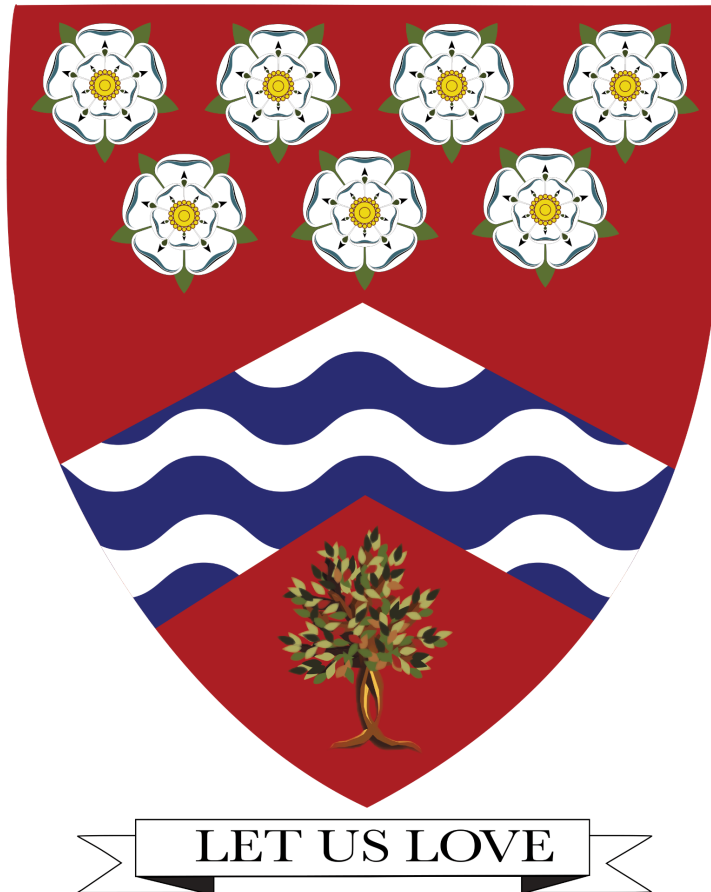


Church of the Little Flower
Berkeley Heights, NJ



23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time
September 5-6, 2026

Entrance Hymn

I Have Decided to Follow Jesus

By R. Kevin Boesiger

I have decided to follow Jesus;
I have decided to follow Jesus;
I have decided to follow Jesus;
No turning back; no turning back.

If no one joins me, still I will follow;
If no one joins me, still I will follow;
If no one joins me, still I will follow;
No turning back; no turning back.

The cross before me, the world behind me;
The cross before me, the world behind me;
The cross before me, the world behind me;
No turning back, no turning back.

Glory

From A New Mass for Congregations



Revised Order of Mass 2010

Carroll Thomas Andrews, Revised by Ronald F. Krisman

Brightly ♩ = 108

Voice

Glo - ry to God in the high - est and on

Piano

Brightly ♩ = 108

mf

7

Voice

earth peace to peo-ple of good will. We praise you, we bless you, we a - dore you we glo-ri-fy you, we

Pno.

13

Voice

give you thanks for your great glo - ry, Lord, God, heav'n-ly King, O God, al might-y Fa - ther.

Pno.

f

19 **Slightly Slower**

Voice

Lord Je - sus Christ, On - ly be-got-ten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Fa - ther, you

Slightly Slower

Pno.

mf

cresc.

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Gloria - (Cont'd)

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27

Voice

take a-way the sins of the world, have mer - cy on us; you take a-way the sins of the world, re -

Pno.

35

Voice

ceive our prayer; you are seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther, have mer - cy on

Pno.

43

Tempo primo

Voice

us. For you a-long are the Ho-ly One, you a - lone are the Lord, you a - lone are the

Tempo primo

Pno.

dim. *f*

50

Voice

Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spir - it, in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - - men.

Pno.

rit.

First Reading
Ezekial 33:7-9

Thus says the Lord:

You, son of man, I have appointed watchman for the house of Israel; when you hear me say anything, you shall warn them for me.

If I tell the wicked, "O wicked one, you shall surely die, " and you do not speak out to dissuade the wicked from his way, the wicked shall die for his guilt, but I will hold you responsible for his death.

But if you warn the wicked, trying to turn him from his way, and he refuses to turn from his way, he shall die for his guilt, but you shall save yourself.

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

Responsorial Psalm

23RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

September 6

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9 (127)

Ben Walther

RESPONSE (♩ = ca. 82)

Capo 3: (Bm) (D) (Gmaj7) (D/F#) (Em7) (D/F#) (G) (D)
Dm F Bbmaj7 F/A Gm7 F/A Bb F (♩)

Melody

If to-day you hear his voice, hard-en not your hearts.

