

24TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

September 17, 2023

Entrance Hymn

The Master Came to Bring Good News #964

Responsorial Psalm #1161

Psalm 103: The Lord is kind and merciful, slow to anger, and rich in compassion.

Communion Hymns

Psalm 103: The Lord Is Kind and Merciful #72

Make Me a Channel of Your Peace #828

Where Charity and Love Prevail #706

Closing Hymn

Blest Be the Lord #686

Gloria

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will. We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory, Lord God, heavenly 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 you 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.

The Apostles' Creed

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.

Readings

#1161

First Reading:
Sirach 27:30-28:7

Second Reading:
Romans 14:7-9

Gospel:
Matthew 18:21-35



St. Michael the Archangel

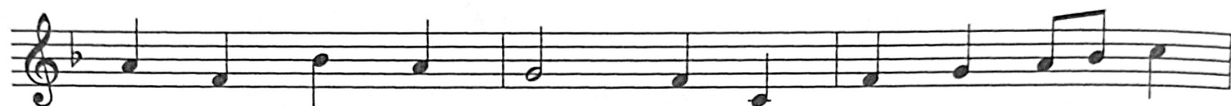
St. Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle. Be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the Devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray, and do thou, O prince of the heavenly hosts, by the power of God, cast into hell Satan, and all evil spirits, who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls.
Amen.

Opening Hymn

964 The Master Came to Bring Good News



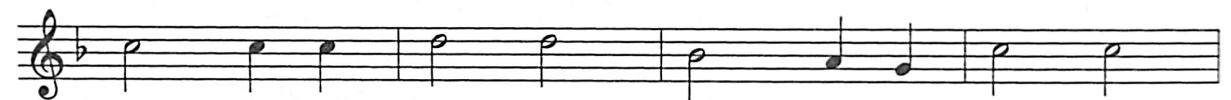
1. The Mas - ter came to bring good news, The
2. The Law's ful - filled through Je - sus Christ, The
3. To seek the sin - ners Je - sus came, To
4. For - give us, Lord, as we for - give And



news of love and free - dom, To heal the sick and
man who lived for oth - ers. The law of Christ is:
live a - mong the friend - less, To show them love that
seek to help each oth - er. For - give us, Lord, and



seek the poor, To build the peace - ful king - dom.
Serve in love Our sis - ters and our broth - ers.
they might share The king - dom that is end - less.
we shall live To pray and work to - geth - er.



Fa - ther, for - give us! Through Je - sus hear us!



As we for - give one an - oth - er!

First Reading

Sir 27:30—28:7

Wrath and anger are hateful things,
yet the sinner hugs them tight.
The vengeful will suffer the LORD's vengeance,
for he remembers their sins in detail.
Forgive your neighbor's injustice;
then when you pray, your own sins will be forgiven.
Could anyone nourish anger against another
and expect healing from the LORD?
Could anyone refuse mercy to another like himself,
can he seek pardon for his own sins?
If one who is but flesh cherishes wrath,
who will forgive his sins?
Remember your last days, set enmity aside;
remember death and decay, and cease from sin!
Think of the commandments, hate not your neighbor;
remember the Most High's covenant, and overlook faults.

Responsorial Psalm

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 103:1-2, 3-4, 9-10, 11-12



The Lord is kind and mer - ci - ful,



slow to an - ger, and rich in com - pas - sion.

Bless the LORD, O my soul,
and all within me, his holy name.

Bless the LORD, O my soul,
and never forget all his benefits. *℟.*

He does not treat us according to our
sins,

nor repay us according to our
faults. *℟.*

It is the Lord who forgives all your sins,
who heals every one of your ills,
who redeems your life from the grave,
who crowns you with mercy and
compassion. *℟.*

For as the heavens are high above the
earth,
so strong his mercy for those who
fear him.

As far as the east is from the west,
so far from us does he remove our
transgressions. *℟.*

He will not always find fault;
nor persist in his anger forever.

Second Reading

Rom 14:7-9

Brothers and sisters:

None of us lives for oneself, and no one dies for oneself.

For if we live, we live for the Lord,

and if we die, we die for the Lord;

so then, whether we live or die, we are the Lord's.

For this is why Christ died and came to life,

that he might be Lord of both the dead and the living.

Gospel

Mt 18:21-35

Peter approached Jesus and asked him,

"Lord, if my brother sins against me,

how often must I forgive?

As many as seven times?"

Jesus answered, "I say to you, not seven times but seventy-seven times.

That is why the kingdom of heaven may be likened to a king

who decided to settle accounts with his servants.

When he began the accounting,

a debtor was brought before him who owed him a huge amount.

