

***Dignity/New York Liturgy Broadcast on Zoom  
Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time Liturgy  
September 4, 2022***

Everyone is welcome to join us via Zoom.us  
06:30 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)  
Zoom meeting opens at 6:00 PM.

The link to join the meeting is  
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***Additional Instructions and Preparation***

- When signing into Zoom liturgy, kindly type your name and where you're joining us from in your caption.
- Please be prepared to share Eucharist with us.
- We invite everyone to have bread and wine / grape juice present if you are able to and feel comfortable doing so. We are called to share in the priesthood of all believers in this Eucharistic celebration.
- Bread recipes are available on our [website Liturgy page](#).
- Mute mic and chat functions help to optimize your experience during the liturgy.

## WELCOME:

### OPENING HYMN: Two Fishermen

GC 688

1. Two fishermen, who lived along  
The Sea of Galilee,  
Stood by the shore to cast their nets  
Into an ageless sea.  
Now Jesus watched them from afar  
Then called them each by name;  
It changed their lives, these simple men;  
They'd never be the same.  
  
Leave all things you have  
And come and follow me,  
And come and follow me.
2. And as he walked along the shore  
'Twas James and John he'd find,  
And these two sons of Zebedee  
Would leave their boats behind.  
Their work and all they held so dear  
They left beside their nets.  
Their names they'd heard as Jesus called;  
They came without regret.  
Leave all things you have...
3. O Simon Peter, Andrew, James  
And John beloved one,  
You heard Christ's call to speak good news  
Revealed to God's own Son.  
Susanna, Mary, Magdalene  
Who traveled with your Lord,  
You ministered to him with joy  
For he is God adored.  
Leave all things you have...
4. And you, good Christians, one and all  
Who'd follow Jesus' way,  
Come leave behind what keeps you bound  
To trappings of our day,  
And listen as he calls your name  
To come and follow near,  
For still he speaks in varied ways  
To those his call will hear.  
Leave all things you have...

Text: Suzanne Toolan, SM, b.1927, 1986, GIA Publications, Inc.

**SIGN OF THE CROSS & GREETING:**

**PENITENTIAL RITE:**

**OPENING PRAYER:**

**FIRST READING:**                      **Wisdom 9:13-18**

**RESPONSORIAL: Psalm 91: Be With Me**

**GC 85**

Be with me, God, when I am in trouble, be with me, God, I pray.

1. You who dwell in the shelter of the God, Most High,  
who abide in the shadow of our God,  
say to the God: 'My refuge and fortress,  
the God in whom I trust.'

Be with me, God...

2. No evil shall befall you, no pain come near,  
for the angels stand close by your side,  
guarding you always and bearing you gently,  
watching over your life.

Be with me, God...

3. Those who cling to the God live secure in God's love,  
lifted high, those who trust in God's name,  
call on the God who will never forsake you.  
God will bring you salvation and joy.

Be with me, God...

Text: Psalm 91: 1-2, 10-11, 14-15; Marty Haugen, 1980, GIA Publications, Inc.

**SECOND READING:**                      **Philemon 9-10, 12-17**

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:**

*Alleluia (vs. 1, 2)*

**GC 160**

**GOSPEL READING:**

**Luke 14:25-33**

**Nick Calamusa**

**REFLECTION:**

**Nick Calamusa**

**PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL:**              *Christ, hear us.*

**PRESENTATION HYMN: I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say**

**GC 646**

1. I heard the voice of Jesus say,  
'Come unto me and rest;  
Lay down, O weary one, lay down  
Your head upon my breast.'  
I came to Jesus as I was,  
So weary, worn, and sad;  
I found in him a resting place,  
And he has made me glad.
  
2. I heard the voice of Jesus say,  
'Behold, I freely give  
The living water; thirsty one,  
Stoop down, and drink, and live.'  
I came to Jesus, and I drank  
Of that lifegiving stream;  
My thirst was quenched, my soul revived,  
And now I live in him.
  
3. I heard the voice of Jesus say,  
'I am this dark world's light;  
Look unto me, your morn shall rise,  
And all your day be bright.'  
I looked to Jesus, and I found  
In him my star, my sun;  
And in that light of life I'll walk  
Till trav'ling days are done.

