

BASILICA OF THE NATIONAL SHRINE
OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION



THE TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME

6 SEPTEMBER 2026

ORDER OF MASS

PRELUDE

Vigil Vater unser im Himmelreich

Georg Böhm
(1661–1733)

9:00 Offrande

Pierre Cogen
(1931–2025)

10:30 Berceuse à la mémoire de Louis Vierne

Pierre Cochereau
(1924–1984)

12:00

4:30

INTRODUCTORY RITES

PROCESSIONAL HYMN



1. All peo - ple that on earth do dwell, Sing
2. Know that the Lord is God in - deed; With -
3. O en - ter then his gates with praise; Ap -
4. For why? the Lord our God is good: His
5. To Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost, The



to the Lord with cheer-ful voice; Him serve with mirth, his
out our aid he did us make; We are his folk, he
proach with joy his courts un - to; Praise, laud, and bless his
mer - cy is for ev - er sure; His truth at all times
God whom heav'n and earth a - dore, From us and from the



praise forth tell, Come we be - fore him, and re - joice.
does us feed, And for his sheep he does us take.
Name al - ways, For it is seem - ly so to do.
firm - ly stood, And shall from age to age en - dure.
an - gel host Be praise and glo - ry ev - er - more.

GREETING

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

Assembly: And with your spirit.

PENITENTIAL ACT

Assembly: I confess to almighty God,
and to you, my brothers and sisters,
that I have greatly sinned,
in my thoughts and in my words,
in what I have done and in what I have failed to do,
through my fault, through my fault,
through my most grievous fault;
therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin,
all the Angels and Saints,
and you, my brothers and sisters,
to pray for me to the Lord our God.

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

Assembly: Amen.

GLORIA



Celebrant: *Assembly:*

Glo-ry to God in the high - est, and on earth peace to peo - ple of good will.

We praise you, we bless you, we a - dore you,

we glo - rify you, we give you thanks for your great glo - ry,

Lord God, heav'n - ly King, O God, almight-y Fa - ther.

Lord Je - sus Christ, Only Be - got - ten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God,

Son of the Fa - ther, you take away the sins of the world, have mer - cy on us;

you take away the sins of the world, re - ceive our prayer;

you are seated at the right hand of the Fa - ther, have mer - cy on us.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,

you alone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spir - it,

in the glory of God the Father. A - - - men.

(Choir) *Communion Service*

Kyrie eleison; Gloria in excelsis Deo

Gerald Near
(b. 1942)

COLLECT

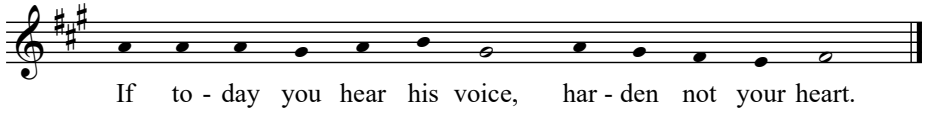
LITURGY OF THE WORD

READING I

Ezekiel 33:7–9

PSALM RESPONSE

Psalm 95:1–2, 6–7, 8–9

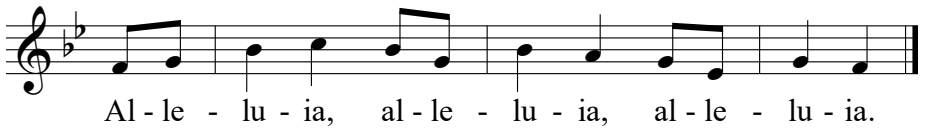


READING II

Romans 13:8–10

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

II Corinthians 5:19



God was reconciling the world to himself in Christ
and entrusting to us the message of reconciliation.

GOSPEL

Matthew 18:15–20

HOMILY

PROFESSION OF FAITH

I believe in one God,
the Father almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all things visible and invisible.

