

***Dignity/New York Liturgy In Person & Broadcast on Zoom
Eleventh Sunday-In Ordinary Time June 16, 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

- 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.

WELCOME:

Presider & Homilist: Bob Anthony

HYMN: Gather Us In

GC 744

1. Here in this place new light is streaming,
Now is the darkness vanished away,
See in this space our fears and our dreamings,
Brought here to you in the light of this day.
Gather us in' the lost and forsaken,
Gather us in' the blind and the lame;
Call to us now, and we shall awaken,
We shall arise at the sound of our name.

2. We are the young' our lives are a myst'ry,
We are the old' who yearn for your face,
We have been sung throughout all of hist'ry,
Called to be light to the whole human race.
Gather us in' the rich and the haughty,
Gather us in' the proud and the strong;
Give us a heart so meek and so lowly,
Give us the courage to enter the song.

3. Here we will take the wine and the water,
Here we will take the bread of new birth,
Here you shall call your sons and your daughters,
Call us anew to be salt for the earth.
Give us to drink the wine of compassion,
Give us to eat the bread that is you;
Nourish us well, and teach us to fashion
Lives that are holy and hearts that are true.

4. Not in the dark of buildings confining,
Not in some heaven, light years away,
But here in this place the new light is shining,
Now is the Kingdom, now is the day.
Gather us in and hold us for ever,
Gather us in and make us your own;
Gather us in' all peoples together,
Fire of love in our flesh and our bone.

Text: Marty Haugen, b.1950, 1982, GIA Publications, Inc.

SIGN OF THE CROSS & GREETING:

PENITENTIAL RITE:

OPENING PRAYER:

FIRST READING: Ezekiel 17:22-24

RESPONSORIAL: Psalm 147: Bless Our God, My Soul GC 141

Bless our God, my soul, who heals the brokenhearted.

1. Praise our God, O Jerusalem, chant praises to your God.
The strength of God is your fortress sure,
and blessed are your children.

Bless our God...

2. All praise to you, O gracious God, your goodness fills the earth.
You raise anew Jerusalem, and gather all your lost ones.

Bless our God...

3. You heal the hurt and broken heart, you bind up ev'ry wound,
you number all the stars of night and call each one by name.

Bless our God...

4. The peace of God shall be your hope, God's finest wheat, your food,
the word of God fills all the earth, as rapid as the whirlwind.

Bless our God...

Text: Psalm 147:12-13, 1-2, 3-4, 14-15; Marty Haugen, 1987, GIA Publications, Inc.

SECOND READING: 2 Corinthians 5:6-10

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: Alleluia GC 198

GOSPEL READING: Mark 4:26-34 Bob Anthony

SCRIPTURE REFLECTION: Bob Anthony

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL: Guide us, O God..

PRESENTATION HYMN: Many Are the Lightbeams GC 736

Many are the light - beams from the one light;
Our one light is Jesus
Many are the light -beams from the one
light; we are one in Christ.

Many are the branches of the one tree;
Our one tree is Jesus.
Many are the branches of the one
tree; we are one in Christ.

Many are the gifts giv'n, love is all one;
Love's the gift of Jesus.
Many are the gifts giv'n , love is all
one; we are one in Christ.

Many ways to serve God, the Spirit is one;
servant spirit of Jesus.
Many ways to serve God, the Spirit is
one; we are one in Christ.

Many are the members, the body is one;
members all of Jesus.
Many are the members, the body is
one; we are one in Christ.

Text: De unitate ecclesiae, Cyprian of Carthage, 252 A.D.; by Anders Frostenson © A-F Foundation Hymns and Songs
Tune: Olle Widestrand ©; acc. by Marty Haugen, b.1950, © 1987, GIA Publications, Inc.

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER:

Introductory Dialogue as in the standard Order of Liturgy.

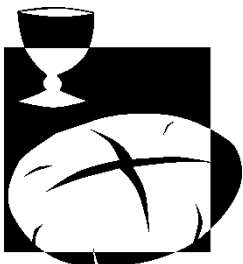
Preface Acclamation: Holy, Holy

GC 201

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 in memory of me.

(PAUSE)

Presider: Let us proclaim the mystery of our faith.

Memorial Acclamation

GC 230

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:

GC 183

(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 and Blood of Christ.*

COMMUNION HYMN: You Satisfy the Hungry Heart

GC 815

You satisfy the hungry heart
With gift of finest wheat;
Come give to us, O saving Lord,
The bread of life to eat.