Text: Horatius Bonar, 1808-1889

**EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER:**

*Adapted from Marianne Duddy-Burke's Prayer for Mary of Magdala, 2002*

*Introductory Dialogue as in the standard Order of Liturgy.*

**Presider:** It is right that we give you thanks and praise, loving God. You created this world, that you called good, and invited us to become its stewards. Even when we betrayed your trust, you chose to call us back to yourself, over and over again.

**ALL:** Your Word has been spoken throughout human history through those you called as prophets---some whom we would disregard, but whom you empowered with your passion for our salvation. As we gather around this table, we once again recall your breaking into our world, for our redemption, and your calling forth unlikely prophets to reveal your truth.

**Presider:** In joyful thanksgiving for your constant, faithful love, we join our voices in an unending hymn of praise:

*Preface Acclamation: Holy, Holy*

**GC 166**

**Presider:** In one of your peoples' darkest times, you raised up a light for all to see. While they were persecuted and enslaved by conquerors, you fulfilled a nation's longing for a Messiah who would defeat the powers of oppression. You gave us Jesus, who walked among us, trying to teach us to see as you see, to love as you love, to be as you are.

**ALL:** Jesus listened to the cries of the people, aching for freedom. He healed those bound by cruel disease. He answered those who were burdened with questions. He challenged those enslaved by the Law to understand its true teaching. He fed those who hungered, and awakened deeper thirsts.

**Presider:** He gathered a community around him, close friends with whom he shared all that God made known to him. It was with these closest friends and followers that Jesus shared a final meal.

**ALL:** As we come together in memory of that meal, we pray that God's Spirit will come upon these gifts, that they may become the Body and Blood of Christ. We remember how, on the night before he died, Jesus was at table with those he loved. He took bread and blessed you, God of all creation. He broke the bread, shared it with his friends and said, "Take this, all of you, and eat it. This is my Body, which will be given up for you."

**(PAUSE)**

**Presider:** When supper was ended

**ALL:** Jesus took a cup of wine, and gave thanks to you, God of all creation. He passed the cup among his friends and said, "Take this, all of you, and drink from it. This is the cup of my Blood, the Blood of the new and everlasting covenant. It will be shed for you and for all so that sins may be forgiven. Do this in memory of me." **(PAUSE)**

**Presider:** Let us proclaim the mystery of faith.

*Memorial Acclamation      When We Eat This Bread      GC 167C*

**Presider:** We celebrate this feast in memory of Jesus, our brother and Savior. We honor the memory of those who shared his earthly ministry, and became the first bearers of the sacred Christian tradition, which has been passed through the ages and is now entrusted to us. We treasure our faith in the resurrection, and the new life birthed in us.

**ALL:** God Most Holy, keep us faithful to your dreams for us, faithful to your Word alive in us. Help us to hear your voice calling each of us to discipleship and to service in your name. Strengthen us to follow your call, despite sanction, ridicule, and rules that may seem to limit the possibilities before us.

**Presider:** We pray in thanksgiving, O God, that you have brought us into loving community. We are thankful for those who have worked throughout the years to create this community, for those who gather with us today, and for those who will join the circle in days to come. We recall those whom we love who are no longer with us, and pray for the peace of their souls. We pray for all who seek the fullness of your vision here on earth, and for everyone who works for fuller justice in our world and our Church.

**ALL:** May the vision of unity that Jesus put forth to his disciples be fulfilled in our day. Let this meal nourish us to go into the world to heal and serve one another in the service of your Word. All of this we ask through Christ, our Savior.

*Eucharistic Doxology And Amen*

**GC 168**

Through Christ, With Christ, In Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honor is yours All-loving (Almighty) God, for ever and ever. Amen.

**THE GREATEST PRAYER:**

*(please begin "Our Ever-loving God, who art in Heaven...")*

**THE PEACE:**

**THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD:**

*Lamb of God*

**GC 171**

**COMMUNION HYMN: *Now in This Banquet***

**GC 833**

Now in this banquet, Christ is our bread; Here shall all hungers be fed.  
Bread that is broken, wine that is poured, Love is the sign of our Lord.

