Creighton University

2024 Baccalaureate Mass

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Acknowledgments

WE RECOGNIZE THE MINISTRY OF THE FOLLOWING:

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President of Creighton University, Principal Celebrant

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Heider College of Business School of Law

College of Nursing School of Medicine

College of Professional School of Pharmacy and Continuing Education and Health Professions

Graduate School

Liturgical ministers representing the Class of 2024 and the wider Creighton University community.

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INTRODUCTORY RITES

CALL TO WORSHIP

Please stand and join in singing as we gather to hear the scriptures.





City of God (Schutte)

1. Awake from your slumber! Arise from your sleep!
A new day is dawning for all those who weep.
The people in darkness have seen a great light.
The Lord of our longing has conquered the night.



Let us build the city of God.

May our tears be turned into dancing!

For the Lord, our light and our love,
has turned the night into day!

2. We are sons of the morning; we are daughters of day. The One who has loved us has brightened our way. The Lord of all kindness has called us to be a light for his people to set their hearts free.



GREETING

Presider: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.



We respond: Amen.

Presider greets the assembly, ending with: The Lord be with you.

We respond: And with your spirit.

PENITENTIAL ACT

Presider: Lord, have mercy. We respond: Lord, have mercy.

Presider: Christ, have mercy. We respond: Christ, have mercy.

Presider: Lord, have mercy. We respond: Lord, have mercy.

Presider: May almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us our sins,

and bring us to everlasting life.

We respond: Amen.

COLLECT

We respond: Amen.

Please be seated as we listen to God's word in scripture.

LITURGY OF THE WORD



FIRST READING

Proverbs 16:1–4, 7–9

Plans are made in human hearts, but from the Lord comes the tongue's response.

All one's ways are pure in one's own eyes, but the measurer of motives is the Lord.

Entrust your works to the Lord, and your plans will succeed.

The Lord has made everything for a purpose, even the wicked for the evil day.

When the Lord is pleased with someone's ways, he makes even enemies be at peace with them.

Better a little with justice, than a large income with injustice.

The human heart plans the way, but the Lord directs the steps.

Lector: The word of the Lord.

We respond: Thanks be to God.





Psalm 145: I Will Praise Your Name (Roberts)

Antiphon: I will praise your name forever, my King and my God.

- I will extol you, my God and King, and bless your name forever and ever.
 I will bless you day after day and praise your name forever.
- 2. All your works shall thank you, O Lord, and all your faithful ones bless you. They shall speak of the glory of your reign, and declare your mighty deeds.
- 3. The Lord is faithful in all his words and holy in all his deeds.
 The Lord supports all, all who fall, and raises up all who are bowed down.

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SECOND READING

Philippians 4:4–9

Brothers and sisters:

Rejoice in the Lord always.

I shall say it again: rejoice!

Your kindness should be known to all.

The Lord is near.

Have no anxiety at all, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, make your requests known to God.

Then the peace of God that surpasses all understanding will guard your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus.



Finally, brothers and sisters,

whatever is true, whatever is honorable,

whatever is just, whatever is pure,

whatever is lovely, whatever is gracious,

if there is any excellence

and if there is anything worthy of praise,

think about these things.

Keep on doing what you have learned and received

and heard and seen in me.

Then the God of peace will be with you.

Lector: The word of the Lord.

We respond: Thanks be to God.



GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Please stand and join in singing to greet the Gospel.

Celtic Alleluia (Walker and O'Carroll)

Alleluia, alleluia!

Alleluia, alleluia!

GOSPEL READING

Matthew 6:25–34

Priest: The Lord be with you.

We respond: And with your spirit.

Priest: A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew.

We respond: Glory to you, O Lord.



Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat [or drink], or about your body, what you will wear. Is not life more than food and the body more than clothing? Look at the birds in the sky; they do not sow or reap, they gather nothing into barns, yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are not you more important than they? Can any of you by worrying add a single moment to your life-span? Why are you anxious about clothes? Learn from the way the wild flowers grow. They do not work or spin. But I tell you that not even Solomon in all his splendor was clothed like one of them. If God so clothes the grass of the field, which grows today and is thrown into the oven tomorrow, will he not much more provide for you, O you of little faith? So do not worry and say, 'What are we to eat?' or 'What are we to drink?' or 'What are we to wear?' All these things the pagans seek. Your heavenly Father knows that you need them all. But seek first the kingdom [of God] and his righteousness, and all these things will be given you besides. Do not worry about tomorrow; tomorrow will take care of itself. Sufficient for a day is its own evil.

Priest: The Gospel of the Lord.

We respond: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.



HOMILY

Rev. Jeff Sullivan, sJ

THE UNIVERSAL PRAYER

Please stand as we pray for the gathered community, the world, and the Church.

We respond: Lord, hear our prayer.

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST



PREPARATION OF THE GIFTS AND ALTAR

Please be seated as we begin the Liturgy of the Eucharist.

These Alone Are Enough (Schutte)

- 1. Take my heart, O Lord, take my hopes and dreams. Take my mind with all its plans and schemes. Give me nothing more than your love and grace. These alone, O God, are enough for me.
- 2. Take my thoughts, O Lord, and my memory.
 Take my tears, my joys, my liberty.
 Give me nothing more than your love and grace.
 These alone, O God, are enough for me.
- 3. I surrender, Lord, all I have and hold.
 I return to you your gifts untold.
 Give me nothing more than your love and grace.
 These alone, O God, are enough for me.
- 4. When the darkness falls on my final days, take the very breath that sang your praise. Give me nothing more than your love and grace. These alone, O God, are enough for me.



At the conclusion of the Preparation of the Gifts and Altar, please stand as the Presider invites us to prayer:

Presider: Pray, brothers and sisters, that my sacrifice and yours may

be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.

We respond: May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands,

for the praise and glory of his name,

for our good and the good of all his holy Church.

PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

We respond: Amen.



EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

Although it is the norm in the United States to kneel during the Eucharistic Prayer and Communion Rite, we are in an environment which makes kneeling difficult. So that we may all truly be united in posture and presence with Christ, we invite the entire community to remain standing during the Eucharistic Prayer.

PREFACE

Presider: The Lord be with you. We respond: And with your spirit.

Presider: Lift up your hearts. We respond: We lift them up to the Lord.

Presider: Let us give thanks We respond: It is right and just.

to the Lord our God.







Holy:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of hosts.

Heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest!

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest!

Memorial Acclamation:

We proclaim your death, O Lord, and profess your Resurrection, until you come again.

Great Amen:

Amen, amen, amen.

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THE LORD'S PRAYER

We pray: 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,

and forgive us our trespasses,

as we forgive those who trespass against us;

and lead us not into temptation,

but deliver us from evil.

Presider: Deliver us, Lord, we pray, from every evil,

graciously grant peace in our days,

that, by the help of your mercy,

we may be always free from sin and safe from all distress,

as we await the blessed hope

and the coming of our Savior, Jesus Christ.

We pray: For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever.



SIGN OF PEACE

Presider: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

We respond: And with your spirit.

Presider: Let us offer each other the sign of peace.

We exchange a gesture of peace with those near us as we prepare to share in the One Body of Christ.

FRACTION RITE

Lamb of God, Mass of Renewal (Stephan)

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world. Have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world. Have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world. Grant us peace.

Presider: Behold the Lamb of God,

behold him who takes away the sins of the world.

Blessed are those who are called to the supper of the Lamb.

We respond: Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof,

but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.





COMMUNION

Please remain at your seats as our ministers take up their positions. For communion, please remain in your seat until an usher releases your row.

Low-gluten hosts are available near the first aid station in the back of section 113.



Receiving Christ in the real presence of the Eucharist is the primary sacrament of unity for Catholics. If you prefer not to receive the Eucharist, please approach with your arms crossed over your heart as shown here to receive a blessing. Please return to your seat by the opposite end of the row.



COMMUNION HYMNS

One Bread, One Body (Foley, SJ)

One bread, one body, one Lord of all, one cup of blessing which we bless. And we, though many, throughout the earth, we are one body in this one Lord.

