

ST. ALPHONSUS LIGUORI CATHOLIC CHURCH
19th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
CYCLE B – WORSHIP AID
AUGUST 8, 2021

PARISH-VOCATIONS PRAYER

Loving God,

In baptism You called us by name, making us members of Your people, the Church.

We praise You for Your goodness. We thank You for the gift of our parish and the wonderful ministries we have to build Your Church.

You have called us, not to set us apart, but to bring us together with others who need our love. May we bring comfort to those who call You, healing to those who need You and openness to all who seek You.

Send Your spirit upon us to open our hearts to serve You in our vocations as priests, brothers, sisters, deacons, and married and single members of our Church. May our vocations be a reflection of Your light and Your love.

We pray that You watch over us, and bless the people of St. Alphonsus Liguori Parish as we continue to build Your kingdom here on Earth.

Amen.

READINGS & MUSIC FOR 4 PM, 8 AM, & 10 AM MASSES

ENTRANCE HYMN

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty #616 vs. 1 and 2

Text: Lobe den Herren, den mŠchtigen Kšnig; Joachim Neander, 1650-1680; tr. by Catherine Winkworth, 1827-1878, alt.

Verse 1

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the king of
creation!

O my soul, praise him, for he is your health
and salvation!

All you who hear,

Now to his temple draw near.

Praise him in glad adoration!

Verse 2

Praise to the Lord, who over all things is
wondrously reigning

And, as on wings of an eagle, uplifting,
sustaining.

Have you not seen

All you have needed has been

Met by his gracious ordaining?

GLORIA (sung)

Glory to God in the highest,
and on earth peace to people of good will.

We praise you,

we bless you,

we adore you,

we glorify you,

we give you thanks for your great glory,

Lord God, heavenly King,

O God, almighty Father.

Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,

Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,

you take away the sins of the world,

have mercy on us;

you take away the sins of the world,

receive our prayer;

you are seated at the right hand of the Father,

have mercy on us.

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.

READING I

I Kings 19:4-8

Elijah went a day's journey into the desert,
until he came to a broom tree and sat beneath it.
He prayed for death saying:
"This is enough, O LORD!
Take my life, for I am no better than my fathers."
He lay down and fell asleep under the broom tree,
but then an angel touched him and ordered him to get up and eat.
Elijah looked and there at his head was a hearth cake
and a jug of water.
After he ate and drank, he lay down again,
but the angel of the LORD came back a second time,
touched him, and ordered,
"Get up and eat, else the journey will be too long for you!"
He got up, ate, and drank;
then strengthened by that food,
he walked forty days and forty nights to the mountain of God, Horeb.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

R. Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.

READING II

Ephesians 4:30 - 5:2

Brothers and sisters:
Do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God,
with which you were sealed for the day of redemption.
All bitterness, fury, anger, shouting, and reviling
must be removed from you, along with all malice.
And be kind to one another, compassionate,
forgiving one another as God has forgiven you in Christ.
So be imitators of God, as beloved children, and live in love,
as Christ loved us and handed himself over for us
as a sacrificial offering to God for a fragrant aroma.

ALLELUIA

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

I am the living bread that came down from heaven, says the Lord;
whoever eats this bread will live forever.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

GOSPEL

John 6:41-51

The Jews murmured about Jesus because he said,
“I am the bread that came down from heaven, ”
and they said,
“Is this not Jesus, the son of Joseph?
Do we not know his father and mother?
Then how can he say,
‘I have come down from heaven’?”
Jesus answered and said to them,
“Stop murmuring among yourselves.
No one can come to me unless the Father who sent me draw him,
and I will raise him on the last day.
It is written in the prophets:
They shall all be taught by God.
Everyone who listens to my Father and learns from him comes to me.
Not that anyone has seen the Father
except the one who is from God;
he has seen the Father.
Amen, amen, I say to you,
whoever believes has eternal life.
I am the bread of life.
Your ancestors ate the manna in the desert, but they died;
this is the bread that comes down from heaven
so that one may eat it and not die.
I am the living bread that came down from heaven;
whoever eats this bread will live forever;
and the bread that I will give is my flesh for the life of the world.”

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, 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.

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

Celebrant: My brothers and sisters, let us pray to be nourished by Jesus, as we make our way strengthened by the living Bread come down from heaven.

That the Church may be sustained on its journey toward God's mountain by the food that God so generously bestows, we pray to the Lord...

That the ministers of the church will taste the Lord's goodness in their service to God's people, we pray to the Lord...

That, as we start a new school year, our Youth and those teachers and catechists that minister to them may continue to grow their relationship with Jesus, the Bread of Life, and give themselves as offerings to God, we pray to the Lord...

That those who have left the Church may return to this table, be welcomed back to this feast, and fed by Jesus who longs to strengthen us, we pray to the Lord...

That our first responders and military personnel will taste the Lord's goodness in their efforts for peace and return healthy in body, mind and spirit, and that those who do not return will taste the glory of life with our Lord, we pray to the Lord...

That God, through the intercession of Our Lady of Prompt Succor, might protect the Gulf Coast from harm and destruction during this hurricane season, we pray to the Lord....

That those who have died, especially Huey Stuckey, Sr., Sheila Lacour, Williamine Browning, and those for whom this Mass is offered:

- 4:00 - Pat Duhorn, Betty Thibodeaux, Bruce Melancon, Stacey Silvio, Juneau Family, Marcus Smith, Ryan Rabalais Family, Morris Rabalais, Bill Yeager, Robert & Elizabeth Blake
- 8:00 - Shirley Shaffer
- 10:00 - Parishioners of St. Alphonsus, both living and deceased
- 12:00 - Kenlie Jackson, Dana Rodgers

will taste the Lord's goodness in the gift of eternal life, we pray to the Lord....

