

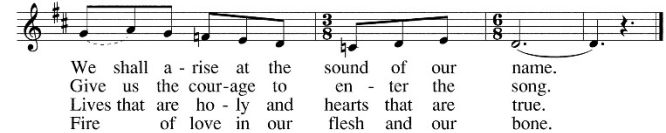
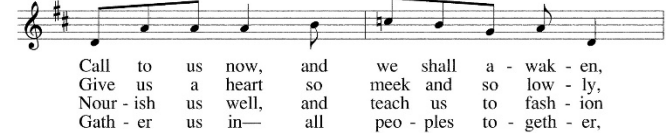
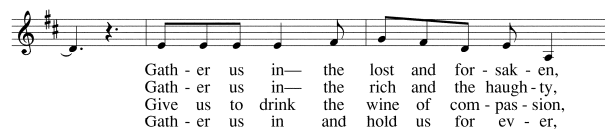
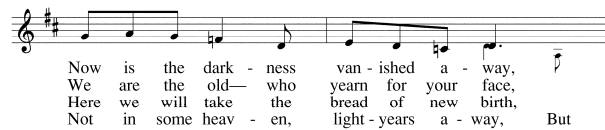


# Welcome to Holy Martyrs Catholic Church

*September 20<sup>th</sup>, 2026  
25<sup>th</sup> Sunday In Ordinary Time*

Why do we resent the well-being of others? In today's Gospel, the workers who were called to work early in the morning resent those who were called at the end of the day and were paid the same, and they resent the generosity of the owner of the vineyard. So focused on the money the last group received, they cannot share in the joy of people who have found a job. This parable teaches us about God's paradoxical generosity and mercy. God always welcomes those who seek his presence and refuge, regardless of whether it be early in their lifetime or later on in years. As Pope Francis would say, we cannot allow ourselves to enter into a dialogue with the enemy that consumes our hearts with envy, allowing hatred and resentment to take over our feelings. This Gospel should prompt us to evaluate the way we welcome those who enter into our church buildings on weekends. How are visitors treated? Are they invited into the liturgical assembly with the other members of the assembly? Do we introduce these newcomers to our priests, other lay ministers, and volunteers?

## Gather Us In



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Lord have mercy – Christ have mercy – Lord have mercy.

## GLORY TO GOD

*Mass of St. Frances Cabrini*  
Kevin Keil

Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and on earth peace to peo-ple of good  
will. We praise you, we bless you, we a-dore you, we  
glo-ri-fy you, we give you thanks for your great glo-ry, Lord God,  
heav-en-ly King, O God, al-might-y Fa-ther. Lord  
Je-sus Christ, On-ly Be-got-ten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God,  
Son of the Fa-ther, you take a-way the sins of the world, have mer-cy on  
us; you take a-way the sins of the world, re-ceive our prayer; you are

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seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa-ther, have mer-cy on us. For  
 you a-lone are the Ho-ly One, you a-lone are the Lord, you a-  
 lone are the Most High, Je-sus Christ, with the Ho-ly Spir-it, in the  
 glo-ry of God the Fa-ther. A - men. A - men.

## *Liturgy of the Word*

*9:30am Children's  
 exit for the Word!*

Gath-er, gath-er, one and all. Gath-er, gath-er,  
 Go now, sent now, filled with God's grace. Go now, sent now,  
 hear the Lord's call. Chil-dren run joy-ful-ly,  
 in God's em-brace. Led by the Spi-rit to  
 the Lord is here. Our God is speak-ing for  
 live in God's Word. Shout from the moun-tain-tops  
 all to hear. Gath-er, gath-er, Good News to share.  
 'til all have heard. Go now, share now, God's Ho-ly Word!

# ISAIAH

## Chapter 55 verses 6-9

Seek the LORD while he may be found,  
call him while he is near.  
Let the scoundrel forsake his way,  
and the wicked his thoughts;  
let him turn to the LORD for mercy;  
to our God, who is generous in forgiving.  
For my thoughts are not your thoughts,  
nor are your ways my ways, says the LORD.  
As high as the heavens are above the earth,  
so high are my ways above your ways  
and my thoughts above your thoughts.