1. You who have touched us and graced us with love,  
make us your people of goodness and light.

Now in this banquet...

2. Let our hearts burn with the fire of your love;  
open our eyes to the glory of God.

Now in this banquet...

3. God who makes the blind to see, God who makes the lame to walk,  
bring us dancing into day, lead your people in your way.

Now in this banquet...

4. Hope for the hopeless, light for the blind,  
'Strong' is your name, Lord, 'Gentle' and 'Kind.'

Now in this banquet...

5. Call us to be your light, call us to be your love, make us your people again.

Now in this banquet...

6. Come, O Spirit! renew our hearts! We shall arise to be children of light.

Now in this banquet...

Text: Marty Haugen, b.1950, 1986, GIA Publications, Inc.

## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

### BLESSING

#### CONCLUDING HYMN: *We Are Marching*

GC 512

We are marching\* in the light of God,  
we are marching in the light of God.  
We are marching in the light of God,  
we are marching in the light of God.

We are marching, (marching, we are marching) Oo,  
We are marching in the light of God.  
We are marching, (marching, we are marching) Oo,  
We are marching in the light of God.

\*Alternate text: dancing, singing, praying

Siyahamb' ekukhanyen' kwenkhos',  
siyahamb' ekukhanyen' kwenkhos'.  
Siyahamb' ekukhanyen' kwenkhos',  
siyahamb' ekukhanyen' kwenkhos'.

Siyahamba, (hamba, siyahamba) Oo,  
siyahamb' ekukhanyen' kwenkhos'.  
Siyahamba, (hamba, siyahamba) Oo,  
siyahamb' ekukhanyen' kwenkhos'.

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### Announcements and Acknowledgement

We encourage those who are Zoom to stay on after the closing song to chat. Those at St. John's, please exit through the common room if you are staying for the social.

Please check the **DignityNY YouTube** page or at the bottom of our website for Sunday Gospel and Homilies.

The current Dateline dated August 23, 2022 is [Dateline: Labor Day | GNRC Meeting | Migrant Solidarity Trip | Laudato Si Zoom and more](#)

Please sign the DignityUSA petition:  
[We Demand Omaha Archdiocese to revoke its anti-trans policy](#)

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**Our Steering Committee elections process has begun.** The Elections Notice has been sent out by email and a physical copy will soon be sent to registered members. Nominations are now open and you can start a nomination petition or sign another person's nomination petition through the link in the Elections Notice ([Petition of Nomination - 2022](#) ) You can find a copy of the Elections Notice on the Dignity New York website.

Please make sure your Dignity membership is up to date so that you can participate in the election. If you have questions about your membership status, you can [email elections@dignityny.org](mailto:elections@dignityny.org) Please consider whether you would be interested in serving, or if you know of someone who would be a good candidate.  
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Candidates' Forum will be Thursday, September 15, 2022 at 7:00 pm on Zoom. Dignity NY is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting. Reminder with link will be sent closer to event.  
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Dignity/New Brunswick will start monthly Zoom liturgy on Saturday, September 10, 2022 at 6:00 pm. email [dignitynb@earthlink.net](mailto:dignitynb@earthlink.net) for Zoom link.  
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We will remember Gary Spokes at a memorial liturgy on Saturday, September 24, 2022 at 11 am, St. John's in the Village Church (regular liturgical space for DignityNY).

We will remember John Doyle during our September 25th Sunday Liturgy. John's sister, Mary Pat, will be joining us. Pizza Social to follow the liturgy.  
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**We continue to take measures to keep our community as safe as possible from Covid.** Full vaccination is required for attendance at St. John's, and masks are required at all times in the church, except when speaking from the sanctuary or pulpit, or singing in the choir.

