



ALL SAINTS CHURCH

NOON EUCHARIST

Wednesday, May 25, 2022

Today we pray together to express our unity and our commitment.

We pray as one people against the violence that has touched every corner of every part of our country.

And we commit ourselves to journey on the path toward a more perfect peace—peace in our hearts, in all of our homes, our towns and our cities—to a place where the sound of gunfire is stilled and the laughter of children fills the air.

We ask that you extend a respectful courtesy to others by silencing all cell phones.

PRAYER OF MEDITATION

As the people gather before the service begins, we encourage you to use the following prayer for meditation.

Loving God, the source of strength and peace: Take from us all that inhibits the flow of your spirit, break down the walls that separate us, with hands of compassion wash away our fear, our resentment and our hardness of heart, enable us to become centered and still, aware of your Presence, here, now, to heal and to transform. We pray in the Spirit of Christ, our Healer. Amen.

MINISTRY OF THE WORD

Stand — all who are able — as the procession enters the Chapel.

SALUTATION

Sally Howard

Minister: Alleluia! Christ is risen!

People: Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

COLLECT FOR PURITY *Remain standing.*

Minister and People:

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you 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 magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

COLLECT OF THE DAY *Remain standing*

Sally Howard

Minister: God dwells in you.

People: And also in you.

Minister: Let us pray.

Remain standing; silence is kept.

Minister: O God, you have exalted your only Son Jesus Christ with great triumph to your kindom in heaven: Do not leave us comfortless, but send us your Holy Spirit to strengthen us, and exalt us to that place where our Savior Christ has gone before; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, in glory everlasting. *Amen.*

PSALM 22:18–27 *Seated; read in unison.*

Almighty God, do not be far off! My Strength, hurry to help me!
 Rescue my life from the sword, my dear life from the power
 of these dogs!
 Save me from the lion's mouth, my poor soul from the
 wild bull's horns!

Then I will proclaim your name to my siblings, and praise you in the
 full assembly:

“You who worship our God, give praise!

Children of Leah and of Rachel, glorify our God!
 Children of Jacob, fall down and worship!

For God has not despised, not disdained the suffering of those in pain!
 God did not hide but answered them when they cried for help!”

You are the theme of my praise in the Great Assembly,
 and I will fulfill my vows in the presence of your worshipers.

Those who are poor will eat and be satisfied;
 those who seek you will give you praise—long life to their hearts!

The whole earth, from one end to the other, will remember and come
 back to you;
 all the families of the nations will bow down to you.
 For yours is the kingdom, you Ruler of nations!

Those who have feasted and devoured the poor—now they will bow
 down; the most affluent in the land will kneel before you.

They all go down to the dust and none can keep themselves alive.

But my children will be faithful to you, and they will be told about our
 God for generations to come.

They will come and proclaim your justice to a people yet unborn:
 “All this our God has done!”

A period of silence is observed following the reading.

PROPHETIC LAMENT *Remain seated.*

Mark Chase

GOSPEL *Standing — all who are able.*

Alfredo Feregrino

Minister: The Good News of Jesus as written in John (17:20–26).

People: Glory is yours, O Christ.

Jesus prayed for his disciples, and then he said. “I ask not only on behalf of these, but also on behalf of those who will believe in me through their word, that they may all be one. As you, God, are in me and I am in you, may they also be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me. The glory that you have given me I have given them, so that they may be one, as we are one, I in them and you in me, that they may become completely one, so that the world may know that you have sent me and have loved them even as you have loved me. God, I desire that those also, whom you have given me, may be with me where I am, to see my glory, which you have given me because you loved me before the foundation of the world. Righteous God, the world does not know you, but I know you; and these know that you have sent me. I made your name known to them, and I will make it known, so that the love with which you have loved me may be in them, and I in them.”

Minister: The Gospel of the Savior.

People: Praise to you, O Christ.

MUSICAL MEDITATION *Seated.**Played by Weicheng Zhao and Fang Gao.*

“Amazing Grace”

—Music: *New Britain*, from *Virginia Harmony*, 1831; adapt. att. Edwin Othello Excell (1851–1921)

We offer this litany, once again, with the reminder that one does not pray in lieu of summoning political courage, but in preparation for doing so. We invite you to join in this litany and as we renew our commitment to take action so that our country can be freed from the epidemic of gun violence.

—Bishops Against Gun Violence

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE: A Litany for an End to Gun Violence

Standing – all who are able.

Susan Russell

Minister: Giver of Life and Love, you created all people as one family and called us to live together in harmony and peace. Surround us with your love as we face the challenges and tragedies of gun violence.

For our dear ones, for our neighbors, for strangers and aliens, and those known to you alone, Loving God,

People: Make us instruments of your peace.

Minister: God of Righteousness, you have given our leaders, especially Joe, our President, the members of Congress, the judges of our courts and members of our legislatures, power and responsibility to protect us and to uphold our right to life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness.

For all who bear such responsibility, for all who struggle to discern what is right in the face of powerful political forces, Loving God,

People: Make us instruments of your peace.

Minister: God of Compassion, we give you thanks for first responders whose duties bring them to the streets, the lobbies, the malls and the homes where the carnage of gun violence takes place day after day. Give them courage and sound judgment in the heat of the moment and grant them compassion for the victims.

For our siblings who risk their lives and their serenity as they rush to our aid, Loving God,

People: Make us instruments of your peace.

Minister: Merciful God, bind up the wounds of all who suffer from gun violence, those maimed and disfigured, those left alone and grieving, and those who struggle to get through one more day. Bless them with your presence and help them find hope.