- 1. Gentile or Jew, servant or free, woman or man no more.
- 2. Many the gifts, many the works, one in the Lord of all.
- 3. Grain for the fields, scattered and grown, gathered to one for all.



Hearts on Fire (Ridge and Smith)

2. Fiery pillar in our darkness, lead us through the barren sand: saints and sinner all together, walking bravely hand in hand.

Refrain

Speak again, O Lord, and lead us in the service you inspire.

Make us all your holy people, called to set the world on fire, the world on fire.

3. Try us in your fiery furnace; burn away our fear and greed. Only your love and your grace, Lord, these are all that we will need. (Refrain)

- 4. Do our hearts not burn within us at the breaking of the bread? Will you, Lord, not journey with us on the thorny road ahead? (Refrain)
- 5. Let us build your kingdom daily, let us daily heed your call; let us spend our lives completely for your love consumes us all. (Refrain)

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I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my people cry.
 All who dwell in dark and sin, my hand will save.
 I, who made the stars of night, I will make their darkness bright.
 Who will speak my word to them? Whom shall I send?



Refrain

Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord?
I have heard you calling in the night.
I will go, Lord, if you lead me.
I will hold your people in my heart.

- I, the Lord, of snow and rain, I have borne my people's pain.
 I have wept for love of them. They turn away.
 I will break their hearts of stone, give them hearts for love alone.
 I will give my life to them. Whom shall I send? (Refrain)
- 3. I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame. I will set a feast for them. My hand will save. Finest bread I will provide 'til their hearts be satisfied. I will give my life to them. Whom shall I send? (Refrain)

CONCLUDING RITES

Graduates will be invited to raise a hand in blessing upon parents, family members, friends, faculty and staff.

Leader: We pray together:

Graduates: Spirit of God,

Rest upon those who have journeyed with us to this moment of celebration.

We thank you for our parents, our family and our friends.

Bless them with love and support,

as they have blessed us throughout our lives.

Comfort them as we move together into a new chapter of our lives,

and grant them the fullness of your peace.

O God of wisdom, thank you for the faculty and staff of

Creighton University, and for their support and guidance.

Bless and encourage them in all they do,

and help them to know our gratitude.

We ask this through Christ our Lord.

All respond: Amen.

BLESSING OF THE GRADUATES

Parents, family members, friends, faculty and staff will be invited to raise a hand in blessing upon our graduates.

Leader: We pray together:

Assembly: O God of all creation,

Grant these graduates the gift of wisdom

as they enter a new stage of their lives.

Give them inner strength through your Spirit, and faith,

that Christ may dwell in their hearts.

Grant them awareness that they are uniquely sent

to help bring about the Kingdom of God in our world.

Give them courage and love to act on this wisdom for the dignity of all,

for the welfare of the less fortunate,

and for the pursuit of peace and reconciliation.

May our kinship and friendship with them be a blessing

that continues through the years to come.

We ask this through Christ our Lord.

All respond: Amen.



FINAL BLESSINGS

Presider: The Lord be with you.

We respond: And with your spirit.

The Presider blesses the entire assembly.

We respond: Amen.

SENDING FORTH

The Presider proclaims that the Mass has ended and sends us forth to serve God in the world.

We respond: Thanks be to God.



Lead Me, Lord (Becker)

1. Blessed are the poor in spirit, longing for their Lord, for God's coming kingdom shall be theirs.

Blessed are the sorrowing, for they shall be consoled, and the meek shall come to rule the world.

(Refrain)

Refrain

Lead me, Lord, lead me, Lord, by the light of truth to seek and to find the narrow way. Be my way; be my truth; be my life, my Lord, and lead me, Lord, today.

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- 2. Blessed are the merciful, for mercy shall be theirs, and the pure in heart shall see their God.

 Blest are they whose hunger only holiness can fill, for I say they shall be satisfied.

 (Refrain)
- 3. Blest are they who through their lifetimes sow the seeds of peace; all will call them children of the Lord. Blest are you, though persecuted in your holy life, for in heaven, great is your reward. (Refrain)





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