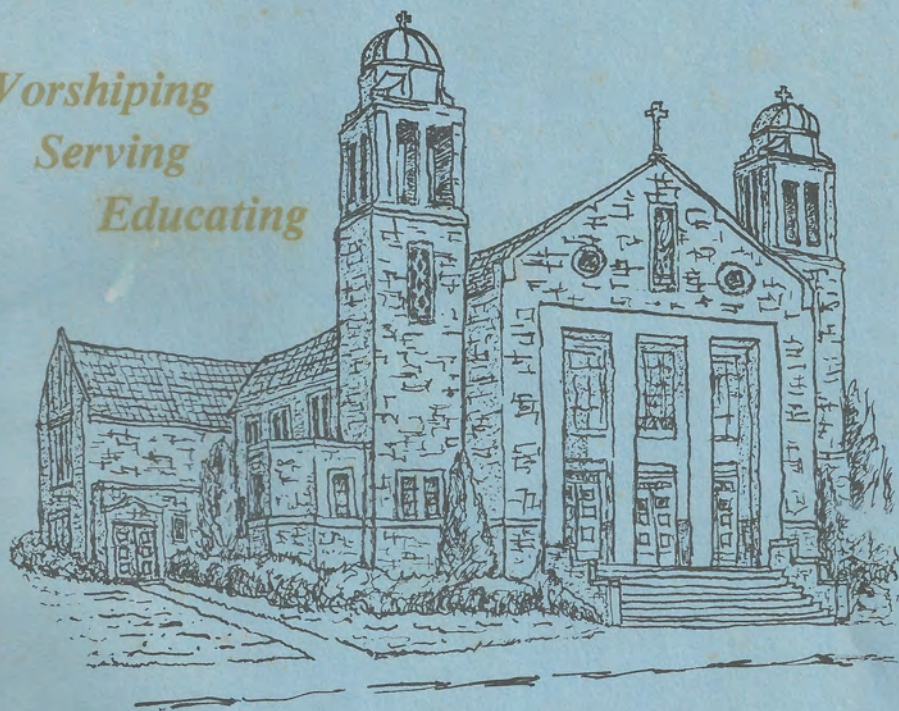


# ST. MATTHEW GOLDEN JUBILEE

*Worshiping  
Serving  
Educating*



**We're Here to Stay**

1927

1977

CELEBRATION  
OF  
ST. MATTHEW PARISH  
ON THIS OUR  
GOLDEN JUBILEE  
1927 - 1977

On this most joyous occasion we gather together to celebrate 50 years as a community growing in the presence of the Lord in the Eucharist. We thank him for nourishing us in the past, and we rededicate ourselves for the future to Worship, Serve, and Educate in his name.