I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the Only Begotten Son of God,
born of the Father before all ages.
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father;
through him all things were made.
For us men and for our salvation
he came down from heaven,

(All bow during these two lines.)

and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary,
and became man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate,
he suffered death and was buried,
and rose again on the third day
in accordance with 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.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church.
I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins
and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

GENERAL INTERCESSIONS

Response: Lord, hear our prayer.

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

PREPARATION OF THE GIFTS



1. Lord of all hope-ful-ness, Lord of all joy, Whose
2. Lord of all ea - ger-ness, Lord of all faith, Whose
3. Lord of all kind - li - ness, Lord of all grace, Your
4. Lord of all gen - tle-ness, Lord of all calm, Whose

trust, e - ver child - like, no cares can de - stroy, Be
strong hands were skilled at the plane and the lathe, Be
hands swift to wel - come, Your arms to em - brace. Be
voice is con - tent - ment, Whose pre - sence is balm, Be

there at our wak - ing, and give us, we pray, Your
there at our la - bors, and give us, we pray, Your
there at our hom - ing, and give us, we pray, Your
there at our sleep - ing, and give us, we pray, Your

bliss in our hearts, Lord, at the break of the day.
strength in our hearts, Lord, at the noon of the day.
love in our hearts, Lord, at the eve of the day.
peace in our hearts, Lord, at the end of the day.

(Choir) *O Come, Let Us Sing unto the Lord*

Anthony Piccolo
(b. 1946)

O come, let us sing unto the Lord:
let us heartily rejoice in the strength of our salvation.
Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving,
and make ourselves glad in him with psalms.
For the Lord is a great God,
and a great King above all gods.
In his hand are all the corners of the earth,
and the strength of the hills is his also.
The sea is his, and he made it;
and his hands prepared the dry land.
O come, let us worship and fall down:
and kneel before the Lord our Maker.
For he is the Lord our God,
and we are the people of his pasture,
and the sheep of his hand.
Glory be to the Father, and to the Son,
and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now,
and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

(Psalm 95:1-7)

PREFACE

PREFACE DIALOGUE

PREFACE ACCLAMATION

Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly Lord God of hosts. Heav - en and earth are
full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he
who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

The musical notation consists of three staves. The first staff has a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp (F#). It contains the melody for the first line of text. The second staff continues the melody for the second line. The third staff continues the melody for the third line. The melody is written in a simple, hymn-like style with eighth and quarter notes, and some rests. There are bar lines at the end of each staff.

MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup, we pro - claim
your Death, O Lord, un - til you come a - gain.

The musical notation consists of two staves. The first staff has a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp (F#). It contains the melody for the first line of text. The second staff continues the melody for the second line. The melody is written in a simple, hymn-like style with eighth and quarter notes, and some rests. There are bar lines at the end of each staff.

GREAT AMEN

A - men, A - men, A - men.

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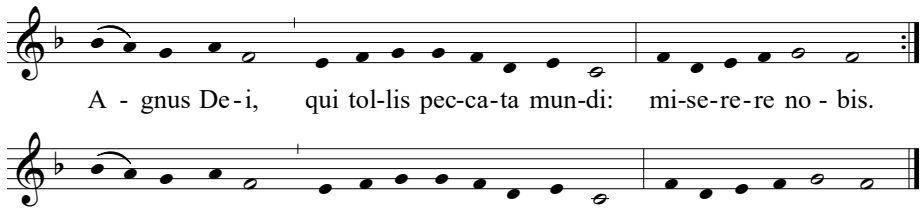
COMMUNION RITE

LORD'S PRAYER

DOXOLOGY

SIGN OF PEACE

LITANY AT THE BREAKING OF BREAD



A - gnus De-i, qui tol-lis pec-ca-ta mun-di: mi-se-re-re no - bis.

A - gnus De-i, qui tol-lis pec-ca-ta mun-di: do-na no-bis pa-cem.

(Choir) *Communion Service*
Agnus Dei

Gerald Near
(b. 1942)

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Like the deer that yearns for running streams,
so my soul is yearning for you, my God;
my soul is thirsting for God, the living God.

