

NEWSLETTER

Winter Ordinary Time 2011

Part 2 of 5

Saturday evening January 15 thru Sunday evening March 6



“Teach us to number our days aright, O Lord, and we shall come to the heart of wisdom.” Ps. 90:12

ORDINARY TIME

The Latin *tempus per annum* ("time throughout the year") is rendered into English as "Ordinary Time." Ordinary Time gets its name from the word *ordinal*, meaning "numbered," since the Sundays

of Ordinary Time, as in other seasons, are expressed numerically. According to *The General Norms for the Liturgical Year and the Calendar*, the days of Ordinary Time, especially the Sundays, "are devoted to the mystery of Christ in all its aspects."

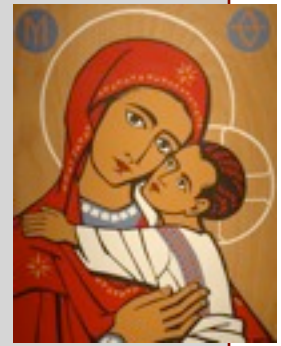
A New Year, a New Look!

In an effort to give this publication a new look and feel, we have transformed it into a newsletter format.

In the opening pages, you'll find brief articles, vital information about events, and upcoming observances in the Liturgy--while at its core, you'll find all the music and liturgy planning essentials you've come to expect and rely on.

We hope that this will be both a more attractive, informative, and useful tool as you approach your preparations to celebrate the Sacred Mysteries.

~Mother of God, most tender, pray for us



COMING SOON TO A PARISH NEAR YOU!

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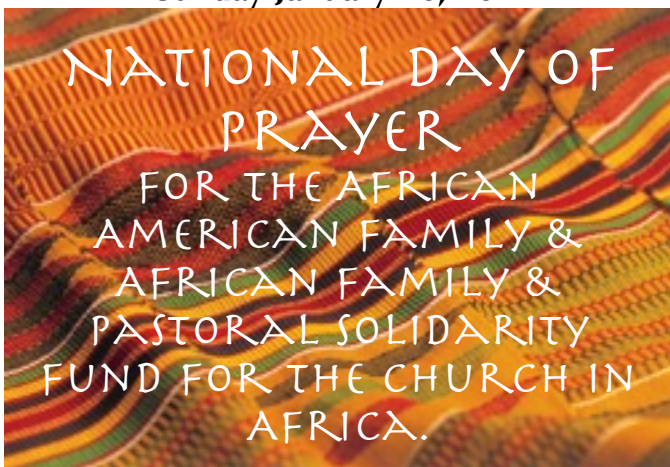
**Days of Prayer
National Vocation Awareness Week
January 9-15, 2011**



The National Coalition for Church Vocations (NCCV) sponsors and provides materials for three observances throughout the year: National Vocation Awareness Week, World Day for Consecrated Life, and World Day of Prayer for Vocations. Vocations Awareness week happens in the second week of January.

For more information, visit www.nccv-vocations.org

**Day of Prayer and Special Offering
Sunday January 16, 2011**



The National Day of Prayer for the African American Family & African Family was created by Fr. James E. Goode, OFM in 1989. "This day is set aside to gather in prayer to celebrate faith, families, and respect for the value of life." For more information, visit www.usccb.org/saac/nationaldayofprayer.shtml

Pastoral Solidarity Fund for the Church in Africa. was founded on the principles of Venerable John Paul II's call to action in *Ecclesia in Africa* and the adoption of the statement *A Call to Solidarity with Africa* from the bishops of the United States in 2001. Our solidarity is necessary to help the Church in Africa realize its potential as a "light of the world." for more information visit: <http://www.usccb.org/churchinafrica/> or for promotional materials visit: <http://www.usccb.org/churchinafrica/resources.shtml>

**Days of Prayer
World Week of Prayer for Christian Unity
January 18-25, 2011**

2011 Theme: "One in the Apostles' Teaching, Fellowship, Breaking of Bread and Prayer" (cf. Acts 2:42)

The week was originally begun in 1908 by the American Episcopalian clergyman Paul Wattson; who later became a Catholic and founded the Franciscan Friars of the Atonement in Graymoor, NY.

Material for the Week of Prayer is prepared in collaboration by the Pontifical Council for Promoting Christian Unity and The Commission on Faith & Order of the World Council of Churches.

