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St. Laurence Parish
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The responder today on
behalf of everyone is
Alison Jones

Welcome

Hymn

All my hope on God is
founded;
he doth still my trust renew.
Me through change and
chance he guideth,
only good and only true.
God unknown,
he alone
calls my heart to be his
own.

Human pride and earthly
glory,
sword and crown betray his
trust;
what with care and toil he
buildeth,
tower and temple, fall to
dust.
But God's power,
hour by hour,
is my temple and my tower.

God's great goodness aye
endureth,
deep his wisdom, passing
thought:
splendour, light, and life at-
tend him,
beauty springeth out of
naught.
Evermore
from his store

new-born worlds rise and
adore.

Daily doth th' Almighty
giver
bounteous gifts on us be-
stow;
his desire our soul de-
lighteth,
pleasure leads us where we
go.
Love doth stand
at his hand;
joy doth wait on his com-
mand.

Still from earth to God eter-
nal
sacrifice of praise be done,
high above all praises
praising
for the gift of Christ his
Son.
Christ doth call
one and all:
ye who follow shall not fall.

In the Name of God: Father,
Son and the Holy Spirit .
Amen.

The Lord be with you
And also with you

Collect for Purity

Almighty God to whom all
hearts are open all desires
known and from whom no
secrets are hid cleanse the
thoughts of our hearts by
the inspiration of your Holy
Spirit that we may perfectly
love you and worthily mag-
nify your holy Name;
through Christ our Lord.
Amen

Penitence

God so loved the world that
he gave his only Son Jesus
Christ to save us from our
sins, to be our advocate in
heaven, and to bring us to
eternal life. Let us confess
our sins in penitence and
faith, firmly resolved to
keep God's command-
ments and to live in love
and peace with all.

Almighty God, our heav-
enly Father, we have sinned
against you and against our
neighbour in thought and
word and deed, through
negligence, through weak-

ness, through our own deliberate fault. We are truly sorry and repent of all our sins. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, who died for us, forgive us all that is past and grant that we may serve you in newness of life to the glory of your name. **Amen.**

Almighty God, who forgives all who truly repent, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in life eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Collect of the Day Almighty God, you have created the heavens and the earth and made us in your own image: teach us to discern your hand in all your works and your likeness in all your children; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit reigns supreme over all things, now and for ever. **Amen**

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

Prayer before receiving the Word of God — Before we read, we pray together

Eternal God, in the reading of the Scriptures, may your Word be heard;
In the meditations of our hearts, may your Word be known; and
In the faithfulness of our lives, may your Word be shown. **Amen.**

First Reading - 1 Cor 9:16-19, 22-23 read by Rachel Elliott

Brothers and sisters: If I preach the gospel, this is no reason for me to boast, for an obligation has been imposed on me, and woe to me if I do not preach it! If I do so willingly, I have a recompense, but if unwillingly, then I have been entrusted with a stewardship. What then is my recompense?

That, when I preach, I offer the gospel free of charge so as not to make full use of my right in the gospel.

Although I am free in regard to all, I have made myself a slave to all so as to win over as many as possible. To the weak I became weak, to win over the weak. I have become all things to all, to save at least some. All this I do for the sake of the gospel, so that I too may have a share in it.

This is the word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 147:1-2, 3-4, 5-6

R. Praise the Lord, who heals the brokenhearted.

Praise the LORD, for he is good;

sing praise to our God, for he is gracious;

it is fitting to praise him.

The LORD rebuilds Jerusalem;

the dispersed of Israel he gathers.

R. Praise the Lord, who heals the brokenhearted.

He heals the brokenhearted and binds up their wounds.

He tells the number of the stars;

he calls each by name.

R. Praise the Lord, who heals the brokenhearted.

Great is our Lord and mighty in power;

to his wisdom there is no limit.

The LORD sustains the lowly;

the wicked he casts to the ground.

R. Praise the Lord, who heals the brokenhearted.

Gospel Alleluia

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

The people who sit in darkness have seen a great light;

on those dwelling in a land overshadowed by death, light has arisen.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

Gospel Mk 1:29-39 read by Clare Roberts

On leaving the synagogue Jesus entered the house of Simon and Andrew with James and John. Simon's mother-in-law lay sick with a fever. They immediately told him about her. He approached, grasped her hand, and helped her up. Then the fever left her and she waited on them.

