

**Dignity/New York Liturgy In Person & Broadcast on Zoom  
Tjthird Sunday of Easter - April 14, 2024**

Everyone is welcome to join us in person at St. John's or on Zoom  
06:30 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)  
Zoom meeting opens at 6:00 PM.

***Link is at the end of the announcements. When you log on for Liturgy, you will be placed in a waiting room, please log on before liturgy and make sure your name is associated at login to make sure you are in the room as liturgy begins. We will not admit anyone who has a cryptic identification for the safety of the broadcast.***

***Zoom Instructions and Preparation***

- ***Bring a small amount of water to bless yourself each Sunday of Easter***
- Before 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.

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**WELCOME:**

**Presider: Bob Anthony**

**HYMN: I Shall See God**

**GC 856**

I know that my Redeemer lives, on the last day I will arise again!  
In my flesh I shall see God! I shall see my God!

1. This is the hope I cherish. I shall see my God!  
This is the hope I cherish in my heart. I shall see my God!

I know that my Redeemer...

2. Jesus is the fount of lasting life. I shall see my God!  
All who come to drink shall have this life. I shall see my God!

I know that my Redeemer...

Text: Kevin Keil, b.1965, 1993, GIA Publications, Inc.

**SIGN OF THE CROSS & GREETING:**

Presider: Alleluia, Christ is Risen!

All: **Christ is Risen indeed. Alleluia!**

Presider: Blessed be God,  
who gives us life with all of creation,  
joins us to the saving death of + Christ,  
and raises us to new life by the Holy Spirit.  
Blessed be the Trinity.

All: **Blessed be God forever.**

**HYMN: This Is the Feast v 2**

**GC 429**

This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

2. Power, riches, wisdom, and strength, and honor, blessing, and glory are his.

This is the feast...

**OPENING PRAYER:**

**FIRST READING: Acts 3:13-15, 17-19**

**RESPONSORIAL: Psalm 4: Let Your Face Shine Upon Us**

**GC 19**

Lord, let your face shine upon us, shine upon us, shine upon us.

1. Listen to my song, Hear me when I call,  
Oh Lord, my God, be gracious, hear my prayer.

Lord, let your face...

2. You have called my name, set your seal upon my heart,  
you hear me when I call.

Lord, let your face...

3. Fill me with your joy, grant to me your peaceful rest,  
to dwell in safety with my Lord.

Lord, let your face...

Text: Psalm 4:2, 4, 9; Marty Haugen, 1980, GIA Publications, Inc.

**SECOND READING: 1 John 2:1-5**

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: Festival Alleluia James Chepponis**

**GOSPEL READING: Luke 24:35-48 Bob Anthony**

**SCRIPTURE REFLECTION: Bob Anthony**

**PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL: Risen Savior, hear us.**

**PRESENTATION HYMN: The Lord Is My Shepherd GC 643**

1. The Lord is my shepherd, my shield and my stronghold,  
defending me soundly, redeeming my shame.  
He will answer my call 'til the fall of the mountains,  
the fall of the cities; he's true to his name.

Alleluia, alleluia, the Lord is my shepherd and ever the same.  
Alleluia, alleluia, the Lord is my shepherd; he's true to his name.

2. If I walk in the valley of darkness, the shadow of death, then no fear will I have,  
you are there with your staff and your rod,  
O my God, give me comfort, O God give me comfort, as always you have.

Alleluia, alleluia...

3. Surely goodness and kindness will always pursue me.  
My table is full now; my cup overflows.  
While my head is anointed the time is appointed;  
forever I live in the house of the Lord.

Alleluia, alleluia...

4. The Lord is my shepherd, green pastures, cool water;  
He tenders me always, love ever the same.  
He will answer my call 'til the fall of the mountains,  
the fall of the cities; he's true to his name.

Alleluia, alleluia...

Text: Psalm 23; Joe Wise, b.1939, 1979, 1987, GIA Publications, Inc.

## **EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER:**

(Based on Reconciliation II)

**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*

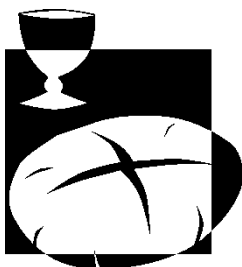
*GC 228*

Holy, holy, holy, Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory:  
Hosanna in the highest! Blessed is one, blessed is one who comes in the name of our God.  
Hosanna in the highest! Hosanna in the highest!

God of power and tenderness, we praise you through your Son, Christ Jesus, who comes in your name.

Jesus is the Word that brings salvation, the hand you stretch out to sinners, the way that leads to your peace.

Eternal God, we had wandered far from you, but through your beloved One, you have brought us back. You gave him up to death so that we might turn to you and find our way to one another. And so we celebrate the reconciliation Christ has gained for us.



We ask you to sanctify these gifts by the power of your Spirit, as we now fulfill Jesus' command.

While he was at supper on the night before he died for us, Jesus took bread into his hands and gave you thanks and praise. He broke the bread, gave it to the disciples and said: Take this, all of you, and eat it. This is my Body, which will be given up for you. **(PAUSE)**

At the end of the meal, Jesus took the cup and giving thanks to you, 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 I 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 306

Eternal God, your only One has entrusted to us this pledge of love. We celebrate the memory of Jesus’ death and resurrection and bring you the gift you have given us, the sacrifice of reconciliation.

