

St. Philip the Apostle Catholic Church
July 11 & 12, 2020 Fifteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time

Gathering **“God, We Praise You”**

God, we praise you! God, we bless you! God, we name you sovereign Lord!
Mighty King whom angels worship, Father, by your church adored:
All creation shows your glory, heaven and earth draw near your throne
Singing 'Holy, holy, holy, Lord of hosts, and God alone!'

Jesus Christ, the King of glory, everlasting Son of God,
Humble was your virgin mother, hard the lonely path you trod:
By your cross is sin defeated, hell confronted face to face,
Heaven opened to believers, sinners justified by grace.

Gloria
“Glory to God”

A Reading from Isaiah 55: 10-11

Just as from the heavens the rain and snow come down
and do not return there till they have watered the earth,
making it fertile and fruitful, giving seed to the one who sows and bread
to the one who eats, so shall my word be that goes forth from my mouth;
my word shall not return to me void, but shall do my will,
achieving the end for which I sent it.

Responsorial Psalm (Psalm 65: 10 11, 12-13, 14)

“The seed that falls on good ground will yield a fruitful harvest”

A Reading from Romans 8: 18-23

I consider that the sufferings of this present time are as nothing
compared with the glory to be revealed for us.
For creation awaits with eager expectation the revelation of the children of God;
for creation was made subject to futility, not of its own accord but because of the one
who subjected it, in hope that creation itself would be set free from slavery to corruption
and share in the glorious freedom of the children of God.
We know that all creation is groaning in labor pains even until now;
and not only that, but we ourselves, who have the firstfruits of the Spirit,
we also groan within ourselves as we wait for adoption, the redemption of our bodies.

Alleluia and Gospel Acclamation

Gospel Reading from Matthew 13: 1-23

On that day, Jesus went out of the house and sat down by the sea.
Such large crowds gathered around him that he got into a boat and sat down,
and the whole crowd stood along the shore.
And he spoke to them at length in parables, saying:
“A sower went out to sow. And as he sowed, some seed fell on the path,
and birds came and ate it up.
Some fell on rocky ground, where it had little soil.
It sprang up at once because the soil was not deep, and when the sun rose it was
scorched, and it withered for lack of roots.
Some seed fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up and choked it.
But some seed fell on rich soil, and produced fruit, a hundred or sixty or thirtyfold.
Whoever has ears ought to hear.”

The disciples approached him and said, “Why do you speak to them in parables?”
He said to them in reply,
“Because knowledge of the mysteries of the kingdom of heaven
has been granted to you, but to them it has not been granted.
To anyone who has, more will be given and he will grow rich;
from anyone who has not, even what he has will be taken away.
This is why I speak to them in parables, because
they look but do not see and hear but do not listen or understand.
Isaiah’s prophecy is fulfilled in them, which says:
You shall indeed hear but not understand,
you shall indeed look but never see.
Gross is the heart of this people, they will hardly hear with their ears,
they have closed their eyes, lest they see with their eyes and hear with their ears
and understand with their hearts and be converted, and I heal them.

“But blessed are your eyes, because they see, and your ears, because they hear.
Amen, I say to you, many prophets and righteous people longed to see what you see but
did not see it, and to hear what you hear but did not hear it.

“Hear then the parable of the sower. The seed sown on the path is the one
who hears the word of the kingdom without understanding it,
and the evil one comes and steals away what was sown in his heart.
The seed sown on rocky ground is the one who hears the word and receives it at once
with joy. But he has no root and lasts only for a time.
When some tribulation or persecution comes because of the word,
he immediately falls away.
The seed sown among thorns is the one who hears the word, but then worldly anxiety
and the lure of riches choke the word and it bears no fruit.
But the seed sown on rich soil is the one who hears the word and understands it,
who indeed bears fruit and yields a hundred or sixty or thirtyfold.”

Homily

Presentation of Gifts **“My Shepherd, You Supply my Need”**

My Shepherd, You supply my need, most holy is your name;
in pastures fresh you make me feed, beside the living stream.
You bring my wand'ring spirit back when I forsake your ways;
You lead me, for your mercy's sake, in paths of truth and grace.

When through the shades of death I walk, your presence is my stay;
One word of your supporting breath drives all my fears away.
Your hand in sight of all my foes, does still my table spread;
My cup with Blessings overflows, your oil anoints my head.

Your sure provisions, gracious God, attend me all my days;
O may your house be my abode, and all my work be praise.
Here would I find a settled rest, while others go and come;
No more a stranger, nor a guest, but like a child at home.

Sanctus

“Holy, Holy, Holy”

Memorial Acclamation

“We proclaim your death, O Lord...”

The Great Amen

Lamb of God

Communion **“One Bread, One Body”**

One bread, one body, one Lord of all, one cup of blessing which we bless.
And we, though many, throughout the earth, we are one body in this one Lord.

Gentile or Jew, servant or free, woman or man no more. [refrain]

Many the gifts, many the works, one in the Lord of all. [refrain]

Grain for the fields, scattered and grown, gathered to one for all. [refrain]

Final Blessing and Dismissal

Going Forth “**Sent Forth By God’s Blessing**”

Sent forth by God’s blessing, Our true faith confessing,
The people of God from His dwelling take leave.
God’s sacrifice ended, O now be extended
The fruits of this Mass in all hearts who believe.
The seed of His teaching, our inner souls reaching,
Shall blossom in action for God and for all.
God’s grace shall incite us, His love shall unite us
To work for God’s kingdom and answer His call.

With praise and thanksgiving to God ever-living,
The tasks of our ev’ryday life we embrace.
Our faith ever sharing, In love ever caring,
Embracing His children of each tribe and race.
One bread that has fed us, one light that has led us;
Unite us as one in this life that we share.
Then may all the living with praise and thanksgiving
Give honor to Christ and His name that we bear.