If you test positive for Covid after attending one of our liturgies, you may want to consider notifying the people you were in close contact with, so they may take measures to protect their own health. If you would like assistance in doing this on a confidential basis, please contact any member of the Steering Committee.  
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Razid Season, an independent filmmaker and a friend of our community, is making a film with a transgender theme set in the South Asian community in NYC. He has organized an on online fundraiser through gofundme. For more information or to make a contribution, go to: [https://www.gofundme.com/f/u2z79?utm\\_campaign=p\\_cp+share-sheet&utm\\_medium=copy\\_link\\_all&utm\\_source=customer](https://www.gofundme.com/f/u2z79?utm_campaign=p_cp+share-sheet&utm_medium=copy_link_all&utm_source=customer)  
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**Steering Committee** meets on the second Tuesday of the month (no meeting in August) at 7:30 pm on Zoom

All are welcome. Meeting ID: 857 2315 4226 Passcode: 697371  
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**Liturgy Committee** will meet the second Monday (no July meeting) at 7:30 pm on Zoom. All are welcome. The Liturgy Committee is looking for more committee members.

Meeting ID: 952 513 812 Passcode: 998088  
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**Come to the Table: Catholic Worship for All - 3rd Sunday** of the month • **10:30 am to 12 Noon.** For more information, email **Patricia Russell** at [ComeToTheTable@DignityNY.org](mailto:ComeToTheTable@DignityNY.org)  
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### **Volunteering at Liturgies**

If you are interested in serving as a volunteer for our liturgy: help open and close the church, reader, coordinator, sacristan or tech person, we are always looking for volunteers. Please let Larry Caputo or Lewis Speaks-Tanner know you are interested. [Volunteer@dignityny.org](mailto:Volunteer@dignityny.org)

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**Protocols for in-person liturgy**

Face covering and being vaccinated are required for ALL in the church at St. John's. They are optional outside, such as in the courtyard. Reservations are not necessary. In addition, you are invited to exchange a Sign of Peace as you are comfortable doing, but please remain near your seat in order to maintain social distancing, and please respect everyone's comfort level.

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**THE CHOIR** is seeking new members. Speak to our Choir Director, **Norine**, if interested. • Auditions and Choir Practice will be in the choir loft at St. John's 1/2 hour before liturgy.

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**The Trevor Project**

*Crisis intervention and mental health services for those ages 13-24*

<http://www.thetrevorproject.org/>

Crisis hotline: 866-488-7386 (for those ages 13-24)

**Trans Lifeline (US) 877 565-8860 [www.translifeline.org](http://www.translifeline.org)**

**National Suicide Prevention Hotline**

*24/7 hotline, staffed by trained individuals, for those in suicidal crisis or emotional distress*

<http://www.suicidepreventionlifeline.org/>

Crisis hotline: 800-273-TALK (8255); 888-628-9454 (en español)

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**The Dignity/New York community enjoys and values your company** in the celebration of our liturgy each week. Donations to Dignity/New York can be made by using the "Donate Now" located on our website or use the link below:

<https://www.dignityusa.org/civicrm/contribute/transact?reset=1&id=31&chNum=709>

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**We encourage to become a member of DignityUSA (and Dignity/New York).** By joining, you increase DignityUSA's voice. <https://www.dignityusa.org/join>

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For more information about DignityNY or to view our **calendar**, visit our website **home page** at <http://www.dignityny.org/>

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**To join our electronic announcements (e-Bulletin) list**, send an e mail [DignityNY@dignityny.org](mailto:DignityNY@dignityny.org), or use the link on our home page.

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**To submit items for consideration for distribution** via our electronic announcements postings, send them to [Announcements@DignityNY.org](mailto:Announcements@DignityNY.org)

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**Steering Committee members:** Chris Alberti, Danny Larkin, Tom McLoughlin, James Osbourn, Lewis Speaks-Tanner and Jeff Stone

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Friend us on **Facebook:** [Dignity New York](#)

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**DIGNITY/NEW YORK IS A SAFE SPACE.** Feel free to greet those around you and to social, remembering to respect every person's comfort level. If anyone breaches your comfort level, please let a member of the Steering Committee know. (The members of the Steering Committee can be identified by the rainbow-colored name tags they wear).

**PHOTOS AND VIDEOS AT LITURGY.** In keeping with our Safe Space policy, Dignity/New York is a place where privacy is respected. Our policy of many years is that the taking of photos or videos during liturgy or the social is not allowed without permission being given in advance by the Steering Committee. In these cases, the community will be notified in advance, and will be told where and when cameras will and will not be allowed to shoot. Personal or small group photos should be taken or posted to social media only with the permission of each person involved.

