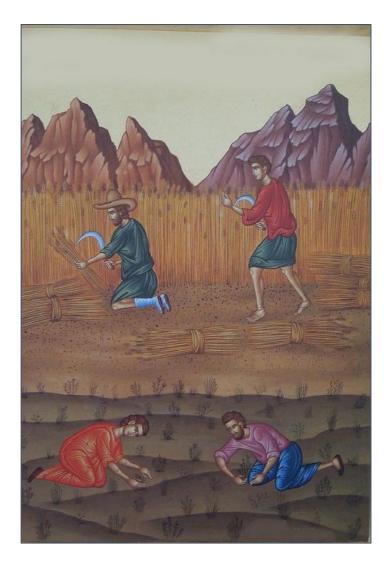
Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time



"First collect the weeds and tie them in bundles for burning; but gather the wheat into my barn."

(Cycle A)

Fire

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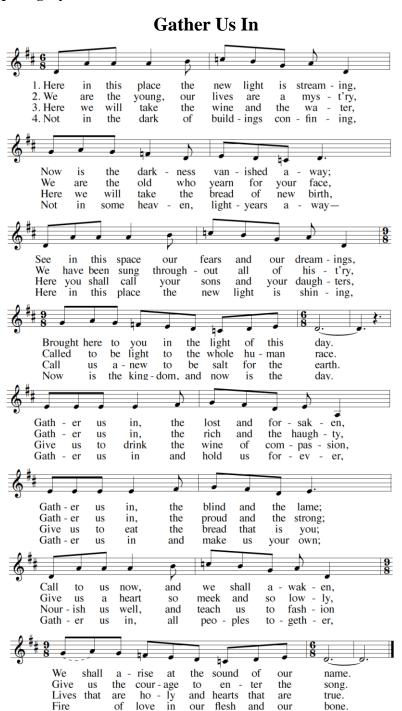
in

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Opening Hymn



Greeting

V. In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

R. Amen.

V. The grace and peace of our Lord, Jesus Christ, the Love of God and the Fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you always.

R. And also with you.

PENITENTIAL RITE (C4)

Invitation to reflect on our faults and failings.

V To prepare ourselves to celebrate these sacred mysteries, let us call to mind our faults and failings and ask our heavenly Father in his mercy for his healing and forgiveness.

Pause for silent reflection.

V Lord Jesus, you came to reconcile us to one another and to the



Father:



V Lord Jesus, you heal the wounds of sin and division:



Ký-ri- e e-lé- i-son. Ký-ri- e e-lé- i-son.

V Lord Jesus, you intercede for us with your Father:

W May almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us our sins, and bring us to everlasting life.

Gloria





Dómi-nus. Tu so-lus Altíssimus, Je-su Chri-ste. Cum San-



cto Spí-ri-tu, in gló-ri- a De- i Pa-tris.

Glory to God in the highest,

and peace to his people on earth.

Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,

Lord God, Lamb of God,

you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, You alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

Opening Prayer

Father, let the gift of your life continue to grow in us, drawing us from death to faith, hope, and love.

Keep us alive in Christ Jesus. Keep us watchful in prayer and true to his teaching till your glory is revealed in us.

Grant this through Christ our Lord.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

Reading 1 (Wis 12:13, 16-19)

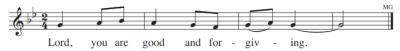
A reading from the Book of Wisdom

There is no god besides you who have the care of all, that you need show you have not unjustly condemned. For your might is the source of justice; your mastery over all things makes you lenient to all. For you show your might when the perfection of your power is disbelieved; and in those who know you, you rebuke temerity. But though you are master of might, you judge with clemency, and with much lenience you govern us; for power, whenever you will, attends you. And you taught your people, by these deeds, that those who are just must be kind; and you gave your children good ground for hope that you would permit repentance for their sins.

V. This is the Word of the Lord.

R. Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm (Ps 86:5-6, 9-10, 15-16)



R. Lord, you are good and forgiving.

You, O LORD, are good <u>and</u> forgiving, abounding in kindness to all who call <u>up</u>on you. Hearken, O LORD, <u>to</u> my prayer and attend to the sound <u>of</u> my pleading.