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## We respond to the 1<sup>st</sup> reading with PSALM 145

Verses 2-3,  
8-9, 17-18

Music CPILG



*Every day will I bless you,  
and I will praise your name forever and ever.  
Great is the LORD and highly to be praised;  
his greatness is unsearchable.*

*R.*

*The LORD is gracious and merciful,  
slow to anger and of great kindness.*

*The LORD is good to all  
and compassionate toward all his works.*

*R.*

*The LORD is just in all his ways  
and holy in all his works.  
The LORD is near to all who call upon him,  
to all who call upon him in truth.*

*R.*

## PHILIPPIANS

1:20-24,  
27

Brothers and sisters:  
Christ will be magnified in my body, whether by life or by death.  
For to me life is Christ, and death is gain.  
If I go on living in the flesh,  
that means fruitful labor for me.  
And I do not know which I shall choose.  
I am caught between the two.  
I long to depart this life and be with Christ,  
for that is far better.  
Yet that I remain in the flesh  
is more necessary for your benefit.

Only, conduct yourselves in a way worthy of the gospel of Christ.

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

Our resurrection  
acclamation as  
we are about to  
hear the Gospel  
of the Lord!

*Music CPILG*

## ALLELUIA

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Kevin Keil



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Note: Verses available in accompaniment books.

**Open our hearts, O Lord,  
to listen to the words of your Son.**

## MATTHEW

20:1-16

The Lord be with you. **And with your Spirit.**

A reading from the holy Gospel according to MATTHEW.

**Glory to you, O Lord**

Jesus told his disciples this parable:  
"The kingdom of heaven is like a landowner  
who went out at dawn to hire laborers for his vineyard.  
After agreeing with them for the usual daily wage,  
he sent them into his vineyard.  
Going out about nine o'clock,  
the landowner saw others standing idle in the marketplace,

and he said to them, 'You too go into my vineyard,  
and I will give you what is just.'  
So they went off.  
And he went out again around noon,  
and around three o'clock, and did likewise.  
Going out about five o'clock,  
the landowner found others standing around, and said to them,  
'Why do you stand here idle all day?'  
They answered, 'Because no one has hired us.'  
He said to them, 'You too go into my vineyard.'  
When it was evening the owner of the vineyard said to his foreman,  
'Summon the laborers and give them their pay,  
beginning with the last and ending with the first.'  
When those who had started about five o'clock came,  
each received the usual daily wage.  
So when the first came, they thought that they would receive more,  
but each of them also got the usual wage.  
And on receiving it they grumbled against the landowner, saying,  
'These last ones worked only one hour,  
and you have made them equal to us,  
who bore the day's burden and the heat.'  
He said to one of them in reply,  
'My friend, I am not cheating you.  
Did you not agree with me for the usual daily wage?  
Take what is yours and go.  
What if I wish to give this last one the same as you?  
Or am I not free to do as I wish with my own money?  
Are you envious because I am generous?'  
Thus, the last will be first, and the first will be last."

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

## **Homily**

## **Prayers of the People**

## **9:30 Choir Anthem – “Prayer Of Being”..Mark Hayes**

# TURN TO ME

John Foley, S.J.

Refrain

Turn to me, O turn, and be saved, says the Lord, for  
I am God; there is no oth-er, none be -  
side me. I call your name.

Verse 1

1. I am God, who com-forts you; who are  
1. you to be a - fraid of flesh that fades, is  
1. made like the grass of the field, soon to with-er.

Priest: Pray,  
brothers and  
sisters, that my  
sacrifice and yours  
may be acceptable  
to God, the  
Almighty Father

Verses 2, 3

2. Lis-ten — to me, — my peo - ple; give ear to —  
3. Lift — up your eyes to the heav-ens, and look at the  
2. me, my na-tion: a law will go forth — from  
3. earth down be-low. — The heav-ens will van - ish like  
2. me, — and my jus-tice for a light to the peo - ple.  
3. smoke, ‡ and the earth — will wear out like a gar-ment.