(Psalm 42:2–3)

COMMUNION PROCESSION



Like a deer that yearns for run-ning streams, my soul longs for you, my God.

GUIDELINES FOR THE RECEPTION OF COMMUNION

For Catholics

As Catholics, we fully participate in the celebration of the Eucharist when we receive Holy Communion. We are encouraged to receive Communion devoutly and frequently. In order to be properly disposed to receive Communion, participants should not be conscious of grave sin and normally should have fasted for one hour. A person who is conscious of grave sin is not to receive the Body and Blood of the Lord without prior sacramental confession except for a grave reason where there is no opportunity for confession. In this case, the person is to be mindful of the obligation to make an act of perfect contrition, including the intention of confessing as soon as possible (canon 916). A frequent reception of the Sacrament of Penance is encouraged for all.

For Our Fellow Christians

We welcome our fellow Christians to this celebration of the Eucharist as our brothers and sisters. We pray that our common baptism and the action of the Holy Spirit in this Eucharist will draw us closer to one another and begin to dispel the sad divisions which separate us. We pray that these will lessen and finally disappear, in keeping with Christ's prayer for us "that they may all be one" (John 17:21).

Because Catholics believe that the celebration of the Eucharist is a sign of the reality of the oneness of faith, life, and worship, members of those churches with whom we are not yet fully united are ordinarily not admitted to Holy Communion. Eucharistic sharing in exceptional circumstances by other Christians requires permission according to the directives of the diocesan bishop and the provisions of canon law (canon 844 § 4). Members of the Orthodox Churches, the Assyrian Church of the East, and the Polish National Catholic Church are urged to respect the discipline of their own Churches. According to Roman Catholic discipline, the Code of Canon Law does not object to the reception of communion by Christians of these Churches (canon 844 § 3).

For Non-Christians

We also welcome to this celebration those who do not share our faith in Jesus Christ. While we cannot admit them to Holy Communion, we ask them to offer their prayers for the peace and the unity of the human family.

For Those Not Receiving Holy Communion

All who are not receiving Holy Communion are encouraged to express in their hearts a prayerful desire for unity with the Lord Jesus and with one another.

United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, 1996

(Choir) *Sicut cervus*

Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina
(1525–1594)

*Sicut cervus desiderat ad fontes aquarum,
ita desiderat anima mea ad te Deus.*

As the deer longs for running streams,
so my soul longs for thee, O God.

(*Psalm 42:1*)

(Choir) *Draw Us in the Spirit's Tether*

Harold Friedell
(1905–1956)

Draw us in the Spirit's tether,
For when humbly in thy name,
Two or three are met together,
Thou art in the midst of them;
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Touch we now thy garment's hem.

As the brethren used to gather
In the name of Christ to sup,
Then with thanks to God the Father
Break the bread and bless the cup,
Alleluia! Alleluia!
So knit thou our friendship up.

All our meals and all our living
Make as sacraments of thee,
That by caring, helping, giving,
We may true disciples be.
Alleluia! Alleluia!
We will serve thee faithfully.

(*Percy Dearmer, 1867–1936*)

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

BLESSING AND DISMISSAL

MARIAN ANTIPHON (at Noon Mass)

Sal-ve Re-gi-na, Ma-ter mi-se-ri-cor-di-ae: Vi-ta, dul-ce - do,
et spes no-stra, sal - ve. Ad te cla-ma-mus, ex-su-les,
fi-li-i He-vae. Ad te sus-pi-ra-mus, ge-men-tes et flen-tes
in hac la-cri-ma-rum val-le. E-ia er-go, Ad-vo-ca-ta no-stra,
il-los tu-os mi-se-ri-cor-des o-cu-los ad nos con-ver-te. Et Je-sum,
be-ne-dic-tum fruc-tum ven-tris tu-i, no-bis post hoc ex-si-li-um
o-sten-de. O cle-mens: O pi-a:
O dul-cis Vir-go Ma-ri-a.

