

# Orlagh in the City

33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

**Come to the table ....**

November 16, 2025

## **Welcome & Stilling Exercise**

*Be still and know that I am God*

Opening Hymn: *We bring to this Table*

**Come people in worship at table recline.**

Come sing out our praises in Scripture and rhyme

Our table is open, inclusive for all,

As we celebrate Eucharist our faith we recall.

### **Chorus**

**As the sun shines upon us enriching our earth**

**And the fruits of the seasons rejoicing the heart**

**We bring to this table - gifts of bread and wine**

**To share on our journey with all humankind.**

**In setting our table, we recall many ways**

We've been nourished and fed for the length of our days.

Creation's own table in abundant regard

Reminds us that God's love is vividly shared.

**Chorus**

**With great thanks we offer what we have received,**

The bread of the harvest from nature's own field,

And the wine that is crushed from the grape of the vine

God's gifts are poured out, all abundant in kind.

**Chorus**

**The bread of our table is given for all**

Mid starving injustice we hear the poor call,

May our lives too be broken to serve all in need

And satisfy hunger beyond race and creed.

**Chorus**

**The thirst of our world is symbolized here**

in the cups we pour out our dry hearts to cheer!

Like water abundant refreshing the soul

May the wine of this Eucharist make all people whole.

**Chorus**

**We proclaim the feast open to all who believe.**

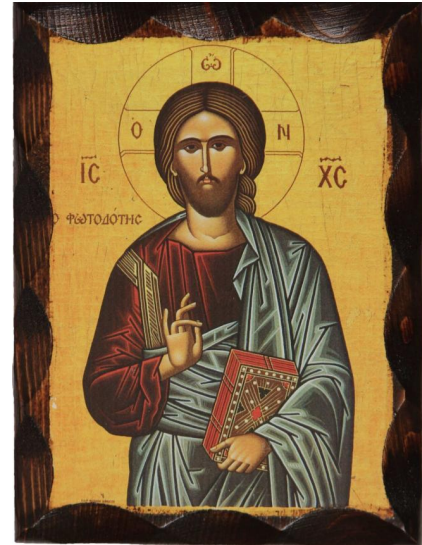
Come share in this banquet, come now and receive,

And know in the heart that is hungry for more

That God's love is with you wherever you go.

**Chorus**

**Penitential - Gloria - Collect ....**



## LITURGY OF THE WORD

### **First reading - Malachi 3:19-20**

The day is coming now, burning like a furnace; and all the arrogant and the evil-doers will be like stubble. The day that is coming is going to burn them up, says the Lord of Hosts, leaving them neither root nor stalk. But for you who fear my name, the sun of righteousness will shine out with healing in its rays.

### **Responsorial Psalm 97 (98): 5-9**

*The Lord comes to rule the peoples with fairness.*

Sing psalms to the Lord with the harp

with the sound of music.

With trumpets and the sound of the horn

acclaim the King, the Lord.

Let the sea and all within it, thunder;

the world, and all its peoples.

Let the rivers clap their hands

and the hills ring out their joy

at the presence of the Lord.

For the Lord comes,

he comes to rule the earth.

He will rule the world with justice

and the peoples with fairness.

**Second reading - 2 Thessalonians 3:7-12**

You know how you are supposed to imitate us: now we were not idle when we were with you, nor did we ever have our meals at anyone's table without paying for them; no, we worked night and day, slaving and straining, so as not to be a burden on any of you. This was not because we had no right to be, but in order to make ourselves an example for you to follow.

We gave you a rule when we were with you: do not let anyone have any food if he refuses to do any work. Now we hear that there are some of you who are living in idleness, doing no work themselves but interfering with everyone else's. In the Lord Jesus Christ, we order and call on people of this kind to go on quietly working and earning the food that they eat.

**Gospel Acclamation Luke 21:28**

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

Stand erect and raise your heads  
because your redemption is at hand.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

**Gospel Luke 21: 5-19** - *Everyone who exalts himself shall be humbled*

When some were talking about the Temple, remarking how it was adorned with fine stonework and votive offerings, Jesus said, 'All these things you are staring at now – the time will come when not a single stone will be left on another: everything will be destroyed.' **And they put to him this question: 'Master, when will this happen then, and what sign will there be that this is about to take place?'**

Jesus said, 'Take care not to be deceived, because many will come using my name and saying, "I am he" and, "The time is near at hand." Refuse to join them. And when you hear of wars and revolutions, do not be frightened, for this is something that must happen but the end is not so soon. Nation will fight against

nation, and kingdom against kingdom. There will be great earthquakes and plagues and famines here and there; there will be fearful sights and great signs from heaven.

But before all this happens, men will seize you and persecute you; they will hand you over to the synagogues and to imprisonment, and bring you before kings and governors because of my name – and that will be your opportunity to bear witness. Keep this carefully in mind: you are not to prepare your defence, because I myself shall give you an eloquence and a wisdom that none of your opponents will be able to resist or contradict. You will be betrayed even by parents and brothers, relations and friends; and some of you will be put to death. You will be hated by all men on account of my name, but not a hair of your head will be lost. Your endurance will win you your lives.’