May 22, 1977

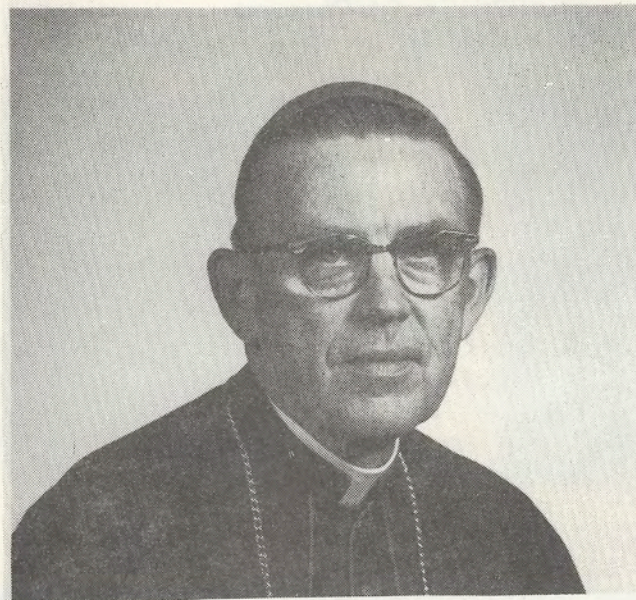




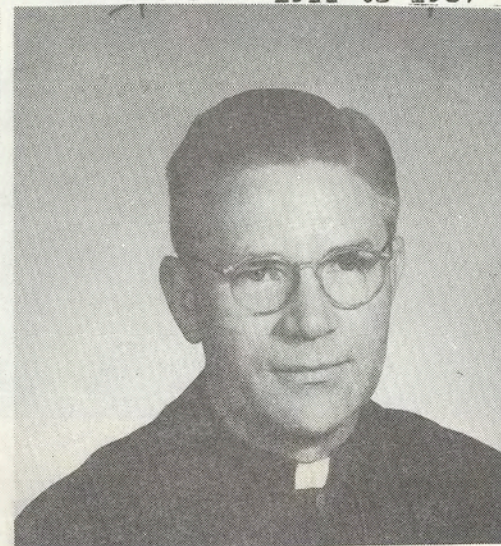
REV. JAMES P. WELSH  
Founder and Pastor, 1927 to 1938



REV. JOSEPH L. FILLION  
Pastor - 1938 to 1957



BISHOP HENRY E. DONNELLY  
Pastor - 1958 to 1967



MSGR. ALBERT A. MATYN  
Pastor - 1968 to 1973

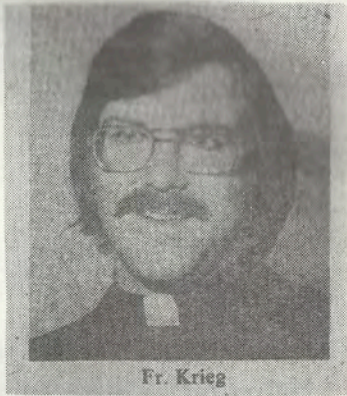


1974-75 Co-Pastors

Fr. A. Francis Pollie      Fr. Jerry L. Krieg  
Fr. John F. Schweder



Fr. Pollie



Fr. Krieg

1977 Pastoral Team



Left to right: Chas. Dropiewski, Sr. Marlene Ptaszynski, O.P., Rev. James P. O'Hagan, James Wiethoff, Rev. Daniel V. McGrath, Larry Perkins, Ref. John F. Schweder & Rev. Gerald A. McEnhill.

FROM OUR PARISH TEAM

We the members of St. Matthew's pastoral team are carrying on a united ministry using our diverse talents. The day of building with brick and mortar is complete in this parish. Building up the household of God into the spiritual edifice which is Christ, continues.

Our team of full time, faith-filled persons is trying to bring the image of Christ into clearer focus for our parish and neighboring community. Aided by other parish staff and volunteers, the priests and other members of the team coordinate parish life.

Working with the parish council and its commissions we share in discerning the needs, first of the parish, then of the larger church and our own neighborhood and community.

Specialized attention is given towards various groups by your team. Religious formation of our young people in both religious education classes and in the parish school comes through Mr. James Wiethoff, our religion coordinator.

Continuing education and praiseworthy liturgy are the field of Mr. Charles Dropiewski.

Our youth are served by Fr. Gerald McEnhill. Our aging are attended by Sr. Marlene Ptaszynski, O.P., our sister in pastoral ministry.



Our rich and varied music program occupies the attention of Mr. Thomas Rzonca, minister of music.

Mr. Larry Perkins is the principal of our school.

We use this jubilee occasion to continue our pledge of making St. Matthew's parish flourish.

1977

PARISH COUNCIL MEMBERS

President .....	Burt Snyders
Administration Commission .....	Robert Iovaldi
Christian Service Commission ...	Michael LeFevre
Education Commission .....	Ross Fazio
Worship Commission .....	Greg Kirchner
Vicariate Representative .....	Joy Iovaldi
Area Representatives: .....	Ruth Adams Glenn Schuster Henry Sommerfeld
Youth Representative .....	Bernie Stanko
Secretary:	Barbara Ziegenbein

OUR JUBILEE YEAR

Special masses opened our Jubilee Year the weekend of September 18-19, 1976. Also taking place that Sunday were the installation of the Parish Council members, a photo display depicting the history of St. Matthew parish with coffee and doughnut refreshments in the church auditorium, and a parish picnic on the grounds. The day ended with a spirited football game against St. Anne's of Warren where Fr. Jim Bjorum, where Fr. Jim Bjorum wo served his deacon internship and was ordained at St. Matthew's is presently assigned. The "Fr. Jim Trophy", awarded to the winner of this yearly encounter, is temporarily resting in St. Anne's trophy case until the next meeting of the two schools.