In silence, we pray for our own needs and for the needs of others.....

PRIEST: God in heaven, you sustain us by your love and care and draw us to yourself that we might have eternal life. Hear our prayers and grant them through Christ our Lord. AMEN.

OFFERTORY

O God, You Search Me #581

Text: Based on Psalm 139; Bernadette Farrell, b. 1957 Tune: Bernadette Farrell, b. 1957 © 1992, Bernadette Farrell, Published by OCP.

Verse 1

O God, you search me and you know me.
All my thoughts lie open to your gaze.
When I walk or lie down you are before me:
Ever the maker and keeper of my days.

Verse 2

You know my resting and my rising.
You discern my purpose from afar,
And with love everlasting you besiege me:
In ev'ry moment of life or death, you are.

Verse 3

Before a word is on my tongue, Lord,
You have known its meaning through and through.
You are with me beyond my understanding:
God of my present, my past and future, too.

Verse 4

Although your Spirit is upon me,
Still I search for shelter from your light.
There is nowhere on earth I can escape you:
Even the darkness is radiant in your sight.

Verse 5

For you created me and shaped me,
Gave me life within my mother's womb.
For the wonder of who I am, I praise you:
Safe in your hands, all creation is made new.

COMMUNION HYMN

All Who Hunger #925

Text: Sylvia G. Dunstan, 1955-1993, © 1991, GIA Publications, Inc.

Verse 1

All who hunger, gather gladly;
Holy manna is our bread.
Come from wilderness and wand'ring.
Here, in truth, we will be fed.
You that yearn for days of fullness,
All around us is our food.

Refrain

Taste and see the grace eternal.
Taste and see that God is good.
Taste and see the grace eternal.
Taste and see that God is good.

Verse 2

All who hunger, never strangers,
Seeker, be a welcome guest.
Come from restlessness and roaming.
Here, in joy, we keep the feast.
We that once were lost and scattered
In communion's love have stood.

Verse 3

All who hunger, sing together;
Jesus Christ is living bread.
Come from loneliness and longing.
Here, in peace, we have been led.
Blest are those who from this table
Live their lives in gratitude.

RECESSIONAL

Alleluia, Sing to Jesus #949

Text: Revelation 5:9; William C. Dix, 1837-1898

Verse 1

Alleluia! Sing to Jesus!
His the scepter, his the throne.
Alleluia! His the triumph,
His the victory alone.
Hark! The songs of peaceful Zion
Thunder like a mighty flood:
"Jesus out of ev'ry nation
Has redeemed us by his blood."

Verse 3

Alleluia! Bread of angels,
Here on earth our food, our stay!
Alleluia! Here the sinful
Flee to you from day to day.
Intercessor, friend of sinners,
Earth's redeemer, plead for me,
Where the songs of all the sinless
Sweep across the crystal sea.

SONGS FOR 12 PM MASS ONLY

Gathering -

Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing

Verse 1

Come Thou fount of ev'ry blessing
Tune my heart to sing Thy grace
Streams of mercy never ceasing
Call for songs of loudest praise
Teach me some melodious sonnet
Sung by flaming tongues above
Praise the mount I'm fixed upon it
Mount of Thy redeeming love

Verse 3

O to grace how great a debtor
Daily I'm constrained to be
Let Thy grace Lord like a fetter
Bind my wand'ring heart to Thee
Prone to wander Lord I feel it
Prone to leave the God I love
Here's my heart Lord take and seal it
Seal it for Thy courts above

Responsorial Psalm

Taste and see the goodness of the Lord

Offertory -

O Come to the Altar

*Words and Music by Steven Furtick, Chris Brown, Wade Joye,
and Mack Brock*

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Verse 1

Are you hurting and broken within
Overwhelmed by the weight of your sin
Jesus is calling
Have you come to the end of yourself
Do you thirst for a drink from the well
Jesus is calling

Chorus

O come to the altar
The Father's arms are open wide
Forgiveness was bought with
The precious blood of Jesus Christ

Verse 2

Leave behind your regrets and mistakes
Come today there's no reason to wait
Jesus is calling
Bring your sorrows and trade them for joy
From the ashes a new life is born
Jesus is calling

Verse 3

Bear your cross as you wait for the crown
Tell the world of the treasure you've found

Communion ~
Give Us Clean Hands

Words and Music by Charlie Hall

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Verse

We bow our hearts we bend our knees
Oh Spirit come make us humble
We turn our eyes from evil things
Oh Lord we cast down our idols

Chorus

Give us clean hands give us pure hearts
Let us not lift our souls to another
Give us clean hands give us pure hearts
Let us not lift our souls to another
And oh God let us be a generation that seeks
That seeks Your face oh God of Jacob
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Recessional ~
Your Grace is Enough

Words and Music by Matt Maher

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Verse 1

Great is Your faithfulness O God
You wrestle with the sinner's restless heart
You lead us by still waters into mercy
And nothing can keep us apart

Pre-Chorus

So remember Your people
Remember Your children
Remember Your promise O God

Chorus

Your grace is enough
Your grace is enough
Your grace is enough for me

Verse 2

Great is Your love and justice God of Jacob
You use the weak to lead the strong
You lead us in the song of Your salvation
And all Your people sing along