For more information, visit <http://>

www.atonementfriars.org/our_missions_and_ministries/the_week_of_prayer_for_christian_unity.html

**National Day of Prayer & Penance
For violations against Human Dignity
January 22, 2011**

"In all the dioceses of the United States of America, January 22 (or January 23, when January 22 falls on a Sunday) shall be observed as a particular day of penance for violations to the dignity of the human person committed through acts of abortion, and of prayer for the full restoration of the legal guarantee of the right to life." (GIRM 373 USA)

Suggested readings, prayers of the faithful, and other materials are prepared and available online in the USCCB Respect Life Liturgy Guide, see pages 5-7 at this link: <http://www.usccb.org/prolife/programs/rlp/2010/docs/liturgyguide.pdf>

**A+ For America
CATHOLIC SCHOOLS**

**Days of Prayer
Catholic Schools Week
January 30 - February 5, 2011**

Catholic Schools Week (CSW) is a joint project of the National Catholic Educational Association (NCEA) and the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB). For more information, visit: <http://www.ncea.org/news/CatholicSchoolsWeek.asp>

**Day of Prayer
World Day of Prayer for Consecrated Life
Sunday February 6, 2011**

In 1997, Venerable John Paul II established the World Day of Prayer for Consecrated Life, to be observed on the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord (February 2). **In the USA, we observe on February 2 if it falls on a Sunday; if not, it is observed on the Sunday after February 2.*

The National Coalition for Church Vocations (NCCV) sponsors and provides materials for World Day for Consecrated Life. For more information, visit: www.nccv-vocations.org

Prayer intentions of Pope Benedict XVI for February 2011:

For the Respect of the Family

General Intention: That the family may be respected by all in its identity and that its irreplaceable contribution to all of society be recognized.

In the Eucharist, spouses encounter the love that animates and sustains their marriage, the love of Christ for his Church. This encounter enables them to perceive that their marriage and family are not isolated units, but rather that they are to reach out in love to the broader Church and world of which they are a living part. ~Marriage:Life and Love in the Divine Plan, p.56. United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, 2009.

For Witnesses to Christ in Suffering

Missionary Intention: That in the mission territories where the struggle against disease is most urgent, Christian communities may witness to the presence of Christ to those who suffer.

Wednesday February 2 - Presentation of the Lord

This feast celebrates the fortieth day after Christmas—in the Eastern Churches it commemorated the fortieth day after Epiphany and it was celebrated on February 14.

On this day Christ's faithful people, with candles in their hands, go out to meet the Lord and to acclaim him with Simeon [and Anna], who recognized Christ as "a light to reveal God to the nations."

As the *Rite of Baptism* says: *Receive the light of Christ. Parents and Godparents, this light is entrusted to you to be kept burning brightly. This child of yours has been enlightened by Christ. He/she is to walk always as a child of the light. May he/she keep the flame of faith alive in his/her heart. When the Lord comes, may he/she go out to meet Him with all the saints in the heavenly kingdom.*

All the faithful are called by their faithful lives to "cast off the works of darkness," (Romans 13:12) for Jesus is "the light shining in the darkness, and darkness could not overpower it" (John 1:5)

**Saint Blase Day
Thursday February 3**

The Order of Blessing Throats on the Memorial of Saint Blase can be found in the *The Book of Blessings* numbers 1622-1655.



**Day of Prayer
World Day of Prayer for the Sick
Friday February 11, 2011
Our Lady of Lourdes**

Venerable Pope John Paul II instituted World Day of the Sick in 1992, setting aside a day as a *special occasion for growth, with an attitude of listening, reflection, and effective commitment* in the face of the great mystery of pain and illness.

For more information, visit www.nacc.org/resources/wds/default.asp



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A Word about God's Word *Early Ordinary Time Year 'A'*

The 'Epistle'

St Paul's First letter to the Corinthians is proclaimed at the beginning of Ordinary Time in each of the three cycles:

Year A: chapters 1–4 (Sundays 2–8);

Year B: chapters 6–11 (Sundays 2–6);

Year C: chapters 12–15 (Sundays 2–8)

Corinth was a funny old place. It was a port city, with all the vices and virtues of such places; it was socially very diverse, with a high proportion of slaves and ex-slaves. And it was international. The city lay on an important trade-route between the East and Rome, where all commerce eventually tended to find its way. So it was hard-nosed, streetwise, and (at least by reputation) cynical of outsiders. So you would not predict success for a Christian missionary there. Not surprisingly, Paul tells us that he arrived "in fear and in much trembling", after (according to Acts 17) a minor disaster in Athens, which must have seemed a far more likely place than Corinth to be receptive to his message.