When it was evening, after sunset, they brought to him all who were ill or possessed by demons. The whole town was gathered at the door. He cured many who were sick with various diseases, and he drove out many demons, not permitting them to speak because they knew him.

Rising very early before dawn, he left and went off to a deserted place, where he prayed. Simon and those who were with him pursued him and on finding him said, "Everyone is looking for you." He told them, "Let us go on to the nearby villages that I may

preach there also. For this purpose have I come." So he went into their synagogues, preaching and driving out demons throughout the whole of Galilee.

This is the gospel of the Lord
[Praise to you O Christ](#)

The Reflection

The Creed

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate from the

Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and was made man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. **Amen.**

The Prayers of the Church - led by Kate Lagden

Let us pray to God, our creator, sustainer and redeemer. We bless you for the living arc of the sky over us. We bless you for the miracle of light to our eyes and the mystery of it ever changing. And we bless you for your countless mercies to us.

The Church of Christ

Lord, let the light of your guidance shine upon your Church and confer a new spirit upon your people. Unlock the gates of true understanding and let the light of faith shine forth in resplendence. We pray for Bishop Justin and Bishop Rose and we ask that you bless their ministry among us

Lord, your word is a lamp unto our feet, and a light unto our path: in your mercy, hear our prayer

Gather all your people under the shadow of your wings and unite them in harmony, so that they may become like the rays of the sun, or the waves of the ocean, or the fruit of a tree. Drinking from the same fountain and refreshed by the same breeze, may we proclaim anew the good news of the Kingdom to all people.

Lord, your word is a lamp unto our feet, and a light unto our path: in your mercy, hear our prayer

Creation, human society, the Sovereign and those in authority

Lord, our creator, still our minds and bodies as we contemplate the marvels of your universe. Help us to become fully aware of the interdependence of our human lives with all aspects of the natural world. We pray for Elizabeth our Queen and all members of the royal family

Lord, your word is a lamp unto our feet, and a light unto our path: in your mercy, hear our prayer

When we seem alone in the darkness, at the mercy of impersonal forces, we look at the atom, a space both minute and infinite, and each of us in turn seems like a universe. Marvellous and vigorous, splendidly unfolding, we contemplate with awe as, with passion and with tenderness, fresh energy divine brings new beauty to birth.

Lord, your word is a lamp unto our feet, and a light unto our path: in your mercy, hear our prayer

The local community

Lord, when we look at the world and the people we live amongst in a narrow way, how narrow they seem! When we look at them in a mean way, how mean they seem! When we look at them selfishly, how

selfish they seem! But when we look at the world in a spirit of open-mindedness and generosity, in a spirit of love and friendship, what wonderful people we see we are surrounded by!

Lord, your word is a lamp unto our feet, and a light unto our path: in your mercy, hear our prayer

Lord, we thank you for our community and ask for your help in seeing our neighbours with the same eyes of living love with which you see them.

Lord, your word is a lamp unto our feet, and a light unto our path: in your mercy, hear our prayer

Those who suffer

Lord, be a living presence to all those who suffer in mind or body, so that they may feel the reality that you are the light of the world for every season, which can

never be overcome by darkness and shines forever for all people. We pray for all involved in the Vaccine rollout and for all suffering from the Covid 19 virus.

Lord, your word is a lamp unto our feet, and a light unto our path: in your mercy, hear our prayer

However long our lives, we can never outrun your love. However far our journey, we are never beyond your loving care and you have promised that you will be with us always, even unto the end of the age.

Lord, your word is a lamp unto our feet, and a light unto our path: in your mercy, hear our prayer

The communion of saints

Lord, you have taught us that the way lies onwards. We cannot turn back, we cannot retrace our steps; we cannot stay still, the way lies on. We shall not be lost, but the way goes on.

All things pass but you, O Lord, never change. If we persevere in patience, we shall want for nothing. For you alone, O Lord, suffice in all things, for all eternity.