Since he had no way of paying it back,

his master ordered him to be sold,

along with his wife, his children, and all his property,

in payment of the debt.

At that, the servant fell down, did him homage, and said,

'Be patient with me, and I will pay you back in full.'

Moved with compassion the master of that servant

let him go and forgave him the loan.

When that servant had left, he found one of his fellow servants

who owed him a much smaller amount.

He seized him and started to choke him, demanding,

'Pay back what you owe.'

Falling to his knees, his fellow servant begged him,

'Be patient with me, and I will pay you back.'

But he refused.

Instead, he had the fellow servant put in prison

until he paid back the debt.

Now when his fellow servants saw what had happened,

they were deeply disturbed, and went to their master

and reported the whole affair.

His master summoned him and said to him, 'You wicked servant!

I forgave you your entire debt because you begged me to.

Should you not have had pity on your fellow servant,

as I had pity on you?'

Then in anger his master handed him over to the torturers

until he should pay back the whole debt.

So will my heavenly Father do to you,

unless each of you forgives your brother from your heart."

Communion Hymns

72 Psalm 103: The Lord Is Kind and Merciful

Refrain



The Lord is kind and mer - ci-ful; the Lord is kind and
mer - ci - ful. Slow to an - ger, rich in
kind-ness, the Lord is kind and mer - ci-ful.

Verses

1. Bless the Lord, O my soul; all my being bless God's name.
Bless the Lord, O my soul; forget not all God's blessings.
2. The Lord is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, full of kindness.
God is good to all creation, full of compassion.
3. The goodness of God is from age to age,
blessing those who choose to love.
And justice toward God's children; on all who keep the covenant.

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Make Me a Channel of Your Peace 828

Verses 1, 2, 4



1. Make me a chan-nel of your peace. Where
2. Make me a chan-nel of your peace. Where
4. Make me a chan-nel of your peace. It



there is ha-tred, let me bring your love. Where
there's de-spair in life, let me bring hope. Where
is in par-don-ing that we are par-doned, in



there is in-ju-ry, your par-don, Lord, And
there is dark-ness, on-ly light, And
giv-ing of our-selves that we re-ceive, and in



where there's doubt, true faith in you.
where there's sad-ness, ev-er joy.
dy-ing that we're born to e-ter-nal life.

Verse 3



3. Oh, Mas-ter, grant that I may nev-er seek So much to be con-



soled as to con-sole. To be un-der-stood as to un-der-



stand. To be loved as to love with all my soul.

Where Charity and Love Prevail 706



1. Where char - i - ty and love pre - vail,
2. With grate - ful joy and ho - ly fear
3. For - give we now each oth - er's faults
4. Let strife a - mong us be un - known,
5. Let us re - call that in our midst
6. No race nor creed can love ex - clude



There God is ev - er found;	Brought here to - geth - er
God's char - i - ty we learn;	Let us with heart and
As we our faults con - fess;	And let us love each
Let all con - ten - tion cease;	Be God's the glo - ry
Dwells God's be - got - ten Son;	As mem - bers of his
If hon - ored be God's name;	Our fam - i - ly em -



by Christ's love,	By love are we thus bound.
mind and soul	Now love God in re - turn.
oth - er well	In Chris - tian ho - li - ness.
that we seek,	Be ours God's ho - ly peace.
bod - y joined,	We are in Christ made one.
brac - es all	Whose Fa - ther is the same.

Closing Hymns

686 Blest Be the Lord

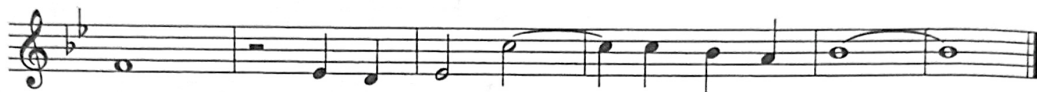
Refrain



Blest be the Lord; blest be the Lord, the God of



mer-cy, the God who saves. I shall not fear the dark of



night, nor the ar-row that flies by day.

Verse 1



1. He will re-lease me from the nets of all my foes.



He will pro- tect me from their wick-ed hands.



Be-neath the shad-ow of his wings I will re-joice



to find a dwell-ing place se-cure.

Verse 2



2. I need not shrink be-fore the ter-rors of the night



nor stand a-lone be-fore the light of day.

No harm shall come to me, no ar-row strike me down,

no e - vil set-tle in my soul. **D.C.**

Verse 3

3. Al - though a thou - sand strong have fall-en at my side,

I'll not be shak-en with the Lord at hand.

His faith-ful love is all the ar - mor that I

need to wage my bat-tle with the foe. **D.C.**

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