#### 8:45 a.m.

#### THE BOOK OF COMMON PRAYER

#### Prelude

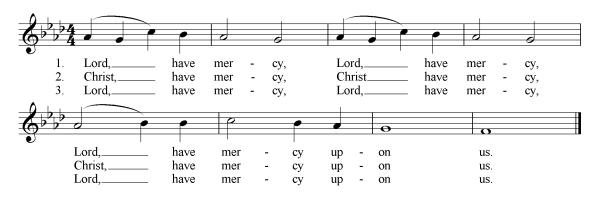
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Celebrant: Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

**People**: And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. *Amen*.

#### Kyrie



The Collect of the Day

Celebrant:The Lord be with you.People:And also with you.Celebrant:Let us pray.

Stir up your power, O Lord, and with great might come among us; and, because we are sorely hindered by our sins, let your bountiful grace and mercy speedily help and deliver us; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

#### The Word of God

#### Please be seated

#### First Lesson: Isaiah 35:1-10

The wilderness and the dry land shall be glad, the desert shall rejoice and blossom; like he crocus it shall blossom abundantly, and rejoice with joy and singing. The glory of Lebanon shall be given to it, the majesty of Carmel and Sharon. They shall see the glory of the LORD, the majesty of our God. strengthen the weak hands, and make firm the feeble knees. Say to those who are of a arful heart, "Be strong, do not fear! Here is your God. He will come with vengeance, with terrible recompense. He will come and save you." Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened, and the ears of the deaf unstopped; then the lame shall leap like a deer, and the tongue of the speechless sing for joy. For waters shall break forth in the wilderness, and streams in the desert; the burning sand shall become a pool, and the thirsty ground springs of water; the haunt of jackals shall become a swamp, the grass shall become reeds and rushes. A highway shall be there, and it shall be called the Holy Way; the unclean shall not travel on it, but it shall be for God's people; no traveler, not even fools, shall go astray. No lion shall be there, nor shall any ravenous beast come up on it; they shall not be found there, but the redeemed shall walk there. And the ransomed of the LORD shall return, and come to Zion with singing; everlasting joy shall be upon their heads; they shall obtain joy and gladness, and sorrow and sighing shall flee away.

Reader:	The Word of the Lord.
People:	Thanks be to God.

Psalm 146:4-9 (sung by Choir)

#### Second Lesson: James 5:7-10

Be patient, therefore, beloved, until the coming of the Lord. The farmer waits for the precious crop from the earth, being patient with it until it receives the early and the late rains. You also must be patient. Strengthen your hearts, for the coming of the Lord is near. Beloved, do not grumble against one another, so that you may not be judged. See, the Judge is standing at the doors! As an example of suffering and patience, beloved, take the prophets who spoke in the name of the Lord.

Reader:	The Word of the Lord.
People:	Thanks be to God.

**Gradual:** Thy kingdom come! on bended knee ......Hymnal # 615 (1,2,3/4,5)

#### Please stand

Deacon:The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St. Matthew.People:Glory to you, Lord Christ.

#### The Gospel: Matthew 11:2-11

When John heard in prison what the Messiah was doing, he sent word by his disciples and said to him, "Are you the one who is to come, or are we to wait for another?" Jesus answered them, "Go and tell John what you hear and see: the blind receive their sight, the lame walk, the lepers are cleansed, the deaf hear, the dead are raised, and the poor have good news brought to them. And blessed is anyone who takes no offense at me." As they went away, Jesus began to speak to the crowds about John: "What did you go out into the wilderness to look at? A reed shaken by the wind? What then did you go out to see? Someone dressed in soft robes? Look, those who wear soft robes are in royal palaces. What then did you go out to see? A prophet? Yes, I tell you, and more than a prophet. This is the one about whom it is written, `See, I am sending my messenger ahead of you, who will prepare your way before you.' Truly I tell you, among those born of women no one has arisen greater than John the Baptist; yet the least in the kingdom of heaven is greater than he."

Deacon:	The Gospel of the Lord.
People:	Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Please be seated

#### Please stand The Nicene Creed

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father.

Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshipped and glorified. He has spoken through the Prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

#### Please kneel **The Prayers of the People**

#### The Leader and People pray responsively

As a people in darkness waiting for the coming of the light of Christ, let us pray to the Lord, *Lord hear our prayer.* 

For the Unity of Christ's One, Holy, Catholic and Apostolic Church, let us pray to the Lord, *Lord hear our prayer*.

For Bartholomew, Ecumenical Patriarch of Constantinople, Benedict XVI, Bishop of Rome, Rowan, Archbishop of Canterbury, Katharine our presiding bishop, Greg our bishop, for priests, deacons and all who minister in Christ, and for all the holy people of God, let us pray to the Lord,

Lord hear our prayer.

Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, especially Barack our President in the ways of justice and peace; for our armed forces and those who are deployed [especially ....]; and for the end of terrorism, war and violence throughout the world, let us pray to the Lord, *Lord hear our prayer*.

