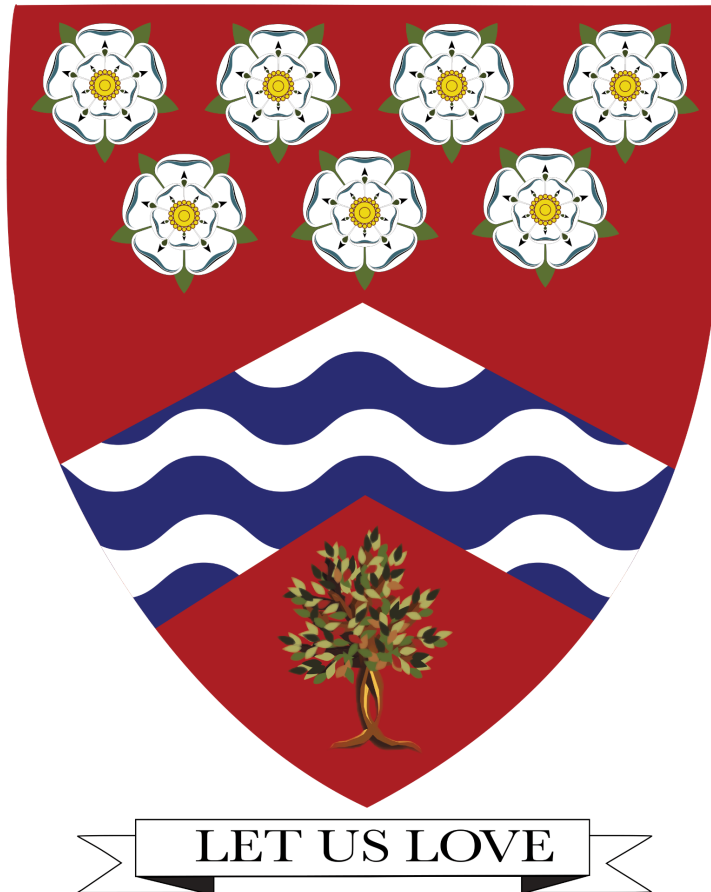


Church of the Little Flower
Berkeley Heights, NJ



21st Sunday in Ordinary Time
August 22-23, 2026

Entrance Hymn

O GOD BEYOND ALL PRAISING

THAXTED



1. O God be-yond all prais - ing, We wor-ship you to - day
2. Then hear, O gra-cious Sav - ior, Ac - cept the love we bring,



1. And sing the love a - maz - ing That songs can - not re - pay;
2. That we who know your fa - vor May serve you as our King;



1. For we can on - ly won - der At ev - 'ry gift you send,
2. And wheth - er our to - mor - rows Be filled with good or ill,



1. At bless - ings with - out num - ber And mer - cies with - out end:
2. We'll tri - umph through our sor - rows And rise to bless you still:



1. We lift our hearts be - fore you And wait up - on your word,
2. To mar - vel at your beau - ty And glo - ry in your ways,



1. We hon - or and a - dore you, Our great and might - y Lord.
2. And make a joy - ful du - ty Our sac - ri - fice of praise.

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Gloria

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: *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.:

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

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
Isaiah 22:19-23

Thus says the Lord to Shebna, master of the palace:
"I will thrust you from your office and pull you down from your station.

On that day I will summon my servant Eliakim, son of Hilkiah;
I will clothe him with your robe, and gird him with your sash,
and give over to him your authority.

He shall be a father to the inhabitants of Jerusalem,
and to the house of Judah.

I will place the key of the House of David on Eliakim's shoulder;
when he opens, no one shall shut, when he shuts, no one shall open.

I will fix him like a peg in a sure spot, to be a place of honor for his
family."

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

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 138

Lord, your love is eternal; do not forsake the work of your hands.

I will give thanks to you, O LORD, with all my heart,
for you have heard the words of my mouth;
in the presence of the angels I will sing your praise;
I will worship at your holy temple.

Lord, your love is eternal; do not forsake the work of your hands.

