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**THE EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**

**July 23rd, 2023**

**11:00 a.m.**

**ORDER OF SERVICE**

ORGAN VOLUNTARY

WELCOME

*All are invited to stand, as able.*

HYMN: 365, "Come, thou almighty King"

MOSCOW

**THE WORD OF GOD**

*Celebrant* Blessed are you, holy and living One.

*All* **You come to your people and set them free.**

COLLECT FOR PURITY

**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.**



High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spi - rit, in the  
 glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

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*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

*All* **And also with you.**

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

### COLLECT OF THE DAY

Almighty God, the fountain of all wisdom, you know our necessities before we ask and our ignorance in asking: Have compassion on our weakness, and mercifully give us those things which for our unworthiness we dare not, and for our blindness we cannot ask; through the worthiness of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

*All are invited to be seated.*

PSALM 86:11-17: *Sung by the Choir.*

Chant: Ivor Atkins (1869 - 1953)

*Inclina, Domine*

- 11 Teach me your way, O Lord,  
 and I will walk in your truth; \*  
 knit my heart to you that I may fear your Name.
- 12 I will thank you, O Lord my God, with all my heart, \*  
 and glorify your Name for evermore.
- 13 For great is your love toward me; \*  
 you have delivered me from the nethermost Pit.
- 14 The arrogant rise up against me, O God,  
 and a band of violent men seeks my life; \*  
 they have not set you before their eyes.

15 But you, O Lord, are gracious and full of compassion, \*  
slow to anger, and full of kindness and truth.

16 Turn to me and have mercy upon me; \*  
give your strength to your servant;  
and save the child of your handmaid.

17 Show me a sign of your favor,  
so that those who hate me may see it and be ashamed; \*  
because you, O Lord, have helped me and comforted me.

READING: Romans 8:12-25

Brothers and sisters, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh—for if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, “Abba! Father!” it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ—if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory about to be revealed to us. For the creation waits with eager longing for the revealing of the children of God; for the creation was subjected to futility, not of its own will but by the will of the one who subjected it, in hope that the creation itself will be set free from its bondage to decay and will obtain the freedom of the glory of the children of God. We know that the whole creation has been groaning in labor pains until now; and not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the first fruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly while we wait for adoption, the redemption of our bodies. For in hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for what is seen? But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience.

The Word of the Lord.

*All* **Thanks be to God.**

HYMN: 424, “For the fruit of all creation”

EAST ACKLAM

GOSPEL: Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43

*Gospeller*        The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.  
*All*                **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus put before the crowd another parable: “The kingdom of heaven may be compared to someone who sowed good seed in his field; but while everybody was asleep, an enemy came and sowed weeds among the wheat, and then went away. So when the plants came up and bore grain, then the weeds appeared as well. And the slaves of the householder came and said to him, ‘Master, did you not sow good seed in your field? Where, then, did these weeds come from?’ He answered, ‘An enemy has done this.’ The slaves said to him, ‘Then do you want us to go and gather them?’ But he replied, ‘No; for in gathering the weeds you would uproot the wheat along with them. Let both of them grow together until the harvest; and at harvest time I will tell the reapers, Collect the weeds first and bind them in bundles to be burned, but gather the wheat into my barn.’”

Then he left the crowds and went into the house. And his disciples approached him, saying, “Explain to us the parable of the weeds of the field.” He answered, “The one who sows the good seed is the Son of Man; the field is the world, and the good seed are the children of the kingdom; the weeds are the children of the evil one, and the enemy who sowed them is the devil; the harvest is the end of the age, and the reapers are angels. Just as the weeds are collected and burned up with fire, so will it be at the end of the age. The Son of Man will send his angels, and they will collect out of his kingdom all causes of sin and all evildoers, and they will throw them into the furnace of fire, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. Then the righteous will shine like the sun in the kingdom of their Father. Let anyone with ears listen!”

