The suggestions for hymns and songs below are primarily from GIA, OCP, and WLP resources. Most songbooks provide indices with even more ideas. Choose a selection of music that brings forth treasures, both the old and the new. Our worship brings us together to send us forth! (The titles in ALL CAPS are the tunes to which the texts have been wedded.)

**Wedding Musicians!** With the revision of the Order of Celebrating Marriage within Mass (Form 1) in 2016, the Gloria was added. This hymn allows cantors to take a more active role in leading the liturgy.

Be sure to be using the revised Grail translations of the psalms. In August, be aware of the changing verses for Psalm 34.

E=Entrance, O=Offertory, C=Communion, S=Song/Sending

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**May 27: The Most Holy Trinity**

We say, “In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit,” not in the names of the Father, Son and Spirit. For God, though three persons, is One. This is perhaps the most central mystery of our faith. Today we have the opportunity to reflect on the reality that God, though One, was able to send the Son and the Holy Spirit to us, to save us and to be with us forever.

**Gathering Song:**

*Antiphon:* 

Blest be God the Father, and the Only-Begotten Son of God, and also the Holy Spirit, for he has shown us his merciful love.

Alabemos a Dios

All Hail, Adored Trinity OLD HUNDREDTH (O/S)

Beato el Señor (de las Naciones de todos los tiempos)

Baptized in Water (O/S)

Bendeciremos por Siempre: Sal 145(144) (O/S)

Come Now/Our, Almighty King ITALIAN HYMN (O/S)

Estamos Reunidos (C)

Glorify Thy Name (O/C)

Great One in Three

Holy, Holy, Holy NICAEA (Smith) (O/S)

How Wonderful the Three-in-One (Wren) (O/S)

Hymn for the Lord’s Day (O/S)

Hymn to the Trinity (O/S)

Lord, You Give the Great Commission ABBOT’S LEIGH

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**On This Day, the First of Days**

Praise God in His Holy Dwelling (Vermulst)

Santisima Trinidad (Cortés) (O/C)

Santo, Santo, Santo (S)

Sing Praise to Our Creator (O/S)

Sing Your Praises to the Father (O/S)

This Day God Gives Me BUNESSAN

Venimos ante Ti

Deuteronomy 4:32-34, 39-40 *Know this: The Lord is God of heaven and earth. There is no other. Because God worked wonders for you, keep the commands that you and your children may prosper.*

Psalm 33:4-5, 6, 9, 18-19, 20, 22

*Blessed the people the Lord has chosen to be his own.*

Romans 8:14-17 *You did not receive as spirit of slavery but a Spirit of adoption, through whom we cry out “Abba, Father!” The Spirit bears witness that we are children of God.*

**Gospel Verse:**  *Glory to the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit; to God who is, who was, and who is to come.*

Matthew 28:16-20 *Jesus commissioned the eleven to make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit.*

**Preparation of Gifts:**

Al Partir el Pan (C)

All the Earth (Deiss)

Alle, Alle, Alleluia (Ho Lung)

Ang Katawan in Kristo/Behold, the Body of Christ (Manalo)

Be God’s (S)

God, beyond All Names (Farrell)

Hymn of Praise (Schutte)

In Every Age (Whitaker)

In God Alone (Farrell)

Oftorio Nicaragüense

Santisima Trinidad (Florián)

Turn to Me (Foley)

**Communion Song:**

*Antiphon:* 

Since you are children of God, God has sent into your hearts the Spirit of his Son, the Spirit who cries out: Abba, Father.

Abba! Father (Landry)

Age to Age (Vogt)

All Is Well with My Soul (Landry/VILLE DU HAVRE)

Blessed the People (DeBruyn)

Es Mi Cuerpo (A los Hombres Amó Dios)

How Great Thou Art (Hine)

One Bread, One Body (Foley)

Para Amar como Tú (Fernández/Manibusan)

Taste and See (Hurd)

We Are Many Parts (Haugen)
June 3: The Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ

“This is my body,” we hear in today’s Gospel. “This is my blood.” When we gather to celebrate the Eucharist, the sacrifice Jesus made of his own body and blood, the sacrifice we are all invited to share, we receive the Body and Blood that are truly Christ’s own. Then, nourished by his Body and Blood, we are called to go forth as the Body of Christ, the Church, carrying forward his mission in the world today.

Gathering Song:

Antiphon: He fed them with the finest wheat and satisfied them with homey from the rock.

As We Gather at Your Table NETTLETON
At the Lamb’s High Feast SALZBURG (O/S)
Canción del Cuerpo de Cristo (C)
Come, Worship the Lord (Talbot)
Do This in Remembrance of Me (O/C)
For You Are My God (Foley)
Gather the People (Schutte)
Hoy Nos Reunimos
I Am the Bread of Life (Toolan, Angrisano/Booth)
Laud, O Zion (DeBruyn)
Table of Plenty (Schutte)
Ven al Banquete/Come to the Feast (Hurd)
Venimos ante Ti, Señor (O/C)

Exodus 24:3-8 Moses offered young bulls as a holocaust to seal the covenant between God and Israel, sprinkling the people and the altar with the sacrificial blood.

Psalm 116:12-13, 15-16, 17-18
I will take the cup of salvation, and call on the name of the Lord.

Hebrews 9:11-15 Christ came as a high priest, offering himself unblemished to God to cleanse our consciences from dead works to worship the living God.

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

Mark 14:12-16, 22-26 In a house in Jerusalem, Jesus and his disciples ate the Passover meal together. Jesus took bread and wine, gave it to them, and said, “Take it, this is my body, this is my blood.”

Preparation of Gifts:

Al Partir el Pan (C)
Alabado Dea el Santísimo (C)
As We Remember (Cooney)
God’s Holy Gifts (Schutte)
In Remembrance of You (C)
Miracle of Grace (Stephan)
Pan de Vida (C)
Panis Angelicus/Holy and Living Bread SACRIS SOLEMNIIS
Porque Nos Invitas
Remember Me (C)
See Us, Lord, about Your Altar DRAKES BROUGHTON
Señor, Tú Eres el Pan
Shepherd of Souls ST. AGNES
Stain Me
To Live with Him Forever (Hart/Feduccia)
We Bring Our Gifts to Your Altar
We, the Body of Christ (Hillebrand)

Communion Song:
Antiphon: Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood remains in me and I in him, says the Lord.

Bread of Angels (Stephan)
Called to the Supper of the Lamb
Draw Near (Janco)
Eat This Bread (Berthier)
Es Mi Cuerpo (A los Hombres Amó Dios)
Gift of Finest Wheat (Kreutz)
God's Holy Mystery
Gusten y Vean: Sal 34(33)
Heavenly Bread
How Beautiful
I Am the Living Bread (Haas)
I Am Yours-Consume Me Completely
Jesus, the Bread of Life (Brown)
Make of Our Hands a Throne
O Blessed Savior
One Bread, One Body (Foley)
Remembrance (Maher)
Take and Eat
Take and Eat This Bread
Taste and See (Angrisano)
The Supper of the Lord (Rosania)
This Is My Body
When We Eat This Bread (Joncas)
Yo Soy el Pan de Vida (S)

Song of Praise or Sending Forth:
Canticle of the Sun (Haugen)
Celebrate the Feast
Christ before Us (Whitaker)
Go in Peace to Love and Serve the Lord (Inwood)
Laudate, Laudate Dominum (Walker)
Now Thank We All Our God NUN DANKET
O God beyond All Praising THAXTED
Somos el Cuerpo de Cristo/We Are the Body of Christ (Cortez)
Te Den Gracias
Thanks Be to God (Dean)

OTHER:
All Who Hunger Gather Gladly
Alleluia! Sing to Jesus
Amén. El Cuerpo de Cristo
Anima Christi (Thatcher)
Come to the Banquet

Come to the Feast
Corpus Christi Sequence (Poppleton)
Father, We Thank You Who Have Planted
In Remembrance of You
Jesus Is Here Right Now
Life-Giving Bread, Saving Cup
O Sacrum Convivium (Parker)
The Living Bread of God

Question of the Week: Do I feel different after receiving the Blood of Christ in the Eucharist? How can I take the Body and Blood of Christ that I receive in the Eucharist and make a difference in what I say and do? How can I help build up the kingdom of God in the world?
June 10: 10th Sunday in Ordinary Time

We return today to Sundays in Ordinary Time. In a sense “Ordinary Time” is time that falls outside the major holy seasons of the year: Easter, Christmas, Advent, and Lent. But Ordinary Time is not just the absence of a major season any more than our lives are ordinary on days that are not holidays. Ordinary Time forms the foundation of the liturgical year; after all, it comprises almost two-thirds of the calendar. May we appreciate the heft of Ordinary Time as we settle into the longest “season” of the year.