For the poor, the hungry, the oppressed, the unemployed, those in prison, and for the sick and suffering; praying for all those on our prayer list and those in our hearts, especially... and for those we now name..., let us pray to the Lord, *Lord hear our prayer*.

For those anticipating the birth of a child, a move, a change in employment or any new beginning; we give thanks for all the blessings of this life, especially for the gift of life itself as we celebrate this week the birthday(s) of ... [and the wedding anniversary(ies) of ... ] and for other blessings we now name..., let us pray to the Lord, *Lord hear our prayer*.

For those who have died and now abide in Christ's presence, [remembering especially this week ...,] let us pray to the Lord, *Lord hear our prayer*.

#### **Confession of Sin**

We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.

#### Leader and People:

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. *Amen*.

#### Absolution

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. *Amen*.

#### Please stand

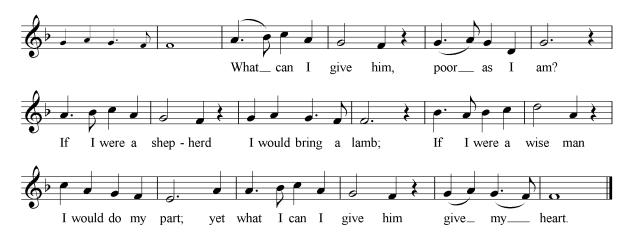
#### The Peace

**Celebrant:** The peace of the Lord be always with you. **People:** And also with you.

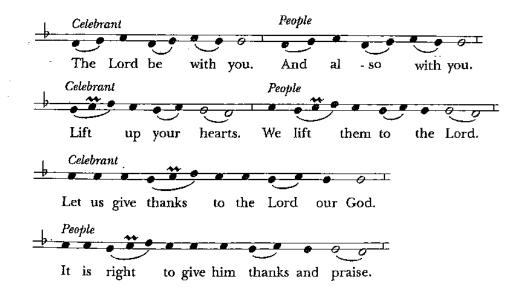
#### **Celebration Prayer**

Watch over your children, O Lord, as their days increase; bless and guide them wherever they may be. Strengthen them when they stand; comfort them when discouraged or sorrowful; raise them up if they fall; and in their hearts may your peace which passes understanding abide all the days of their lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen*.

#### Doxology



#### THE GREAT THANKSGIVING Eucharistic Prayer B



**Celebrant:** It is right and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

#### Sanctus et Benedictus



#### Celebrant continues

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

*Celebrant and People* We remember his death, We proclaim his resurrection, We await his coming in glory;

#### The Celebrant continues

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with the Blessed Virgin Mary and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. *AMEN*.

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation,

but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

#### The Breaking of the Bread

Celebrant:Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;People:Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

#### **Agnus Dei**



**Celebrant:** The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

Gluten free hosts are available on request at the rail.

#### **Invitation to Communion**

This is our Lord's Table, and He is our host. All baptized persons are invited to receive Holy Communion. Those who have yet to be baptized are invited to come forward for a blessing and are encouraged to speak with one of the clergy after the service about becoming baptized into Christ's Body.

**Communion Antiphon:** "Say to those who are of a fearful heart: "Be strong and fear not. Behold, the Lord will come and he will save us. The wilderness and the dry land shall be glad, the desert shall rejoice and blossom; like the crocus it shall blossom abundantly and rejoice with joy and singing."

Communion Hymn: The Lord will come and not be slow ...... Hymnal # 462

Please remain kneeling

#### Celebrant: Let us pray.

Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. *Amen*.

#### The Blessing

May the sun of righteousness shine upon you and scatter the darkness from before your path; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. *Amen*.

Please stand

The Dismissal

**Deacon:** Let us go forth in the name of Christ. **People:** Thanks be to God.

#### Postlude

#### Please join us for the Adult Forum/coffee hour in the Parish Hall following the Mass. We are so glad you are here.

#### Today's Liturgy

#### Liturgists

#### 8:45 a.m.

Lay Readers – Corky Nordgren, Doris Sherrill LEM's – Doris Sherrill, Jean Gray Acolytes – Lauren Dudley Ushers – Rich Stewart, Joe Pelkey, Pat Engle Greeter – Sam & Sandi Insalaco

#### 10:45 a.m.

Lay Readers – Beth Bowen, Chris Coulter LEM's – Jan Morrison, Steve Dunkelberger Acolytes – Jack Bowen, Savannah & Brenna Sclair Greeters – Sylvia Poyner

#### **Altar Candles**

Venette Hagen in loving memory of her father, E. R. Maybin, on his birthday.

#### **Altar Flowers**

The altar flowers are given by Barbara Johnston in thanksgiving for the birthday of her grandson, Jayson Baughan. Mary Lou and Herm Sommer in loving memory of her father, Howard Garrison and his mother, Maria Sommer, on their birthdays. Peter and Marylu Wallerich in loving memory of their mothers, Ellen Ruth Wallerich and Myrtle Oakland. Marilyn Cowan in loving memory of her daughter, Catherine, on her birthday.

