

SAINT STEPHEN'S CHURCH

PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND



THE SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

MAY PROCESSION OF OUR LADY

ELCOME TO SAINT STEPHEN'S – If you are new or visiting today, please know that we are so glad that you are here, and that you are welcome in this community of faith. S. Stephen's is an Episcopal parish in the Diocese of Rhode Island and is part of the worldwide Anglican Communion. Located in the midst of Brown University, it serves the communities of Providence and beyond. S. Stephen's has stood within the Anglo-Catholic tradition since its founding, and so the Mass or the Eucharist is at the center of our common life, with ancient and timeless ceremonial used to draw attention to the Living God in our very midst. We strive to be a diverse community and come from many various backgrounds, while united in One Body through our Lord Jesus Christ.

Fr. Beijann +

Fr. Benjamin Straley, Rector

MUSIC BEFORE THE SERVICE

ORDER OF SERVICE

Mass Settings: Messe Basse by Gabriel Fauré (1845–1924) & Petite Messe Pastorale [Gloria] by Henri Sauguet (1901–1989).

¶ Please stand when the bell is rung.

AT THE PROCESSION OF OUR LADY

 $\mathbf{\tilde{V}}$. Let us go forth in peace.

R/ In the Name of Christ. Amen.

I Members of the congregation are asked to follow immediately after the Sacred Ministers as they process down the center aisle and outside. The choir will process last. Those unable to process outside are invited to remain in their pews.



YEWHO OWN THE FAITH OF JESUS Sing the wonders that were done, When the love of God the Father O'er our sin the victory won, When he made the Virgin Mary Mother of his only Son. *Hail Mary, hail Mary, Hail Mary, full of grace.*

2. Blessèd were the chosen people Out of whom the Lord did come, Blessèd was the land of promise Fashioned for his earthly home; But more blessèd far the Mother She who bare him in her womb. *Hail Mary, hail Mary, Hail Mary, full of grace.*



3. Wherefore let all faithful people
Tell the honor of her name,
Let the Church in her foreshadowed
Part in her thanksgiving claim;
What Christ's Mother sang in gladness
Let Christ's people sing the same.
Hail Mary, hail Mary,
Hail Mary, full of grace.

4. Let us weave our supplications,
She with us and we with her,
For the advancement of the faithful,
For each faithful worshipper,
For the doubting, for the sinful,
For each heedless wanderer.
Hail Mary, hail Mary,
Hail Mary, full of grace.

5. May the Mother's intercessions On our homes a blessing win, That the children all be prospered, Strong and fair and pure within, Following our Lord's own footsteps, Firm in faith and free from sin. *Hail Mary, hail Mary, Hail Mary, full of grace.*

6. For the sick and for the agéd,
For our dear ones far away,
For the hearts that mourn in secret,
All who need our prayers today,
For the faithful gone before us,
May the holy Virgin pray.
Hail Mary, hail Mary,
Hail Mary, full of grace.

7. Praise, O Mary, praise the Father,
Praise thy Savior and thy Son,
Praise the everlasting Spirit,
Who hath made thee ark and throne;
O'er all creatures high exalted,
Lowly praise the Three in One.
Hail Mary, hail Mary,
Hail Mary, full of grace.



MMACULATE MARY! Our hearts are on fire, That title so wondrous Fills all our desire. Ave, ave, ave Maria! Ave, ave, ave Maria!

2. In heaven the blessédThy glory proclaim,On earth we thy childrenInvoke thy sweet name. Ave &c.

3. We pray for our Mother the Church upon earth, and bless, sweetest Lady, the land of our birth. *Ave &c.*

4. For poor, sick, afflicted,Thy mercy we crave;And comfort the dying,Thou light of the grave. Ave &c.

5. There is no need Mary, Nor ever has been, Which thou canst not succour, Immaculate Queen. *Ave &c*. 6. In grief and temptation,In joy or in pain,We'll ask thee, our Mother,Nor seek thee in vain. Ave &c.