St. Matthew participated in the East Warren Businessmen's Association Parade with a Jubilee float which was a replica of the church. The float was a result of the hard work of a large number of parishioners from kindergarten age to senior citizens and won several awards and a trophy in various parades around the city.

A "Founders Day" celebrating the anniversary of the founding of the parish was held on December 21, 1976. An evening Mass began with a number of representative parishioners and charter members of the parish bringing many of the Sanctuary furnishings into a barren and dark church. In this and other ways they dramatized the simple and stark beginnings of the parish throughout the Mass which culminated in a Tower Lighting ceremony outside the church. A reception followed in the auditorium.



All parish activities, both social and spiritual carried a Jubilee theme throughout the year. Whittier Avenue, from Harper to Outer Drive was renamed "ST. MATTHEW AVENUE" in honor of our jubilee. Hundreds of badges and bumper stickers bearing our motto "WE'RE HERE TO STAY -- WORSHIPPING, SERVING, EDUCATING" are being proudly displayed by the parishioners.

In addition to the trophy and certificates won by the float, a plaque was presented from St. Matthew Cub Scout Pack 148.

Many congratulatory letters from local leaders have been received. A Joint Resolution, passed by the State Legislature and sponsored by Dennis Hertel and William Fitzgerald was received.

A Resolution from the Wayne County Commissioners, sponsored by Geo. F. Kileen, was received recognizing St. Matthew's and congratulating us on our Jubilee.

A flag flown over our nation's capital on December 30, 1976, was presented to St. Matthew Parish by the Honorable Lucien Nedzi.





HOW IT ALL BEGAN ! ! ! ! !

The following is an entry from Fr. Welsh's Journal, dated May 20, 1927.

20 Western Market Printing Co  
3 M. Flyers  
These were distributed over the whole  
of St Matthew's church  
by 8 & 9th grade altar boys of  
St Boniface church Tuesday  
May 19, 1927, announcing the  
opening of St Matthew Parish.

# St. Matthew Catholic Church

Harper Ave. and Buckingham

## Masses at 8:15 and 10:30 A. M.

OFFICIAL OPENING OF THIS NEW PARISH  
Sunday, May 22, 1927

REV. JAS. P. WELSH,  
PASTOR

THEN - - - - -

SUNDAY, MAY 22, 1927, TWO MASSES WERE HELD IN THE NEW CHURCH.

TOTAL ATTENDANCE AT MASSES	194
HOLY COMMUNION RECEIVED	24
FIRST HOLY COMMUNION	1
Total Sunday Collection	\$159.09

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A note in Fr. Welsh's journal tells us that at the time of the 1st Mass there were only five homes visible from the corner of Three Mile Drive and Harper.

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A milestone was reached in St. Matthew history on February 16, 1930. The following is copied from Fr. Welsh's journal.

Feb 16	FIRST	TIME OVER 300 <sup>00</sup>	IN THE PLATE
	Plate	306.43	
	Initial	.25	
	Candles	.40	
	P.R.	.41	
	Poor box	20.97	
	Y.S.	4.21	
	O.S.F.	7.48	
		<u>340.15</u>	
	School	10.00	Mrs James Catalina
	"	2.00	Mrs W.W. Lodewyck Mrs. Knecht
		<u>352.15</u>	
			352.15

*Handwritten notes:*  
5.97  
The Holy Spirit daily 10.00  
Initials & name Jan. 30.97



NOW - - - -

1977 -- SIX WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday - 4:30 P.M. and 6:30 P.M.

Sunday --- 7:30 A.M., 9:30 A.M., 11:00 A.M.,  
and 12:30 P.M.