Tenor (8vb)

Alto Harmony

VERSES

(G/D) (D) (A) (G) (D/F#)
Bb/F F C Bb F/A

1. Come, let us sing joyfully to the LORD; let us ac -
2. (-----) Come, let us bow down in worship; let us
3. Oh, that to - day you would hear his voice: "Harden not your

Responsorial Psalm (Cont'd)

SEPTEMBER 6

23RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, cont. (2)

(A) C (G) B $\flat$ (D/F $\sharp$) F/A (A) C

1. claim the rock of our sal - vation. Let us come into his pres - ence with thanks -
 2. kneel before the LORD who made us. For he is our God, and we are the
 3. hearts as at Meribah, as in the day of Mas - sah in the

(Bm) Dm (G) B $\flat$ (D/F $\sharp$) F/A

1. giv - ing; let us (-----)
 2. peo - ple he (-----)
 3. des - ert, where your fathers tempted me; they

(Em7) Gm7 (A sus4) C sus4 (A) C
 (a tempo) D.C.

1. joyfully sing psalms to him.
 2. shepherds, the flock he guides.
 3. tested me though they had seen my works." D.C.

(a tempo)

Second Reading
Romans 13:8-10

Brothers and sisters:

Owe nothing to anyone, except to love one another;
for the one who loves another has fulfilled the law.

The commandments, "You shall not commit adultery;
you shall not kill; you shall not steal; you shall not covet,"
and whatever other commandment there may be,
are summed up in this saying, namely,
"You shall love your neighbor as yourself."
Love does no evil to the neighbor;
hence, love is the fulfillment of the law.

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

Gospel Acclamation

SEPTEMBER 6

23RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, cont. (3)

Gospel Acclamation: 2 Corinthians 5:19

Curtis Stephan

INTRO Joyfully (♩. = ca. 54)

Capo 3: (G) B $\flat$ (A) C (G/B) B $\flat$ /D (A/C $\sharp$) C/E

ACCLAMATION

(G/B) (A/C $\sharp$) (G/D) (D) (D/F $\sharp$) (G) (A) (F $\sharp$ sus4) (F $\sharp$)
B $\flat$ /D C/E B $\flat$ /F F F/A B $\flat$ C A sus4 A

Melody

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Tenor (8vb)

Alto

Harmony

(G) (A) (G/D) (D) (D/F $\sharp$) (G) (A7sus4) 1 (D)
B $\flat$ C B $\flat$ /F F F/A B $\flat$ C7sus4 F D.S.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

1 D.S.

Gospel
Matthew 18:15-20

Jesus said to his disciples:

"If your brother sins against you, go and tell him his fault between you and him alone. If he listens to you, you have won over your brother.

If he does not listen, take one or two others along with you, so that 'every fact may be established on the testimony of two or three witnesses.' If he refuses to listen to them, tell the church.

If he refuses to listen even to the church, then treat him as you would a Gentile or a tax collector.

Amen, I say to you, whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven.

Again, amen, I say to you, if two of you agree on earth about anything for which they are to pray, it shall be granted to them by my heavenly Father.

For where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them."

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

The Nicene Creed

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:

**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.

Preparation of the Gifts

PRAYER OF ST. FRANCIS / ORACIÓN DE SAN FRANCISCO

Sebastian Temple

Verses 1, 2, 4



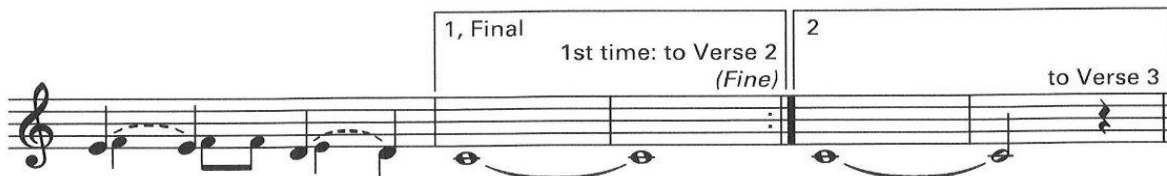
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| <p>1. } Make me a chan-nel of your peace.</p> <p>2. } Make me a chan-nel of your peace.</p> <p>4. } Make me a chan-nel of your peace.</p> | <p>Where there is ha-tred,</p> <p>Where there's de-spair in</p> <p>It is in par-don -</p> |
| <p>1. <i>Haz-me un ins-tru-men-to de tu paz,</i></p> <p>2. <i>Haz-me un ins-tru-men-to de tu paz,</i></p> <p>4. <i>Haz-me un ins-tru-men-to de tu paz,</i></p> | <p><i>don - de ha - ya o - dio</i></p> <p><i>que lle - ve tu es-pe -</i></p> <p><i>es per - do-nan-do</i></p> |



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| <p>1. let me bring your love. _____</p> <p>2. life, let me bring hope. _____</p> <p>4. ing that we are par-doned, _____</p> | <p>Where there is in - ju -</p> <p>Where there is dark-ness_</p> <p>In giv - ing of our -</p> |
| <p>1. <i>lle - ve yo tu a - mor,</i> _____</p> <p>2. <i>ran - za por do - quier,</i> _____</p> <p>4. <i>que nos das per - dón,</i> _____</p> | <p><i>don - de ha - ya in - ju - ria</i></p> <p><i>don - de ha - ya os - cu - ri -</i></p> <p><i>es dan - do a to - dos_</i></p> |