## **Quiet Prayer & Lectio Divina**

### **Prayers of the Faithful**

#### **LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST**

1. God our Creator, you awaken at the heart of living matter, the spark and sparkle of life. In the long history of evolution - from inanimate rocks to self-conscious human beings – the will to life has triumphed. And within that evolving cycle everything returns to its original source, to the experience of death that begets new life.

2. Amid the joy of achievement and the sadness of letting-go, we acknowledge you to be the source of all that we are.

With hope in our hearts – for the living and all who have gone

before us – We raise up to you our words of thanks and praise:

Holy, Holy . . . **Let all that is within me cry Holy (x2)**

**Holy, Holy, Holy, is the source of our being.**

1. Creator God, in you we live and move and have our being.

In you divine plan, all creatures great and small,

go through the cycle from birth to death,

to be reborn anew into the life of Resurrection.

In death we go through the great Passover of

parting and pain, of grief and sadness.

But in our hearts we know a hope and a love

that casts out all fear, and reassures our eternal future.

2. Jesus, our Saviour, before entering this final journey,

shared with us an encounter of hope,

leaving us the sacred food of this Eucharist,

to fulfil our emptiness, heal our brokenness,

and sustain us through the experience of loss and bereavement.

**ALL: We now pray the life-giving Spirit to look lovingly  
upon these gifts of bread and wine, and transform them for us  
into sustenance for our life-journey, the Body and Blood of  
Jesus,  
our Risen Saviour.**

*Invoking the Power of Sacred Memory (Co-presiders)*

As Jesus often did, we too, come to the table of abundant nourishment, to receive the food of life, and hear afresh the empowering words that echo across the centuries:

Take this all of you, eat and drink,

This is my embodied life, given for you and for all.

After the meal, Jesus took the cup of libation,

a token of prophetic solidarity, to inebriate the thirst of all who yearn for love and justice.

Sharing the cup with the disciples, Jesus said:

Take this all of you and drink from it; this is the cup of my life-blood, the life of the new and everlasting covenant.

In prophetic solidarity, it is poured out for you and for all.

Blessed are we who are nourished in the power of sacred memory.

**Acclamation: Let all that is within me cry Blessed (x 2).**

**Blessed, Blessed, Blessed is the source of our being.**

1. As we join in the celebration of this Eucharist, we recall God's abundant blessings upon us and upon our world.

We thank God for the gift of life bestowed upon those we pray for today, whose memory we hold with love and gratitude. .

2. As we look forward with hope in our hearts, we thank God for all we have received from those who have gone before us.

And we trust that one day we'll share anew the joy and companionship of those we have known and loved.

**ALL: While we continue our pilgrim journey here on earth, we pray that the life-giving Spirit will touch our inner beings with healing and strength, in the communion we share around this Eucharistic table.**

1. In the celebration of this Eucharist, we thank God for all who share our grief, our pain, and our loss. And we hold in our hearts, those who die without dignity, those who die alone, and all who are trapped in a grief that knows no end.

2. Our unity in this community of faith – as we hold in our hearts all the living and the dead - gives us consolation and renewed hope, in the reassurance that God brings all life to its ultimate destiny, in the reward of life eternal.

**ALL: In this spirit of faith and hope, we offer our prayers and thoughts, in the name of Jesus our Saviour, through, with, and in whom, we beseech and praise our Creator God, in the power of the Spirit of new life, now and forever. Amen.**

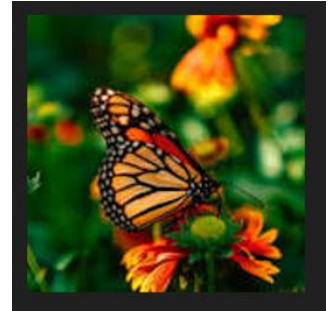
## Quiet Reflection

[Haydn Cello Concerto No. 1 in C major - II. Adagio, Cello: Rostropovich](#)

### Prayer for the road ahead

We must use our imagination  
Rooted in Christ  
To find openings  
Where there appear to be none.

*Michel Sabbah*  
*Latin Patriarch of Jerusalem*  
*7th Oct. 2024 (extract)*



### Announcements

#### Recessional Hymn: [Send forth by God's blessing](#)

*Omer Westendorf*

Sent forth by God's blessing, our true faith confessing,  
the people of God from this dwelling take leave.  
Our liturgy ended, so now be extended  
the fruits of this Eucharist in all who believe.  
The fruit of Christ's teaching, receptive souls reaching,  
shall blossom in action for God and for all.  
His grace did invite us, his love shall unite us  
to work for God's kingdom and answer the call.

With praise and thanksgiving to God ever-living  
the tasks of our everyday life we embrace.  
Our faith ever sharing, in love ever caring,  
we journey, with people of each tribe and race.  
Your feast it will feed us, your light it will lead us,  
unite us as one in this life that we share.  
Then may all the living with praise and thanksgiving  
give honour to Christ through the Good News we bear.