                    The Gospel of the Lord.  
*All*                **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

SERMON: INSIDIOUS INFLUENCE(R)S

The Rt. Rev. Mark D. W. Edington

*Silence for reflection.*

*All are invited to stand, as able.*

THE NICENE CREED *Said by all, standing*

**We believe in one God,  
the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,  
the only Son of God,  
eternally begotten of the Father,  
God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God, begotten, not made,  
of one Being with the Father;  
through him all things were made.**

**For us and for our salvation  
he came down from heaven,  
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary  
and became truly human.**

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;  
he suffered death and was buried.**

**On the third day he rose again  
in accordance with the Scriptures;**

**he ascended into heaven  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

**He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,  
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father,  
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,  
who has spoken through the prophets.**

**We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.**

**We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.**

**We look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE, FORM III

In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

*Silence*

Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;

**That we all may be one.**

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;

**That your Name may be glorified by all people.**

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;

**That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.**

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;

**That there may be justice and peace on the earth.**

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;

**That our works may find favor in your sight.**

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;

**That they may be delivered from their distress.**

Give to the departed eternal rest;

**Let light perpetual shine upon them.**

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;

**May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.**

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

*Silence*

*All are invited to add their own petitions.*

*The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.*

Let us confess our sins to God.

*Silence*

**God of all mercy, we confess that we have sinned against you, opposing your will in our lives. We have denied your goodness in each other, in ourselves, and in the world you have created. We repent of the evil that enslaves us, the evil we have done, and the evil done on our behalf. Forgive, restore, and strengthen us through our Savior Jesus Christ, that we may abide in your love and serve only your will. Amen.**

THE ABSOLUTION

PEACE

*Celebrant* The peace of Christ be always with you.

*All* **And also with you.**

*All may greet one another in the Name of Christ.*

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

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**HOLY COMMUNION**

ANTHEM: *O Lord you have searched me*

Tony Bridgewater  
(b.1960)

O Lord, you have searched me and know me. You know everything I do. From far away you understand my thoughts. You see me whether I am working or resting. O Father, you know all my actions, before I speak you know what I will say. You are around me,



on every side; you protect me with your mighty power. Your knowledge of me is too deep; it is beyond my understanding. Where could I go to flee from your presence? If I went up to the heaven, you would be waiting for me there; and if I make my bed in the depths, you would be waiting for me there. If I rise on the wings of the dawn, if I settle on the far side of the sea. Even then your hand will guide me, your hand will hold me fast. Even darkness is not dark to you. The light will shine like the day. For the darkness is as light to you. Amen. .

## GREAT THANKSGIVING (Eucharistic Prayer 1, from *Enriching Our Worship*)

*All are invited to stand, as able.*

*Celebrant*      The Lord be with you.

*People*          **And also with you.**

*Celebrant*      Lift up your hearts.

*People*          **We lift them to the Lord.**

*Celebrant*      Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

*Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds*

It is truly right, and good and joyful, to give you thanks, all-holy God, source of life and fountain of mercy.

You have filled us and all creation with your blessing and fed us with your constant love; you have redeemed us in Jesus Christ and knit us into one body. Through your Spirit you replenish us and call us to fullness of life.

Therefore, joining with Angels and Archangels and with the faithful of every generation, we lift our voices with all creation as we sing:

SANCTUS AND BENEDICTUS *Sung by all*

*A Community Mass, Richard Proulx*

(1937-2010)



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might,



heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -



san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.



Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -



san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

*Celebrant*

Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of the universe and giver of life. You formed us in your own image and called us to dwell in your infinite love.

You gave the world into our care that we might be your faithful stewards and show forth your bountiful grace. But we failed to honor your image in one another and in ourselves; we would not see your goodness in the world around us; and so we violated your creation, abused one another, and rejected your love. Yet you never ceased to care for us, and prepared the way of salvation for all people.

Through Abraham and Sarah you called us into covenant with you. You delivered us from slavery, sustained us in the wilderness, and raised up prophets to renew your promise of salvation.

Then, in the fullness of time, you sent your eternal Word, made mortal flesh in Jesus. Born into the human family, and dwelling among us, he revealed your glory. Giving

himself freely to death on the cross, he triumphed over evil, opening the way of freedom and life.

On the night before he died for us, Our Savior Jesus Christ took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his friends, and said: "Take, eat: This is my Body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

As supper was ending, Jesus 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 poured out 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:

*All*

**Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

*Celebrant*

Remembering his death and resurrection, we now present to you from your creation this bread and this wine. By your Holy Spirit may they be for us the Body and Blood of our Savior Jesus Christ. Grant that we who share these gifts may be filled with the Holy Spirit and live as Christ's Body in the world. Bring us into the everlasting heritage of your daughters and sons, that with all your saints, past, present, and yet to come, we may praise your Name for ever.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever. **AMEN.**