For all whose lives are forever marked by the scourge of gun violence, Loving God,

People: Make us instruments of your peace.

Minister: God Who Remembers, may we not forget those who have died in the gun violence that we have allowed to become routine. Receive them into your heart and comfort us with your promise of eternal love and care.

For all who have died, those who die today, and those who will die tomorrow, Loving God,

People: Make us instruments of your peace.

Minister: God of Justice, help us, your church, find our voice. Empower us to change this broken world and to protest the needless deaths caused by gun violence. Give us power to rise above our fear that nothing can be done and grant us the conviction to advocate for change.

For your dream of love and harmony, Loving God,

People: Make us instruments of your peace.

Minister: All this we pray in the name of the One who offered his life so that we might live, Jesus the Christ. *Amen.*

Silence

The People may add their own petitions.

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

A Prayer attributed to St. Francis in Unison

Lord, make us instruments of your peace. Where there is hatred, let us sow love; where there is injury, pardon; where there is discord, union; where there is doubt, faith; where there is despair, hope; where there is darkness, light; where there is sadness, joy. Grant that we may not so much seek to be consoled as to console; to be understood as to understand; to be loved as to love. For it is in giving that we receive; it is in pardoning that we are pardoned; and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life. Amen.

PEACE

Minister: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: And also with you.

Greet one another in the name of the Lord.

ANNOUNCEMENTS *Seated.*

Sally Howard

GREAT THANKSGIVING *Standing – all who are able.*

Sally Howard

Priest: God dwells in you.

People: And also in you.

Priest: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

Priest: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give God thanks and praise.

Priest: It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Almighty God, Creator of heaven and earth.

And now we give you thanks for Christ's glorious resurrection from the dead. By his death Christ has destroyed death and by his rising again Christ has restored to us eternal life.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Priest and People:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

CONSECRATION *Kneeling or standing — all who are able.*

Priest: Holy and gracious God: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Creator of all.

Jesus stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect self-offering for the whole world.

Priest: On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Priest and People:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

Priest: We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O God, in this offering of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling Christ's life, death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Priest and People:

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in Christ. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ—by whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty God, now and for ever.
Amen.

Priest: And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, in the language of your heart, we are bold to say,

Priest and People:

Our Creator/Mother/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, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen

Creador/Madre/Padre Nuestro que estás en el cielo, santificado sea tu Nombre, venga tu reino, hágase tu voluntad, en la tierra como en el cielo. Danos hoy nuestro pan de cada día. Perdona nuestras ofensas, como también nosotros perdonamos a quienes nos ofenden. No nos dejes caer en tentación, y líbranos del mal. Porque tuyo es el reino, tuyo es el poder, y tuya es la gloria, ahora y por siempre. Amén.

我们在天上的父，愿人都尊你的名为圣，愿你的国降临，愿你的旨意行在地上，如同行在天上。我们日用的饮食，今日赐给我们。免我们的债，如同我们免了人的债。不叫我们遇见试探，救我们脱离凶恶。因为国度、权柄、荣耀，全是你的，直到永远。阿门。

BREAKING OF THE BREAD

A period of silence is kept, during which the priest breaks the consecrated bread.

Priest: Alleluia! We are one bread, one body.

People: We will love one another as Christ loves us. Alleluia!

INVITATION

Priest: The Gifts of God for the People of God.

Per our Diocesan Bishop's directive, we are now offering communion in two kinds! In accordance with our policy of common sense risk reduction — you will be offered the opportunity to receive bread as well as wine from the common cup if they so choose. As always, it is an individual choice — and those who come to the rail may choose to receive both bread and wine, bread only, or request a blessing.

Whoever you are and wherever you are on your journey of faith, there is a place for you at Christ's table. When it comes time for communion, everyone of any age is welcome to receive either communion or a blessing.

If you wish to receive wine, help guide the cup to your lips or, if you prefer not to receive the wine, you may touch the base of the cup when it is presented to you.

If you wish to receive a blessing, when you come to the front, cross your arms over your chest, and you will be offered a blessing.

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER *Kneeling or standing — all who are able.*

Alfredo Feregrino

Minister: Let us pray.

Minister and People:

Eternal God, great Creator,
 you have graciously accepted us as living members
 of your son our Savior Jesus Christ
 and you have fed us with spiritual food
 in the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood.
 Send us now into the world in peace,
 and grant us strength and courage
 to love and serve you
 with gladness and singleness of heart;
 through Christ our Lord. Amen.

HYMN "Dona nobis pacem" *Everyone sings.*

1
 Do - na no - bis pa - cem, pa - cem. Do - na no - bis pa - cem.

2
 Do - na no - bis pa - cem. Do - na no - bis pa - cem.

3
 Do - na no - bis pa - cem. Do - na no - bis pa - cem.

—Words: Traditional Latin, Grant Us Peace
 Music: *Dona nobis pacem*, traditional canon

BLESSING

DISMISSAL

Mark Chase

Minister: Alleluia! Alleluia! Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

People: Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!

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Wear Orange Peace Walk, Saturday, June 4

A neighborhood peace walk honoring Ernesto Ramos Jimenez, a Pasadena resident killed by gun violence in 2020, and other gun violence victims will be held on Saturday, June 4, at 6 p.m., starting at 623 N. Marengo Ave. Please wear orange.

Many local groups in the Pasadena area, including San Gabriel Valley Moms Demand Action, Students Demand Action and the All Saints Committee to End Gun Violence, are working together to encourage, support and work towards solutions to save lives from gun violence. Contact the organizations directly for information on how to get involved.

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