**People: May the  
Lord accept the  
sacrifice at your  
hands for the  
praise and glory of  
his name, for our  
good and the good of all his holy Church**

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**The Lord be with you – And with your spirit.**

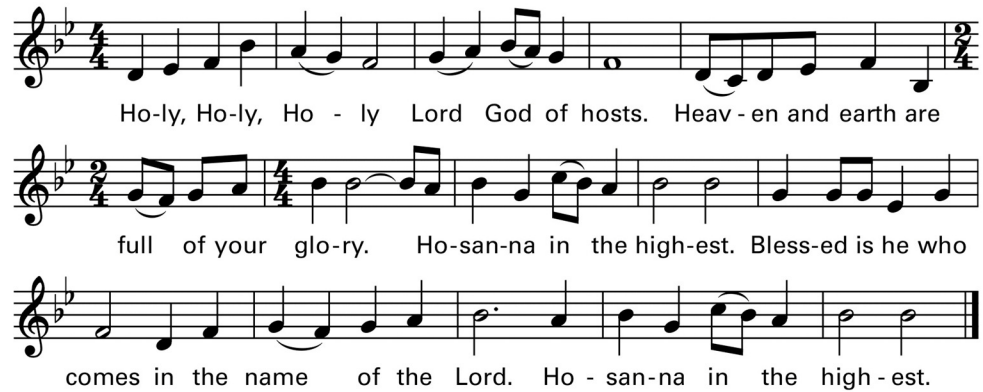
**Lift up your hearts - We lift them up to the Lord**

**Let us give thanks to the Lord our God – It is right and just.**

Before we sing the “Holy, Holy,” the Priest, in the name of the whole of the holy people, glorifies God the Father in a prayer and gives thanks to God for the whole work of salvation.

## HOLY

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Kevin Keil



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.

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As part of the Eucharistic prayer, we acclaim our faith together.

The mystery of faith

## WE PROCLAIM YOUR DEATH

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We pro-claim your Death, O Lord, and pro-fess your Res - ur -  
rec - tion un - til you come a - gain.

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We respond to the entire Eucharistic prayer

Through him, and with him, and in him, O God Almighty Father, in unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honor is yours, for ever and ever.

## AMEN

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A - men. A - men. A - men.

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# The Lord's Prayer

Agnus Dei qui  
tollis peccata  
mundi  
Miserere nobis  
Dona Nobis  
Pacem

## LAMB OF GOD

*Mass of St. Frances Cabrini*  
Kevin Keil

Cantor

Lamb of God, you take a-way the sins of the world,

1, 2. *mi-se-re-re no - bis.* *Mi-se-re-re no - bis.*  
3. *do-na no-bis pa - cem.* *Do-na no-bis pa - cem.*

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**Priest:** Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who takes away the sins of the world. Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.

**People:** Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.

A prayer for all  
unable to  
physically be  
here today.

## Spiritual Communion

My Jesus, I believe that You are in the Blessed Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I long for You in my soul. Since I cannot now receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. As though You have already come, I embrace You and unite myself entirely to You; never permit me to be separated from You.

This music plays  
in the  
background as  
Eucharistic  
Ministers receive  
communion

