

St. Benedict Parish
Memorial Day – Live Stream Mass – 9:00AM
Hymn Sheet

Gathering Hymn: “God of Our Fathers”

1. God of our fathers, whose almighty hand/ leads forth in beauty all the starry band,
Of shining worlds in splendor through the skies/ our grateful song before thy throne arise.
2. Thy love divine hath led us in the past/ in this free land by thee our lot is cast;
Be thou our ruler, guardian, guide, and stay/ thy word our law, thy paths our chosen way.
3. From war’s alarms, from deadly pestilence/ be thy strong arm our ever sure defense;
Thy true religion in our hearts increase/ thy bounteous goodness nourish us in peace.

Responsorial Psalm: (SUNG)

“The Lord is my shepherd, there is nothing I shall want.”

Prayer of 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, thrust into hell Satan and the other evil spirits who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.

Preparation Hymn: “Eternal Father, Strong to Save”

1. Eternal Father, strong to save, whose arm has bound the restless wave,
Who bids the mighty ocean deep its own appointed limits keep:
O hear us when we raise our plea for those in peril on the sea.
2. O Christ, the Lord of hill and plain O’er which our traffic runs amain
By mountain pass or valley low; where ever, Lord, your loved ones go,
Protect them by your guarding hand from every peril on the land.
3. O Spirit, whom the Father sent to spread abroad the firmament;
O wind of heaven, by your might save all who dare the Eagle’s flight,
And keep them by your watchful care from every peril in the air.

AN 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: "This Is My Song" (Verses 1 & 3)

1. This is my song, O God of all the nations, a song of peace for lands afar and mine.
This is my home, the country where my heart is; here are my hopes, my dreams, my holy shrine
But other hearts in other lands are beating with hopes and dreams as true and high as mine.
2. This is my prayer, O Lord of all earth's kingdom: thy Kingdom come; on earth thy will be done.
Let Christ be lifted up til all shall serve him, and hearts united learn to live as one.
O hear my prayer, thou God of all the nations, myself I give thee; let thy will be done.

Communion Meditation: "God Bless America"

God bless America Land that I love Stand beside her And guide her
Through the night with the light from above

From the mountains To the prairies To the oceans White with foam
God bless America My home sweet home God bless America My home sweet home

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Recessional Hymn: "America the Beautiful"

1. O beautiful for spacious skies For amber waves of grain For purple mountain majesties
Above thy fruited plain America, America God shed his grace on thee And crown thy good with
brotherhood From sea to shining sea
2. O beautiful for pilgrim feet Whose stern, impassioned stress A thoroughfare for freedom beat
Across the wilderness America, America God mend thine every flaw Confirm thy soul in self
control Thy liberty in law
3. O beautiful for heroes proved In liberating strife Who more than self their country loved
And mercy more than life America, America May God thy gold refine Till all success be nobleness
And every gain divine
4. O beautiful for patriot dream That sees beyond the years Thine alabaster cities gleam
Undimmed by human tears America, America God shed his grace on thee And crown thy good
with brotherhood From sea to shining sea