

# St. Stanislaus Cathedral

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**October 5, 2025 ~ Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time**

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PRELUDE *Canzona in F minor*

Alexandre Guilmant

## Prayer Before Holy Mass (please rise)

*My dear God and loving Father, as I participate in this Holy Mass, may Jesus fill me with His holy grace when I open my heart to Him in sincere prayer. May the sacraments I will receive, the prayers that I will say and the hymns that I will sing bring me closer to Jesus and help me to be more like Him in all that I say and do. May the Holy Communion that I will receive give me strength, so that I may share faith, hope and love with the people I will meet. Amen.*

## OPENING HYMN *Hymn of Faith* (1, 4)

To Thee we come, O Lord our God, before Thine altar, Father.  
Thou knowest best our yearning hearts; This supplication answer:  
Lift up from want Thy people, Lord. Bless us, O God: O Father, bless our toil!

Under Thy cross we stand prepared to serve Thee with devotion,  
Be it with sweat of blood or tears, or humble resignation,  
For we Thy people are, O Lord. Save us, O God: O Father, bless our toil!

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## INTROIT

Isaiah 33:2, 5

C: O Lord, have pity on us, for You we wait. Be our strength every morning, our salvation in time of trouble! **R: The Lord is exalted, enthroned on high; He fills Zion with right and justice.** C: Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, **R: As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.**

## KYRIE

Englert

## GLORIA

Englert

## OPENING PRAYER

Lord our God, increase our faith so that none of us shall live in contentment knowing that our neighbor is in need. Fill us with a sense of duty that we may always follow Your will. We ask this in the name of Your Son, Jesus Christ, Who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **R. Amen.**

## ~ LITURGY OF THE WORD ~

## FIRST LESSON

Habakkuk 1:2-3; 2:2-4

How long, O Lord? I cry for help but you do not listen! I cry out to you, "Violence!" but you do not intervene. Why do you let me see ruin; why must I look at misery? Destruction and violence are before me; there is strife, and clamorous discord.

Then the Lord answered me and said: Write down the vision clearly upon the tablets, so that one can read it readily. For the vision still has its time, presses on to fulfillment, and will not disappoint; if it delays, wait for it, it will surely come, it will not be late. The rash one has no integrity; but the just one, because of his faith, shall live.

*This is the Word of the Lord.* **R. Thanks be to God.**

## GRADUAL - *Traditional Mass*

Luke 12:37; Matthew 12:18

C: Blessed are those servants whom the master finds vigilant on his arrival. Amen, I say to you, he will gird himself, have them recline at table and proceed to wait on them. **R: Behold, My servant whom I have chosen, My beloved in whom I delight; I shall place My spirit upon him.**

RESPONSORIAL PSALM - *Contemporary*

Psalm 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9



**R. (8) If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts.**

Come, let us sing joyfully to the LORD;  
let us acclaim the Rock of our salvation.  
Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving;  
let us joyfully sing psalms to him.

**R. If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts.**

Come, let us bow down in worship;  
let us kneel before the LORD who made us.  
For he is our God,  
and we are the people he shepherds, the flock he guides.

**R. If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts.**

Oh, that today you would hear his voice:  
"Harden not your hearts as at Meribah,  
as in the day of Massah in the desert,  
Where your fathers tempted me;  
they tested me though they had seen my works."

**R. If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts.**

## SECOND LESSON

2 Timothy 1:6-8, 13-14

Beloved: I remind you to stir into flame the gift of God that you have through the imposition of my hands. For God did not give us a spirit of cowardice but rather of power and love and self-control. So do not be ashamed of your testimony to our Lord, nor of me, a prisoner for his sake; but bear your share of hardship for the gospel with the strength that comes from God.

Take as your norm the sound words that you heard from me, in the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. Guard this rich trust with the help of the Holy Spirit that dwells within us.

*This is the Word of the Lord.* **R. Thanks be to God.**

## ALLELUIA

Mark 9:35b

Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia!

Elfman, based on Mass 16

C: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. **R: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.** C: If anyone wishes to be first, he shall be the last of all and the servant of all. **R: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

## GOSPEL

Luke 17:5-10

The apostles said to the Lord, "Increase our faith." The Lord replied, "If you have the faith the size of a mustard seed, you would say to this mulberry tree, 'Be uprooted and planted in the sea,' and it would obey you.

"Who among you would say to your servant who has just come in from plowing or tending sheep in the field, 'Come here immediately and take your place at table'? Would he not rather say to him, 'Prepare something for me to eat. Put on your apron and wait on me while I eat and drink. You may eat and drink when I am finished'? Is he grateful to that servant because he did what was commanded? So should it be with you. When you have done all you have been commanded, say, 'We are unprofitable servants; we have done what we were obliged to do.'"

*This is the gospel of the Lord.* **R. Praise be to You, Lord Jesus Christ.**

HYMN TO THE HOLY SPIRIT 141 *Holy Spirit*

Holy Spirit, come, we ask You: saving grace we need from You.  
Through this heav'nly revelation, may our stubborn will be moved.  
May we fully comprehend, guided by Your constant hand.  
Standing on Your words of promise, we confirm and praise Your goodness.

## HOMILY

PROFESSION OF FAITH

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL - *Contemporary Mass*

**R: Lord hear our prayer.**

~ LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST ~

OFFERTORY VERSE

Psalm 19:13-14a

Who can detect heedless failings? Cleanse me from my unknown faults. But from willful sins keep Your servant; let them never control me.