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

LORD'S PRAYER *Said by each in their own language*

**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 day our daily bread.**

**Notre Père qui es aux cieux,  
que ton Nom soit sanctifié,  
que ton règne vienne,  
que ta volonté soit faite  
sur la terre comme au ciel.  
Donne-nous aujourd'hui notre pain de ce jour.**

**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.**

**Pardonne-nous nos offenses  
comme nous pardonnons aussi  
à ceux qui nous ont offensés.  
Et ne nous laisse pas entrer en tentation,  
mais délivre-nous du mal.  
Car c'est à toi qu'appartiennent le règne,  
la puissance et la gloire,  
pour les siècles des siècles. Amen.**

*Celebrant*

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

**Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

COMMUNION

*L'hospitalité eucharistique est offerte à toute personne, quelle que soit sa confession ecclésiale. You are invited to stand or kneel to receive communion. Please receive the bread (wafer) in the palm of your outstretched hands. In accordance with current guidelines provided by the Bishop, we are offering wine at communion. You are invited to take a small sip; please do not dip your wafer in the wine. Please inform an usher if you need communion brought to your pew. Sadly, we must be concerned about theft; please take your coat, purse, and other belongings with you as you leave the pew.*

COMMUNION ANTHEM: *Cibavit eos*

William Byrd (1539 – 1623)

He fed them from the fulness of the wheat, alleluia. And sated them with honey from the rock, alleluia. Rejoice in God our helper, sing for joy to the God of Jacob. Glory be to the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be. Amen..

HYMN: 295, "Sing praise to our Creator"

CHRISTUS, DER IST MEIN LEBEN

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

**God of abundance, you have fed us with the bread of life and cup of salvation; you have united us with Christ and one another; and you have made us one with all your people in heaven and on earth. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue for ever in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.**

BLESSING

HYMN: 665, “All my hope on God is founded”

MICHAEL

DISMISSAL

*Celebrant* Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

*All* **Thanks be to God.**

ORGAN VOLUNTARY

**SERVING TODAY:** *Celebrant:* The Rt. Rev. Catherine Roskam; *Preaching:* The Rt. Rev. Mark D. W. Edington; *Assisting Priest:* The Rev. Timothy B. Safford; *Organist:* Andrew Dewar; *Acting Choir Director:* George Nicholls; *Choir:* The Cathedral Choir; *Lectors:* Jeannie Fellowes, Thomas Girty; *Altar guild:* Doris Hampton MacDonald, Dennis Grove; *Ministers of Communion:* Thomas Girty, Jeannie Fellowes; *Flower Guild:* Monica Dunham; *Ushers:* Alex Brassert, Harriet Rivière; *Production:* Gaël de Fournas

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## Prayer List

We pray for those in need of healing, who are in grief, or have any special needs, especially Christine, Léa, Olivier, Jamie, Jean, Bryce, Helena, David, Hervé, Pierre, Elizabeth, Jeremy, Françoise, and Eleanor; and for those who have died, especially Eva, Leslie Van Buskirk-Buzzacaro and Sheila Bennett.

**Prayer requests** may be sent to us at: [communications@americancathedral.org](mailto:communications@americancathedral.org) We will offer them to God at our daily service of Noonday Prayer.

## Welcome!

**Welcome to The American Cathedral in Paris.** We are so glad you're with us. Whether in person or online, for a short time or a lifetime, sure in faith or full of doubt, you belong here.

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## Three Things to Know

We are delighted to welcome **the Rt. Rev. Catherine Roskam** as our celebrant today. Ordained to the priesthood in 1984, the Rt. Rev. Catherine Roskam was consecrated as a bishop in 1996. She served as Bishop Suffragan in the Diocese of New York for sixteen years. She has worked tirelessly for improving education as a founder of several organizations supporting women and children's education as well as founding "All Our Children", an organization supporting orphans and vulnerable children in Tanzania.

**Save the date!** We are delighted to invite you to the All Saints Celebration of our shared ministry and the installation of our new Dean, the **Rev. Canon James R. Harlan** on **Sunday, November 5th, 2023 at 11:00 a.m.** More information to follow. **Dean Harlan's** first Sunday will be **August 20th.** Join us in giving him a warm welcome!

Thank you to all who have filled out our **survey on the weekly e-letter.** We have really enjoyed hearing your thoughts on how to continue to make the e-letter a useful and enriching resource. Do not worry if you have not yet had the chance to fill it out. The survey stays open until **tomorrow, Monday 24<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 a.m.** Share your thoughts by **scanning the QR code.**



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