Surprisingly enough, he found a ready hearing in Corinth, possibly because he quickly formed a relationship with two Jewish Christians, tent-makers like himself, the husband and wife team of Aquila and Priscilla. He stayed there 18 months, and then kept in contact with the church he had founded in Corinth, after he had moved on.

The Gospel

Matthew presents the first of Jesus' discourses in "**the Sermon on the Mount**" which we read for 6 weeks from the 4th to 9th Sundays in Year 'A'.

4A	Matt 5:1-12 (Sermon on the Mount-part 1)
5A	Matt 5:13-16 (Sermon on the Mount-part 2)
6A	Matt 5:17-37 (Sermon on the Mount-part 3)
7A	Matt 5:38-48 (Sermon on the Mount-part 4)
8A	Matt 6:24-34 (Sermon on the Mount-part 5)
9A	Matt 7:21-27 (Sermon on the Mount-part 6)

The Liturgy and Influenza:

4 Easy Things Everyone Can Do to Help Avoid the Flu

1. **Wash Your Hands (Often)!**
"Hand-washing is 90% of infection control." Wash your hands (use soap AND water). Teach your kids to wash their hands. Think about using alcohol-based hand sanitizer where soap & water is not available. Avoid touching eyes, nose, or mouth after coming in contact with sick persons or possibly contaminated surfaces.
2. **About to Sneeze? Cover it: Please!**
Cover your mouth and nose with a tissue or handkerchief when you cough or sneeze. If you don't have one of those, turn your head away from others and sneeze or cough into your upper sleeve.
3. **(Not) Sharing is Caring!** If you are not feeling well, running a fever, or have other flu-like symptoms; do yourself and everyone else the courtesy of staying home, resting, and getting well. Stay home from work, school, and errands when you are sick, and keep sick children at home as well. You will help prevent others from catching your illness.
4. **Practice good health habits.** Get plenty of sleep, be physically active, manage your stress, drink plenty of fluids, and eat nutritious food.

January 16: Second Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)**Gathering Song:**

Though The Mountains May Fall
 You Are The Voice
 Alleluia! Sing to Jesus
 Blest Be The Lord
 God Has Chosen Me
 Gather Us Together
 God We Praise You
 Glory and Praise to our God
 Shout Praise
 Come Our Almighty King
 Before The Sun Burnt Bright
 Sing of the Lord's Goodness
 Here I Am, Lord

Isaiah 49:3,5-6 God is my strength.

Psalm 40: Here am I, O God, I come to do your will.

Respond and Acclaim: 32
 Psalms for the Church Year, Vol. II, pg. 18.
 Gather Comprehensive 49

I Corinthians 1:1-3 A holy people.

John 1:29-34 Jesus is God's chosen one.

Preparation of Gifts:

I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light
 Christ Be Beside Me
 Beyond the Moon and Stars
 You Are the Healing
 Word of God, Come Down to Earth
 Psallite Deo
 Earthen Vessels
 He Is The Lord
 Jesus Lord
 You Are Mine
 Silence or Instrumental Music

Communion Song:

At The Lamb's High Feast We Sing
 Taste and See
 We Are Many Parts
 You Are Our Living Bread
 Behold the Lamb
 Isaiah 49
 Christ Be Our Light
 Ubi Caritas
 One Bread, One Body
 Sow the Word
 Only This I Want
 I Am The Servant Of The Lord
 The Supper of the Lord

Song of Praise or Sending Forth:

City Of God
 The Church's One Foundation
 Glory and Praise
 Sing of the Lord's Goodness
 Lift Up Your Hearts
 Lord of Glory
 Out of Darkness
 Praise to the Lord
 There's A Wideness In God's Mercy
 Come to Us
 We Are the Light of the World
 Bring Forth the Kingdom

January 23: Third Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)**Gathering Song:**

Lord Of All Power
 Sing A new Song (replace "Yhwh" with "All You")
 The People That Walk In Darkness
 Let Us Walk in the Light
 A Season of Light
 Be Thou My Vision
 One Spirit One Church
 All Are Welcome
 O Come and Sing to God the Lord
 Gather Us Together or Gather Us In
 Christ Is Made The Sure Foundation
 In This Place

Isaiah 8:23-9:3 The people who walk in darkness have seen...