Gathering Song:
Antiphon: The Lord is my light and my salvation, whom shall I fear? The Lord is the stronghold of my life, whom should I dread? When those who do evil draw near, they stumble and fall.

Ad Maiorem Dei Gloriam (Schutte)
Arise, O Church, Arise (O/S)
At the Name of Jesus (Walker)
Blest Are We (O/C/S)
Canticle of the Sun (Hauen)
Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation (O)
Come, Follow Me (Berberick)
Estamos Reunidos (C)
Faith of Our Fathers (O/S)
Gather Us In (Hauen)
Give Glory (O/C/S)
God Has Spoken by the Prophets (O/S)
God, Our God of Distant Ages
How Firm a Foundation (O/S)
I Sing the Mighty Power of God ELLACOMBE
Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise ST. DENIO
In Christ There Is No East or West MCKEE (O/S)
Lord, Your Almighty Word (O/S)
Morning Has Broken BUNESSAN
O God, Almighty Father GOTT VATER SEI GEPRIESEN
Perdón, Oh Dios Mio (O/C)
Señor, Tu Gran Misericordia
The King of Glory (O/C/D)
We Gather as the Body of Christ (O)
Your Hands, O Lord, in Days of Old (O/S)

Genesis 3:9-15 The Lord God told Adam he disobeyed. Adam blamed the woman, and the woman blamed the serpent. The Lord God then put enmity between the serpent and the woman.

Psalm 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8 With the Lord there is mercy, and fullness of redemption.

2 Corinthians 4:13 – 5:1 We believe that God who raises up the Lord Jesus will raise us up too. We know that when the earthly tent in which we dwell is destroyed we have a dwelling provided for us by God.

Gospel Verse: Now the ruler of this world will be driven out, says the Lord; and when I am lifted up from the earth, I will draw everyone to myself.

Mark 3:20-35 Jesus asked, “Who are my mother and my brothers?” He continued, “These are my mother and my brothers. Whoever does the will of God is brother and sister and mother to me.”

Preparation of Gifts:
Abba! Father (Landry)
Del Señor Viene la Misericordia: Sal 130(129) (C)
Earthen Vessels (Foley)
El Señor Es Compasivo: Sal 103(102) (C)
Eye Has Not Seen (Hauen)
Guarda Mi Alma
God of Adam, God of Joseph STUTTGART
Hold On to Love (Manibusan)
Hymn of Praise (Schutte)
Lord of the Dance/I Danced in the Morning (Carter)
Love Goes On (Farrell)
Misericordia, Señor: Sal 51(50) (C)
Oyesos, Señor: Sal 130(129) (C)
Pequé, Pequé, Dios Mio

Communion Song:
Antiphon: The Lord is my rock, my fortress, and my deliverer; my God is my saving strength. OR God is love, and whoever abides in love abides in God, and God in him.

Bread of the World
Christ, Be Our Light (Farrell)
God, My Father (François)
Gusten y Vean: Sal 34(33)
I Believe This is Jesus
I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light (Thomerson)
O Blessed Savior
One Bread, One Body (Foley)
So Beautiful
The Goodness of the Lord (Soper)
The Lord Is My Light (Haas, Walker, DeBruyn)
The Lord Is My Light and My Salvation (Manibusan)
With the Lord There Is Mercy (Modlin)
You Are My Rock/I Love You, Lord

Song of Praise or Sending Forth:
10,000 Reasons (Redman)
Christ in Me Arise (Thomson)
Companions on the Journey (Landry)
Down to the River to Pray (American Folk Song)
Eternal Father, Strong to Save MELITA
Faith of Our Fathers ST. CATHERINE
Give Me Jesus (Spiritual)
How Can I Keep from Singing ENDLESS SONG
In Christ Alone (Getty)
Perdona a Tu Pueblo
June 17: 11th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Today we celebrate Father’s Day, honoring our fathers, grandfathers, godfathers, and all those who have acted as fathers in our lives. How fortunate are we if we had or have a father who is like the majestic cedar described in the first reading, providing comfort and protection for all those in its care. Whatever our own circumstances, we can look to God, our Almighty Father, as the ideal of a fostering, loving, forgiving parent.

**Gathering Song:**

**Antiphon:** O Lord, hear my voice, for I have called to you, be my help. Do not abandon or forsake me, O God, my Savior!

Alabemos a Dios
Alehuya, Cattemos a神仙
All Are Welcome (Haugen)
Canten a Dios Con Alegria (S)
Canticle of the Sun (Haugen)
Estamos Reunidos (C)
Faith of Our Fathers (O/S)
Father, We Thank Thee (O/S)
For the Beauty of the Earth DIX (O)
For the Fruits of All Creation (O/S)
Give Glory (O/C/S)
Hoy Nos Reunimos
In God’s Time (O/S)
Laudato Sí! Be Praised, O God! (Manalo)
Let the Heavens Be Glad (Feiten)
Love Divine, All Loves Excelling HYFRYDOL
Meadows and Mountains (Schutte)
Out of Darkness (Walker)
Seek Ye First (O/C/S)
Sing to the Mountains (Dufford)
Sing with All the Saints in Glory (O/S)
The King of Glory (O/C/S)
The Kingdom of God (O/S)
We Are Called (O/S)
We Praise You, O God (Jones)
We Walk by Faith (Haugen) (O/S)
You Alone (Hart)

Ezekiel 17:22-24 “The Lord will raise Israel like a tree on a high mountain. It shall put forth branches, bear fruit and become a majestic cedar.”

Psalm 92:2-3, 13-14, 15-16

Lord, it is good to give thanks to you.

2 Corinthians 5:6-10 Even though we are in the flesh, our intent is to please the Lord. For when our earthly walk of faith is done, everything shall be revealed before Christ.

**Gospel Verse:** The seed is the word of God, Christ is the sower. All who come to him will live for ever.
Mark 4:26-34  The reign of God is like a mustard seed. It is the smallest of all seeds, yet it grows into the biggest shrub of all. By means of parables Jesus taught the people.

Preparation of Gifts:

Al Partir el Pan (C)
Bendeciremos por Siempre: Sal 145(144) (O/S)
Bendigamos al Señor
Come, My Way, My Truth, My Life THE CALL
El Señor Es Compasivo: Sal 103(102) (C)
For the Sake of Christ (Canedo)
Gracias
Gusten y Vean: Sal34(33) (C)
Like Cedars They Shall Stand (Schutte)
New Creation (François)
Rejoice in the Promise of Jesus (Crandal)
Seek First the Kingdom of God (C)
The Lord Is My Light (Walker)
We Remember (C)
We Walk by Faith (Bolduc)

Communion Song:

Antiphon:  There is one thing I ask of the Lord, only this do I seek: to live in the house of the Lord all the days of my life. OR
Holy Father, keep in your name those you have given me, that they may be one as we are one, says the Lord.