R. Lord, you are good and forgiving.

All the nations you have <u>made</u> shall come and worship you, O LORD, and glorify your name.

For you are great, and you do <u>won</u>drous deeds; you a<u>lone</u> are God.

R. Lord, you are good and forgiving.

You, O LORD, are a God merciful and <u>gracious</u>, slow to anger, abounding in kindness and fi<u>del</u>ity. Turn toward me, and have <u>pity</u> on me; give your strength <u>to</u> your servant.

R. Lord, you are good and forgiving.

Reading 2 (Rom 8:26-27)

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Romans:

Brothers and sisters:

The Spirit comes to the aid of our weakness; for we do not know how to pray as we ought, but the Spirit himself intercedes with inexpressible groanings. And the one who searches hearts knows what is the intention of the Spirit, because he intercedes for the holy ones according to God's will.

V. This is the Word of the Lord.

R. Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation (Cf. Mt 11:25)



Blessed are you, Father, Lord of <u>heaven</u> and earth; you have revealed to little ones the mysteries of the <u>king</u>dom.



Gospel (Mt 13:24-30)

V. The Lord be with you.

R. And also with you.

V. A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Matthew.

R. Glory to you Lord.

Jesus proposed another parable to the crowds, saying: "The kingdom of heaven may be likened to a man who sowed good seed in his field. While everyone was asleep his enemy came and sowed weeds all through the wheat, and then went off. When the crop grew and bore fruit, the weeds appeared as well. The slaves of the householder came to him and said, 'Master, did you not sow good seed in your field? Where have the weeds come from?' He answered, 'An enemy has done this.' His slaves said to him, 'Do you want us to go and pull them up?' He replied, 'No, if you pull up the weeds you might uproot the wheat along with them. Let them grow together until harvest; then at harvest time I will say to the harvesters, "First collect the weeds and tie them in bundles for burning; but gather the wheat into my barn."

V. This is the Gospel of the Lord.

R. Praise to you, Lord, Jesus Christ.

Homily

Nicene Creed

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is seen and unseen.

We 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, one in Being with the Father.

Through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven:

All bow at these two lines

by the power of the Holy Spirit

he was born of the Virgin Mary, and became man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered, died, and was buried.

On the third day he rose again in fulfillment of 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.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son.

With the Father and the Son he is worshipped and glorified.

He 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

General Intercessions

The celebrant invites the congregation to pray and offers several prayer intentions. Each concludes, "We pray to the Lord."

R. Lord, hear our prayer.

The celebrant concludes the intercessions with a final short prayer ending with "... through Christ, our Lord."

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

Offering of the Gifts

V. Blessed are you, Lord, God of all creation. Through your goodness we have this bread to offer, which earth has given and human hands have made. It will become for us the bread of life.

R. Blessed be God for ever.

 \tilde{V} . Blessed are you, Lord, God of all creation. Through your goodness we have this wine to offer, fruit of the vine and work of human hands. It will become our spiritual drink.

R. Blessed be God for ever.

Prayer over the Gifts

V. Pray, my brothers and sisters, that our sacrifice may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.

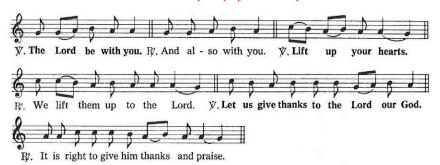
R. May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands, for the praise and glory of his name, for our good, and the good of all his Church.

Lord, bring us closer to salvation through these gifts which we bring in your honor. Accept the perfect sacrifice you have given us, bless it as you blessed the gifts of Abel.

We ask this through Christ Lord.

Preface and *Sanctus* (Sundays in Ordinary Time VIII)

The Church united in the mystery of the Trinity



The celebrant recites or sings the Preface:

Father, all-powerful and ever-living God, we do well always and everywhere to give you thanks.

When your children sinned and wandered far from your friendship, you reunited them with yourself through the blood of your Son and the power of the Holy Spirit.

You gather them into your Church, to be one as you, Father, are one with your Son and the Holy Spirit. You call them to be your people, to praise your wisdom in all your works. You make them the body of Christ and the dwelling-place of the Holy Spirit.

