

Ministry of Hospitality



SATURDAY 4:00 P.M. — MASS GREETERS

Blessings Door: Sally Neubauer
Middle Door: Jan Wessel
Middle Door: Pat Veto
Hospitality Door: Darlene Montag
West Door: Kay Whan
East Door: Peg Womack

MASS USHERS

Bob Rioux (Head Usher)

Bob Boden, Al Gorgal, Joe Montag
Joe Ryan, Jim Veto, Dan Wessel

SUNDAY 7:00 A.M. — MASS GREETERS

Blessings Door: Valorie Bigelow
Middle Door: Sam Pirmann
Hospitality Door: Sherrie Pirmann
West Door: Marcia Starr
East Door : Connie Morris

MASS USHERS

(No Head Usher)

Tom DeLille, Dan David, Dan Morris
Mike Starr, Jim Vrombaut

SUNDAY 9:00 A.M. — MASS GREETERS

Blessings Door: Vicky Earel
Middle Door: Alicia Gonzalez
Middle Door: Eleazar Gonzalez
Hospitality Door: Wally Wilson
West Door: Mary Rodkey
East Door: Carolyn Wilson

MASS USHERS (No Head Usher)

John De Cock, Bob Johnson, Jim Earel
Gary Francque, Ken Nelson, John Noe, Asa Pool

SUNDAY 11:00 A.M. — MASS GREETERS

Blessings Door: Lucy Martinez
Middle Door: Joan DeClerck
Middle Door: Rosemarie VanAcker
Hospitality Door: VOLUNTEER NEEDED
West Door: Ron Hanson
East Door: David Rinden

MASS USHERS Tom Courtney (Head Usher)

Javier Hernandez, Refugio Nache, Jesse Martinez
Jim Stulir, Joe Terronez, Chris Vershaw

Stewardship—Praise and Thanksgiving By: Harry Verhiley

A good starting point in understanding the “stewardship way of life” is to recognize that the material world can never be separate from the spiritual world. God’s creation is a unification of matter and spirit. All of creation is primarily a living and free projection of the ideas of God all converging on the logos, the second person of the Trinity – Jesus, God in the flesh. Through Jesus, we can understand the material world as that which the divine has extended and propagated himself to; therefore, we gain understanding of the spiritual from the material.

God’s creation expresses something to us. God did not create out of a need or a void; rather, creation spills out from the love of God. Creation is a superabundance; it is an overflow of love from God. Some say that creation happened when God was beside himself with love – the love shared between Father, Son and Spirit could not be contained and exploded with creation.

This internal Trinity now has externalized itself through creation. All that we see and experience is of God, physical and spiritual. All that exists is a projection from God, an expression of his love for us. Creation is a force from God and the material world can be understood as an expression of God’s love for us.

As a proper response, the created must express something back to the Creator. Our expression should be one of gratitude and praise, similar to our words at Mass, “It is right to give him thanks and praise.” This thanksgiving back to God is a natural response. God gives and we say thank you. This is a natural order - the rhythm of creation, a flow from God returning to God in thanksgiving.

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Blessings Door: Connie Knuckey
Middle Door: Don Raischel
Middle Door: Cecilia Raischel
Hospitality Door: Grace Fisher
West Door: Leona Marie
East Door: Sandy Carlsten

MASS USHERS (No Head Usher),

Bob Boden, Al Gorgal, Joe Montag
Joe Ryan, Jim Veto, Dan Wessel

SUNDAY 7:00 A.M. — MASS GREETERS

Blessings Door: Joan DeLille
Middle Door: Elizabeth DeLille
Hospitality Door: Mary DeLille
West Door: Carlos Olvera
East Door : Judy David

MASS USHERS (No Head Usher)

Tom DeLille, Dan David, Dan Morris
Mike Starr, Jim Vrombaut

SUNDAY 9:00 A.M. — MASS GREETERS

Blessings Door: Vera Noe
Middle Door: Steve & Sarah Rockwell & Family
Middle Door: Steve & Sarah Rockwell & Family
Hospitality Door: Dorothy Hillmer
West Door: Georgia Slininger
East Door: Mary Bell

MASS USHERS (No Head Usher)

John De Cock, Bob Johnson, Jim Earel
Gary Francque, Ken Nelson, John Noe, Asa Pool

SUNDAY 11:00 A.M. — MASS GREETERS

Blessings Door: Perrine West
Middle Door: Evan Nache
Middle Door: Favi Nache & Family
Hospitality Door: Favi Nache & Family
West Door: Ron Hanson
East Door: David Rinden

MASS USHERS (Head Usher)

Javier Hernandez, Refugio Nache, Jesse Martinez
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To thank God for all that he has provided is to remember God. It is important for us to remember God because God is our life source. The early Church understood this through the Greek word *amnesia* - to remember. Many of the Church Fathers taught to remember God is to live, to forget God is to die. This seems like an obvious teaching, why would we have to be taught this? Because of the fall of man, humanity is inclined to forget; we are inclined to take without remembering the source, inclined to receive without saying thank you. And for us to take and not remember to express our gratitude to God is to break the natural order of creation. This is what happened when Adam and Eve ate the forbidden fruit. Our gaze is taken from God and directed on the self.

The good news is that through the Pascal mysteries Jesus expresses the most perfect expression of praise and thanksgiving to God the Father and invites us to join with that expression of praise and thanksgiving by living a sacramental life. A sacramental life is one that requires us to be good Christian stewards – to remember that all that we have comes from God. Notice that the sacraments themselves require elements of the material world – water, oil, bread, wine...

The Christian steward recognizes that the material world and the spiritual world are connected. There is a right response for receiving; thus, participating in the rhythm of creation. The material world must be used to express something to God, that is, how grateful we are for receiving the material.

Our care for the needy, our involvement in parish work, donations to the offertory, Bishop's Appeal, capital campaigns that build churches and schools are investments of the material with the spiritual. Our offerings are responses of gratitude to God in the name of Jesus. We join with Jesus' expression of praise and thanksgiving to the Father. As Christian Catholics our offerings of time, talent and treasure are not simply good deeds made by good-deed-doers. We are Christ to the world and acting so.