

***Dignity/New York Liturgy In Person & Broadcast on Zoom
Tenth Sunday-In Ordinary Time June 9, 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: Nick Calamusa

HYMN: Wade in the Water

GC 812

Wade in the water, wade in the water, children,
wade in the water, God's a gonna trouble the water.

Cantor: 1. See that host all dressed in white, All: God's a gonna trouble the water;
Cantor: The leader looks like the Israelite, All: God's a gonna trouble the water.
Wade in the water...

Cantor: 2. See that band all dressed in red, All: God's a gonna trouble the water;
Cantor: Looks like the band that Moses led, All: God's a gonna trouble the water.
Wade in the water...

Cantor: 3. Look over yonder, what do I see? All: God's a gonna trouble the water;
Cantor: The Holy Ghost a comin' on me, All: God's a gonna trouble the water.
Wade in the water...

Cantor: 4. If you don't believe I've been redeemed, All: God's a gonna trouble the water;
Cantor: Just follow me down to Jordan's stream, All: God's a gonna trouble the water.
Wade in the water...

Text: African-American spiritual

SIGN OF THE CROSS & GREETING:

PENITENTIAL RITE:

OPENING PRAYER:

FIRST READING: Genesis 3:9-15

RESPONSORIAL: Psalm 130: With Our God There Is Mercy

GC 127

Refrain: With our God there is mercy, and fullness of redemption.

1. From out of the depths, I cry unto you,
Lord, hear my voice, come hear my prayer;
O let your ear be open to my pleading.

2. If you, O Lord, should mark our guilt,
then who could stand within your sight?
But in you is found forgiveness for our failings.

3. Just as those who wait for the morning light,
even more I long for our God, my God,
whose word to me shall ever be my comfort.

Text: Psalm 130:1–2, 3–4, 5–6; Marty Haugen, © 1983, GIA Publications, Inc.; refrain trans. © 1969, ICEL Music: Marty Haugen, © 1983, GIA Publications, Inc.

SECOND READING: 2 Corinthians 4:13 - 5:1

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: Alleluia GC 198

GOSPEL READING: Mark 3:20-35 Nick Calamusa

SCRIPTURE REFLECTION: Nick Calamusa

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

PRESENTATION HYMN: Within Our Darkest Night GC 644

Within our darkest night, you kindle the fire that never dies away, never dies away.

Within our darkest night, you kindle the fire that never dies away, never dies away.

Text: Taizé Community, 1991, © 1991, Les Presses de Taizé, GIA Publications, Inc., agent

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER:

*Adapted from Marianne Duddy'-Burke's Prayer for Mary of Magdala, 2002
Introductory Dialogue as in the standard Order of Liturgy.*

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 201

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 our 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, 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: We Remember

GC 593

We remember how you loved us to your death, and still we celebrate, for you are with us here; and we believe that we will see you when you come in your glory, Lord.

We remember, we celebrate, we believe.

1. Here, a million wounded souls are yearning just to touch you and be healed.
 Gather all your people, and hold them to your heart.

We remember how...

2. Now we recreate your love, we bring the bread and wine to share a meal.
 Sign of grace and mercy, the presence of the Lord.

We remember how...

3. Christ, the Father's great 'Amen' to all the hopes and dreams of ev'ry heart,
 Peace beyond all telling, and freedom from all fear.

We remember how...

4. See the face of Christ revealed in ev'ry person standing by your side,
 Gift to one another, and temples of your love.

We remember how...

Text: Marty Haugen, b.1950, 1980, GIA Publications, Inc.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

BLESSING AND DISMISSAL

CONCLUDING HYMN: I Will Not Die

GC 657

1. I will not die before I've lived to see that land;
firm as the earth, your own promise.
I'll not let go until I've held it in my hand;
that word of hope, and gentle laughter.

2. I will not rest until your dawn is in my eyes;
that fragile light, new like morning.
I will not sleep before I've wakened to that sunrise;
and all the world knows your glory.

Refrain

For your right hand has delivered us from death;
you have regarded our tears,
you who are goodness and grace.

3. And I will breathe in that mighty wind of justice;
I'll know my name and rise up singing.
And I will call until my words bring on thunder;
washed in that rain, then I'll know you.

4. You will stand up for the poor and the needy;
you'll break the chains that bind your people.
For you are home for the lost and the desp'rate;
your strong right hand goes before us.

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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.

Bob Pusillo died this past week. Our community had prayed for him over the last year; Bob Anthony visited him each week. Bob Pusillo had been active in leadership of our chapter. He had been one of the last presidents before we changed to a steering committee format and he was a steering committee member. Bob was responsible for the award winning DignityNY float called the Dragon of Homophobia in the 1988 Pride March. May he rest in peace.

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 will be sent out this coming week.

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.

Registration is required and is due by May 26, 2024 on the DignityUSA website.

[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.

Thanks to all who made donations to AIDS Walk NY this year!

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!

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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