OFFERTORY HYMN (8:00) *Kochajmy Pana / Jesus, We Love Thee*

Kochajmy Pana bo serce Jego  
Żąda i pragnie serca naszego,  
Dla nas Mu włócznie boleść zadana,  
Kochajmy Pana, kochajmy Pana!

Jesus, we love Thee, for of Thy whole heart  
Thou dost desire that we give Thee our heart.  
For us Thou suffered pain without mercy.  
Jesus, we love Thee! Jesus, we love Thee!

Come unto Jesus, come, O ye children:  
Know of His mercy and His compassion.  
He would forgive thee and show His mercy.  
Jesus, we love Thee! Jesus, we love Thee!

OFFERTORY ANTHEM (9:30) *In Remembrance* Words & music by Ragan Courtney & Buryl Red

*In remembrance of Me, eat this bread; in remembrance of Me, drink this wine;  
In remembrance of Me, pray for the time when God's own will is done.  
In remembrance of Me, heal the sick; in remembrance of Me, feed the poor.  
In remembrance of Me, open the door and let your brother in.  
Take, eat, and be comforted. Drink, and remember, too,  
That this is My Body and precious Blood, shed for you.  
In remembrance of Me, search for truth. In remembrance of Me, always love.  
In remembrance of Me, don't look above, but in your heart for God.  
Do this in remembrance of Me.*

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Sung by the Cathedral Chorale

PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

God, our Father, receive the gifts we offer You today and guide us that we may faithfully serve You. We ask this through our Lord, Jesus Christ, Your Son, Who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

PREFACE

SANCTUS

Englert

~ CANON ~

THE LORDS PRAYER

AGNUS DEI

Alstott

POST-COMMUNION HYMN *Gift of Finest Wheat* (verses as needed)

*Refrain:* You satisfy the hungry heart with gift of finest wheat.

Come give to us, O saving Lord, the bread of life to eat.

1. As when the shepherd calls his sheep, they know and heed his voice;  
so when you call your fam'ly, Lord, we follow and rejoice. *Refrain*

2. With joyful lips we sing to you our praise and gratitude  
that you should count us worthy, Lord, to share this heav'nly food. *Refrain*
3. Is not the cup we bless and share the blood of Christ outpoured?  
Do not one cup, one loaf, declare our oneness in the Lord? *Refrain*
4. The myst'ry of your presence, Lord, no mortal tongue can tell:  
Whom all the world cannot contain comes in our hearts to dwell. *Refrain*
5. You give yourself to us, O Lord; then selfless let us be,  
to serve each other in your name in truth and charity. *Refrain*

COMMUNION VERSE

Matthew 20:28

The Son of Man did not come to be served but to serve and to give His life as a ransom for many.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Almighty God, may our faith grow through the true grace of this Eucharist and may it lead us to be willing servants for our neighbors that we may attain the kingdom of God. We ask this in the name of Your Son, Jesus Christ, Who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **R. Amen.**

FINAL BLESSING (please kneel)

DISMISSAL

C: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord! **R: Thanks be to God.**

**Prayer After Holy Mass (please remain kneeling)**

*I am grateful to You, Lord, that I was able to come to church and participate in the Holy Sacrifice of Mass. I thank You for receiving Your gracious pardon, Your instruction and teaching through Your Word, and Your Body and Blood in Holy Communion. May Your sacraments continue to strengthen and help me to be faithful to You and Your Church. Help me to face all the challenges of life on my journey to Your heavenly kingdom. Amen.*

CLOSING HYMN *Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing*

Lord, dismiss us with Your blessing;  
Fill our hearts with joy and peace;  
Let us each, Your love possessing,  
Triumph in redeeming grace.  
(Oh, refresh us, oh refresh us,  
Trav'ling through this wilderness!)

Thanks we give, and adoration,  
For Your Gospel's joyful sound.  
May the fruits of Your salvation  
In our hearts and lives abound.  
(Ever faithful, ever faithful  
To Your truth may we be found!)

POSTLUDE *Prelude in D*

J. K. F. Fischer

**Thursday, October 9<sup>th</sup>**

6:30 pm – Cathedral Chorale rehearsal

**Friday, October 10<sup>th</sup>**

4:00 – 8:00 pm – Food Truck Friday

**Next Sunday, October 12<sup>th</sup> – Solemnity of the Christian Family**

Holy Mass: **8:00 am** Traditional **9:30 am** Contemporary

**11:15 am** Cathedral Chapel, Tripp Park

<i>Lectors:</i>	
<b>10/5</b> – 8:00	– John Andrzejewski
9:30	– Patrick McHugh
11:15	– David Rychleski
<b>10/12</b> – 8:00	– Kathy Michalina
9:30	– Eve Hughes
11:15	– David Rychleski

**Sunday School Teachers Needed** – Our School of Christian Living classes for our youngest parishioners are in need for teachers to guide them in the ministry of Christian education. Last minute adjustments require this notification at this time. Please contact the Parish Office at 570.961.9231 to let us know you can be helpful in this effort with our small children.

**Altar Flowers** – The floral pieces at the high altar today are offered to the glory of God and in memory Joseph & Nellie Zike offered by son Harry & Christine Zike.