

***Dignity/New York Liturgy Broadcast on Zoom
Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time***

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

<https://zoom.us/j/231599312?pwd=bHJMT1NZOEtERE1oOTQwdS84NU45Zz09>

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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.

Dignity/New York gathers proudly as a faith community of Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer, Intersex and Straight Catholics and our friends. We welcome people of all sexual orientations and gender identities. We welcome all to our liturgies regardless of their faith tradition, and all are invited to share in the Body and Blood of Christ at Communion. Our community has both ordained and lay presiders whom we have called forth to lead us during our liturgies.

As a progressive and inclusive Catholic community, we use gender-inclusive language. For example, you will notice that we use "All-loving God" instead of "Our Father" when reciting the Greatest Prayer. We make our best efforts to change our hymnals and printed materials as necessary, but they do not always reflect our use of gender-inclusive language. Please feel free to change any non-inclusive language as you prefer.

Also in the interest of inclusivity, our community has intentionally chosen to use the language of the Mass prior to the revision of the Roman Missal in 2011.

WELCOME:

OPENING HYMN: How Good It Is

GC 727

1. How good it is, what pleasure comes,
 When people live as one.
 When peace and justice light the way
 The will of God is done,
 The will of God is done.
2. True friendship then like fragrant oil
 Surrounds us with delight;
 And blessings shine like morning dew
 Upon the mountain height,
 Upon the mountain height.
3. How good it is when walls of fear
 Come tumbling to the ground.
 When arms are changed to farming tools,
 The fruits of life abound,
 The fruits of life abound.
4. What quiet joy can bloom and grow
 When people work for peace,
 When hands and voices join as one
 That hate and war may cease,
 That hate and war may cease.

Text: Psalm 133; Isaiah 2:1-4; Ruth Duck, b.1947, 1992, GIA Publications, Inc.

SIGN OF THE CROSS & GREETING:

PENITENTIAL RITE:

OPENING PRAYER:

FIRST READING: Exodus 19:2-6

RESPONSORIAL: *Psalm 128: Blest Are Those Who Love You*

GC 125

Blest are those who love you, happy those who follow you,
blest are those who seek you, O God.

1. Happy all those who fear the Lord,
 and walk in God's pathway;
 you will find what you long for:
 the riches of our God.

Blest are those...

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 228

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

GC 230

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 225

COMMUNION: *Everyone is welcome to receive the Body of Christ.*

COMMUNION HYMN: *Behold the Lamb*

GC 823

1. Those who were in the dark are thankful for the sunlight;
We who live, we who die are grateful for this gift, thankful for God's love.
Behold, behold the Lamb of God. All who eat, all who drink shall live;
and all, all who dwell in God, shall come to know God's glory!
2. Peaceful now, those whose hearts are blessed with understanding
Of the wheat, of the wine united with God's word and the love we share.
Behold, behold the Lamb...
3. Gentle one, Child of God, join with us at this table.
Bless our lives; nourish all who hunger for this feast; shelter them with peace.
Behold, behold the Lamb...
4. Lord of all, give us light. Deliver us from evil.
Make us one; be our shield. Make still the winds that blow; cradle us with love.
Behold, behold the Lamb...

Text: Martin Willett, 1984, OCP Publications

COMMUNION MEDITATION HYMN: How Great Thou Art sung by Robert Mason

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

BLESSING AND DISMISSAL

CONCLUDING HYMN: *They'll Know We Are Christians*

GC 735

1. We are one in the Spirit, we are one in the Lord,
We are one in the Spirit, we are one in the Lord,
And we pray that all unity may one day be restored:
And they'll know we are Christians by our love, by our love,
Yes, they'll know we are Christians by our love.
2. We will walk with each other, we will walk hand in hand,
We will walk with each other, we will walk hand in hand,
And together we'll spread the news that God is in our land:
And they'll know we are Christians...
3. We will work with each other, we will work side by side,
We will work with each other, we will work side by side,
And we'll guard human's dignity and save human's pride:
And they'll know we are Christians...
4. All praise to the Father, from whom all things come,
And all praise to Christ Jesus, his only Son,
And all praise to the Spirit, who makes us one:
And they'll know we are Christians...

Text: Peter Scholtes, b.1938, 1966, F.E.L. Publications, assigned to The Lorenz Corp., 1991

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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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 for Sunday Gospel and Homilies.

The current Dateline dated June 13, 2023 is [Dateline: Transgender Inclusion Event | Bishop Gumbleton Book | Dignity SF 50th | Outreach Livestream and more](#)

Remembering Fathers in June on Father's Day. Please submit names you would like to remember. You can send the name you would like to remember and your name. You can print flyer and bring it on Fathers Day or email dignitynewyork@gmail.com by Sunday 1 pm.

Pride Appeal was mailed to members and emailed to all On Thursday, June 8, 2023. You can find the document on the DignityNY.org website. We hope that you will be generous!

Mark your calendars for Pride:

We plan to distribute Pride T-shirts at church this Sunday after liturgy.
Saturday, June 24, 2023 Dignity/New York Pride Liturgy Maddie Marlett, co-facilitator of DYAC, is the homilist. St. John's in the Village Episcopal Church 6:30 Celebratory Reception follows.
Sunday, June 25, 2023 Witness at St. Patrick's Cathedral at 11 am for one half hour.- See Lewis to reserve your spot or email dignitynewyork@gmail.com to let him know.
Sunday, June 25, 2023 Participating in the Annual Pride March on Fifth Ave. - details to be sent mid week. We are in a later group this year.

Livestream to Join DignityUSA at Outreach

For those who are unable to attend next week's Outreach conference, there will be a live stream of Executive Director Marianne Duddy-Burke's keynote "Learning from Dignity: 50 Years of Ministry with LGBTQ Catholics." **The stream will start at 7:30pm ET on June 17 and the keynote will begin at 8pm ET.** Click the button below to go to the livestreaming page.
From DignityUSA.org



Pray with the Women of Dignity

Please pray with and for the Women of Dignity who will be gathering for their retreat June 16-18 in Connecticut. We hope that this will be a spiritually fruitful and encouraging time for the women who are coming together at Mercy by the Sea!

Transgender Inclusion: What It Means, Why It Matters, and What You Can Do

Join noted transgender educator and activist **Ben Greene** on **June 27 at 8:00PM ET/5:00PM PT** to learn about what transgender and nonbinary people hope for from supportive allies. Known for his engaging style and use of humor, Ben has worked with communities, workplaces, government agencies, and more to support them in becoming more inclusive and welcoming. This is a special Pride Month event! **Registration is required.**

June 27, 2023
8:00pm

Participants must register on DignityUSA.org website.

Support Transgender and nonbinary people by going to DignityUSA.org to sign the beloved by God Declaration. Take a moment to look up transgender history, make a donation, honor a transgender person today.

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

The 2023 Dignity/New York calendars have arrived. They are available at the welcome table at church. They are courtesy of Provenzano Lanza Funeral Home and Hector Gonzalez.

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

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 now optional in the church.

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.

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 ½ hour before liturgy.

Steering Committee meets on the second Tuesday of the month at 7:30 pm on Zoom. All are welcome. Meeting ID: 857 2315 4226 Passcode: 697371

Liturgy Committee will meet the second Monday 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

DefendersUSA Leather & Kink caucus, meets the third Tuesday of each month via Zoom at 8:30 pm ET. Talk to Lewis Speaks-Tanner or Tom McLoughlin for more details.

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

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)

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>

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

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

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

To submit items for consideration for distribution via our electronic announcements postings, send them to Announcements@DignityNY.org

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

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

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.