Jesus said to his disciples, "Fear not, little flock, for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom. Sell your possessions, and give alms; provide yourselves with purses that do not grow old, with a treasure in the heavens that does not fail, where no thief approaches and no moth destroys. For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also.

"Let your loins be girded and your lamps burning, and be like men who are waiting for their master to come home from the marriage feast, so that they may open to him at once when he comes and knocks. Blessed are those servants whom the master finds awake when he comes; truly, I say to you, he will gird himself and have them sit at table, and he will come and serve them. If he comes in the second watch, or in the third, and finds them so, blessed are those servants! But know this, that if the householder had known at what hour the thief was coming, he would not have left his house to be broken into. You also must be ready; for the Son of man is coming at an unexpected hour."

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise be to thee, O Christ.

**SERMON** Fr. Bill Locke

## THE NICENE CREED (please stand)

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible;

And in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the only-begotten Son of God,
begotten of his Father before all worlds,
God of God, Light of Light,
very God of very God,
begotten, not made,
being of one substance with the Father;
by whom all things were made;
who for us men and for our salvation
came down from heaven,
and was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary,
and was made man;
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate;

| (Genuflect | or bow)

and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate; he suffered and was buried; and the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures, and ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of the Father; and he shall come again, with glory, to judge both the quick and the dead; whose kingdom shall have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Ghost the Lord, and Giver of Life, who proceedeth from the Father and the Son; who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified; who spake by the Prophets.

And I believe one holy Catholic and Apostolic Church; I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins; and I look for the resurrection of the dead,

\*\*And The life of the world to come. Amen.

## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE – FORM VI (Please remain standing)

In peace, we pray to thee, Lord God.

Silence

For all people in their daily life and work;

For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.

For this community, the nation, and the world;

For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.

For the just and proper use of thy creation;

For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.

For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;

For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.

For the peace and unity of the Church of God;

For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.

For Justin, Archbishop of Canterbury, Michael, our Presiding Bishop, and Nicholas, our Bishop; and for all bishops and other ministers;

For all who serve God in his Church.

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation, remembering especially those who have commended themselves to our prayers.

#### Silence

Hear us, Lord;

For thy mercy is great.

We thank thee, O Lord, for all the blessings of this life.

#### Silence

We will exalt thee, O God our King;

And praise thy Name for ever and ever.

We pray for ♥ all who have died, that they may have a place in thine eternal kingdom.

#### Silence

Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;

Who put their trust in thee.

We pray to thee also for the forgiveness of our sins.

Please kneel as you are able. Silence is kept.

Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; in thy compassion forgive us our sins,

known and unknown, things done and left undone; and so uphold us by thy Spirit that we may live and serve thee in newness of life, to the honor and glory of thy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

#### **ABSOLUTION**

The Priest stands and says

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all those who with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto him, have mercy upon you, ₱ pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

#### THE PEACE

Celebrant The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And with thy spirit.

The people are seated at the invitation of the Celebrant.

Announcements may be made.

#### THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

#### **OFFERTORY ANTIPHON** – In te speravi

Tone II

My hope hath been in thee, O Lord: I have said, Thou art my God, my time is in thy hand.

Please stand for the hymn as the altar is prepared and the gifts and people are censed.

HYMN 377 - "All people that on earth do dwell"

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## **ORATE, FRATRES**

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

People May the Lord receive this sacrifice at thy hands, to the praise and glory of his Name, both to our benefit and that of all his holy Church.

#### **SURSUM CORDA & PREFACE**

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And with thy spirit.

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them up unto the Lord.

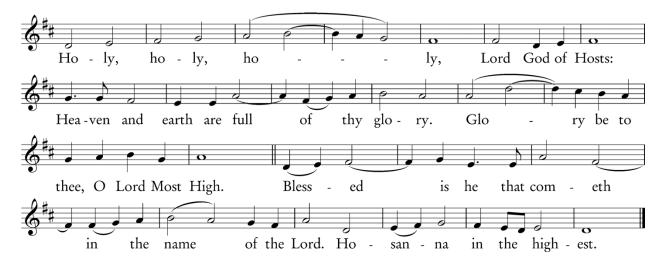
Celebrant Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

People It is meet and right so to do.

It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God. Creator of the light and source of life, who hast made us in thine image, and called us to new life in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying,

#### SANCTUS ET BENEDICTUS



## EUCHARISTIC PRAYER II (Please kneel if you are able to do so)

All glory be to thee, O Lord our God, for that thou didst create heaven and earth, and didst make us in thine own image; and, of thy tender mercy, didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to take our nature upon him, and to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption. He made there a full and perfect sacrifice for the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death and sacrifice, until his coming again.