All My Days (Schutte)
Bread That Was Sown (Norbet)
Like the Bread (Booth)
Many and Great (Angrisano)
One in Body, Mind and Heart (Walker)
Seed, Scattered and Sown (Feiten)
So Beautiful
The Goodness of the Lord (Soper)
The Lord Is My Light (DeBruyn)
Ubi Caritas (Hurd, Rosania)

Song of Praise or Sending Forth:

Christ in Me Arise (Thomson)
Come, Ye Thankful People, Come ST. GEORGE’S WINDSOR
Con la Cruz
For the Fruits of This Creation AR HYD Y NOS
How Can I Keep from Singing ENDLESS SONG
I Could Sing of Your Love Forever (Smith)
Let All Things Now Living ASH GROVE
May We Praise You (Foley)
Por Tu Misericordia
Sent Forth by God’s Blessing
Te Den Gracias
We Are Marching/Siyahamba (South African)
Your Grace Is Enough (Maher)

OTHER:

Anima Christi (Van Houten)
Bring Forth the Kingdom
Called by Christ
Come, Ye Thankful People, Come
Father, We Thank You Who Have Planted
Gather Us In
How Great Thou Art
It Is Good to Give You Thanks (Willcock)
Praise and Thanksgiving
Steal Away to Jesus
Susceipe (Rosen)
The Harvest of Justice
The Kingdom of God (Reese)
The Reign of God
Thy Kingdom Come
We Will Walk with God

Question of the Week: How can I be fertile soil in which the seed God sows may grow? Where can I help the kingdom of God flourish in the world? When do I need to let go and trust in the Lord?
June 24: The Nativity of St. John the Baptist

We take a short break from Sundays in Ordinary Time this weekend for a solemnity that is celebrated on June 24 every year, no matter the day of the week: The Nativity of Saint John the Baptist. Before he was born, John was chosen by God to prepare the world for the Son of God. Today, as we remember the birth of John, let us recall our own baptism and our initiation into the Christian faith.

Summertime Refresher: The Communion Rite: A must for every pastoral musician’s library is a copy of “Sing to the Lord: Music in Divine Worship.” Every responsible church musician should purchase or download this document. It contains the official guidelines on music in the liturgy as put forth by the USCCB (United States Conference of Catholic Bishops). Since it’s summer, and a good time to refresh ourselves, take a special look at #190 and #191...

Gathering Song:

Antiphon: A man was sent from God, whose name was John. He came to testify to the light, to prepare a people fit for the Lord.

Aleluya, Cantemos Al Señor (O)
Behold the Lamb of God (Dufford)
Benedictus (Farrell, Angrisano)
Benedictus: O Chosen Children (O/S)
Canticle of Zechariah FOREST GREEN, MUNDELEIN (O/S)
Come to the River (Hurd)
Faith of Our Fathers (O/S)
Fieles, Te Alabamos
Find Us Ready (Booth)
God, We Praise You (O/S)
Hoy Nos Reunimos
On Jordan’s Bank (O/S)
Ready the Way (Stephan)
See the Pilgrim Line (O/S)
The Great Forerunner of the Morn WINCHESTER NEW
This Is Your Justice (O/C/S)
Un Solo Señor (S)
Wake the Song of Jubilee (O/S)
We Are Called (Haas)
We Sing of the Saints (O/S)
When Jesus Comes to Be Baptized WINCHESTER NEW
When John Baptized by Jordan’s River (O/S)
Ye Watchers and Ye Holy Ones (O/S)

Acts of the Apostles 13:22-26 John heralded Jesus’ coming by proclaiming a baptism of repentance. John was not the Messiah but the forerunner of the One who was to come.

Gospel Verse: You, child, will be called prophet of the Most High, for you will go before the Lord to prepare his way.

Luke 1:57-66, 80 Elizabeth’s time for delivery had come, and she gave birth. She and Zechariah named her child John. Zechariah became able to speak once again.

Preparation of Gifts:

A Voice Cries Out (Joncas)
All That Is Hidden (Farrell)
Digo Sí, Señor (C)
Dime, Señor (C)
Down to the River to Pray (American Folk Song)
El Señor Es Compasivo: Sal 103(102) (C)
Now We Remain (C)
O God, You Search Me (Farrell)
Quiero Servirte Mi Señor
Rejoice in the Promise of Jesus (Crandal)
Secrets of My Heart (C)
Tesoros Ocultos (C)
Testify to Love (S)
To You, O God, I Lift Up My Soul (Hurd)
Tomo de la Mano
With All the Saints (Hurd)
You Are Near (Revised) (C)

Communion Song:

Antiphon: Through the tender mercy of our God, the Dawn from on high will visit us.

Behold the Lamb (Willett)
Christ, Be Our Light (Farrell)
Gusten y Vean: Sal 34(33)
Here I Am (Booth)
Here I Am/God, My God, Come to My Aid (Cooney)
Like a Shepherd (Dufford)
My Soul Rejoices (Alstott)
Taste and See (Hurd)
There Is a Longing (Quigley)
To You, O Lord (Soper)
You Are Near (revised) (Schutte)

Song of Praise or Sending Forth:

Canticle of Zachary (Joncas)
Con la Cruz
Él Vive, Él Reina
Find Us Ready (Booth)
I Send You Out (Angotti)
In the Day of the Lord (Ridge)
Let the Valleys Be Raised (Schutte)
Shall We Gather at the River HANSON PLACE
Sing We Now the Glorious Martyrs IN BABILONE

Psalm 139:1b-3, 13-14ab, 14c-15
I praise you, for I am wonderfully made.
Though the Mountains May Fall (Schutte)
Wade in the Water (Ridge)
We Will Testify

OTHER:
Canticle of the Turning
Every Pilgrim Has a Mountain (Hurd)
For All the Saints
For All the Saints Who've Shown Your Love
For the Faithful Who Have Answered
God It Was
God, Whose Purpose Is to Kindle
Here I Am, Lord
O God, You Search Me
Simple Gifts (Olivier)
The Grace of God (Walker)
You Are Called to Tell the Story

Question of the Week: How can I prepare the way for Jesus in my corner of the world? Can I recognize a desert somewhere in my world that is without Jesus’ message of hope and comfort?

July 1: 13th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Over the next four weeks, the Gospel readings from Mark that we will hear feature Jesus and his disciples continually on the move. They are on a mission, and it is important that they travel.

Gathering Song:
Antiphon: All peoples, clap your hands. Cry to God with shouts of joy!

Alabaré (S)
Alabemos a Dios
All Are Welcome (Haugen)
Alleluia! Love Is Alive (Angrisano)
Bendeciremos por Siempre: Sal 145(144) (O/S)
Christ before Us (Whitaker)
Estamos Reunidos (C)
For the Beauty of the Earth DIX
Glory and Praise to Our God (Schutte)
How Firm a Foundation FOUNDATION
Hoy Nos Reunimos
Jesus Christ, by Faith Revealed (O/S)
Let All Things Now Living (O/S)
O Bless the Lord (Michaels)
O Bless the Lord, My Soul ST. THOMAS
Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven (O/S)
Praise to the Lord (O/S)
Sing, O Sing (Schutte)
Vamos a la Casa del Señor (S)
We Praise You, O God (Jones)

Wisdom 1:13-15; 2:23-24 God did not make death and does not delight when life is destroyed. All creatures of the world are wholesome. Through the devil’s envy, death entered the world.

Psalm 30:2, 4, 5-6, 12, 13
I will praise you, Lord, for you have rescued me.

2 Corinthians 8:7-9, 13-15 Paul the apostle wrote that the Corinthians have been given much by the Lord. They should give to others in need as others give to them in their own need.

Gospel Verse: Our Savior Jesus Christ destroyed death and brought life to light through the Gospel.

Mark 5:21-43 OR 5:21-24, 35b-43 When Jesus was on his way to heal Jairus’ daughter, a woman touched his cloak and was healed of her sickness. Jesus told the woman, “Daughter, your faith has saved you.”

Preparation of Gifts:
Ad Maiorem Dei Gloriam (Schutte)
Al Partir el Pan (C)
Alabado Sea el Señor (C)
All I Need (C)
Amazing Grace NEW BRITAIN
At the Table of the World (C)
Dime, Señor (C)
Eye Has Not Seen (C)
For the Sake of Christ (Canedo)
Forever (C)
In God Alone (Farrell)
Prayer of St. Francis/Oración de San Francisco (Temple)
Precious Lord, Take My Hand
Qué Grande Es Mi Dios
Sacred Creation (Zaragoza)
There Is a Balm in Gilead (C)
Those Who See Light (Elze) (C)
We Remember (C)
We Walk by Faith (Haugen)
Yes, Lord, I Have Come to Believe (S)
You Are Mine (C)
Your Love Is Deep (C)

Communion Song:
Antiphon: Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all within me, his holy name. OR
O Father, I pray for them, that they may be one in us that the world may believe that you have sent me, says the Lord.

