

October 31, 2021: Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time

PRELUDE: *Performed by Tom Fagan*

Prelude on Christians Let Us Love One Another

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TRAWaTUfDW4>

INTRODUCTORY RITES:

Introduction:

Good morning to all of you. Welcome to today's Liturgy of the Word on this Thirty-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 John Rietschlin.

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:

Gathered in the Love of Christ

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ty0AkCWJbK0&t=2s>

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*

Lord Jesus, you were sent to show us how to love:
Lord, have mercy.

ALL: Lord, have mercy.

Leader: Christ Jesus, you console and guide your people:
Christ, have mercy.

ALL: Christ, have mercy.

Leader: Lord Jesus, you are our eternal priest and source of all love: Lord, have mercy.

ALL: Lord, have mercy.

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

ALL: Amen.

SLIDE

Gloria:

Leader: Together let us sing praise to God.

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

Collect:

Leader: Let us pray: *- pause -*

Almighty and merciful God,

from whom every blessing flows,

give us grace to hear and heed

the great commandment of your kingdom,

that we may love you with all our heart

and love our neighbour as ourselves.

We make our prayer 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 Thirty-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/2021-10-31-usccb-daily-mass-readings>

First Reading..... Deuteronomy 6.2-6

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 18

https://www.livingwithchrist.ca/mp3/B-222%20Thirty-first%20Sunday%20in%20Ordinary%20Time%20B%20-%20Psalm%2018.mp3?_ga=2.174526306.1300320096.1635526826-1279089305.1591722439

Second Reading..... Hebrews 7.23-28

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 14.23

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HYI_p1ILS2s

RESPONSE AT THE BEGINNING OF THE GOSPEL:

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

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

Gospel..... Mark 12.28-34

RESPONSE AT THE END OF THE GOSPEL:

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

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

REFLECTION..... John Rietschlin

https://youtu.be/_asyAyfKDM4

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, give us openness to your grace so that we may truly hear and listen to your word.

When we are tempted to turn away from your love, bring us back to your promise that love is the only command you have given and the reason for which we are made.

Make of us your faithful servants and fill our hearts with your strength.

We ask this in the name of Jesus, your Son, who live for ever and ever.

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,

increase within us the work of your saving power,
that our lives may be renewed by your Word
and your grace may prepare us for the blessings you
promise.

We make our prayer through Jesus Christ our Lord.

ALL: Amen.

CONCLUDING RITES:

Blessing:

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

ALL: Amen.

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Dismissal:

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

ALL: **Thanks be to God.**

CLOSING HYMN:

Litany of the Saints

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zer3KCCHSUI>

POSTLUDE: *Performed by Tom Fagan*

Postlude in E Minor

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=a3_EI8tNm0U