#### Remembrances for the Week

#### **Birthdays**

12 Linda Gallinatti12 Jean Kernen17 Charles Hall17 Linda Finkas17 Linda Rutledge

Wedding Anniversaries 18 Perry & Roberta Newell

# Death Anniversaries

12 Albert Hagen12 Shirley Dugan15 John Aram16 Blanche Hovey

#### Prayers for Healing & Comfort

Ben Dunkelberger, Clare Bungay, Marilyn Cowan, John Hazelbaker, Freddie Davis, Derrick Dawson, Glenda Smith, Grace Boyd, Ada Scofield, Barbara Clarke, Bill & June Tennyson, Paul Fredrickson, Donna, Aaron & Diana Miller, Phil Franks, Noel Franks, Jennifer, Kay Suiter, Jo Jastad, Evan, Pat Spurill, Leonard Kern, Bertha James, Rosemary Doupé, Doris Sanders, B.J. & John, Lena, Michael, Bret & Cindy, Cindy O'Sullivan, Scott & Rebecca Kennedy, Vicki Claypool, Gwen Schneider, Ron Olson, Patty, Rochelle Heacock, Nancy Nisbet, Patrick Stafford, Wendell Dutt, Michael McCann, Nancy Mace, Eileen Bisson, Jim Paterno, Colleen, Roy, Dawn Waldbillig, Keturah Morris, Gail Ramee, Dave Price, Earl Colburn, Gertrude Taylor, Bess Cawthra, Walter Merton, Erik Rostedt, Marion Schwartz, Paul Kosct, Bill Clark, Kate Sjoboen, Peter Wallerich, Ethel Bonifant, Zoe Emerson, Jean Newell, Mary Sendege

#### For the Deployed

Janelle, Roger, Darren, Anthony, Ed, Steven, Josie, Christopher, Jeff, Jim, David, Michael, Adam

# Sign Up Now for Poinsettia dedication...

This is a wonderful way to remember your loved ones at Christmas. <u>*The Poinsettia*</u> <u>*signup sheets*</u> are located in the narthex. Please print your name and dedication clearly as we will be billing you from the list and the names will be printed in the Christmas bulletins.

**Share Christmas Love** with two families in our community. St. Mary's and Boy Scout Troop 51 are joining together this year to help the families have a joyous and blessed Christmas celebration. We ask that you fill the baskets by the tree with special Christmas food items. All gifts and food items must be brought in to the church <u>no later</u> <u>than December 15<sup>th</sup></u>. Please contact Doug & Jan Babbit, (253)582-0201, if you have any questions.

## Annual Coat Drive – November 17<sup>th</sup> thru December 17<sup>th</sup>

St. Mary's Christian School has begun their annual coat drive. They are accepting new or gently used coats which can be placed in the bin in the narthex. They will be donated to the Salvation Army.

Dear Parishioners,

Today, you will have an opportunity to learn more about the school **Auction**. Melanie Jacobs, the Auction Coordinator will be available between the two Masses to meet and greet you. Tickets go on sale this Sunday, December 12 and will be available each Sunday through January 30. We truly need and appreciate your participation in the Auction experience. It is the school's primary fund raiser. The proceeds help solidify the operating budget and the scholarship fund. Fund raisers, like the Auction and the Annual Fund, are intended to close the gap between what parents pay in tuition and the real cost of funding an exceptional, world-class, Christian education. Thank you again. We could not do it without you.

<u>Wednesday, December 15 at 6:00 pm</u> in the Nave, you are invited to see and hear the children perform. The annual **Children's Christmas Concert** is unique and special. Fred McIlroy, the Director of Music for the Parish and School and the school children (the entire school) have been working extremely hard in preparation for this performance.

The last day of the academic year before Christmas vacation will be <u>Friday</u>, <u>December 17</u>. School will be dismissed at 12:00 noon. You will be in our Christmas prayers of appreciation.

Blessings, Glen, Proud Principal

# Adult Forum Schedule – Sundays @10:15 a.m.

Today – "Joy" – Dave Johnson December 19<sup>th</sup> – "Love" – Jo Jastad

## Pancake Breakfast - Sunday, January 2, 2011

Please join us for a Pancake Breakfast served by Boy Scout Troop #51 after both Masses.

# Save The Date!

# **Round Up For Education**

St. Mary's Christian School Saturday, Feb. 5, 2011

Annual Fund Raising Auction Doors Open 5:30pm; \$40.00 entry Silent and Live Auction & Wine Roulette Each Ticket Includes Heavy Appetizers, 2 Beverages (beer or wine), Soft Drinks & Dessert 10630 Gravelly Lk Dr SW, Lakewood, WA 98499 253-984-9475 www.holymotheroflakewood.org