Gift of Finest Wheat (Kreutz)
How Great Thou Art (Hine)
I Received the Living God LIVING GOD
I Will Praise You, Lord (Inwood)
Like the Bread (Booth)
Make Us Your Own
One Bread, One Body (Foley)
Pan de Vida (Hurd, Rubalcava)
Psalm 103: The Lord Is Kind and Merciful (Manalo)
The Lord Is Kind and Merciful (Modlin)

Song of Praise or Sending Forth:

10,000 Reasons (Redman)
City of God (Schutte)
Con la Cruz
Eternal Father, Strong to Save MELITA
For the Healing of the Nations ST. THOMAS
Give Glory
Let There Be Peace on Earth (Jackson)
Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow OLD HUNDREDTH
Sing of the Lord’s Goodness (Sands)
Take Christ to the World (Inwood)
Te Den Gracias
Your Grace Is Enough

OTHER:

Blest Be the Lord
Healer of Our Every Ill
Jesus, Heal Us
Jesus, Our Teacher (Feeley)
Only You, O God
Out of the Depths
Peace I Leave with You (Farrell)

Question of the Week: How does not knowing that God is the God of life, not death, affect the way I live my life? Am I courageous enough to stand up to those who do not respect the basic human right to life?
July 8: 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time

When we gather together as a faith community to give glory to God, we expect that our experience will be similar to what it was the week before, or the week before that. Most likely this is how the faithful of Nazareth felt when they went to synagogue. Then one day, Jesus, son of Mary, a carpenter whom some may have known when he was just a boy, stood up to preach. Unlike the crown in today’s Gospel, may we be open to the Word of God entering in unexpected ways.

Summertime Refresher: The Communion Rite continued: The second “must have” for pastoral musicians is access to the General Instruction (GIRM) found in the Roman Missal or online. Take a special look at paragraphs #86 and #87.

Gathering Song:
Antiphon: Your merciful love, O God, we have received in the midst of your temple. Your praise, O God, like your name, reaches the ends of the earth, your right hand is filled with saving justice.

Alaben Todos: Sal:148 (C)
Alegria de Vivir (O/S)
Alleluia! Give the Glory (Canedo)
Alzad la Cruz (S)
Amazing Grace (O/S)
Bendeciremos por Siempre: Sal 145(144) (O)
Bless the Lord (Canedo)
Blest Are We (O/C/S)
Estamos Reunidos (C)
God Has Spoken by the Prophets (O/S)
God Is Here! As We His People ABBOT’S LEIGH
God, Our God of Distant Ages
He Is the Lord (Haas)
Holy, Holy, Holy NICAEA
How Firm a Foundation FOUNDATION
Hoy Nos Reunimos
I Am the Bread of Life (Toolan)
I Am the Bread of Life (Come and Follow Me) (Angrisano)
I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say (Bolduc, KINGSFOLD) (O/C/S)
Jesus Christ, by Faith Revealed (O/S)
Lead Me, Guide Me (O/S)
Praise to the Lord LOBE DEN HERREN
Priestly People (O/C)
Take Up Your Cross (O/S)
There’s a Wideness in God’s Mercy IN BABILONE
Vamos Peregrinos (S)
We Bring God’s Holy Love (O/S)

Ezekiel 2:2-5 The Spirit sent Ezekiel to Israel and empowered him to speak with authority. God told Ezekiel that, regardless of Israel’s response, they will know that a prophet was there.

Psalm 123:1-2, 2, 3-4
Our eyes are fixed on the Lord, pleading for his mercy.

2 Corinthians 12:7-10 Paul confessed his weakness but also thanked God for it “for power is made perfect in weakness.” Therefore, Paul humbly accepted persecution for Christ’s sake.

Gospel Verse: The Spirit of the Lord is upon me for he sent me to bring glad tidings to the poor.

Mark 6:1-6a Jesus went to his own part of the country and began teaching. The people were incredulous. They all knew him as a child. He was one of them; how could he teach them?

Preparation of Gifts:
Al Partir el Pan (C)
All That Is Hidden (Farrell)
Altísimo Señor
Blessed Be Your Name (S)
Come to Me (Norbet) (C)
El Señor Es Compasivo: Sal 103(102) (C)
Flowing River (C)
For the Sake of Christ (Canedo)
Gusten y Vean: Sal 34(33) (C)
I Will Choose Christ (Booth)
Make Your Home in Me (Walther)
Open My Eyes (Manibusan)
Prayer of St. Francis
Rejoice in the Promise of Jesus (Crandal)
Strength for the Journey (C)
Take My Life (C)
Tâm Tinh Hi n Dâng/A Gift of Love (Sông Lam)

Communion Song:
Antiphon: Taste and see that the Lord is good; blessed the man who seeks refuge in him. OR
Come to me, all who labor and are burdened, and I will refresh you, says the Lord.

Amén. El Cuerpo de Cristo (Schiavone)
Gusten Vean/Taste and See (Reza)
Here I Am, Lord (Schutte)
Like a Shepherd (Dufford)
Pescador de Hombres/Lord, You Have Come (Gabaráin)
Taste and See (Kendzia, Angrisano)
This Body of Christ (Rosania)

Song of Praise or Sending Forth:
Anthem (Conry)
Con la Cruz
Give Thanks to the Lord (Schutte)
Go in Peace to Love and Serve the Lord (Inwood)
Lead Me, Lord (Becker)
Malo! Malo! Thanks Be to God (Manibusan)
Thanks Be to God (Dean)
The Church of Christ in Every Age DUNEDIN
Your Grace Is Enough (Maher)
July 15: 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time
We are called to be disciples. What does it mean to be a disciple? Today’s Gospel describes what Jesus told his disciples when he sent them out: what to bring, what to leave behind, what to say, what to do. As we listen to this passage today, let us imagine what Jesus is saying to us as he sends us out to be his disciples.

Question of the Week: How do I respond when someone is critical of me? Do I search myself to find my failings or do I merely look for reasons to reject their criticism?

Psalm 85:9-10, 11-12, 13-14
Lord, let us see your kindness, and grant us your salvation.

Ephesians 1:3-14 OR 1:3-10
God chose us in Christ to be blameless and full of love. In him we were chosen to “exist for the praise of his glory.”

Gospel Verse: May the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ enlighten the eyes of our hearts, that we may know what is the hope that belongs to our call.

Mark 6:7-13
Jesus sent out his disciples two by two to preach the good news. They took nothing with them. In Christ’s power they expelled demons and healed the sick.

Preparation of Gifts:
Christ Be beside Me (Wasson)
Come, My Way, My Truth, My Life THE CALL
Digo Si, Señor (C)
Dwelling Place (Foley)
Gusten y Vean: Sal 34(33) (C)
Here I Am, Lord (C)
Hold On to Love (Manibusan)
Jesus Christ, Homeless One (Landry)
Make Your Home in Me (Walther)
Muéstranos Señor: Sal 85 (C)
Partners in the Mission (S)
People of Peace (Landry)
Strength for the Journey (C)
Take My Hands (Temple)
Take My Life (C)
Tesoros Ocultos (C)
Tomado de la Mano

Communion Song:
Antiphon: The sparrow finds a home, and the swallow
a nest for her young: by your altars, O Lord
of hosts, my King and my God. Blessed are
they who dwell in your house, for ever
singing your praise. OR
Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood
remains in me and I in him, says the Lord.