*Hail, holy Queen, mother of mercy,
our life, our sweetness, and our hope.
To you we cry, poor banished children of Eve;
to you we send up our sighs,
mourning and weeping in this valley of tears.
Turn, then, most gracious advocate,
your eyes of mercy toward us;
and after this, our exile,
show unto us the blessed fruit of your womb, Jesus.
O clement, O loving, O sweet Virgin Mary.*

RECESSIONAL HYMN

We ask you to respect our custom of standing in place
and singing the complete Recessional Hymn.

1. Those who love and those who la - bor Fol - low in the
2. Where the man - y work to - geth - er, They with Christ him -
3. Let the seek - er nev - er fal - ter Till the truth is -
4. As we wor - ship, grant us vi - sion, Till your love's re -

way of Christ; Thus the first dis - ci - ples found him,
self a - bide, But the lone - ly work - ers al - so
found a - far With the wis - dom of the a - ges
veal - ing light, Till the height and depth and great - ness

Thus the gift of love suf - ficed. Je - sus says to those who
Find him ev - er at their side. Lo, the Prince of com - mon
Un - der - neath a gi - ant star, With the rich - est and the
Dawns up - on our hu - man sight: Mak - ing known the needs and

seek him, I will nev - er pass you by; Raise the stone and
wel - fare Dwells with - in the mar - ket strife; Lo, the bread of
poor - est, Of the sum of things pos - sessed, Like a child at
bur - dens Your com - pas - sion bids us bear, Stir - ring us to

you shall find me; Cleave the wood, and there am I.
heav'n is bro - ken In the sac - ra - ment of life.
first to won - der, Like a king at last to rest.
faith - ful ser - vice, Your a - bun - dant life to share.

POSTLUDE

<i>Vigil</i>	Toccata	Georgi Mushel
12:00		(1909–1989)
9:00	Toccata	Samuel Ducommun
		(1914–1987)
10:30	Carillon de Westminster	Louis Vierne
4:30		(1870–1937)

**MASS TO COMMEMORATE
THE 25TH ANNIVERSARY OF 9/11**
September 11, 2026 ♦ 5:15 P.M.
Crypt Church

MOST REVEREND TIMOTHY P. BROGLIO
Archbishop for the Military Services, USA
Principal Celebrant and Homilist



RELICS OF SAINT BERNADETTE SOUBIROUS

The Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception is pleased to welcome the Relics of Saint Bernadette Soubirous and an Immersive Lourdes Experience from September 18 to 20, 2026.

Veneration of the Relics of Saint Bernadette Soubirous
September 18 to 20, 2026
Great Upper Church

*September 18 – 9:00 A.M. to 11:45 A.M.
1:30 P.M. to 5:30 P.M.*

September 19 – 9:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M.

*September 20 – Relics will remain in the Lower Sanctuary
through the Closing Mass*

Lourdes Immersive Experience
September 18 and 19, 2026
Chapel of Our Lady of Lourdes

*September 18 – 9:30 A.M. to 11:30 A.M.
1:30 P.M. to 5:30 P.M.*

September 19 – 9:30 A.M. to 4:00 P.M.

Lourdes Conference
September 18, 2026 ♦ 2:00 P.M.
Great Upper Church

Reverend Jim Phalan, C.S.C.
English-Speaking Chaplain, Sanctuary of Our Lady of Lourdes

Masses in the Great Upper Church

Opening Mass
September 18, 2026 ♦ 12:10 P.M.

ROBERT CARDINAL McELROY
Archbishop of Washington
Principal Celebrant and Homilist

Mass and Candlelight Procession
September 19, 2026 ♦ 4:30 P.M.

MOST REVEREND TIMOTHY P. BROGLIO
Archbishop for the Military Services, USA
Principal Celebrant and Homilist

Broadcast live on the Eternal Word Television Network

Closing Mass
September 20, 2026 ♦ 12:00 P.M.

MOST REVEREND GABRIELE G. CACCIA
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