Approximate Attendance: 3034 per weekend

Communions Received: 2310 per weekend

First Holy Communions: 86 per year

Confirmations: 87 per year

Marriages: 30 per year

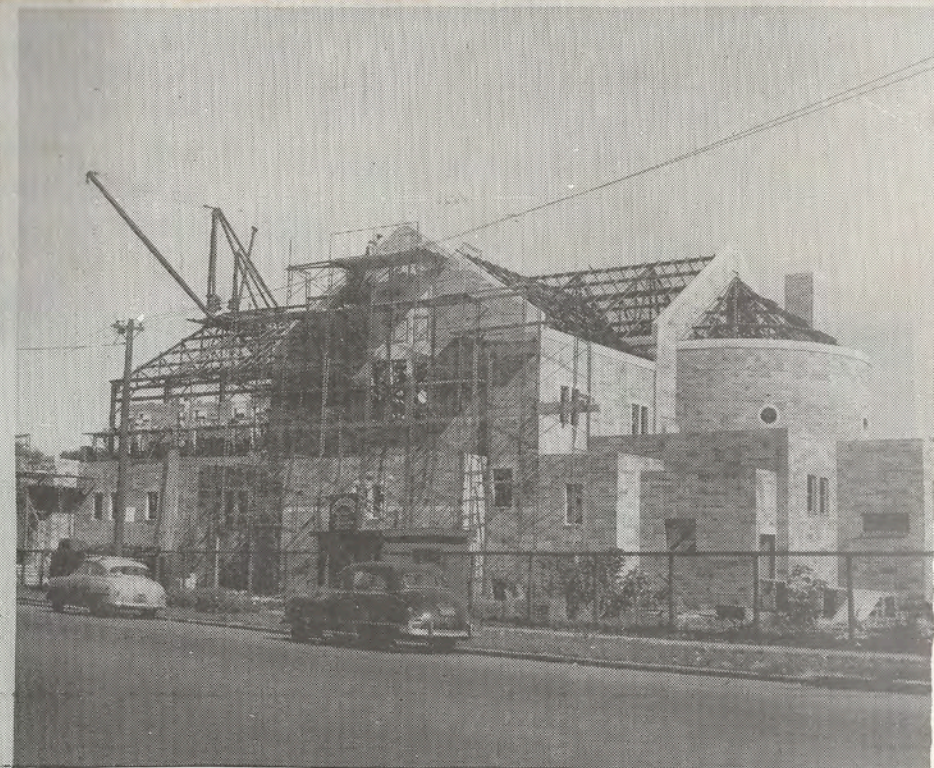
Baptisms: 101 per year

Funerals: 84 per year

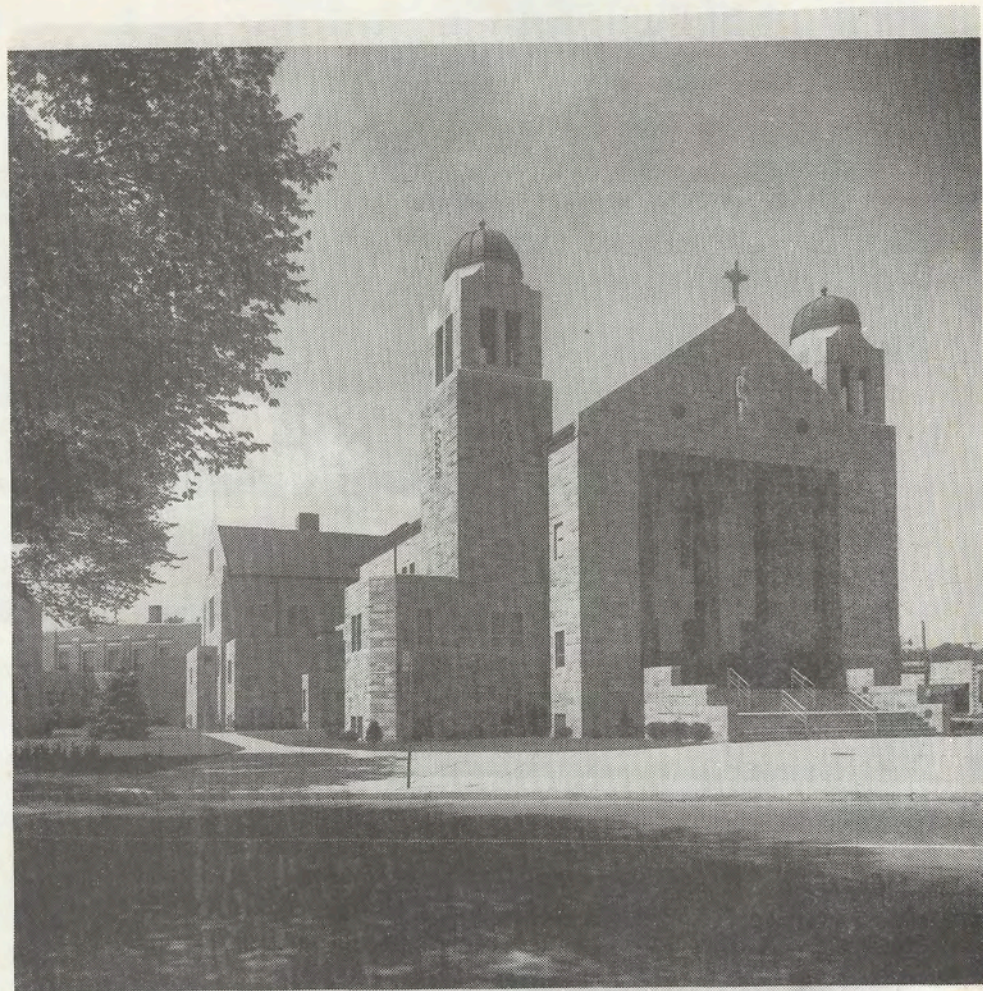
Average Sunday Collection: \$5,082.13

Students in School 651

CCD Students & Preschool 198







ORDER OF PROCESSION

Altar Boys

Parish Council Members

Charter Members of our Parish

Sisters of our Parish

Visiting Clergy

North East Side Pastors Assoc. Members

Extraordinary Ministers of Eucharist

Lectors

Deacons

Concelebrating Clergy

CELEBRANT:

MOST REV. ARTHUR H. KRAWCZAK

Bishop of Detroit

Music:

Tom Rzonca - Organist

Adult Choir



# THE YEAR OF JUBILEE HAS COME

Leviticus 25:8-17  
Charles Wesley, 1708-1788

LENOX 66.66.888  
*Chorister's Companion, c. 1782*  
Lewis Edson, 1748-1820

1. Blow ye the trum - pet, blow. The glad - ly sol - emn  
sound! Let all the na - tions know, To  
*Refrain*  
earth's re - mot - est bound, The year of ju - bi -  
lee is come, The year of iu - bi - lee is come: Re -  
turn, ye prie - stly peo - ple home.

