The Ninth Sunday after Pentecost

25 July 2021 at 10 a.m. Officiant: The Rev. Canon Thomas Orso Lay Reader: Chris Canty



Hymn 636 "How firm a foundation, ye saints of the Lord"

The Congregation says the text in **bold**

OfficiantBlessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.PeopleAnd blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

Officiant Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your Holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Glory to God S 278	Gloria in excelsis
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William Mathias (1934-1992)

The Collect of the Day

OfficiantThe Lord be with you.PeopleAnd also with you.

Officiant Let us pray.

O God, the protector of all who trust in you, without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy: Increase and multiply upon us your mercy; that, with you as our ruler and guide, we may so pass through things temporal, that we lose not the things eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

A Reading from the Second Book of Kings 4:42-44

A man came from Baal-shalishah, bringing food from the first fruits to the man of God: twenty loaves of barley and fresh ears of grain in his sack. Elisha said, "Give it to the people and let them eat." But his servant said, "How can I set this before a hundred people?" So he repeated, "Give it to the people and let them eat, for thus says the LORD, 'They shall eat and have some left." He set it before them, they ate, and had some left, according to the word of the LORD.

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 145:10-19 Exaltabo te, Deus

10 All your works praise you, O LORD, *	
and your faithful servants bless you.	
11 They make known the glory of your kingdom *	
and speak of your power;	
12 That the peoples may know of your power *	
and the glorious splendor of your kingdom.	
13 Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom; *	
your dominion endures throughout all ages.	
14 The LORD is faithful in all his words *	
and merciful in all his deeds.	
15 The LORD upholds all those who fall; *	
he lifts up those who are bowed down.	
16 The eyes of all wait upon you, O LORD, *	
and you give them their food in due season.	
17 You open wide your hand *	
and satisfy the needs of every living creature.	
18 The LORD is righteous in all his ways *	
and loving in all his works.	
19 The LORD is near to those who call upon him, *	
to all who call upon him faithfully.	

A Reading from the Epistle of St Paul to the Ephesians 3:14-21

I bow my knees before the Father, from whom every family in heaven and on earth takes its name. I pray that, according to the riches of his glory, he may grant that you may be strengthened in your inner being with power through his Spirit, and that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith, as you are being rooted and grounded in love. I pray that you may have the power to comprehend, with all the saints, what is the breadth and length and height and depth, and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, so that you may be filled with all the fullness of God. Now to him who by the power at work within us is able to accomplish abundantly far more than all we can ask or imagine, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations, forever and ever. Amen.

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

The Gospel

John 6:1-21

OfficiantThe Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.PeopleGlory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus went to the other side of the Sea of Galilee, also called the Sea of Tiberias. A large crowd kept following him, because they saw the signs that he was doing for the sick. Jesus went up the mountain and sat down there with his disciples. Now the Passover, the festival of the Jews, was near. When he looked up and saw a large crowd coming toward him, Jesus said to Philip, "Where are we to buy bread for these people to eat?" He said this to test him, for he himself knew what he was going to do. Philip answered him, "Six months' wages would not buy enough bread for each of them to get a little." One of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, said to him, "There is a boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish. But what are they among so many people?" Jesus said, "Make the people sit down." Now there was a great deal of grass in the place; so they sat down, about five thousand in all. Then Jesus took the loaves, and when he had given thanks, he distributed them to those who were seated; so also the fish, as much as they wanted. When they were satisfied, he told his disciples, "Gather up the fragments left over, so that nothing may be

lost." So they gathered them up, and from the fragments of the five barley loaves, left by those who had eaten, they filled twelve baskets. When the people saw the sign that he had done, they began to say, "This is indeed the prophet who is to come into the world." When Jesus realized that they were about to come and take him by force to make him king, he withdrew again to the mountain by himself. When evening came, his disciples went down to the sea, got into a boat, and started across the sea to Capernaum. It was now dark, and Jesus had not yet come to them. The sea became rough because a strong wind was blowing. When they had rowed about three or four miles, they saw Jesus walking on the sea and coming near the boat, and they were terrified. But he said to them, "It is I; do not be afraid." Then they wanted to take him into the boat, and immediately the boat reached the land toward which they were going.

OfficiantThe Gospel of the Lord.PeoplePraise to you, Lord Christ.