Fill us with the Spirit through our sharing in this meal. May the Spirit take away all that divides us. May this Spirit keep us always in communion with our pope, our bishops, the leaders of our community, and the people of God everywhere. Make your church throughout the world a sign of unity and an instrument of your peace.

You have gathered us here around the table of our Savior, in communion with Mary, Mother of God, and all the saints and all those who have gone before us in faith. In that new world where the fullness of your peace will be revealed, gather people of every race, every language, and every way of life to share in the one eternal banquet with Jesus 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, amen, amen!  
Amen, amen, 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 171**

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

**COMMUNION HYMN: I Myself Am the Bread of Life**

**GC 824**

Refrain

I myself am the bread of life.

You and I are the bread of life,

taken and blessed, broken and shared by Christ  
that the world might live.

1. This bread is spirit,  
gift of the Maker's love,  
and we who share it know that we can be one:  
a living sign of God in Christ.

2. Here is God's kingdom  
given to us as food.  
This is our body, this is our blood:  
a living sign of God in Christ.

3. Lives broken open,  
stories shared aloud,  
become a banquet, a shelter for the world:  
a living sign of God in Christ.

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## **PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

### **BLESSING AND DISMISSAL**

Each response ends with Alleluia, Alleluia.

### **CONCLUDING HYMN: Sing to the Mountains**

**GC 435**

Refrain

Sing to the mountains, sing to the sea.  
Raise your voices, lift your hearts.  
This is the day the Lord has made.  
Let all the earth rejoice.

1. I will give thanks to you, my Lord.  
You have answered my plea.  
You have saved my soul from death.  
You are my strength and my song.

2. Holy, holy, holy Lord.  
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.

3. This is the day the Lord has made.  
Let us be glad and rejoice.  
Death has lost and all is life.  
Sing of the glory of God.

Text: Based on Psalm 118:24; Isaiah 6:3.

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## 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 bring hymn book and any extra papers to the sacristy please exit through the common room.

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Please check the **DignityNY YouTube** page for Sunday Gospel and Homilies.

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The Little White Books for Easter have arrived and will be available at the back of the church. We will gladly ship one to you by sending an email [dignitynewyork@gmail.com](mailto:dignitynewyork@gmail.com) with your mailing address.

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On Sunday, March 17th, we blessed holy oil for use in the coming year for our healing services which includes when there are home visits by Bob Anthony. We have small containers of balm for each of you to take home. If you did not make it to church on March 17, you can pick up a container at church or have the balm shipped to you. Send an email to [dignitynewyork@gmail.com](mailto:dignitynewyork@gmail.com).

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**DignityUSA mailing address has changed.** It is now  
**DignityUSA**  
**51 Pleasant St. #1107**  
**Malden, MA 02148**

If you have automatic payments that are sent to our mailing address, please be sure to update your bank or financial institution to reflect this change. Thank you!

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### [Preregister for DignityUSA's 2025 Conference to Get a Registration Discount!](#)

Preregistration for Conference 2025 is now open! With a deposit of \$100.00, you can secure your spot AND get a discount off the registration cost. The conference will be held July 4-6, 2025 at Embassy Suites in Dublin, Ohio.

July 4, 2025 to July 6, 2025  
8:00am

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### [Screening and Chat with Sr. Jeannine Gramick: Dignity Philadelphia 50th Anniversary Recording](#)

Please join us on Sunday, April 28, 2pm ET/11am PT for the screening premiere of a Q&A with Sr. Jeannine Gramick recorded in May 2023 as part of Dignity Philadelphia's 50th Anniversary celebration. In the video, Sr. Jeannine talks about her role in the founding of Dignity Philadelphia, including her friendship with Dominic Bash, and being set on the path of advocating for LGBTQIA+ people in the Catholic Church. Sr. Jeannine also recounts her run-in with Cardinal Ratzinger and discusses her hopes for LGBTQIA+ people and the Catholic Church.

We will also be joined by Sr. Jeannine herself, who will share a few words about all that has taken place since the recording in May 2023, including her meeting with Pope Francis and the Vatican's announcement in late 2023 about blessing same-sex unions. **Registration is required (go to [www.DignityUSA.org](http://www.DignityUSA.org) )**

April 28, 2024  
2:00pm

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For those who are unable to watch Executive Director Marianne Duddy-Burke's keynote "Learning from Dignity: 50 Years of Ministry with LGBTQ Catholics" at the Outreach Conference you can click the link below.

[Watch Keynote](#)

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Support Transgender and nonbinary people by going to [DignityUSA.org](http://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.

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**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](mailto:Volunteer@dignityny.org)

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**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.

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**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

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**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

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**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](mailto:ComeToTheTable@DignityNY.org)

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**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.

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**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](http://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)

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

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**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://dignityusa.app.neoncrm.com/forms/donate>

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**We encourage to become a member of DignityUSA (and Dignity/New York).** By joining, you increase DignityUSA's voice. <https://dignityusa.app.neoncrm.com/forms/membership>



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

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**To join our electronic announcements (e-Bulletin) list**, send an e mail [dny@dignityny.org](mailto:dny@dignityny.org), or use the link on our home page.

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**To submit items for consideration for distribution** via our electronic announcements postings, send them to [dignitynewyork@gmail.com](mailto:dignitynewyork@gmail.com)

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**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.

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The link to join the meeting is

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

**You will be put into a waiting room.** Please join before liturgy begins so that you can participate.

For those joining by phone or through an app, you will need meeting ID and password:

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