Be Not Afraid (Dufford)
Bread for the World (Farrell)
Do This in Memory of Me (Muglia)
Holy Is This Temple (Hurd)
How Lovely Is Your Dwelling Place (DeBruyn, Joncas)
I Am the Bread of Life (Toolan)
Let Us See Your Kindness (MacAller)
Lord, Let Us See Your Kindness (Soper)
Pan De Vida
Precious Lord, Take My Hand (Dorsey)
Spirit and Grace (Manalo)

Song of Praise or Sending Forth:
Canción del Testigo
Christ is the King GELOBT SEI GOTT
City of God (Schutte)
Companions on the Journey (Landry)
Go, Be Justice
Go Make of All Disciples ELLACOMBE
Go Out, Go Out (Stephan)
Go Out in the World
Go to the World!
God’s Blessing Sends Us Forth
I Send You Out
Id y Enseñad
Now Let Us from This Table Rise
Sent Forth by God’s Blessing
Take Christ to the World (Inwood)
Te Den Gracias
Un Pueblo Que Camina
We Will Testify
With All Your Strength (Muglia)
With One Voice (Manalo)

OTHER:
Anima Christi (Thatcher)
As a Fire Is Meant for Burning
Bring Forth the Kingdom
For the Life of the World
Hands of Healing
How Can We Be Silent
In Christ There Is No East or West
O Burning Mountain (Joncas)
Send Me, Jesus/Thuma Mina
The Church of Christ in Every Age
The Serenity Prayer (Walker)
You Are Called to Tell the Story

Question of the Week: When I feel ill-equipped for the
journey, do I trust God will provide what I need?
**July 22: 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**Summertime Refresher: The Entrance Chant or Song:**

Take a look at GIRM 42. Notice that the Entrance Chant (song) gives us plenty of room for musical options. The Entrance Antiphon hives us a text each week to introduce us to the celebration. The late composer, Father Lucien Deiss used to say that we are many “ones” in the assembly when we arrive at worship, but when we sing together, we become “one.” Singing together brings unity to the assembly. We become a united people through melody, text, rhythm, faith, and spirit!

Another purpose of the entrance song is to accompany the procession of priest and ministers. The Roman rite is very efficient. We don’t sing all the verses to hymns if they are to accompany processions unless the verses are crucial to the literary or theological significance, i.e., a 3-verse hymn to the Trinity – all 3 sung to acknowledge all 3 persons of the Trinity.

This season, in the spirit of Pope Francis’ encyclical Laudato Si, consider implementing hymns with texts about the beauty of creation, care for the environment, or stewardship, etc.

**Gathering Song**

**Antiphon:** See, I have God for my help. The Lord sustains my soul. I will sacrifice to you with willing heart, and praise your name, O Lord, for it is good.

All People That on Earth Do Dwell
All the Earth (O)
Bendeciremos por Siempre: Sal 145(144) (O/C)
Come, Worship the Lord (Talbot)
Every Day I Will Sing (Ray)
Gather Us In (Haugen)
Gather Us Together (Alstott)
Gather Your People (Hurd)
Hoy Nos Reunimos
O Lord, You Are My Shepherd (O)
Praise to the Lord (O)
Shepherd of Souls, in Love, Come, Feed Us (O)
Shepherd of Souls, Refresh and Bless (O)
The Church’s One Foundation AURELIA
The King of Love My Shepherd Is ST. COLUMBA (O)
There’s a Wideness in God’s Mercy IN BABILONE
Venimos ante Ti (O/C)

Jeremiah 23:1-6  The Lord was angry and promised to punish the shepherds who misled and scattered the flock. The Lord God would gather the flock and appoint new shepherds to care for it.

Psalm 23:1-3, 3-4, 5, 6

_The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want._

**Ephesians 2:13-18**  In Christ, we are reconciled and united with each other and with God. Christ Jesus came to announce the good news. Through him we come in one Spirit to the Father.

**Gospel Verse:**  _My sheep hear my voice, says the Lord; I know them and they follow me._

Mark 6:30-34  The disciples returned from work and went with Jesus to a quiet place to rest. Crowds followed. Jesus took pity on them, “for they are like sheep without a shepherd.”

**Preparation of Gifts:**

Al Partir el Pan (C)
All Is Well with My Soul (Landry)
Be Still and Know That I Am God (Walker)
Because the Lord Is My Shepherd (Walker)
Christ the Good Shepherd (Hurd)
Come to Me (Norbet) (C)
El Señor Es Mi Pastor: Sal 23(22) (C)
Eres Me Pastor: Sal 23(22) (C)
Gusten y Vean: Sal 34(33) (C)
In the Arms of the Shepherd (C)
Infinite Grace (Hart)
My Shepherd Will Supply My Need RESIGNATION
One Faith
Óyenos, Señor (C)
Sacred Silence (Booth)
Shepherd Me, O God (Haugen) (C)
Tesoros Ocultos (C)
The Hand of the Lord Feeds Us (C)
Tomado de la Mano

**Communion Song:**

**Antiphon:** The Lord, gracious, the merciful, has made a memorial of his wonders; he gives food to those who fear him. OR
Behold, I stand at the door and knock, says the Lord. If anyone hears my voice and opens the door to me, I will enter his house and dine with him, and he with me.

Come, All You Blessed Ones
Gift of Finest Wheat
God’s Love Is Everlasting (Tomaszek)
I Received the Living God LIVING GOD
In the Breaking of the Bread (Hurd)
Litany of Peace (Bridge)
My Shepherd Is the Lord (Gelineau)
Pastures of the Lord (Stephan)
Peace Is Flowing like a River (Landry)
So Beautiful
Take and Eat (Joncas)
The Cry of the Poor (Foley)
The Eyes and Hands of Christ (Kendzia)
July 29: 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

We gather today to celebrate the Eucharist, as we do each Sunday, to be nourished by Christ’s Body and Blood. In the Gospel, we hear one of Jesus’ most familiar miracles, the multiplication of the loaves and fish. But every time we celebrate the Eucharist we witness another miracle, the transformation of bread and wine into Jesus’ Body and Blood. May it nourish us as we go out into the world to be the eyes, ears, hands, and feet of Christ.

Question of the Week: What is it that moves me to feel a visceral form of compassion toward others? What, then, do I do?

2 Kings 4:42-44  Elisha was brought twenty barley loaves, which he set before a crowd of one thousand. All ate, and there was plenty of food left over.

Psalm 145:10-11, 15-16, 17-18

The hand of the Lord feeds us; he answers all our needs.

Ephesians 4:1-6  Paul called the Ephesians to a life of humility, patience and gentleness. He said, “Preserve the unity of the spirit through the bond of peace: one body and one Spirit.”

Gospel Verse: A great prophet has risen in our midst. God has visited his people.

John 6:1-15  Many people pressed around Jesus. Seeing they were hungry, he took bread and fish, blessed them, and gave them out. When all had eaten, the fragments filled twelve baskets.
Preparation of Gifts:

At the Table of the Word (C)
Blest Are They (C)
Do This in Memory of Me (Muglia)
El Señor Es Compasivo: Sal 103(102) (C)
Give Us, O Lord (Hurd)
God's Holy Gifts (Schutte)
Guarda Mi Alma
Here at This Table (Whitaker)
Holy Gifts (Dean)
How Great Thou Art (Hine)
Infinite Grace (Hart)
Make of Our Hands a Throne (C)
Pan de Vida (C)
Señor, Tú Tienes Palabras: Sal 19(18) (C)
The Hand of the Lord Feeds Us (C)
Un Mandamiento Nuevo (C)
Where Charity and Love Prevail (Benoit)

Communion Song:

Antiphon: Bless the Lord, O my soul, and never forget all his benefits. OR Blessed are the merciful, for they shall receive mercy. Blessed are the clean of heart, for they shall see God.

