

**St. Benedict Parish**  
**14<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time and 4<sup>th</sup> of July Weekend—Mass**  
**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 songs 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) “Our Eyes are fixed on the Lord, pleading for his mercy.”**

**Preparation Hymn “Let There Be Peace on Earth”**

1. Let there be peace on earth And let it begin with me Let There Be Peace on Earth  
The peace that was meant to be

With God as our Father Brothers all are we Let me walk with my brother  
In perfect harmony.

Let peace begin with me Let this be the moment now. With ev'ry step I take Let this be my  
solemn vow.

To take each moment and live Each moment in peace eternally Let there be peace on earth  
And let it begin with me.

### **Communion Hymn: "This is My Song"**

- 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.** My country's skies are bluer than the ocean, and sunlight beams on cloverleaf and pine; but other lands have sunlight too, and clover, and skies are everywhere as blue as mine. O hear my song, thou God of all the nations, a song of peace for their land and for mine.
- 3.** This is my prayer, O Lord of all earth's kingdoms: thy kingdom come; on earth thy will be done. Let Christ be lifted up till 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.

### **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