7. O bless us, dear Lady, With blessings from heaven. And to our petitions Let answer be given. *Ave &c.*

8. In death's solemn moment, Our Mother, be nigh; As children of Mary – O teach us to die. *Ave &c.*

9. And crown thy sweet mercy With this special grace, To behold soon in heaven God's ravishing face. *Ave &c.*

10. To God be all glory And worship for aye, And to God's Virgin Mother An endless Ave. *Ave &c*.



AIL, HOLY QUEEN, enthroned above, O Maria! Hail, Mother of Mercy and of Love! O Maria! Triumph, all ye Cherubim, Sing with us, ye Seraphim, Heav'n and earth resound the hymn: Salve, salve, salve Regina!

2. Our life, our sweetness here below, O Maria! Our hope in sorrow and in woe, O Maria! *Triumph, all ye Cherubim ...*

3. To thee we cry, poor sons of Eve, O Maria! To thee we sigh, we mourn, we grieve. O Maria! *Triumph, all ye Cherubim ...*

4. Turn then, most gracious Advocate, O Maria! T'ward us thine eyes compassionate, O Maria! *Triumph, all ye Cherubim ...*

5. When this our exile is complete, O Maria! Show us thy Son, our Jesus sweet, O Maria! *Triumph, all ye Cherubim ...*

INTROIT Vocem jucunditatis

With a voice of singing declare ye this, and let it be heard, alleluia: utter it even unto the ends of the earth; the Lord hath delivered his people, alleluia, alleluia. *Ps.* O be joyful in God, all ye lands: sing praises unto the honour of his Name; make his praise to be glorious. Glory be &c. With a voice of singing &c.

KYRIE ELEISON *¶* Sung by the choir.

Vrie eleison.	Lord, have mercy upon us.
N Christe eleison.	Christ, have mercy upon us.
Kyrie eleison.	Lord, have mercy upon us.

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS *¶* Sung by the choir.

Gloria in excelsis Deo, et in terra pax hominibus bonæ voluntatis. Laudamus te, benedicimus te, adoramus te, glorificamus te, gratias agimus tibi propter magnam gloriam tuam, Domine Deus, Rex cœlestis, Deus Pater Omnipotens. Domine Fili unigenite Jesu Christe; Dominus Deus, Agnus Dei, Filius Patris, qui tollis peccata mundi, miserere nobis. Qui tollis peccata mundi, suscipe deprecationem nostram. Qui sedes ad dexteram Patris, miserere nobis. Quoniam tu solus sanctus; tu solus Dominus; tu solus altissimus, Jesu Christe, cum sancto Spiritu, ¥ in gloria Dei Patris. Amen.

Glory be to God on high, and on earth peace, good will towards men. We praise thee, we bless thee, we worship thee, we glorify thee, we give thanks to thee for thy great glory, O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father Almighty. O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ; O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us. Thou that takest away the sins of the world, receive our prayer. Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us. For thou only art holy; thou only art the Lord; thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost, art most high \clubsuit in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And with thy spirit.

Celebrant Let us pray.

O God, who hast prepared for those who love thee such good things as pass man's understanding: Pour into our hearts such love toward thee, that we, loving thee in all things and above all things, may obtain thy promises, which exceed all that we can desire; 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

¶ Please be seated.

THE FIRST LESSON

Acts 11:19-30

Now those who were scattered because of the persecution that arose over Stephen traveled as far as Phoeni'cia and Cyprus and Antioch, speaking the word to none except Jews. But there were some of them, men of Cyprus and Cyre'ne, who on coming to Antioch spoke to the Greeks also, preaching the Lord Jesus. And the hand of the Lord was with them, and a great number that believed turned to the Lord. News of this came to the ears of the church in Jerusalem, and they sent Barnabas to Antioch. When he came and saw the grace of God, he was glad; and he exhorted them all to remain faithful to the Lord with steadfast purpose; for he was a good man, full of the Holy Spirit and of faith. And a large company was added to the Lord. So Barnabas went to Tarsus to look for Saul; and when he had found him, he brought him to Antioch. For a whole year they met with the church, and taught a large company of people; and in Antioch the disciples were for the first time called Christians. Now in these days prophets came down from Jerusalem to Antioch. And one of them named Ag'abus stood up and foretold by the Spirit that there would be a great famine over all the world; and this took place in the days of Claudius. And the disciples determined, every one according to his ability, to send relief to the brethren who lived in Judea; and they did so, sending it to the elders by the hand of Barnabas and Saul.