Sermon The Rev. Canon Thomas Orso

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth: I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven. and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holv Spirit. the holv catholic Church. the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins the resurrection of the body and the life everlasting. Amen.

The Prayers

OfficiantThe Lord be with you.PeopleAnd also with you.OfficiantLet us pray.Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth
as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those
who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the
kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

Form III

The Leader and People pray responsively

Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church; **That we all may be one.**

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you; **That your Name may be glorified by all people.**

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons; That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world; **That there may be justice and peace on the earth.**

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake; **That our works may find favor in your sight.**

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble; **That they may be delivered from their distress.**

Give to the departed eternal rest; Let light perpetual shine upon them.

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy; **May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.**

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

We give thanks for the COVID-19 vaccines, and for those who celebrate birthdays this week including Ruby Dixon and Carol Stone Walsh, for all who listen to our weekly audio and on-line offerings, for this neighborhood of Getty Square, The Sharing Community and Westhab, The Salvation Army, the YWCA and the YMCA, the Yonkers Fire and Police Departments, all teachers, students and elected officials including our Mayor, for Saint John's Riverside Hospital, Saint Joseph's Medical Center, for all hospitals, nursing homes and group homes and for all who work to help others.

Lord in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**

We pray for our Bishops and for inspired ministry in this Episcopal Diocese of NY. We pray especially for an end to the gun violence plaguing our nation, for those in danger by virtue of their labor, for all who are struggling with COVID-19, those affected by the wildfires in Oregon and by the flooding in western Europe, and for all in need of God's healing grace. We pray today for Marilyn Berkower, Noah Phorpe, Noelle Phorpe, Norah Phorpe, Oshane Phorpe, Agnes Schumacher, Trudy Vilches, Bruno Ukaj, John Sutter, Ival DeBride, Linda Brown, Karen Edmonson, The Rev. Canon Claudia Wilson, Wayne Kniffen, Joan Simpson Marszat, Henry McNamee, Susan Spielmann, Kayla Detz, Catherine Corry, Judith Shorrocks, Philip Godlewski, Judy Hinsch, Marie Baptiste, Margaret Arguinzoni, Aida Carino, Shelly Henderson, Connie Tracey, Ruby Dixon, Joan Smith, Velma Crichton, Edith Williams, Carol Shoemaker, John Gore, Anna Walters, Thomas Neale, John Farrell, Barbara & Chris Michel-Karsten, Carla Jean DeBride, Naomi Henderson, Shaadira Smith, Roland Smith, Al DeFeo, Melvvn Davis and Floyd Davis. We pray for Anthony Johnson, a Postulant for ordination as a deacon, for all who have lost their jobs and all who are struggling to pay rent and other expenses, for the Scavenging Workers' Children in India, for those affected by the COVID pandemic, for the people impacted by the famine in Ethiopia, for an end to hate crimes involving Jewish Synagogues, for all who have been treated less than justly-including Asian Americans and members of the Sikh Community-and for changing hearts surrounding issues of racism in America.

Lord in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**

We pray for all who have died, including Tom O'Connor, Douglas Freeman, Margaret Trenkamp and Ann Stabile, as well as those who have been murdered in recent gun violence across the country, those who have died from illness, natural disasters and warfare, for those who lost their lives in the Surfside, Florida Condominium collapse (and their families), and for the more than 609,000 Americans and the over

4 million people around the world who have died from COVID-19. We also lament those who have died over the centuries including indigenous people, and all who have died due to slavery, lynching, racism and the unequal and unjust treatment of peoples in this country.

Lord in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**

Officiant Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Officiant and People Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus

Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

Officiant Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen**

The Peace

Officiant	The Peace of the Lord be always with you.
People	And also with you.

Brief Announcements and Closing Prayers

The General Thanksgiving

Almighty God, Father of all mercies, we your unworthy servants give you humble thanks for all your goodness and loving-kindness to us and to all whom you have made. We bless you for our creation, preservation, and all the blessings of this life; but above all for your immeasurable love in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ; for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory. And, we pray, give us such an awareness of your mercies, that with truly thankful hearts we may show forth your praise, not only with our lips, but in our lives, by giving up our selves to your service, and by walking before you in holiness and righteousness all our days; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory throughout all ages. Amen.

The Blessing and Dismissal

Officiant Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Hymn 390 "Praise to the Lord"

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