All I Need
Behold the Lamb (Willett)
Bendito Seas Tú, Señor
Bread of Angels (Stephan)
Bread of Heaven (Manibusan)
Bread of Life (Farrell, Cooney)
Es Mi Cuerpo (A los Hombres Amó Dios)
Gift of Finest Wheat (Kreutz)
I Am the Living Bread (Haas)
I Am Yours – Consume Me Completely
I Will Praise Your Name (Haas)
In the Breaking of the Bread (Hurd)
Make Us Your Own
One Bread, One Body
One Communion of Love
Pan del Cielo
The Supper of the Lord (Rosania)

Song of Praise or Sending Forth:

All the Ends of the Earth (Dufford)
Alleluia! Raise the Gospel (Farrell)
Beattitudes (Ducote)
God of the Hungry (Soper)
I Am the Resurrection (Repp)
Lead Me, Lord (Becker)
Though the Mountains May Fall (Schutte)
We Are Sent into the World (Manalo)
We Are the Light of the World (Grief)

OTHER:

All Who Hunger
Bread of Life from Heaven
Christ Within Me (Kendzia)
Come to the Feast
In Christ There Is No East or West
Let Us Be Bread
One Lord
Praise and Thanksgiving
Praise the Lord, My Soul (Hirten)
Suscipe (Rosen)
We Are One
We Come with Joy

Question of the Week: In my experience, have I seen someone’s generosity (perhaps my own) provide something that went much further than could be expected? What can I entrust to Jesus to satisfy the hunger of others? How can I, as a member of the Church – the body of Christ – contribute to the multiplication of what we have been given?
There is an interconnectedness with the first and second readings over these weeks of John’s Gospel. The manna from heaven found in the First Reading from Exodus was considered the bread of angels. Since Labor Day is just around the corner, here’s a blurb for music ministry recruitment to spark your imagination for your bulletin notes. Freely adapt!

“Our (Name of Parish) Music Ministry provides beauty, joy, comfort, and inspiration for our liturgies and festive parish celebrations through the musical gifts, generosity and commitment of our members. Music Ministry Outreach includes ________, ______ and appropriate seasonal events in our community. If you can carry a tune, want to learn, and have a desire to sing with us, call us at _______.” (Remember to smile!)

Gathering Song
Antiphon: O God, come to my assistance; O Lord, make haste to help me! You are my rescuer, my help; O Lord, do not delay.

Preparation of Gifts:
Acudamos Jubiloso (C)
Bread of Life (Fisher, Cooney)
Busca Primero
Fish with Me (Canedo)
Gift of Finest Wheat (Kreutz) (C)
In God Alone (Farrell)
Jesus, Savior, Friend and Brother (Keil)
Pescador de Hombres/Lord, You Have Come (Gabaráin)
The Hand of the Lord Feeds Us (C)
The Jesus Song (Booth)

Communion Song:
Antiphon: You have given us, O Lord, bread from heaven, endowed with all delights and sweetness in every taste. OR I am the bread of life, says the Lord; whoever comes to me will not hunger and whoever believes in me will not thirst.

Gospel Verse: One does not live on bread alone, but on every word that comes forth from the mouth of God.

John 6:24-35 The crowd followed Jesus to Capernaum because he had given them bread to eat. Jesus told them instead to seek the food of eternal life. He said that he is “the bread of life.”

Preparation of Gifts:
Acudamos Jubiloso (C)
Bread of Life (Fisher, Cooney)
Busca Primero
Fish with Me (Canedo)
Gift of Finest Wheat (Kreutz) (C)
In God Alone (Farrell)
Jesus, Savior, Friend and Brother (Keil)
Pescador de Hombres/Lord, You Have Come (Gabaráin)
The Hand of the Lord Feeds Us (C)
The Jesus Song (Booth)

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Al Partir el Pan
Ang Katawan ni Kristo/Behold, the Body of Christ (Manalo)
Bendito Seas Tú, Señor
Bread for the World (Farrell)
Called to the Supper of the Lamb
Draw Near
Eat This Bread (Berthier)
El Pan de la Vida (Cortés)
Eucharistic Litany
I Am Yours – Consume Me, Completely
I Received the Living God LIVING GOD (Ballard/Jacob)
I Sought the Lord (Booth)
I Sought the Lord (Booth)
Jesus, Bread of Life
Miracle of Grace (Stephan)
Pan de Vida (Rubalcava)
Pan del Cielo
Soul of Christ
To Be Your Bread (Haas)
We Praise You (Ducote)
Yo Soy el Pan de Vida (S)

Song of Praise or Sending Forth:
Alleluia! Raise the Gospel (Farrell)
Con la Cruz
Do Not Fear to Hope (Cooney)
How Can I Keep from Singing ENDLESS SONG
I Will Lift Up Your Name (Angrisano)
Laudate, Laudate Dominum (Walker)
Laudato Sí! Be Praised, O God! (Manalo)
Lord of the Dance/I Danced in the Morning (Carter)
People of Peace (Landry)
Rain Down (Bolduc)
Somos el Cuerpo de Cristo/We Are the Body of Christ (Cortez)
Take Christ to the World (Inwood)
Te Den Gracias

OTHER:
All Who Hunger
Behold the Lamb
Bread of Angels (Stephan)
Bread of Life from Heaven
Come to the Banquet
Come to the Feast
Draw Near
Father, We Thank Thee
Give Us a Pure Heart (Willcock)
One Lord
Peace I Leave with You (Helvey)
Turn My Heart, O God

Question of the Week: Have you ever placed your trust in what you thought was “imperishable,” but in the end proved to be very “perishable”? What forms of “manna” have rained down in your life? In what real way do we “become” the Body and Blood of Christ for others?

August 12: 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time
“A prophet is not without honor save in his own country” is a phrase still recognized in our current culture. Its source is today’s Gospel reading from John. The hometown folks are at it again. They are shocked that Jesus says he is from heaven. Jesus makes it clear that the manna from heaven was earthly food, by he is spiritual bread, and humans must rely on Christ to feed and save them.

Summer Refresher: The Gloria/Glory to God:
GIRM 53: “The Gloria is a very ancient and venerable hymn in which the Church, gathered together in the Holy Spirit, glorifies and entreats God the Father and the Lamb. The text of this hymn may not be replaced by any other text. The Gloria is intoned by the priest or, if appropriate, by a cantor or by the choir; but it is sung either by everyone together, or by the people alternately with the choir, or by the choir alone. If not sung, it is to be recited either by all together or by two parts of the congregation responding one to the other.”

REMINDER: Wednesday is a holyday of obligation!

Gathering Song
Antiphon: Look to your covenant, O Lord, and forget not the life of your poor ones for ever. Arise, O God, and defend your cause, and forget not the cries of those who seek you.

Alaben Todos: Sal 148
All People That on Earth Do Dwell OLD HUNDREDTH
Amar (Es Entregarse) (O/S)
Bendeciremos por Siempre: Sal 145(144) (O/C)
Bless the Lord (Canedo)
Blest Be the Lord (Schutte)
Estamos en Casa del Padre
God Is Here! As We His People ABBOT’S LEIGH
God’s Holy Mystery (O/C)
I Am the Bread of Life (Toolan)
Let the Hungry Come to Me (O)
Lift Up Your Hearts (O’Connor)
O Bless the Lord (Michaels)
O Living Bread from Heaven (AURELIA, NON DIGNUS)(O/S)
Sing a Joyful Song (Farrell)
The Lord Is My Hope (Ridge)
Venimos ante Ti (C)
Where Charity and Love Prevail (Benoit, Hill) (O)

1 Kings 19:4-8 Elijah grew tired as he walked in the desert. An angel appeared to him and gave him food and drink. After that Elijah walked forty more days to the mountain of the Lord.

Psalm 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9 (Note the verses.) Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.
Ephesians 4:30 – 5:2  Paul encouraged the Ephesians to replace harsh words with kindness for each other. He wrote, “Be imitators of God, as beloved children, and live in love, as Christ loved us and handed himself over for us.”

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

John 6:41-51  Jesus claimed to be the bread from heaven. No one can go to the Father except through the Son. Anyone who believes and eats Jesus' bread will have everlasting life.