Psalm 27: The Lord is my light and my salvation.

Respond and Acclaim: 34
 Psalms for the Church Year, Vol. I, pg. 59.
 Gather Comprehensive 38, 39 GCII 29

I Corinthians 1:10-13,17 Let there be no factions.

Matthew 4:12-23 Reform your lives.

Preparation of Gifts:

Let Us Walk In the Light
 We Are Many Parts
 We Are The Light Of The World
 Seek Ye First
 All that is Hidden
 Beatitudes
 Lord To Whom Shall We Go
 Blest Are They
 We Are Called
 You Are The Healing

Communion Song:

We Have Been Told
 We Remember
 Be not Afraid
 All Creatures of Our God
 In Christ There Is No East or West
 Many Are the Lightbeams
 Remember Your Love
 We Are Many Parts
 Let Us Be Bread
 The Lord Is My Light
 Lord You have Come
 I Will Choose Christ
 Hold Me In Life
 I Am the Bread of Life

Song of Praise or Sending Forth:

Glory And Praise
 God Who is Mighty
 Now We Thank We All Our God
 Fill Us With Your Word
 In Praise of His Name
 Lord of Glory
 Servant Song
 Sing of the Lord's Goodness
 The Spirit Sends Us Forth
 We Are Called
 Bring Forth the Kingdom
 Lead Me, Lord
 In Christ Alone

January 30: Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)**Gathering Song:**

Abundant Life
 Church of God
 Happy those who hear the Word of God
 Prayer of St. Francis
 Save us O Lord
 O Bless The Lord
 Christ Be Beside Me
 Praise To The Lord
 You Are The Light
 What Is this Place
 Gather Us In
 I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say

Zephaniah 2:3,3:12-13 Seek the Lord.

Psalm 146: Happy the poor in spirit; the kingdom of heaven is theirs!

Respond and Acclaim: 38
 Psalms for the Church Year, Vol. II, pg. 48.
 Gather Comprehensive 139, 140;

I Corinthians 1:26-31 Boast in the Lord.

Matthew 5:1-12 Beatitudes #1.

Preparation of Gifts:

Seek Ye First
 Faith Hope and Love
 Here I Am Lord
 All That is Hidden
 Take, O Take Me As I Am
 You Are Near
 Come Unto Me
 Open My Eyes
 The Lord Is My Light
 The Servant Song
 You Are the Voice
 The Cry of the Poor
 Silence or Instrumental Music

Communion Song:

Beatitudes
 Be Not Afraid
 The Cry of the Poor
 Pan de Vida
 Taste and See
 All Creatures of Our God
 How Shall They hear the Word of God
 The Carpenter
 We Are The Light of the World
 Your Ways Are Love and Truth
 Blest Are They
 You Are Our Living Bread
 Pan de Vida

Song of Praise or Sending Forth:

Lead Me Lord
 Lift Up Your Hearts
 Bring Forth the Kingdom
 City Of God
 Holy God We Praise Thy Name
 The Spirit Sends us Forth
 In Praise of His Name
 Glory and Praise to our God
 The King of Love My Shepherd Is
 There Is One Lord
 We Are Called

Feb 6th Sunday in OT (A)**Gathering Song:**

Gather Us In
 I am the Light of the World
 Alleluia! Raise the Gospel
 Blest Are They
 Here I Am, Lord
 Beatitudes
 You Are the Light
 Come Christians Join to Sing
 I Heard the voice of Jesus Say
 All You Who Are Thirsty
 Be Light For Our Eyes
 Canticle of the Sun
 Many Are The Light Beams

Isaiah 58:7-10 Your light shall break forth like the dawn.

Psalm 112:4-5, 6-7, 8-9 (4a) The just man is a light in darkness to the upright. Or Alleluia

1 Corinthians 2:1-5 I have announced to you the mystery of Christ crucified.

Matthew 5:13-16 You are the light of the World.