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SIGN OF CROSS AND GREETING

THEME

RITE OF SPRINKLING

"Sprinkle Me, O Lord" ... Sr. M. Ann Celeen

## GLORIA (Antiphonal - Congregation & Choir)

GLORY OF THE BELLS .... C. Alexander Perloquin

Leader: Glory to God in the highest, and  
peace to his people on earth.

ALL: GLORY TO GOD IN THE HIGHEST, AND  
PEACE TO HIS PEOPLE ON EARTH.

Choir: Lord God, heavenly King, almighty  
God and Father.

ALL: GLORY TO GOD IN THE HIGHEST, AND  
PEACE TO HIS PEOPLE ON EARTH.

Choir: We worship you, we give you thanks,  
we praise you for your glory.

ALL: GLORY TO GOD IN THE HIGHEST, AND  
PEACE TO HIS PEOPLE ON EARTH.

Choir: Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the  
Father.

ALL: GLORY TO GOD IN THE HIGHEST, AND  
PEACE TO HIS PEOPLE ON EARTH.

Choir: Lord God, Lamb of God, you take  
away the sin of the world: have  
mercy on us; you are seated at the  
right hand of the Father: receive  
our prayer.

ALL: GLORY TO GOD IN THE HIGHEST, AND  
PEACE TO HIS PEOPLE ON EARTH.  
GLORY TO GOD IN THE HIGHEST, AND  
PEACE TO HIS PEOPLE ON EARTH.

Choir: For you alone are the Holy One.