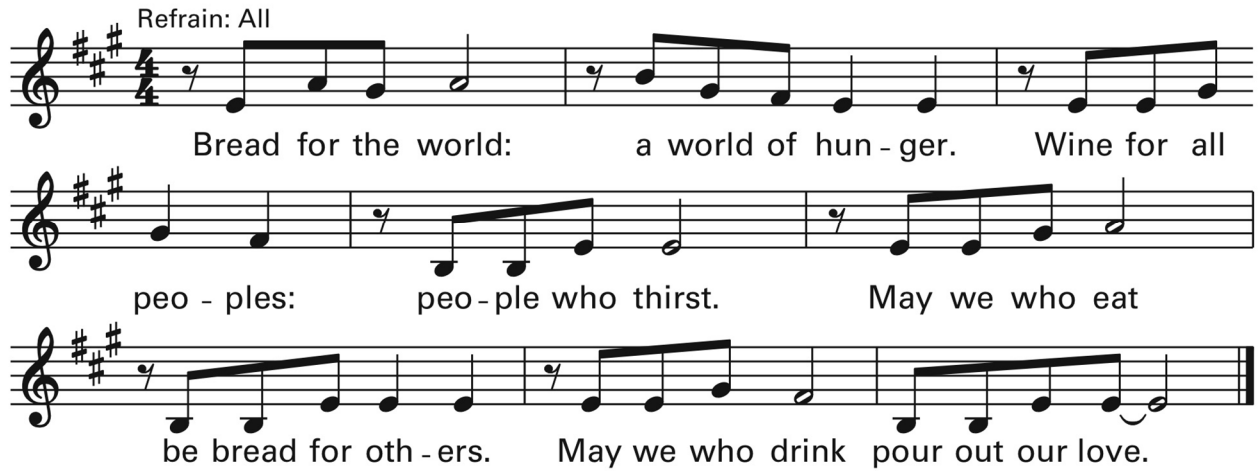
Tantum ergo Sacramentum Veneremur cernui:  
Et antiquum documentum Novo cedat ritui:  
Praestet fides supplementum Sensuum defectui.

Humbly let us voice our homage for so great a sacrament.  
Let all former rites surrender to the Lord's New Testament.  
What our senses fail to fathom, let us grasp through faith's consent