I will give thanks to your name,
because of your kindness and your truth:
When I called, you answered me;
you built up strength within me.

Lord, your love is eternal; do not forsake the work of your hands.

The LORD is exalted, yet the lowly he sees,
and the proud he knows from afar.
Your kindness, O LORD, endures forever;
forsake not the work of your hands.

Lord, your love is eternal; do not forsake the work of your hands.

Second Reading
Romans 11:33-36

Oh, the depth of the riches and wisdom and knowledge of God!

How inscrutable are his judgments and how unsearchable his ways!

For who has known the mind of the Lord or who has been his counselor?

Or who has given the Lord anything that he may be repaid?

For from him and through him and for him are all things.

To him be glory forever. Amen.

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

Gospel Acclamation

AUGUST 23

21ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, cont. (3)

Gospel Acclamation: Matthew 16:18

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

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 16:13-20

Jesus went into the region of Caesarea Philippi and he asked his disciples, "Who do people say that the Son of Man is?"
They replied, "Some say John the Baptist, others Elijah, still others Jeremiah or one of the prophets."

He said to them, "But who do you say that I am?"

Simon Peter said in reply,
"You are the Christ, the Son of the living God."

Jesus said to him in reply,
"Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah. For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my heavenly Father. And so I say to you, you are Peter, and upon this rock I will build my church, and the gates of the netherworld shall not prevail against it. I will give you the keys to the kingdom of heaven. Whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven; and whatever you loose on earth, shall be loosed in heaven."

Then he strictly ordered his disciples to tell no one that he was the Christ.

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

Empower Me

by David T. Clydesdale

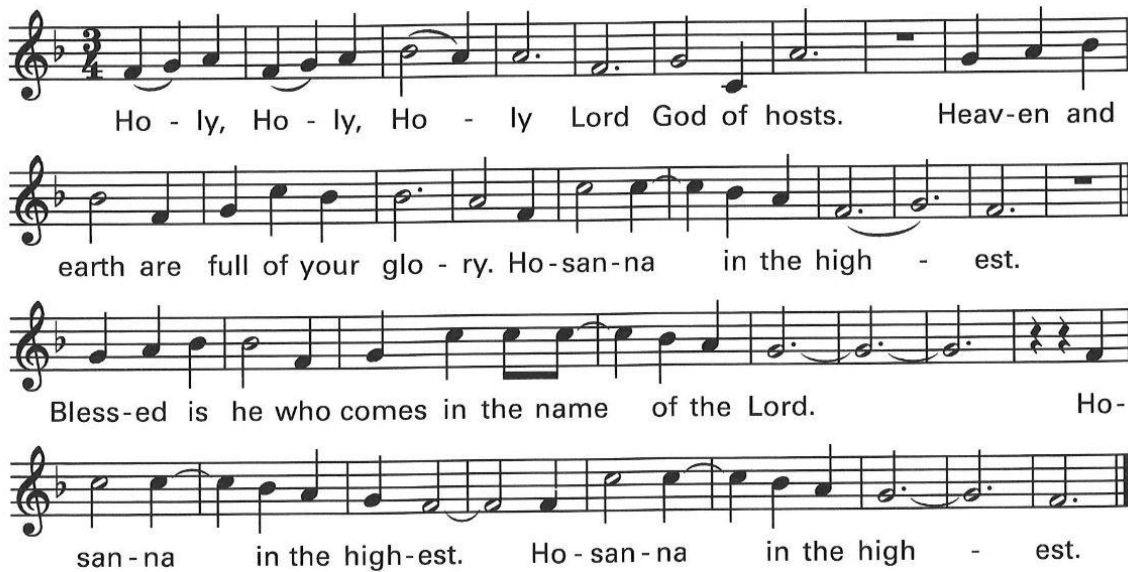
Nobody knows, how weak I am, better than You;
Nobody sees all of my needs better than You,
And nobody has the power to change me, to what I was born to be.
Jesus, be strong in my weakness; empower me!