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

PSALM 33:1-8, 18-22 Exultate, justi James Turle (1802–1882) **D** ejoice in the LORD, O ye righteous : **K** for it becometh well the just to be thankful. Praise the LORD with harp : sing praises unto him with the lute, and instrument of ten strings. Sing unto the LORD a new song : sing praises lustily unto him with a good courage. For the word of the LORD is true : and all his works are faithful. He loveth righteousness and judgement : the earth is full of the goodness of the LORD. By the word of the LORD were the heavens made : and all the hosts of them by the breath of his mouth. He gathereth the waters of the sea together, as it were upon an heap : and layeth up the deep, as in a treasure-house.

Let all the earth fear the LORD : stand in awe of him, all ye that dwell in the world. Behold, the eye of the LORD is upon them that fear him : and upon them that put their trust in his mercy; To deliver their soul from death : and to feed them in the time of dearth. Our soul hath patiently tarried for the LORD : for he is our help, and our shield. For our heart shall rejoice in him : because we have hoped in his holy Name. Let thy merciful kindness, O LORD, be upon us : like as we do put our trust in thee.

THE EPISTLE

1 John 4:7–10

Beloved, let us love one another; for love is of God, and he who loves is born of God and knows God. He who does not love does not know God; for God is love. In this the love of God was made manifest among us, that God sent his only Son into the world, so that we might live through him. In this is love, not that we loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the expiation for our sins.

Subdeacon The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

¶ Please stand.

TONE VI

¶ Intoned by the cantor, then sung by all



X Christ is risen, and hath shewed light unto us: whom he hath redeemed with his most precious blood.

№ Alleluia.

THE HOLY GOSPEL

Deacon The Lord be with you.

People And with thy spirit.

Deacon The Holy Gospel № of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

People Glory be to thee, O Lord.

esus said to his disciples, "As the Father has loved me, so have I loved you; abide in my love. If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. These things I have

John 15:9–17

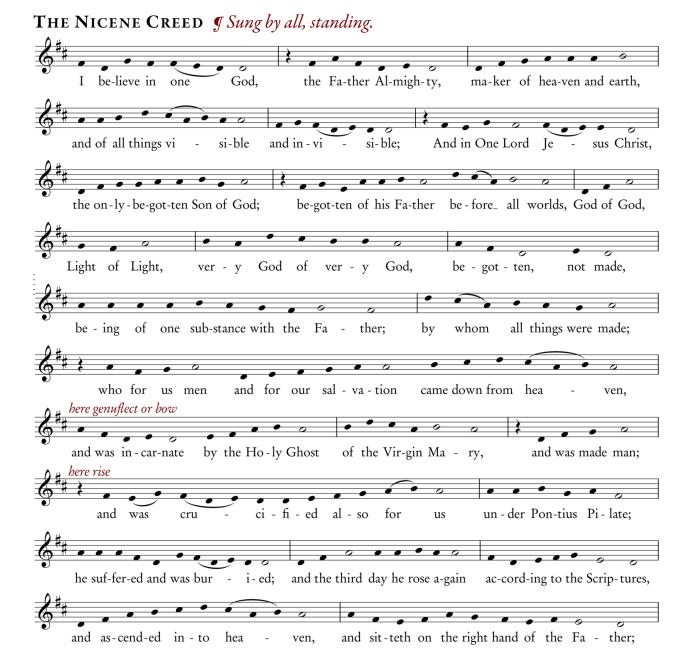
spoken to you, that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be full. "This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. Greater love has no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends. You are my friends if you do what I command you. No longer do I call you servants, for the servant does not know what his master is doing; but I have called you friends, for all that I have heard from my Father I have made known to you. You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you that you should go and bear fruit and that your fruit should abide; so that whatever you ask the Father in my name, he may give it to you. This I command you, to love one another."