# BREAD FOR THE WORLD

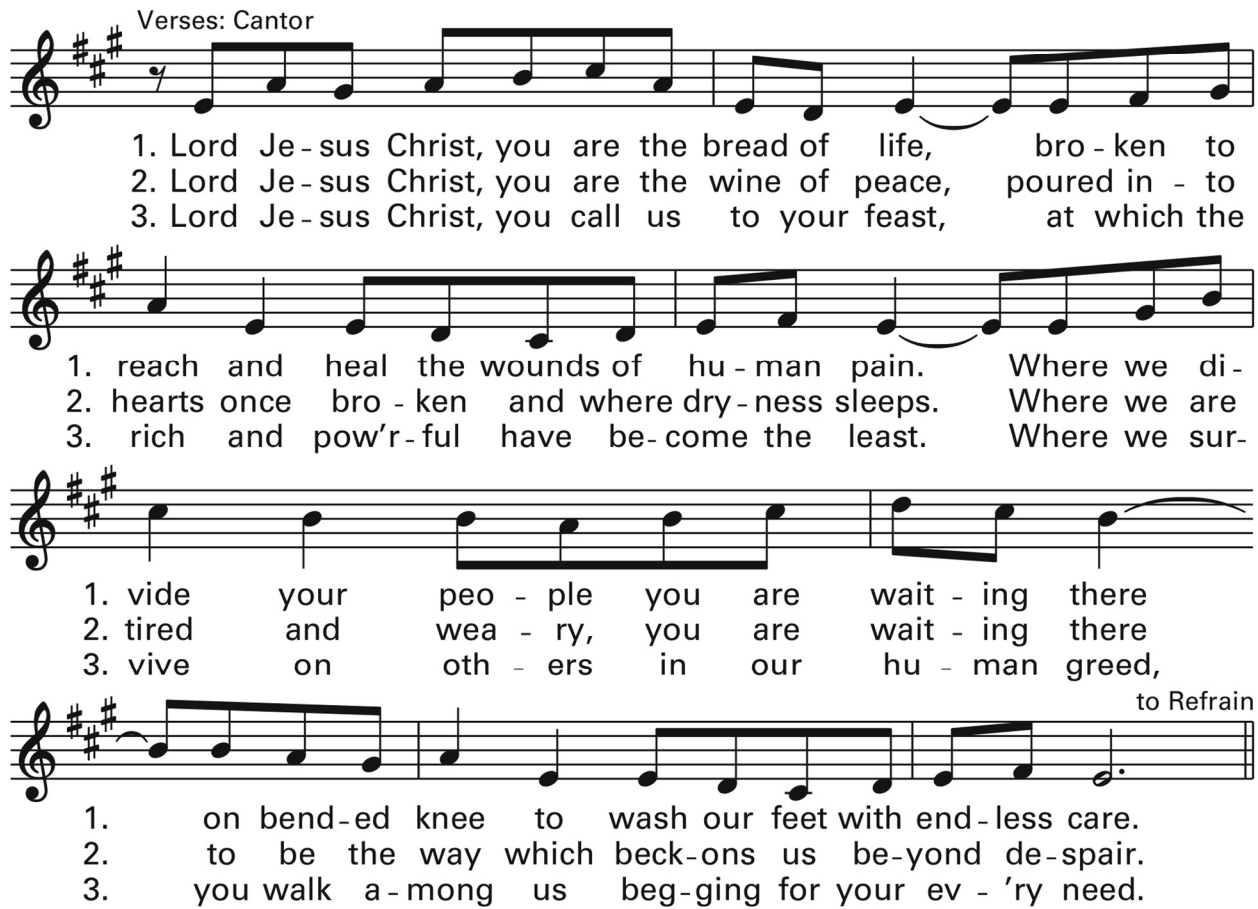
Bernadette Farrell

Refrain: All



Bread for the world: a world of hun - ger. Wine for all  
 peo - ples: peo - ple who thirst. May we who eat  
 be bread for oth - ers. May we who drink pour out our love.

Verses: Cantor



1. Lord Je - sus Christ, you are the bread of life, bro - ken to  
 2. Lord Je - sus Christ, you are the wine of peace, poured in - to  
 3. Lord Je - sus Christ, you call us to your feast, at which the  
 1. reach and heal the wounds of hu - man pain. Where we di -  
 2. hearts once bro - ken and where dry - ness sleeps. Where we are  
 3. rich and pow'r - ful have be - come the least. Where we sur -  
 1. vide your peo - ple you are wait - ing there  
 2. tired and wea - ry, you are wait - ing there  
 3. vive on oth - ers in our hu - man greed,  
 to Refrain  
 1. on bend - ed knee to wash our feet with end - less care.  
 2. to be the way which beck - ons us be - yond de - spair.  
 3. you walk a - mong us beg - ging for your ev - 'ry need.

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# JOYFUL, JOYFUL, WE ADORE THEE

HYMN TO JOY



1. Joy - ful, joy - ful, we a - dore thee, God of glo - ry,
2. All thy works with joy sur - round thee, Earth and heav'n re -
3. Thou art giv - ing and for - giv - ing, Ev - er bless - ing,
4. Mor - tals, join the might - y cho - rus Which the morn - ing



1. Lord of love; Hearts un - fold like flow'rs be - fore thee,
2. flect thy rays, Stars and an - gels sing a - round thee,
3. ev - er blest, Well-spring of the joy of liv - ing,
4. stars be - gan; Love di - vine is reign - ing o'er us,



1. O - p'ning to the sun a - bove. Melt the clouds of
2. Cen - ter of un - bro - ken praise; Field and for - est,
3. O - cean depth of hap - py rest! Thou our Fa - ther,
4. Bind - ing all with - in its span. Ev - er sing - ing,



1. sin and sad - ness; Drive the dark of doubt a - way;
2. vale and moun - tain, Flow - 'ry mead - ow, flash - ing sea,
3. Christ our broth - er, All who live in love are thine;
4. march we on - ward, Vic - tors in the midst of strife;



1. Giv - er of im - mor - tal glad - ness, Fill us with the light of day.
2. Chant - ing bird and flow - ing foun - tain, Call us to re - joice in thee.
3. Teach us how to love each oth - er, Lift us to the joy di - vine.
4. Joy - ful mu - sic leads us sun - ward, In the tri - umph song of life.

Text: 87 87 D; Henry van Dyke, 1852–1933, alt.

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