

August 15, 2021: Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

PRELUDE: *Performed by Tom Fagan*

Ave Maria – Bach/Gounod

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vm4wiwL7-MU>

INTRODUCTORY RITES:

Introduction:

Good morning to all of you. Welcome to today's Liturgy of the Word on this Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

We acknowledge our presence on the traditional territories of the Indigenous communities that preceded the founding of our parish.

– pause –

We encourage full, conscious, and active participation in today's celebration. All are invited to pray and sing together. Our participation, in whatever form, is a gift and ministry to each other.

Today's homily is offered by our pastor, Fr. Jim Bleackley.

Let us begin with a moment of silence as we prepare our hearts and minds for transformation and renewal.

ONE Minute of Silence

Sharing in God's peace - let us welcome each other.

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Entrance Chant:

Hail Mary: Gentle Woman

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OUey6ytEXqY>

Greeting:

Leader: **We gather in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.**

ALL: **Amen.**

Penitential Act:

Leader: Gathered together in Christ, let us ask forgiveness with confidence, for God is full of gentleness and compassion.

– *pause* –

Leader: Lord Jesus, you came to Earth through the yes of a young woman: Lord, have mercy.

ALL: Lord, have mercy.

Leader: Christ Jesus, fully human and fully divine, you are our model of perfect love and perfect living:
Christ, have mercy.

ALL: Christ, have mercy.

Leader: Lord Jesus, we await the day when our bodies and souls are united with you and your mother in heaven: Lord, have mercy.

ALL: Lord, have mercy.

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Leader: May almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us our sins, and bring us to everlasting life.

ALL: Amen.

Gloria:

Leader: Together let us sing praise to God.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qOPkiFXjqII>

Collect:

Leader: Let us pray: *- pause -*

Faithful to your promise, O Lord,

you have lifted up the lowly,

clothing with heavenly splendour

the woman who bore Christ, our life and resurrection.

Grant that the Church, prefigured in Mary,

may bear Christ to the world

and come to share his triumph.

We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
God for ever and ever.

ALL: **Amen**

Leader: Let us prepare to listen to God's Word.

LITURGY OF THE WORD:

*** Please see the document titled “Readings for the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary”. The readings from the Children’s Lectionary are also included for those families with young children. The second reading is omitted when the readings for children are used. Pre-recorded readings are available via this link: <https://bible.usccb.org/podcasts/audio/2021-08-15-usccb-day-mass-readings>

First Reading..... Revelation 11.19a; 12.1-6a, 10ab

RESPONSE AT THE END OF THE FIRST READING:
Lector: The word of the Lord.
ALL: Thanks be to God.

**** 30 seconds of silence****

Responsorial Psalm Psalm 45

https://www.livingwithchrist.ca/mp3/B-248%20August%2015%20-%20Assumption%20of%20the%20Blessed%20Virgin%20Mary%20Day%20.mp3?_ga=2.114900039.1575777929.1628878523-1279089305.1591722439

Second Reading..... 1 Corinthians 15.20-26

RESPONSE AT THE END OF THE SECOND READING:
Lector: The word of the Lord.
ALL: Thanks be to God.

**** 30 seconds of silence****

Gospel Acclamation.....John 6.51

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=RdUsWKd4FJc>

RESPONSE AT THE BEGINNING OF THE GOSPEL:

Lector: **A reading from the holy Gospel according to
Luke.**

ALL: **Glory to you, O Lord.**

Gospel..... Luke 1.39-56

RESPONSE AT THE END OF THE GOSPEL:

Lector: **The Gospel of the Lord.**

ALL: **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

Homily..... Fr. Jim Bleackley

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2qLP0KRrgAY>

Profession of Faith:

**** Following the reflection, the Leader invites those gathered to profess their faith with the Apostles' Creed. Pg. 15 in the Sunday Missal.*

Leader: **Let us profess our faith together:**

ALL: **I believe in God,
the Father Almighty,
Creator of heaven and earth,
and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died and was buried;
he descended into hell;
on the third day He rose again from the dead;
he ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of God the Father
almighty;
from there He will come to judge the living and the
dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and life everlasting.
Amen.**

Prayers of the Faithful:

Leader: Let us bring our prayers before God.

***** INTENTIONS ARE READ**

****Response: Loving God, hear our prayer.*

****Following the Intentions, the Leader prays the following:*

Leader: Loving God, we entrust these petitions and those we hold in our hearts to you.

Hear our prayers and give us the strength, wisdom, and resources we need to respond to our world's needs.

We ask this through Christ, our Lord.

ALL: Amen.

HYMN:

Holy is His Name

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=B2YnkwicXkw>

THE LORD'S PRAYER:

Leader: With the words that Jesus taught us, let us now pray together:

ALL: **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.**

Leader: Deliver us, God, from every evil.
Graciously grant peace in our days,
that by the help of your mercy,
we may always be free from sin
and safe from all distress,
as we await the blessed hope
and the coming of our Saviour, Jesus Christ.

ALL: **For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours now and forever.**

Leader: Lord, Jesus Christ, you said to your apostles:
“I leave you peace, my peace I give you.”
Look not on our sins, but on the faith of your
Church, and grant us the peace and unity of
your Kingdom, where you live for ever and ever.

ALL: **Amen**

Sign of Peace:

Leader: Let us share the peace of Christ with one another.

Closing Prayer:

Leader: Let us pray:
Lord God,
you have raised the Virgin Mary to the glory of
heaven; through her intercession
may be brought to the glory of the resurrection.
We ask this in the name of Jesus, the Lord.

ALL: Amen

CONCLUDING RITES:

Blessing:

Leader: May almighty God bless us, the Father, and the Son,
and the Holy Spirit.

ALL: Amen.

Dismissal:

Leader: Let us go forth in the peace of Christ.

ALL: Thanks be to God.

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CLOSING HYMN:

Canticle of the Turning

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=P5FDu-cG2M8>

POSTLUDE: *Performed by Tom Fagan*

Martial Air – Purcell

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5l1BcqmnKyQ>