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise be to thee, O Christ.

Sermon

The Rev'd Fr. William Locke





THE PEACE

Celebrant The Peace of the Lord be always with you. *People* And with thy spirit.

I Announcements may be made. The people are seated for the Offertory.

THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

OFFERTORY ANTIPHON Benedicite, gentes

TONE II

O praise our God, ye people, and make the voice of his praise to be heard: who holdeth our soul in life, and suffereth not our feet to slip. \tilde{X} . Praised be God, who hath not cast out my prayer: nor turned his mercy from me, alleluia.

¶ At the Offertory, we gratefully offer back to God a portion of what God has given us, symbolically in the bread and wine, and in the money we give. To make an electronic gift today, please either visit sstephens.org/donate or scan the QR code with your smart phone's camera. Thank you for your generosity.



AT THE OFFERTORY

O toute belle, Vierge Marie, votre âme trouve en Dieu le parfait amour; il vous revêt du manteau de la Grâce comme une fiancée parée de ses joyaux. Alleluia. Je vais chanter ta louange, Seigneur, car tu as pris soin de moi, car tu m'as enveloppée du voile de l'innocence.

Vous êtes née avant les collines, O sagesse de Dieu, Porte du Salut ; heureux celui qui marche dans vos traces qui apprête son cœur à la voix de vos conseils. Alleluia. Je vais chanter ta louange, Seigneur, car tu m'as faite, avant le jour, car tu m'as fait précéder le jaillissement des sources.

Avant les astres vous étiez présente, Mère du Créateur, au profond du ciel ; quand Dieu fixait les limites du monde vous partagiez con cœur étant à l'œuvre avec lui. Alleluia. Pierre Villette (1926–1998) O fairest Virgin Mary, your soul finds perfect love in the Lord; he clothes you in robes of grace like a bride attired with jewels. Alleluia. I will sing thy praise, O Lord, for thou hast looked after me, and covered me with the veil of innocence.

You were born before the hills, O wisdom of the Lord, Gate of Redemption; blessed be he who walks in your steps and tunes his heart to the counsels of your voice. Alleluia. I will sing thy praise, O Lord, for thou hast made me before the dawn, and before the gushing forth of springs.

Before the stars you were there, Mother of the Creator, in the highest Heaven; when God was setting the limits of the world you shared his love as you laboured with him. Alleluia. O fairest Virgin Mary.

Text: Roland Bouhéret (1930–1995)

I All stand for the hymn as the offering is brought forward and the gifts, altar, & people are censed.

HYMN 278

RUSTINGTON

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

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, to glorify thee, O Father, and to give thanks unto thee, for thou alone art God, living and true, dwelling in light inaccessible from before all time and for ever.

Fountain of life and Source of all goodness, thou hast made all things and didst fill them with thy blessing, creating them to rejoice in the splendor of thy radiance.

Countless throngs of angels stand before thee to serve thee night and day; and, beholding the glory of thy presence, they offer thee unceasing praise. Joining with them, and giving voice to every creature under heaven, we praise thee, and glorify thy Name, saying,

SANCTUS ET BENEDICTUS § Sung by the choir.

Sanctus, Sanctus, Sanctus, Domine Deus Sabaoth: Pleni sunt caeli et terra gloria tua. Hosanna in excelsis. Benedictus ♥ qui venit in nomine Domini. Hosanna in excelsis.

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts: Heaven and earth are full of thy Glory. Glory be to thee, O Lord Most High. Blessed \clubsuit is he that cometh in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

EUCHARISTIC PRAYER *G* All kneel.