Preparation of Gifts:

Christ the Good Shepherd (Hurd)
El Señor Es Compasivo: Sal 103(102) (C)
God of Mercy (Manalo)
In Remembrance of You (C)
Loving and Forgiving (Soper)
Pan de Vida (C)
Peace Prayer (Foley)
This Bread That We Share (MacAller)
Ubi Caritas (Rosania, Hurd)
Where Charity Is True (C)
Where Love Is Found (Schutte)

Communion Song:
Antiphon:  O Jerusalem, glorify the Lord, who gives you your fill of finest wheat. OR
The bread that I will give, says the Lord, is my flesh for the life of the world.

Al Partir el Pan
As We Remember (Cooney)
Behold
Called to the Supper of the Lamb
Es Mi Cuerpo (A Los Hombres Amó Dios)
Estamos Reunidos
Gusten y Vean: Sal 34(33)
He Lives in Us
Heavenly Bread
I Am the Living Bread (Haas)
I Received the Living God (Ballard, Jacob)
In You, O Lord
Litan of Peace (Bridge)
Look Beyond (Ducote)
One Love Released (Frenzel)
Señor, Tú Eres el Pan
So Beautiful
Soul of Christ
Spirit and Grace (Manalo)
Taste and See (Kendzia, B. Hurd, Angrisano)
The Cry of the Poor (Foley)

Question of the Week:  When have you been nourished by the “bread” of kindness, or forgiveness, of wisdom that another offered you? In what ways can we give “life” to a “lifeless” situation? How can a perspective of gratitude change the way we approach problems and difficult relationships?

Song of Praise or Sending Forth:

Christ in Me Arise (Thomson)
August 15: The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Hail Holy Queen!

Here are some words of welcome to use for gathering today…

“On the feast of our mother Mary, who by welcoming the Son of God is the epitome of hospitality, let us open our hearts to those around us who journey with us. Please greet those around you especially any visitors.”

Summertime Refresher: Notes for Accompanists:

It is important to pay attention to breathing for the congregation when accompanying them – especially in the Gloria. Mark your music so you see the breath marks approaching. This can be critical in a resonant space (one with echoes). Yes, it is difficult to keep the assembly together, especially a joyful and large celebration. But if you “lift” your hands meticulously on the organ, you can bring the assembly back together. Clip the ends of the phrases. The shorter the better. Breath control is necessary for pianists, but this technique is more conducive to the organ.

As our musicians age, breath control becomes more challenging. Cantors may find it difficult to stay on pitch while chanting the reciting verses of the psalm. This can be a problem of breath support not necessarily poor pitch. Try using the organ with its sustained sound to assist the cantor for the psalm.

Gathering Song

Antiphon: A great sign appeared in heaven: a woman clothed with the sun, and the moon beneath her feet, and on her head a crown of twelve stars. OR Let us all rejoice in the Lord, as we celebrate the feast day in honor of the Virgin Mary, at whose Assumption the Angels rejoice and praise the Son of God.

Ave, de Lourdes (O/S)
Be Joyful, Mary REGINA CAELI
Blessed One (O/S)
Buenos Dias, Paloma Blanca (O)
Hail, Holy Queen SALVE REGINA COELITUM (O/S)
Hoy Nos Reunimos
Immaculate Mary LOURDES HYMN
Magnificat (Farrell)
Mary, Woman of the Promise DRAKES BROUGHTON
My Soul Rejoices (Alstott)
O Sanctissima/O Most Holy One/Mary, Full of Grace (Hagan) (O/S)
Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven LAUDA ANIMA
Sing a New Song (revised) (Schutte)
Sing “Ave!” (O/S)
Sing with All the Saints in Glory HYMN TO JOY (O/S)
Song of Mary (Schutte)

Stainless the Maiden (O/S)
Star upon the Ocean (O/S)
We Sing with Holy Mary (O/S)
Ye Watchers and Ye Holy Ones ((O/S)

Revelation 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab A great sign appeared in the sky: a woman clothed with the sun and her newborn child. A dragon stood ready to devour the child, but the child was taken to safety in heaven, and God protected the woman.

Psalm 45:10, 11, 12, 16

The queen stands at your right hand, arrayed in gold.

1 Corinthians 15:20-27 Christ is risen from the dead, the “firstfruit” of those who have died. All who belong to Christ also will rise. Christ hands over the reign to God.

Gospel Verse: Mary is taken up to heaven; a chorus of angels exults.

Luke 1:39-56 Mary went to Zechariah’s house to visit with Elizabeth. The baby in Elizabeth’s womb “leaped.” Mary gave praise to the Lord for all God’s marvelous deeds of justice and love.

Preparation of Gifts:

Adios, Reina del Cielo (S)
Atiéndeme, Hija: Sal 45(44)
Ave Maria (Chant, Mode I, Kantor, Kingsley)
Canticle of Mary (C)
Canticle of Our Lady (C)
Holy Is His Name (Talbot) (C)
Holy Is Your Name (Haas) (C)
Hymn of Praise (Schutte)
Mary’s Song (Rieth) (C/S)
Mary’s Song of Praise (C/S)
My Soul Rejoices in the Lord (C)
Oh Maria, Madre Mia
Pan de Vida (C)
Regina Caeli/O Queen of Heaven CHANT
Servant Song (McGargill)
The Angel Gabriel from Heaven Came GABRIEL’S MESSAGE
There Is Nothing Told (Willcock)

Communion Song:

Antiphon: All generations will call me blessed, for he who is mighty has done great things for me.

Al Partir el Pan
Bread for the World (Farrell)
Christ Has No Body Now but Yours (Warner)
Hail Mary: Gentle Woman (Landry)
How Lovely Is Your Dwelling Place (DeBruyn)
I Received the Living God LIVING GOD
Jesus, Come to Us (Haas)
Magnificat (Angrisano)
Miracle of Grace (Stephan)
O Holy Mary (Alstott)
Song of Praise or Sending Forth:

Benedictus (Farrell)
Elevamos Nuestros Cantos
In Christ Alone (Getty)
Join in the Dance (Schutte)
Mary, Full of Grace O DU FRÖHLICHE
Salve, Regina/Hail, Mary, Mother and Queen (Chant, Mode V)
Santa María del Camino
Sing of Mary PLEADING SAVIOR
Sing We of the Blessed Mother OMNI DIE DIC MARIAE

OTHER:

All Who Claim the Faith of Jesus
Canticle of the Turning
Magnificat (Helvey, Berthier, Chepponis, Haas, Joncas)
Mary, First among Believers
Salve Regina (Joncas)

Question of the Day: What single image of Mary’s Magnificat most resonates with you? In what “arks” have you experienced the presence of God in your midst? What aspect or event in your life would you put forward as your witness to the resurrection?

August 19: 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Today’s First Reading tells of Lady Wisdom. Congregation of Saint Agnes Sister Dianne Bergant writes of the figure herself who is more than human. “This mysterious figure has been interpreted principally as either an ancient deity or a cosmic being…the reading contains aspects of the ordinary, the divine, and the cosmic perspectives.” Sister further states that as a deity, Wisdom’s house would be an ancient temple; if a cosmic being, the universe. Interpretations are inconclusive, but no matter what, the banquet is lavish! Christ is the banquet. We are invited. Will we RSVP?

Summertime Refresher: The Gloria/Glory to God:

STL:149. While through-composed settings of the Gloria give clearest expression to the text, the addition of refrains is permitted, provided the refrains encourage congregational participation. Consider varying the setting and/or style of the Gloria seasonally. Weekly changes to the Gloria can upset the sense of ritual repetitive flow of the introductory rites. Consider seasonal changes instead. ALSO: the old dictum: “If you don’t sing it, don’t say it” NO LONGER APPLIES. So in a pinch, the Glory to God is recited when required in the Ordo (every Sunday and Solemnity).

Gathering Song
Antiphon: Turn your eyes, O God, our shield; and look on the face of your anointed one; one day within your courts is better than a thousand elsewhere.