Empower me! Like a rushing river flowing to the sea Lord,
Send Your Holy Spirit Flowing now through me
Till I'm living as Your child, victorious and free.
Send the power of Your love, Empower me!

Nobody's eyes see through my soul, better than Yours.
And nobody's love can make me whole, no love but Yours.
And nobody has the power to lift me, to reach to eternity.
Jesus break thru all my defenses, empower me!

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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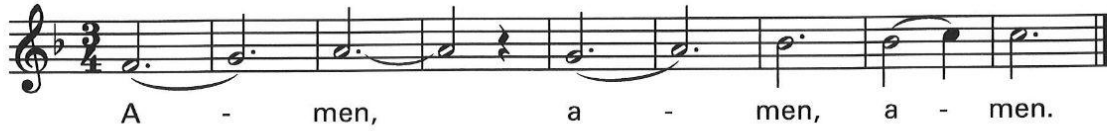


When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup, we pro -
claim your Death, O Lord, un - til you come a - gain.

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AMEN

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LAMB OF GOD

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Communion

You Are All We Have

By Francis Patrick O'Brien

Refrain:

*You are all we have, You give us what we need.
Our lives are in your hands, O Lord, our lives are in your hands.*

Protect me, Lord; I come to you for safety. I say, "You are my God."
All good things, Lord, all good things that I have come from you,
the God of my salvation.

How wonderful are your gifts to me, how good they are!
I praise the Lord who guides me and teaches me
the way of truth and life.

You are near, the God I seek. Nothing can take me from your side.
All my days I rest secure; you will show me the path that leads to life.

Song of Praise

THE SUMMONS

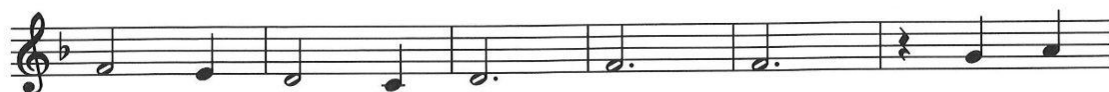
KELVINGROVE
Arranged by Bobby Fisher



1. Will you come and fol - low me If I but
2. Will you leave your - self be - hind If I but
3. Will you let the blind - ed see If I but
4. Will you love the 'you' you hide If I but
5. Lord, your sum - mons ech - oes true When you but



1. call your name? Will you go where you don't
2. call your name? Will you care for cruel and
3. call your name? Will you set the pris - 'ners
4. call your name? Will you quell the fear in -
5. call my name. Let me turn and fol - low



1. know And nev - er be the same? Will you
2. kind And nev - er be the same? Will you
3. free And nev - er be the same? Will you
4. side And nev - er be the same? Will you
5. you And nev - er be the same. In your



1. let my love be shown, Will you let my
2. risk the hos - tile stare Should your life at -
3. kiss the lep - er clean, And do such as
4. use the faith you've found To re - shape the
5. com - pa - ny I'll go Where your love and



1. name be known, Will you let my life be
2. tract or scare? Will you let me an - swer
3. this un - seen, And ad - mit to what I
4. world a - round, Through my sight and touch and
5. foot - steps show. Thus I'll move and live and



1. grown In you and you in me?
2. pray'r In you and you in me?
3. mean In you and you in me?
4. sound In you and you in me?
5. grow In you and you in me.

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

ONE SPIRIT, ONE CHURCH

Kevin Keil

Refrain

We are a pil-grim peo-ple, we are the Church of God. A

fam-ly of be-liev-ers, dis-ci-ples of the Lord. U-nit-ed in one

spir-it, ig-nit-ed by the fire. Still burn-ing through the a-ges, still

1, 2 to Vss Final Verses

pres-ent in our lives. lives. A - men! 1. Come, Ho-ly Ghost, Cre-a - tor
2. O Com-fort-er, to thee we

1. blest, and in our hearts take up thy rest; come with thy
2. cry, thou gift of God sent from on high. Thou font of

to Refrain

1. grace and heav'n-ly aid to fill the hearts which thou hast made.
2. life and fire of love, the soul's a - noint - ing from a - bove.

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