E ACCLAIM THEE, HOLY LORD, glorious in power, whose mighty works reveal thy wisdom and love. Thou hast formed us in thine own image, giving the whole world into our care, that in obedience unto thee, our Maker, we might rule and serve all thy creatures. When our disobedience took us far from thee, thou didst not abandon us to the power of death, but in thy mercy thou didst come to our help, that in seeking thee we might find thee. Again and again thou didst call us into covenant with thee, and through the prophets thou didst teach us to hope for salvation. Thou didst so love the world, O Father, that in the fullness of time thou didst send thine only-begotten Son to be our Savior. Incarnate by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, he lived as one of us, yet without sin. To the poor he proclaimed the good news of salvation; to prisoners, freedom; to the sorrowful, joy. That thy purpose might be fulfilled, he gave himself up unto death; and rising from the grave he destroyed death and made the whole creation new.

And, that we might live no longer unto ourselves, but unto him who died for us and rose again, he sent the Holy Spirit, his own first gift for those who believe, to complete his work in the world, bringing to fulfillment the sanctification of all.

When the hour had come for him to be glorified by thee, his heavenly Father, having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end: At supper with them he took bread, and when he had given thanks unto thee, he brake it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat,

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

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

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, for the remembrance of me."

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And now, O Father, we celebrate this memorial of our redemption. Recalling Christ's death and his descent among the dead, proclaiming his resurrection and ascension to thy right hand, awaiting his coming in glory, and offering unto thee, from the gifts which thou hast given us, this bread and this cup, we praise thee and we bless thee.

Celebrant and People

We praise thee, we bless thee we give thanks to thee, and we pray to thee, O Lord our God.

The Celebrant continues

We beseech thee, O Lord, that in thy goodness and mercy thy Holy Spirit may descend upon us \blacksquare and upon these gifts, sanctifying them and revealing them as

holy gifts for thy holy people, the bread of life and the cup of salvation, the Body and Blood of thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

Grant that all who share this bread and this cup may become one body and one spirit, a living sacrifice in Christ, to the praise of thy Name. Remember, O Lord, thy one holy catholic and apostolic Church, redeemed by the Blood of thy Christ. Reveal her unity, guard her faith, and preserve her in peace. And grant that we may find our inheritance with the ever-blessed Virgin Mary, with patriarchs, prophets, apostles, and martyrs, with blessed Stephen our patron, and with all the saints who have found favor with thee in ages past. We praise thee in union with them and give thee glory through thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ all honor and glory be unto thee, Almighty God and Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, world without end. **AMEN.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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



THE BREAKING OF BREAD

¶ Intoned by the Celebrant and repeated by all.



Celebrant Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us: Therefore let us keep the feast. *People* Alleluia, alleluia.

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

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.

AGNUS DEI *¶* Sung by the choir.

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, Miserere nobis. Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, Miserere nobis. Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, Dona nobis pacem. O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us. O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us. O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, grant us thy peace.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON Ego vos elegi

MODE VI

L have chosen you out of the world, that ye should go and bring forth fruit: and that your fruit should remain, alleluia.

HYMN 292 *Sung by all.*

KINGSFOLD

THE CLOSING RITE

¶ All kneel.

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.

THE BLESSING

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And with thy Spirit.

The God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ, the great Shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant, make you perfect in every good work to do his will, working in you that which is well-pleasing in his sight; and the blessing of God Almighty, ≇ the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

¶ All stand.

DISMISSAL

Deacon

Let us go forth in the Name of Christ, alleluia, alleluia.

People





🕅 Rejoice and be glad, O Virgin Mary, alleluia.

 \mathbb{R} For the Lord is risen indeed, alleluia.

Let us pray.

God, who, by the resurrection of thy Son Jesus Christ didst vouchsafe to give gladness unto the world: Grant, we beseech thee, that we, being holpen by the Virgin Mary, his Mother, may attain unto the joys of everlasting life. Through the same Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

VOLUNTARY

Magnificat Verset VI: 'Gloria patri'

Marcel Dupré (1886–1971)

¶ Coffee Hour follows Mass in the Guild Hall. All are welcome.