

*St. Philip the Apostle*  
Roman Catholic Church

*Welcome to the Livestream of Mass  
Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time  
September 4, 2022*

*Mass will begin shortly. Thank you for joining us!*

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### **Prayer to St. Michael**

**St. Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle, be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray; and do thou, O Prince of the Heavenly Host, by the power of God, cast into hell Satan and all the evil spirits who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.**

### **Opening Hymn – You Are Near**

## **+ Introductory Rites +**

### **Entrance Antiphon**

**You are just, O Lord, and your judgment is right; treat your servant in accord with your merciful love.**

### **Gloria**

**Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of goodwill. We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory, Lord God, heav'nly King, O God, almighty Father. Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us; you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer; you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us. For your alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

### **Collect**

**O God, by whom we are redeemed and receive adoption, look graciously upon your beloved sons and daughters, that those who believe in Christ may receive true freedom and an everlasting inheritance. 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. Amen.**

## **+ Liturgy of the Word +**

### **First Reading**

*Wisdom 9:13-18*

A reading from the Book of Wisdom:

Who can know God's counsel, or who can conceive what the Lord intends? For the deliberations of mortals are timid, and unsure are our plans. For the corruptible body burdens the soul and the earthen shelter weighs down the mind that has many concerns. And scarce do we guess the things on earth, and what is within our grasp we find with difficulty; but when things are in heaven, who can search them out? Or who ever knew your counsel, except you had given wisdom and sent your holy spirit from on high? And thus were the paths of those on earth made straight.

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

### **Responsorial Psalm**

*Psalm 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14, 17*

***In every age, O Lord, you have been our refuge.***

You turn man back to dust,  
saying, "Return, O children of men."  
For a thousand years in your sight  
are as yesterday, now that it is past,  
or as a watch of the night. ***R/.***

You make an end of them in their sleep;  
the next morning they are like the changing grass,  
Which at dawn springs up anew,  
but by evening wilts and fades. ***R/.***

Teach us to number our days aright,  
that we may gain wisdom of heart.  
Return, O Lord! How long?  
Have pity on your servants! ***R/.***

Fill us at daybreak with your kindness,  
that we may shout for joy and gladness all our days.  
And may the gracious care of the Lord our God be ours;  
prosper the work of our hands for us!  
Prosper the work of our hands! ***R/.***

### **Second Reading**

*Philemon 9-10, 12-17*

A reading from the Letter of Saint Paul to Philemon:

I, Paul, an old man, and now also a prisoner for Christ Jesus, urge you on behalf of my child Onesimus, whose father I have become in my imprisonment; I am sending him, that is, my own heart, back to you. I should have liked to retain him for myself, so that he might serve me on your behalf in my imprisonment for the gospel, but I did not want to do anything without your consent, so that the good you do might not be forced but voluntary. Perhaps this is why he was away from you for a while, that you might have him back forever, no longer as a slave but more than a slave, a brother, beloved especially to me, but even more so to you, as a man and in the Lord. So if you regard me as a partner, welcome him as you would me.

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

### **Gospel Acclamation**

*Psalm 119:135*

***Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.***

Let your face shine upon your servant;  
and teach me your laws. ***R/.***

***Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.***

### **Gospel**

*Luke 14:25-33*

The Lord be with you. **And with your spirit.**

A reading from the Gospel according to Luke. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

Great crowds were traveling with Jesus, and he turned and addressed them, "If anyone comes to me without hating his father and mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters, and even his own life, he cannot be my disciple. Whoever does not carry his own cross and come after me cannot be my disciple. Which of you wishing to construct a tower does not first sit down and calculate the cost to see if there is enough for its completion? Otherwise, after laying the foundation and finding himself unable to finish the work the onlookers should laugh at him and say, 'This one began to build but did not have the resources to finish.' Or what king marching into battle would not first sit down and decide whether with ten thousand troops he can successfully oppose another king advancing upon him with twenty thousand troops? But if not, while he is still far away, he will send a delegation to ask for peace terms. In the same way, anyone of you who does not renounce all his possessions cannot be my disciple."

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to You, Lord Jesus Christ.**

### **Homily**

#### **Prayer of the Faithful**

To follow Jesus requires an act of faith. We now place our needs, hopes and dreams in his hands, believing that the Lord will grant us what we need.

- That all those who have given up everything to follow Jesus find joy in the path they have chosen. We pray to the Lord. **Lord hear our prayer.**
- That workers' rights be recognized and supported around the world. We pray to the Lord. **Lord hear our prayer.**
- That those who are retired find new ways to live out the faith that has sustained them throughout their working life. We pray to the Lord. **Lord hear our prayer.**
- That young people experience the power of the Holy Spirit as they discern the path for their lives. We pray to the Lord. **Lord hear our prayer.**
- That meaningful work may come to the unemployed of our community, and that neighbors and friends will support them during their search. We pray to the Lord. **Lord hear our prayer.**
- For all the prayers that we hold in the silence of our hearts. For all our intentions spoken and unspoken. We pray to the Lord. **Lord hear our prayer.**

For those who have died, may they come to share in the fulness of Christ's glory, we pray to the Lord. **Lord hear our prayer.**

Lord God, you teach us the value of work, and the power of humble service. Help us to be faithful as you answer these prayers, through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## **+ Liturgy of the Eucharist +**

### **Offertory Hymn – Center of My Life**

#### **Prayer over the Offerings**

O God, who give us the gift of true prayer and of peace, graciously grant that, through this offering, we may do fitting homage to your divine majesty and, by partaking of the sacred mystery, we may be faithfully united in mind and heart. Through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

### **Preface Acclamation**

**Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts. Heav'n and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna! Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna! Hosanna in the highest.**

### **Memorial Acclamation**

**We proclaim your Death, O Lord, and profess your Resurrection, until you come, until you come again.**

### **Amen**

**Amen, amen, amen.**

## **+ Communion Rite +**

### **The Lord's Prayer**

At the Savior's command and formed by divine teaching, we dare 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 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.**

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

**For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours now and for ever.**

### **Lamb of God**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, grant us peace.**

### **Invitation to Communion**

Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who takes away the sins of the world. Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.

**Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.**

### **Act of Spiritual Communion**

**My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.**

**I love you above all things, and I desire to receive you into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment 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.**

### **Communion Hymn – *Change Our Hearts***

**Communion Antiphon**

**Like the deer that yearns for running streams, so my soul is yearning for you, my God; my soul is thirsting for God, the living God.**

*OR*

**I am the light of the world, says the Lord; whoever follows me will not walk in darkness, but will have the light of life.**

**Prayer after Communion**

Grant that your faithful, O Lord, whom you nourish and endow with life through the food of your Word and heavenly Sacrament, may so benefit from your beloved Son's great gifts that we may merit an eternal share in his life. Who lives and reigns for ever and ever. **Amen.**

**+ Concluding Rite +**

The Lord be with you. **And with your Spirit.**

May almighty God bless you, the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

**Dismissal**

Go in peace glorifying the Lord by your life. **Thanks be to God.**

**Closing Hymn – Sing to the Mountains**