Alabemos a Dios (S)
All the Earth (O)
Alleluia! Sing to Jesus HYFRYDOL
God’s Holy Mystery (O/C)
Here at This Table (Whitaker)
Hoy Nos Reunimos
I Am the Bread of Life (Toolan)
I Am the Bread of Life (Come and Follow Me) (Angrisano)
I Am the Light of the World (Hayakawa)
I Sing the Mighty Power of God ELLACOMBE
In Christ There Is No East or West MCKEE
In This Place (Thomson)
Joyful, Joyful, We Adore You (O/S)
Let Everyone Praise (O/S)
Our God Is Here (Muglia)
Sing a New Song (Revised Text) (O/S)
Sing a New Song to the Lord (O/S)
Sing the Lord a New Song (O/S)
When in Our Music God Is Glorified (O/S)

Proverbs 9:1-6 Wisdom built her house and prepared a banquet. The invitation was sent to “come, eat of my food and drink.” When we forsake foolishness in our lives, we grow in understanding.
Psalm 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7  *(Note the verses.)*

*Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.*

Ephesians 5:15-20  *Paul counseled the Ephesians to keep careful watch over their conduct. In this way they could overcome their ignorance and discern the will of God.*

**Gospel Verse:**  *Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood remains in me and I in him, says the Lord.*

John 6:51-58  *Jesus assured his followers that he is the living bread come down from heaven. All who partake of this banquet will be raised up on the last day.*

**Preparation of Gifts:**

Come, My Way, My Truth, My Life THE CALL
Eye Has Not Seen (C)
Flowing River
I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light (Thomerson)
I Will Choose Christ (Booth)
In Remembrance of You (C)
Nos Congregamos Junto a la Mesa (C)
Pan de Vida (C)
Panis Angelicus/Holy and Living Bread SACRIS SOLEMIIS
Porque Nos Invitas
'Tis the Gift to Be SIMPLE GIFTS
We Come to You (Blakesley)
We Will Serve the Lord (S)
Worthy Is the Lamb (Manalo)

**Communion Song:**

*Antiphon:*

*With the Lord there is mercy; in him is plentiful redemption. OR*

*I am the living bread that came down from heaven, says the Lord. Whoever eats of this bread will live for ever.*

**Song of Praise or Sending Forth:**

City of God (Schutte)
Con la Cruz
Lead Me, Lord (Becker)
Let All Things Now Living ASH GROVE
Now Thank We All Our God NUN DANKET
Out of Darkness (Walker)
Somos el Cuerpo de Cristo/We Are the Body of Christ (Cortez)
Thy Kingdom Come (Cooney)

**OTHER:**

Behold the Lamb
Bread of Angels (Stephan)
Come to the Banquet
Father, We Thank Thee
Jesus Is Here Right Now
Let All Mortal Flesh
Life-Giving Bread, Saving Cup
Like a Bird
Now We Remain
O Taste and See (Doherty)
Panis Angelicus (Walker)
Take and Eat
The Living Bread of God

**Question of the Week:** How would you define wisdom? What are the defining characteristics of a “wise” person? Who is or was the wisest person you have known?
August 26: 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

Songs of praise to God and especially for the gift of his Son are the order of the Day. So are songs of thanksgiving for Eucharist, for life eternal, for God’s generosity, for miracles, for creation, and for the continuing offer of love and forgiveness.

Summertime Refresher: Gloria/Glory to God: Final Word:
The primary liturgical acclamations in the liturgy include the Gospel Acclamation, the Holy or Sanctus, the Memorial Acclamation (with its options), the Great Amen, and the Doxology of the Lord’s Prayer (…for the kingdom…). It makes sense to use a compositional formula to unite these acclamations. But the Gloria is not an acclamation. It is a hymn. Though musically and historically logical, the Gloria need not be musically related to the acclamations. This is a remnant of the historical tradition of the “Ordinary” of the Mass (unchanging parts) as opposed to the “Propers” which change regularly. Teaching a choir a new Gloria is one thing, but teaching the assembly a new Gloria is something else! It would be acceptable to begin teaching new acclamations seasonally and keep your usual Gloria for awhile.

Gathering Song
Antiphon: Turn your ear, O Lord, and answer me; save the servant who trusts in you, my God. Have mercy on me, O Lord, for I cry to you all the day long.

Bendeciremos por Siempre: Sal 145(144) (O/C)
Bless the Lord (Canedo)
Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation WESTMINSTER ABBEY
God, We Praise You NETTLETON
Hoy Nos Reunimos
I Am the Bread of Life (Come and Follow Me) (Angrisano)
Jesu, Joy of Our Desiring (O)
Lead Me, Guide Me (O/C/S)
Lift Up Your Hearts (O’Connor)
Love Divine, All Loves Excelling (O/S)
O Bless the Lord, My Soul ST. THOMAS
Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven LAUDA ANIMA
Praise the Lord, Ye Heavens HYMN TO JOY
Priestly People (O/C)
Table of Plenty (Schutte)
The Church of Christ in Every Age (O/S)
The Church’s One Foundation (O/S)
The Kingdom of God (O/S)
The Summons (O/S)
Venimos ante Ti (C)
Word of God (Farrell)

Joshua 24:1-2a, 15-17, 18b Joshua told the Israelites they were to decide whom they would serve: the Amorite gods or the Lord who brought them out of Egypt. They agreed to “serve the Lord, for he is our God.”

Psalm 34:2-3, 16-17, 18-19, 20-21 (Note the verses.) Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.

Ephesians 5:21-32 OR 5:2a, 25-32 Paul likened the love of a husband and wife to the love Christ has for the church. As Christ loves the church, so should husbands and wives love each other.

Gospel Verse: Your words, Lord, are Spirit and life; you have the words of everlasting life.

John 6:6-69 Jesus’ disciples were puzzled by his words. Jesus reminded them, “It is the spirit that gives life, while the flesh is of no avail.” Simon Peter responded, “You have the words of everlasting life.”

Preparation of Gifts:
Busca Primero
Digo, Si, Señor (C)
El Señor Es Compasivo: Sal 103(102) (C)
God of Mercy (Manalo)
Here I Am, Lord (Ward) (C)
Hold On to Love (Manibusan)
Love Goes On (Farrell)
Love One Another (Dufford, King) (O/C)
Make Your Home in Me (Walther)
Quiero Servirte, Mi Señor
The Eyes and Hands of Christ (Kendzia) (C)
Tomado de la Mano
We Will Serve the Lord (S)
Where There Is Love (Haas)
Without You (Kendzia)

Communion Song;
Antiphon: The earth is replete with the fruits of your work, O Lord; you bring forth bread from the earth and wine to cheer the heart. OR Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood has eternal life, says the Lord, and I will raise him up on the last day.

Al Partir el Pan
Amazing Grace NEW BRITAIN
Envía To Espritu (B. Hurd)
Gusten y Vean: Sal 34(33)
Keep in Mind (Deiss)
Let All Praise the Name (Modlin)
Look Beyond (Ducote)
Lord, to Whom Shall We Go? (Joncas)
O How Blessed (Schutte)
Stain Me
To Be Your Bread (Haas)
We Remember (Haugen)
Your Words Are Spirit and Life (Farrell)

Song of Praise or Sending Forth:
And We Cry, “Holy”
Alle, Alle, Alleluia (Ho Lung)
Anthem (Conry)
Better Is One Day (Redman)
Come with Us
Con la Cruz
God's Blessing Sends Us Forth
Halleluyah! We Sing Your Praises (South African)
I Am the Bread of Life (Toolan)
Laudate, Laudate Dominum (Walker)
Love Has Come (Maher)
Now Let Us from This Table Rise
One Spirit, One Church (Keil)
Tell the Good News GELOBT SEI GOTT
Vine Para Que Tengan
With One Voice (Manalo)

OTHER:

Bread of Angels (Stephan)
Come to the Banquet
Digo Sí, Señor/I Say Yes, Lord
Draw Near
Gather in Your Name
God Is Here! As We His People
I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light
Jesus, Lead the Way
Life-Giving Bread, Saving Cup
O Esca Viatorum (Farrell)
Taste and See (D. Hurd)
You Are Strong, You Are Holy

Question of the Week: What “sayings” of Jesus do you find especially hard to accept? When have you experienced “spirit and life” in your struggle to live the Gospel? How does married life mirror the relationship of Christ and the church?