Lord, your word is a lamp unto our feet, and a light unto our path: in your mercy, hear our prayer

Lord God you know the secrets of every heart. Strengthen and sustain those who mourn that they may experience the comfort of the Holy Spirit within them and the love and fellowship of the church family around them and may the souls of the faithful departed rest in peace and rise in glory.

Lord, your word is a lamp unto our feet, and a light unto our path: in your mercy, hear our prayer

We pray for all those who have died: Those recently departed: *Jean French, Rupert Hodges, Ronnie Baker,*

Leila Wood, Laurence Wield, Derek Christie, Colin Attwood, Sir Captain Tom Moore

Those whose Years' Mind occur at this time: *William Crouch, Michael French, Charles Bladon, Thomas Fitzpatrick, Jane Coleman, Michael Buss, Albert Collins, Victor Botha, Joan Maskell, Brian Kingcome, Martin Chubb, Desna Harries, Christobel Van der Hoeven, Leslie Corfield, Marjorie Addyman, Norman Sheldon, Christian Solari.*

Lord, your word is a lamp unto our feet, and a light unto our path: in your mercy, hear our prayer

We keep a time of silence as we offer to God our own particular petitions

Merciful Father
Accept these prayers for the sake of your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ, Amen.

The Peace

Blessed are the peacemakers: they shall be called children of God. We meet in the name of Christ and share his peace.

The peace of the Lord be always with you

And also with you

Hymn

**At the name of Jesus ev'ry knee shall bow,
ev'ry tongue confess him King of glory now.**

**'Tis the Father's pleasure we should call him Lord,
who from the beginning was the mighty Word.**

**At his voice creation sprang at once to sight,
all the angel faces, all the hosts of light,
thrones and dominations, stars upon their way,
all the heav'nly orders in their great array.**

**Humbled for a season to receive a name
from the lips of sinners unto whom he came,**

**faithfully he bore it spotless to the last,
brought it back victorious, when from death he passed.**

**In your hearts enthrone him; there let him subdue all that is not holy, all that is not true;
crown him as your Captain in temptation's hour:
let his will enfold you in its light and pow'r.**

**Brothers, this Lord Jesus shall return again,
with his Father's glory, with his angel train;
for all wreaths of empire meet upon his brow,
and our hearts confess him King of glory now.**

As Christ has taught us we are bold to say:

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come; thy will be done; on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread.

And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Jesus, Lamb of God: **have mercy on us.**

Jesus, bearer of our sins: **have mercy on us.**

Jesus, redeemer of the world: **give us your peace.**

Jesus is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world. Blessed are those who are called to his supper.

Lord, I am not worthy to receive you, but only say the word, and I shall be healed.

A Prayer for those joining us on Zoom who are making their Spiritual Communion

My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the most Blessed Sacrament. I love

You above all things and I desire to receive you into my soul. Since I cannot now receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there, and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. **Amen.**

Music is played as we pray in silence....

Post - Communion Prayers

Give thanks to the Lord for God is gracious

God's mercy endures for ever.

God our creator, by your gift the tree of life was set at the heart of the earthly paradise, and the bread of life at the heart of your Church: may we who have been nourished at your table on earth be transformed by the glory of the Saviour's cross and enjoy the delights of eternity; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Almighty God, we thank

you for feeding us with the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ. Through him we offer you our souls and bodies to be a living sacrifice. Send us out in the power of your Spirit to live and work to your praise and glory. **Amen**

The Blessing

May the light of the glorious gospel of Christ shine in your hearts and fill your lives with his joy and peace. and the blessing ...

Amen.

Dismissal

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

**In the name of Christ.
Amen.**

Hymn

Christ triumphant, ever reigning,
Saviour, Master, King!
Lord of heaven, our lives sustaining,
hear us as we sing:
Yours the glory and the crown,

the high renown, the eternal name.

Word incarnate, truth revealing,
Son of Man on earth!
power and majesty concealing
by your humble birth:
Yours the glory...

Suffering servant, scorned,
ill - treated,
victim crucified!
death is through the cross defeated,
sinners justified:
Yours the glory...

Priestly king, enthroned for ever
high in heaven above!
sin and death and hell shall never
stifle hymns of love:
Yours the glory...

So, our hearts and voices raising
through the ages long,
ceaselessly upon you gazing,
this shall be our song:
Yours the glory...

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