Preparation of Gifts:

This Little Light of Mine
 Light One Candle
 Shine, Jesus Shine!
 On Eagle's Wings
 Peace Prayer
 I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light
 Prayer of St. Francis
 Shelter Me, O God
 Joyfully Singing
 I Am For You
 How Can I Keep from Singing

Communion Song:

Table of Plenty
 Here At This Table
 Gift of Finest Wheat
 Whatsoever You Do
 Love One Another
 We Are The Light of the World
 Your Ways Are Love and Truth
 Blest Are They
 In This Place
 Pan de Vida
 I Will Lift Up My Eyes

Song of Praise or Sending Forth:

City of God
 Go Make A Difference
 Lord You Give the Great Commission
 I Am the Light of the World
 Companions on the Journey
 Holy God, We Praise Thy Name
 What is our service to Be
 Lead Us On, O Lord
 This Little Light of Mine
 We Will Drink the Cup
 Bring Forth the Kingdom
 Shine Jesus Shine!
 The Harvest of Justice
 A New Song
 Lord of All Hopefulness

Feb 13 6th Sunday in OT (A)**Gathering Song:**

Praise the Lord, O heavens
 Eye Has Not Seen
 Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise
 I heard the voice of Jesus Say
 Come, Now Is the Time to Worship
 God Is Love
 In Christ Alone
 May We Praise You
 Earthen Vessels
 Peace, Peace
 Glory and Praise
 Lift Up Your hearts
 Sing of the Lord's Goodness
 Blest Are They
 Sirach 15:15-20 No one does he command to act unjustly.

Psalm 119:1-2, 4-5, 17-18, 33-34 Blest are they who follow the law of the Lord!

1 Corinthians 2:6-10 God us before the ages for our glory.

Matthew 5:17-37 or (short form) Matthew 5:20-22a, 27-28, 33-34a, 37

Preparation of Gifts:

Hold Me In Life
 We Cannot Measure How You Heal
 The Word of Life
 These's a Wideness in God's Mercy
 Laudamus Te
 Deep Within
 You Are the Healing
 To You O God I lift Up My Soul
 Eye Has Not Seen
 We Have Been Told
 O God Our Help in Ages Past
 Age to Age

Communion Song:

Shelter me O God
 Shepherd Me, O God
 I Lift Up My Soul
 Gather Your People
 Never The Blade
 Gather Us Together
 Bread of Life
 This Bread that we Share
 Age To Age
 Without Seeing You
 Bread of Life, Hope of the World
 Ps 103 The Lord Is Kind and Merciful
 Behold the Lamb

Song of Praise or Sending Forth:

Lead Me Lord
 Glory and Praise
 Sing of the Lord's Goodness
 With One Voice
 Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee
 God of Abraham
 Let All Things Now Living
 The Stars Declare His Glory
 Go Make of All Disciples
 God Has Chosen Me
 Lord of All Hopefulness
 Alleluia! Raise the Gospel

Feb 20 7th Sunday in OT (A)**Gathering Song:**

For the Healing of the Nations
 God, Whose Purpose Is to Kindle
 Here I Am , Lord
 I Say "Yes" Lord
 Lord When You Came
 Alleluia, Sing to Jesus
 I Sing the Mighty Power of God
 All Are Welcome
 In Christ Alone
 The Church's One Foundation
 All Things New
 We Are Called
 Where Love is Found
 Where Charity and Love Prevail
 Leviticus 19:1-2, 17-18 You shall love your neighbor as yourself.

Psalm 103 The Lord Is kind and merciful.

1 Corinthians 3:16-23 All things belong to you, and you to Christ, and Christ to God.

Matthew 5:38-48 Love your enemies.