1. As when the shepherd calls his sheep,
They know and heed his voice;

So when you call your fam'ly, Lord,
We follow and rejoice.

You satisfy the hungry heart...

2. With joyful lips we sing to you
Our praise and gratitude,
That you should count us worthy, Lord,
To share this heav'nly food.

You satisfy the hungry heart...

3. Is not the cup we bless and share
The blood of Christ outpoured?
Do not one cup, one loaf, declare
Our oneness in the Lord?

You satisfy the hungry heart...

4. The myst'ry of your presence, Lord,
No mortal tongue can tell:
Whom all the world cannot contain
Comes in our hearts to dwell.

You satisfy the hungry heart...

5. You give yourself to us, O Lord;
Then selfless let us be,
To serve each other in your name
In truth and charity.

You satisfy the hungry heart...

Text: Omer Westendorf, 1916-1998, 1977, Archdiocese of Philadelphia

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

BLESSING AND DISMISSAL

CONCLUDING HYMN: Glory and Praise to Our God

GC 522

Glory and praise to our God, who alone gives light to our days.
Many are the blessings he bears to those who trust in his ways.

1. We, the daughters and sons of him who built the valleys and plains,
Praise the wonders our God has done in ev'ry heart that sings.

Glory and praise...

2. In his wisdom he strengthens us, like gold that's tested in fire.
Though the power of sin prevails, our God is there to save.

Glory and praise...

3. Ev'ry moment of ev'ry day our God is waiting to save,
Always ready to seek the lost, to answer those who pray.

Glory and praise...

4. God has watered our barren land and spent his merciful rain.
Now the rivers of life run full for anyone to drink.

Glory and praise...

Text: Psalm 65, 66; Dan Schutte, b.1947, 1976, Daniel L. Schutte and New Dawn Music.
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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.

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

For Pride and all year long, take a look at Sean Collins' webpage, [Legends of Pride](#)

St. John the Divine has a photo exhibition on Queer Religion: The Exhibition by Frances Marshall through June 30, 2024. The exhibition features Fr. Bernard Lynch and Sr. Jeanine Gramick among many other leaders,

Our website is working now. If you see issues with the website, let Lewis know. If you or anyone you know who knows PHP and Drupal, please give Lewis a call or send an email using dignitynewyork@gmail.com. We are looking to convert our website to Wordpress or similar platform. If anyone has experience with Wordpress, please let Lewis know.

Annual DignityNY Pride Appeal was emailed to all (Saturday) and mailed to members earlier this week. If you did not receive a copy, email dignitynewyork@gmail.com and we will send you the appeal. thank you in advance for your generosity.

Pride 2024!

Our Pride Liturgy will be on Saturday, June 29, 2024 at 6:30 pm , St. John's in the Village Church

Many will gather on Pride Sunday, June 30, 2024 :

The Witness at St. Patrick's Cathedral and later in the day participate in the Pride March.

Details will be released as the dates get closer.

There will **not** be a Sunday liturgy on June 30, 2024.

Let us pray for a successful retreat for the Women of Dignity as they gather June 16 - 18 at the Mercy by the Sea retreat center in Madison, Connecticut. Marsie Silvestro will once again be joining the retreat as a Spiritual Guide. Marsie is an internationally known feminist recording artist, author, minister, spiritual director and retreat leader. Double and single rooms are available.

DUSA Dateline Election Updates

Ballots are out, both by mail and electronically. If you believe you should have received one and haven't, please contact info@dignityusa.org so we can investigate.

Read statements from our Board of Directors candidates by going to [DUSA Dateline](#)

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.

DignityUSA mailing address has changed. It is now

DignityUSA

51 Pleasant St. #1107

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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!

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](#)

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.

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

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.

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

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

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

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)

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

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>

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>

For more information about DignityNY or to view our **calendar**, visit our website **home page** at

<https://dignityny.org/>

To join our electronic announcements (e-Bulletin) list, send an e mail dny@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 dignitynewyork@gmail.com

Friend us on **Facebook:** [Dignity New York](#) ; **Threads:** [dignity_ny](#); **Instagram:** [dignity_ny](#)

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.

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:

Meeting ID: 231 599 312 Password: 333 333

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