

Gathering Song



Taste and see the grace e - ter-nal. Taste and see that God is good.

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First Reading - Isaiah 55:1-3

Thus says the LORD: All you who are thirsty, come to the water! You who have no money, come, receive grain and eat; Come, without paying and without cost, drink wine and milk! Why spend your money for what is not bread; your wages for what fails to satisfy? Heed me, and you shall eat well, you shall delight in rich fare. Come to me heedfully, listen, that you may have life. I will renew with you the everlasting covenant, the benefits assured to David.

Psalm 145:8-9, 15-18

EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME / A



The hand of the Lord feeds us; he an-swers all our needs.

The Lord is kind and full of compassion, slow to anger, abounding in mercy. How good is the Lord to all, compassionate to all his creatures. R.

The eyes of all look to you, and you give them their food in due season.

You open your hand and satisfy the desire of every living thing. R.

The LORD is just in all his ways, and holy in all his deeds.

The LORD is close to all who call him, who call on him in truth. R.

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Second Reading - Romans 8:35, 37-39

Brothers and sisters: What will separate us from the love of Christ? Will anguish, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or the sword? No, in all these things we conquer overwhelmingly through him who loved us. For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor present things, nor future things, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor any other creature will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Gospel - Matthew 14:13-21

When Jesus heard of the death of John the Baptist, he withdrew in a boat to a deserted place by himself. The crowds heard of this and followed him on foot from their towns. When he disembarked and saw the vast crowd, his heart was moved with pity for them, and he cured their sick, When it was evening, the disciples approached him and said, "This is a deserted place and it is already late: dismiss the crowds so that they can go to the villages and buy food for themselves." Jesus said to them, "There is no need for them to go away; give them some food yourselves." But they said to him, "Five loaves and two fish are all we have here." Then he said, "Bring them here to me," and he ordered the crowds to sit down on the grass. Taking the five loaves and the two fish, and looking up to heaven, he said the blessing, broke the loaves, and gave them to the disciples, who in turn gave them to the crowds. They all ate and were satisfied, and they picked up the fragments left over—twelve wicker baskets full. Those who ate were about five thousand men, not counting women and children.

Preparation of Gifts and Altar

Instrumental Music

Communion



An Act of Spiritual Communion

My Jesus,
I believe that You are present
in the Most Holy Sacrament.
I love You above all things,
and I desire to receive You into my soul.
Since I cannot at this moment
receive You sacramentally,
come at least spiritually into my heart.
I embrace You as if You were already there
and unite myself wholly to You.
Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen

Bread of Life from Heaven / Pan de Vida Eterna



Bread of life from heav-en, your blood and bod - y giv-en, we Pan de vi - da e - ter - na, nos das tu cuer - po y san-gre.



eat this bread and drink this cup un - til you come a - gain. Has - ta que vuel - vas tú, Se - ñor, co - me - mos en tua-mor.





thanks, hun-gry ones, gath-er round. on the food that en - dures. hearts self for the life of the world. that is strong-er than death. life the life - giv - ing Word. home and be-lieve Eas-ter morn: bread cias con gran cor - a - zón. cio de fe v de a - mor. mos a Cris-to Je-sús. no en Cris - to Je - sús. y re - su-rrec - ción

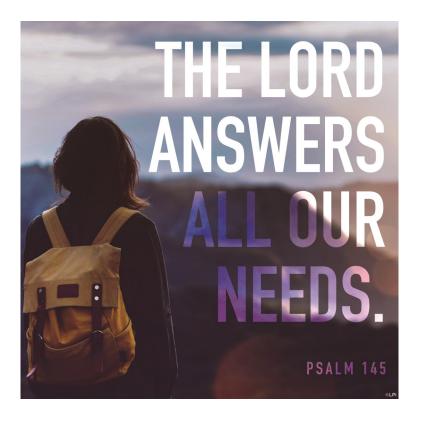
Eat. all of you, and Come, learn the true and the Come the One who Live the One who will Know on - ly Christ. Ho - lv Trust his re - turn and. with Cris - to es sus - ten que nos lla - ma a con da vi - da Ce - na que es fuen - te Je - su - cris - to, que es

St. Michael the Archangel Prayer

St. Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle.

Be our defense against the wickedness and snares of the Devil.

May God rebuke him, we humbly pray,
and do thou, O Prince of the Heavenly hosts,
by the power of God, cast into hell Satan,
and all the evil spirits who prowl about the world
seeking the ruin of souls. Amen



Sending Forth

Glory and Praise to Our God



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