

# ST. PATRICK'S CATHEDRAL



## CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

Thursday of the Twenty-first Week in Ordinary Time

August 31, 2023

## INTRODUCTORY RITE

Entrance Hymn: *We Walk By Faith*  
Lord, Have Mercy (Kyrie)

823 DUNLAP'S CREEK  
Litany of the Saints

## LITURGY OF THE WORD

### **First Reading: 1 Thes 3:7-13**

We have been reassured about you, brothers and sisters,  
in our every distress and affliction, through your faith.  
For we now live, if you stand firm in the Lord.

What thanksgiving, then, can we render to God for you,  
for all the joy we feel on your account before our God?  
Night and day we pray beyond measure to see you in person  
and to remedy the deficiencies of your faith.  
Now may God himself, our Father, and our Lord Jesus  
direct our way to you, and may the Lord make you increase  
and abound in love for one another and for all,  
just as we have for you,  
so as to strengthen your hearts,  
to be blameless in holiness before our God and Father  
at the coming of our Lord Jesus with all his holy ones. Amen.

### **Responsorial Psalm: Ps 90:3-5a, 12-13, 14 and 17**

R. (14) **Fill us with your love, O Lord, and we will sing for joy!**

You turn man back to dust,  
saying, "Return, O children of men."  
For a thousand years in your sight  
are as yesterday, now that it is past,  
or as a watch of the night.

R. **Fill us with your love, O Lord, and we will sing for joy!**

Teach us to number our days aright,  
that we may gain wisdom of heart.  
Return, O LORD! How long?

Have pity on your servants!

R. **Fill us with your love, O Lord, and we will sing for joy!**

Fill us at daybreak with your kindness,

that we may shout for joy and gladness all our days.  
And may the gracious care of the LORD our God be ours;  
prosper the work of our hands for us!  
Prosper the work of our hands!

**R. Fill us with your love, O Lord, and we will sing for joy!**

**Acclamation before the Gospel: Alleluia**

Gregorian

**R. Alleluia, alleluia.**

Stay awake!

For you do not know when the Son of Man will come.

**R. Alleluia, alleluia.**

**Gospel: Mt 24:42-51**

Jesus said to his disciples:

"Stay awake!

For you do not know on which day your Lord will come.

Be sure of this: if the master of the house  
had known the hour of night when the thief was coming,  
he would have stayed awake  
and not let his house be broken into.

So too, you also must be prepared,  
for at an hour you do not expect, the Son of Man will come.

"Who, then, is the faithful and prudent servant,  
whom the master has put in charge of his household  
to distribute to them their food at the proper time?  
Blessed is that servant whom his master on his arrival finds doing so.  
Amen, I say to you, he will put him in charge of all his property.  
But if that wicked servant says to himself, 'My master is long delayed,'  
and begins to beat his fellow servants,  
and eat and drink with drunkards,  
the servant's master will come on an unexpected day  
and at an unknown hour and will punish him severely  
and assign him a place with the hypocrites,  
where there will be wailing and grinding of teeth."

**LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST**

Preparation of the Gifts

Holy, Holy (Sanctus): New Plainsong III

David Hurd

Mystery of Faith

D. Hurd

Great Amen

D. Hurd

### **COMMUNION RITE**

The Lord's Prayer

Lamb of God (Agnus Dei)

D. Hurd

Communion Hymn: Where Charity and Love Prevail

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CHRISTIAN LOVE

### **CONCLUDING RITE**

Blessing & Dismissal

Recessional Hymn: Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee

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HYMN TO JOY