For in the night in which he was betrayed, he took bread; and when he had given thanks to thee, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat,

THIS IS MY BODY,
WHICH IS GIVEN FOR YOU.
Do this in remembrance of me."

Likewise, after supper, he took the cup; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink this, all of you;

FOR THIS IS MY BLOOD OF THE NEW COVENANT WHICH IS SHED FOR YOU, AND FOR MANY, FOR THE REMISSION OF SINS. Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me."

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Wherefore, O Lord and heavenly Father, we thy people do celebrate and make, with these thy holy gifts which we now offer unto thee, the memorial thy Son hath commanded us to make; having in remembrance his blessed passion and precious death, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; and looking for his coming again with power and great glory.

And we most humbly beseech thee, O merciful Father, to hear us, and, with thy Word and Holy Spirit, to bless and sanctify these gifts of bread and wine, that they may be unto us the Body and Blood of thy dearly-beloved Son Jesus Christ.

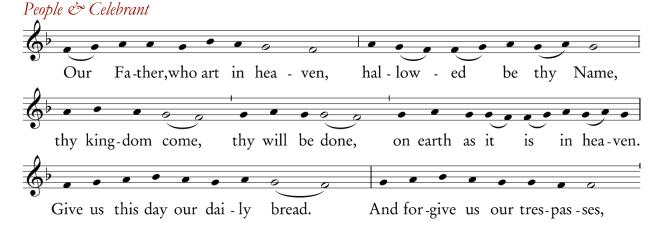
And we earnestly desire thy fatherly goodness to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, whereby we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, our selves, our souls and bodies. Grant, we beseech thee, that all who partake of this Holy Communion may worthily receive the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son Jesus Christ, and be filled with thy \$\mathbb{H}\$ grace and heavenly benediction; and also that we and all thy whole Church may be made one body with him, that he may dwell in us, and we in him; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord;

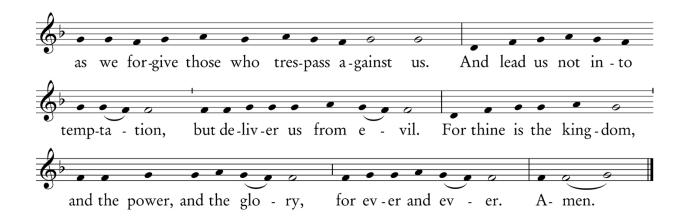
▶ By whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost all honor and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end. **AMEN**.

#### THE LORD'S PRAYER

The Hymnal, S 119

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





#### THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD - CHRIST OUR PASSOVER

Celebrant Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us:

*People* Therefore let us keep the feast

#### **AGNUS DEI**



#### THE INVITATION – ECCE AGNUS DEI

*Celebrant* ▶ Behold the Lamb of God; behold him that taketh away the sins of the world.

People Lord, I am not worthy that thou shouldest come under my roof: but speak the word only, and my soul shall be healed.

Blessed is that servant whom his Lord shall find watching: verily I say unto you, that he shall make him ruler over all his goods.

#### THE ADMINISTRATION OF HOLY COMMUNION

Please come forward to the altar rail and then return to your pew via the passageway on the right. If you are unable to come forward, communion can be brought to you in your pew. All baptized Christians are welcome to receive the Eucharist at the Lord's Table. Gluten-free wafers are available. If you are not receiving, you are invited to come forward for a blessing (indicated by crossing your arms over your chest). If you have not been baptized and find yourself drawn to Jesus Christ and life in him, please let one of our clergy know. We would be honored to have a conversation with you about baptism or answer any other questions. Baptism and life in the Body of Christ is open to all.

**HYMN 686 –** "Come, thou fount of every blessing"

Nettleton

#### THE CLOSING RITE

Please kneel if you are able.

#### **POST-COMMUNION PRAYER**

Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.

Please remain kneeling.

#### **BLESSING**

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And with thy spirit.

The peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, \* the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be amongst you, and remain with you always. **Amen.** 

#### **DISMISSAL** (Please stand)

Celebrant Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

**HYMN 542** – "Christ is the world's true light"

St. Joan

**VOLUNTARY –** *Toccata on "Lobe den Herren"* Hans Friedrich Micheelson (1902-1973)

We are very thankful to have as our organist this morning Mr. Richard Spicer. He will be with us again on August  $28^{th}$ .

Please join us for coffee and refreshments after Mass!

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