

August 22, 2021: Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

PRELUDE: *Performed by Tom Fagan*

Prelude on Christians Let Us Love One Another

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TRAwTUfDW4>

INTRODUCTORY RITES:

Introduction:

Good morning to all of you. Welcome to today's Liturgy of the Word on this celebration of the Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time.

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 reflection is offered by Mark McCormick.

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:

All Who Hunger

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Dq16HJYTF20>

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 are the One whom we wish to serve:
Lord, have mercy.

ALL: Lord, have mercy.

Leader: Christ Jesus, you ask us to love and serve one another: Christ, have mercy.

ALL: Christ, have mercy.

Leader: Lord Jesus, you are Spirit and life:
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 -*

In every age, O God,

you give your people freedom

to walk in faith

or to turn away.

Grant us grace

to remain faithful to your Holy One,

whose words are spirit and life,

Jesus Christ, our Lord,

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 Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time”. 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/2021-08-22-usccb-daily-mass-readings>

First Reading..... Joshua 24.1-2a, 15-17, 18b

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

*** 30 seconds of silence***

Responsorial Psalm Psalm 34

https://www.livingwithchrist.ca/mp3/B-202%20Twenty-first%20Sunday%20in%20Ordinary%20Time%20B%20-%20Psalm%2034.mp3?_ga=2.211815319.2082142994.1629417836-1279089305.1591722439

Second Reading..... . Ephesians 4.32 – 5.1-2, 21-32

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

*** 30 seconds of silence***

Gospel Acclamation..... John 6.63, 68

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VaSbNNDw7Is>

RESPONSE AT THE BEGINNING OF THE GOSPEL:

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

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

Gospel..... John 6.53, 60-69

RESPONSE AT THE END OF THE GOSPEL:

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

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

REFLECTION.....Mark McCormick

Visit St-Josephs.ca for the pre-recorded reflection.

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 and faithful God, help us to choose to love as you love.

Give us the ability to make you the center of every decision and action, every word and thought.

When we are tempted to stray from you, call us back to your promise.

We ask this through Christ, our Lord.

ALL: **Amen.**

HYMN:

Christians Let Us Love One Another

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=_MD00AZ1Qt4

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:

Taste and See

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QWIWNLRGU48>

POSTLUDE: *Performed by Tom Fagan*

Postlude on Help Us Accept Each Other

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gWaJhOyrKi4>