In our joy we sing to your glory with all the choirs of angels:



tu-a. Ho-sánna in excélsis. Bene-díctus qui ve-nit



in nómi-ne Dómi-ni. Ho-sánna in excél-sis.

Eucharistic Prayer (IV)

The celebrant prays the Eucharistic Prayer. After the consecration, the celebrant sings:

V. Let us proclaim the mystery of faith.



The celebrant concludes the Eucharistic Prayer.

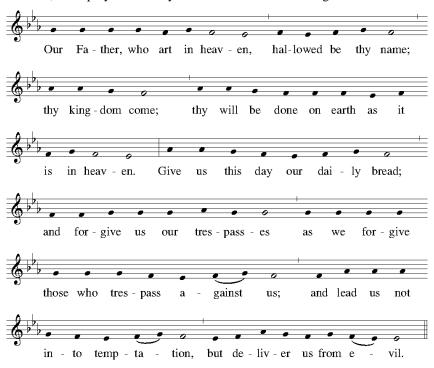
Through him, with him and in him in the unity of the Holy Spirit all glory and honor are yours, Almighty Father Forever and ever.



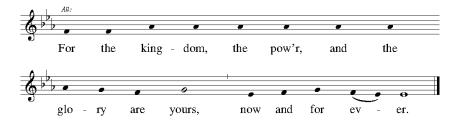
COMMUNION LITURGY

The Lord's Prayer

V. We pray confidently in the words our Savior taught us:



V. Deliver us, Lord, from every evil, and grant us peace in our day. In your mercy keep us free from sin and protect us from all anxiety as we wait in joyful hope for the coming of our Savior, Jesus Christ.



Exchange of Peace

V. Lord Jesus Christ, you said to your apostles: I leave you peace, my peace I give you. Look not on our sins, but on the faith of your Church, and grant us the peace and unity of your kingdom where you live for ever and ever.

R. Amen.

V. The Peace of the Lord be with you always.

R. And also with you.

V. Let us offer each other a sign of peace.

Breaking of the Bread

As the bread is broken, we sing or say:

(Agnus Dei XVIII Deus Genitor Alme)



di: do-na no-bis pa-cem.

 \tilde{V} . This is the Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world. Happy are those who are called to his supper.

R. Lord, I am not worthy to receive you, but only say the word and I shall be healed.

To those receiving Communion (by intinction), the celebrant says:

V. The body and blood of Christ.

Communion Meditation

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from

your

side.





Prayer after Communion

Merciful Father, may these mysteries give us new purpose and bring us to a new life in you.

We ask this in the name of Jesus the Lord.

R. Amen.

CONCLUDING RITES

Solemn Blessing (13)

 \vec{V} . The Lord be with you.

R. And also with you.

Bow your heads and pray for God's blessing.

May the God of all consolation bless you in every way and grant you peace all the days of your life.

R. Amen.

May he free you from all anxiety and strengthen your hearts in his love.

R. Amen.

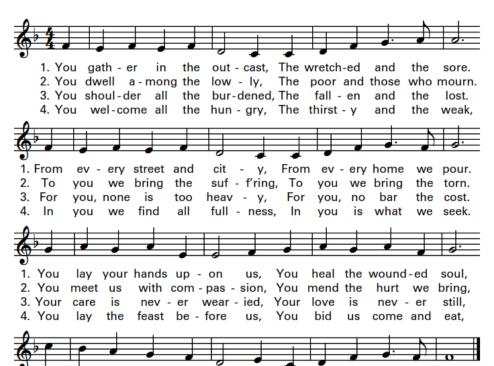
May he enrich you with his gifts of faith, hope, and love, so that what you do in this life may bring you to the happiness of everlasting life.

R. Amen.

V. May almighty God bless you, the Father, and the Son, + and the Holy Spirit.

Concluding Hymn

You Gather in the Outcast



- 1. You raise the crushed, dis-heart-ened, You make the bro-ken whole.
- 2. You give us hope and har bor, You make the sad heart sing.
- 3. Your watch for us un-sleep ing, Un wav er ing your will.
- 4. But, oh, be fore you serve us, You kneel and wash our feet.