Preparation of Gifts:

I, the Lord
 Make Me A Channel of Your Peace
 Peace Prayer
 Ubi Caritas
 In Perfect Charity
 Sing A New Song (replace "Yhwh", with "All you")
 Voices that Challenge
 Prayer of St. Francis
 We Are Many Parts
 We Will Drink the Cup
 The Harvest of Justice
 Ps 18: I Love You Lord
 Ps 40: Here I Am

Communion Song:

Beatitudes
 Be Not Afraid
 All Creatures of Our God
 How Shall They hear the Word of God
 The Carpenter
 We Are the Light of the World
 Your Ways Are Love and Truth
 Blest Are They
 We Have Been Told
 You Are Our Living Bread
 Pan de Vida
 The Eyes and Hands of Christ
 Let Us Walk in Justice

Song of Praise or Sending Forth:

Lead Me Lord
 Never The Blade
 Lift High The Cross
 Take Up Your Cross
 Lord, Whose Love in Humble Service
 Alleluia! Raise the Gospel
 I Know That My Redeemer Lives
 All The Ends of the Earth
 Alleluia, Sing to Jesus
 Great is the Lord
 Alleluia! Raise the Gospel

Feb 27 8th Sunday in OT (A)**Gathering Song:**

Seek Ye First
 God of Mystery God of Mercy
 Lord of Glory
 I Will Choose Christ
 Alleluia, Sing to Jesus
 I Sing the mighty Power of God
 Be Not Afraid
 Wealth Can Be An Idol
 Age To Age
 You Are Mine
 The God of All Eternity
 Out of the Depths
 Come to Us
 Sing Praise to the Lord
 I Will Sing, I Will Sing

Isaiah 49:14-15 I will never forget you.

Psalm 62: 2-3, 6-7, 8-9 In God Alone is my Soul at Rest.
 1 Corinthians 4:1-5 The Lord will manifest the motives of our hearts.
 Matthew 6:24-34 Do not worry about tomorrow.

Preparation of Gifts:

On Eagle's Wings
 Take, Lord, Receive
 Only In God
 Age to Age
 Here I Am (Booth)
 You Have Called Us
 Remember Your Love
 Look Beyond
 The King of Love My Shepherd Is
 Sign Me Up
 Like A Child Rests
 Love Divine All Loves Excelling

Communion Song:

Beatitudes
 Without Seeing You, We Love You
 May We See You in Faith
 I Am the Bread of Life
 Only In God
 O God, You Searched Me
 Give Me Ears to Listen
 In The Breaking of the Bread
 Song of the Body of Christ
 Taste and See
 Ps 116 The Name of God
 Your Ways Are Love and Truth
 Now We Remain
 Behold the Lamb

Song of Praise or Sending Forth:

Be Not Afraid
 All Creatures of Our God
 Do Not Let Your Hearts Be Troubled
 Song of Thanksgiving
 Walk In the Reign
 You Are Mine
 Tree of Life
 The Carpenter
 Though the Mountains May Fall
 Come My Way, My Truth My Life
 Halleluya! We Sing Your Praises

March 6 9th Sunday in OT (A)**Gathering Song:**

Here I Am, Lord
 Gather Us In
 God Has Chosen Me
 The Summons
 Now Is The Time
 Be Thou My Vision
 We Gather Here to Worship
 What Is this Place
 We Are Called
 What Is This Place
 Come With Me Into The Fields
 By Name I Have Called You
 How Firm A Foundation

Deut 11: 18, 26-28, 32 Obey the commandments.

Psalm 31: I Put My Life In Your Hands

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Gather Comprehensive #42, 43

Romans 3:21-25, 28 Justification by faith.

Matthew 7: 21-27 "Anyone who hears my words and puts them into practice is like the wise man who built his house on rock."

Preparation of Gifts:

The Love of the Lord
 Shelter Me O God
 God Has Chosen Me
 Hold Me In Life
 The Summons
 We Walk By Faith
 Give Me Ears to Listen
 Those Who See Light
 Lord Whose Love in Humble Service
 Make Me a Channel of Your Peace
 Take Up Your Cross
 Silence or Instrumental Music

Communion Song:

Now In This Banquet
 Pan de Vida
 Song of the Body of Christ
 Unless a Grain
 We are Many Parts
 Taste and See
 Age To Age
 Center of My Life
 Gift of Finest Wheat
 Bread of Life
 In This Place
 Taste and See

Song of Praise or Sending Forth:

Anthem
 City of God
 Go Make of All Disciples
 Glory and Praise
 I Sing the Mighty Power of God
 Lead Us On, O Lord
 Let Us Walk in the Light
 Now Go Forward
 Lord of the Dance
 Deliver Us, O Lord of Truth
 We Praise You O Lord