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|---|---|
| <p>1. ry, your par-don, Lord,</p> <p>2. _____ on - ly light,</p> <p>4. selves that we re - ceive,</p> | <p>And where there's doubt, true</p> <p>And where there's sad - ness</p> <p>And in dy - ing that we're</p> |
| <p>1. <i>tu per-dón, Se - ñor,</i></p> <p>2. <i>dad lle - ve tu luz,</i></p> <p>4. _____ <i>que tú nos das,</i></p> | <p><i>don - de ha - ya du - da,</i></p> <p><i>don - de ha - ya pe - na,</i></p> <p><i>y mu - rién - do es que vol -</i></p> |



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|--|-----------------------|
| <p>1. faith _____ in _____ you.</p> <p>2. ev - er _____</p> <p>4. born to e - ter - nal life.</p> | <p>2. joy.</p> |
| <p>1. <i>fe _____ en _____ ti.</i></p> <p>2. <i>tu go - zo, Se -</i></p> <p>4. <i>ve - mos a na - cer.</i></p> | <p>2. <i>ñor.</i></p> |

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PRAYER OF ST. FRANCIS / ORACIÓN DE SAN FRANCISCO (CONT 2)

Verse 3

3. O Mas-ter, grant that I may nev - er seek So much to be con-
 3. Ma - es - tro a - yú - da - me a nun - ca bus - car } ser — con - so -

3. soled, as to con - sole, ——— To be un - der - stood — as to un - der -
 3. la - do si - no con - so - lar, ser en - ten - di - do si - no en - ten -

to Verse 4

3. stand, To be loved, as to love, with all my soul.
 3. der, ser a - ma - do si - no a - mar.

HOLY

Mass of Renewal
Curtis Stephan

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. Ho-san-na in the high - est.

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WHEN WE EAT THIS BREAD

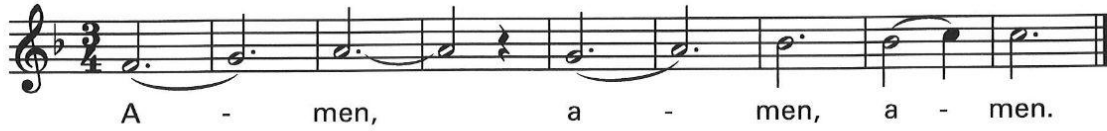
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When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup, we pro -
claim your Death, O Lord, un - til you come a - gain.

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AMEN

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LAMB OF GOD

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Communion

My Life In You

by Arnold Zamora

Where can I run and hide from you or can I ever do?
When everywhere, I know you're there
Anywhere, you'll find me.

Where could I go to flee from you or could I ever do?
When your hands keep holding me,
Guiding me around me.

God I know that you are there, you know who I am and all I do.
God you see me through and through,
Take my hand, I trust in you. I put my life in you.

You know me when I sit or stand, my life is in your hand.
You read my thoughts from far away in everything you know me.
You know me in my darkness hour, you give me strength and power.
You are there beside me, watching me for always.

For all the wonders that you gave me, for all the marvels that you do.
For all of these I like to thank you and praise you.

11:30 am Mass Only

Walk in the Light **by Carey Landry**

Jesus is the light for all
Walk, walk in the light!
We follow him as we hear his call.
Walk, walk in the light!

Walk, walk in the light! Walk, walk in the light!
Walk, walk in the light; walk in the light of the Lord!

The light of Jesus is yours and mine.
Walk, walk in the light!
Never to hide it but to let it shine.
Walk, walk in the light!

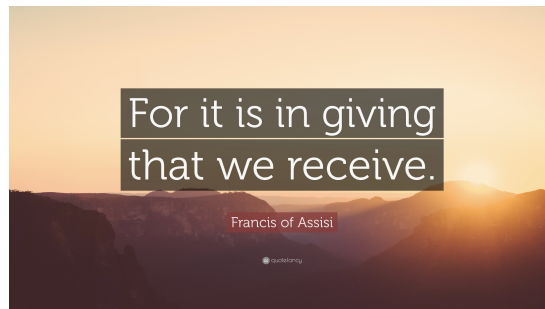
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Spiritual Communion Prayer

*My Jesus,
I believe that You are present
in the Most Holy Sacrament.
I love You above all things,
and I desire to receive You into my soul.
Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally,
come at least spiritually into my heart.
I embrace You as if You were already there
and unite myself wholly to You.
Never permit me to be separated from You.
Amen.*



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Recessional
God Is Good All The Time

by Don Moen & Paul Overstreet

God is good all the time.
He put a song of praise in this heart of mine.
God is good all the time.
Through the darkest night, His light will shine.
God is good, God is good all the time.

If you're walking through the valley,
There are shadows all around, do not fear;
He will guide you.
He will keep you safe and sound.
He has promised to never leave you nor forsake you,
And His Word is true.

We were sinners, and so unworthy;
Still for us He chose to die.
Filled us with His Holy Spirit,
Now we can stand and testify
That His love is everlasting
And His mercies, they will never end.

Though I may not understand
All the plans You have for me,
My life is in Your hands;
And through the eyes of faith
I can clearly see that God is good all the time.

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