ALL: GLORY TO GOD  
 Choir: You alone are the Lord  
 ALL: GLORY TO GOD  
 Choir: You alone are the most High.  
 ALL: GLORY TO GOD  
 Choir: Jesus Christ  
 ALL: GLORY TO GOD  
 Choir: With the Holy Spirit  
 ALL: GLORY TO GOD  
 Choir: In the glory of God the Father.  
 ALL: GLORY TO GOD IN THE HIGHEST, AND  
 PEACE TO HIS PEOPLE ON EARTH.  
 GLORY TO GOD IN THE HIGHEST, AND  
 PEACE TO HIS PEOPLE ON EARTH.  
 AMEN... AMEN...AMEN.

OPENING PRAYER

LITURGY OF THE WORD

1st Reading Acts 7:55-60

Stephen, filled with the Holy Spirit, looked to the sky above and saw the glory of God, and Jesus standing at God's right hand. "Look!" he exclaimed, "I see an opening in the sky and the Son of Man standing at God's right hand." The onlookers were shouting aloud, holding their hands over their ears as they did so. Then they rushed at him as one man, dragged him out of the city, and began to stone him. The witnesses meanwhile were piling their cloaks at

the feet of a young man named Saul. As Stephen was being stoned he could be heard praying, "Lord Jesus, receive my spirit." He fell to his knees and cried out in a loud voice "Lord, do not hold this sin against them..." And with that he died.

This is the word of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Ps. 97(96):1-2, 6-7, 9

(C. B. E-132) H. H. S.



The Lord is king, the most high o-ver all the earth.

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2nd Reading

Revelation 22: 12-14, 16-17, 20

I, John, heard a voice saying to me: "Remember, I am coming soon! I bring with me the reward that will be given to each man as his conduct deserves. I am the Alpha and the Omega, the First and the Last, the Beginning and the End! Happy are they who wash their robes so as to have free access to the tree of life and enter the city through its gates!

"It is I, Jesus, who have sent my angel to give you this testimony about the churches. I am the Root and Offspring of David, the Morning Star shining bright."

The Spirit and the Bride say, "Come!" Let him who hears answer, "Come!" Let him who is thirsty come forward; let all who desire it accept the gift of life-giving water.

The One who gives this testimony says, "Yes I am coming soon!" Amen! Come, Lord Jesus--- This is the word of the Lord.



ALLELUIA: ..... Jan Vermulst  
(Congregation and Choir)

GOSPEL John 17: 20-26

Jesus looked up to heaven and said:  
"I do not pray for my disciples alone.  
I pray also for those who will believe in me  
through their work,  
that all may be one  
as you, Father, are in me, and I in you;  
I pray that they may be (one) in us,  
that the world may believe that you sent me.  
I have given them the glory you gave me  
that they may be one, as we are one---  
I living in them, you living in me  
that their unity may be complete.  
So shall the world know that you sent me,  
and that you loved them as you loved me.  
Father,  
all those you gave me  
I would have in my company  
where I am,  
to see this glory of mine  
which is your gift to me,  
because of the love you bore me  
before the world began.  
Just Father,  
the world has not known you,  
but I have known you;  
and these men have known that you sent me.  
To them I have revealed your name and  
I will continue to reveal it  
so that your love for me may live in them,  
and I may live in them."  
This is the gospel of the Lord.

HOMILY

PROFESSION OF FAITH

STANI

**People: 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, one in Being with the Father.  
Through him all things were made.  
For us men and for our salvation  
he came down from heaven:**

*All bow during these two lines:*

**by the power of the Holy Spirit  
he was born of the Virgin Mary, and became man.**

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;  
he suffered, died, and was buried.**

**On the third day he rose again  
in fulfillment of the Scriptures;**

**he ascended into heaven  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

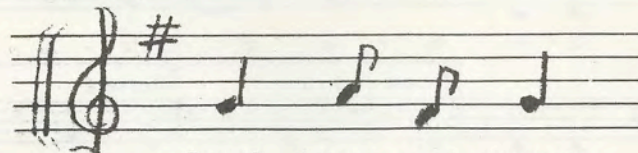
**He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,  
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**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 worshiped 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.**

PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL:

(Peoples' response to each petition)



...Lord, hear our prayer.  
to the Lord.



LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

PRESENTATION OF GIFTS:

"Hail the Festival Day" ... R. Vaughan Williams

Choir: Verses

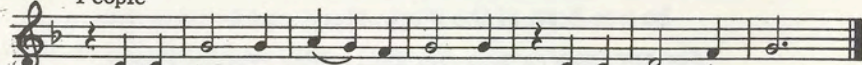
ALL: Antiphon:  
HAIL THEE FESTIVAL DAY.  
BLEST DAY THAT ART HALLOWED FOREVER:  
DAY WHICH WE CELEBRATE  
A MILESTONE IN OUR RACE TO GOD.

Psalm 150

English version by Omer Westendorf

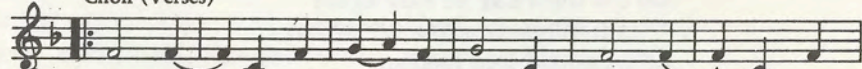
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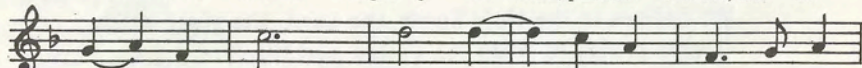


Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia.

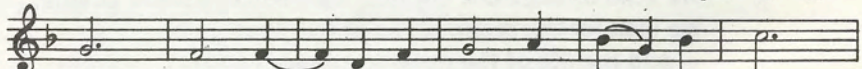
Choir (Verses)



1. Praise God in his ho - ly dwell-ing; praise him — on his
2. Praise him with the blast of trum-pet; praise him — now with
3. Praise him with re - sound-ing cym-bals; with cym - bals that
4. Praise God the al - might - y Fa - ther; praise Christ, his be -

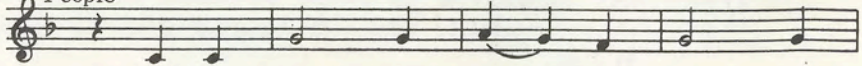


1. might - y throne; Praise him — for his won - der - ful
2. lyre and harps; Praise him — with the tim - brel and
3. crash, give praise; O let — ev - 'ry - thing that has
4. lov - ed Son; Give praise to the Spir - it of

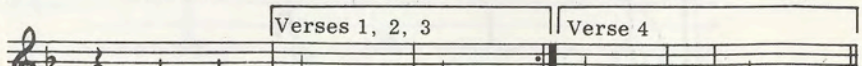


1. deeds; praise him — for his sov - 'reign maj - es - ty.
2. dance; praise him — with the sound of string and reed.
3. breath, let all — liv - ing crea - tures praise the Lord.
4. Love; for - ev - er the tri - une God be praised.

People



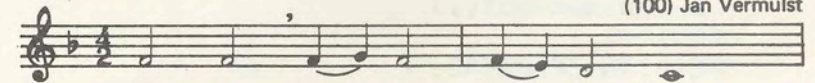
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al - le - lu - ia. lu - ia.

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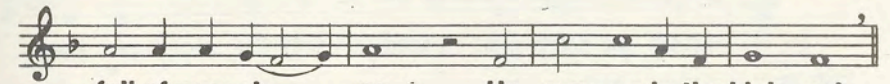
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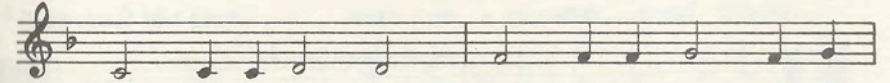
Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord,



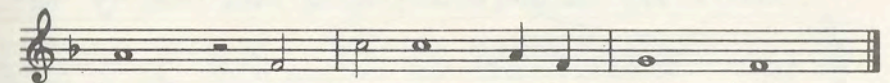
God of pow - er and might, heav - en and earth are —



full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.



Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the



Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

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EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER:

Acclamation: ..... Eugene Emlert

ALL: "WHEN WE EAT THIS BREAD AND DRINK  
THIS CUP WE PROCLAIM YOUR DEATH  
LORD JESUS UNTIL YOU COME IN GLORY."

Great Amen: (sung by all)

LORD'S PRAYER



GREETING OF PEACE:

(Concelebrants extend this greeting to the assembly.)

BREAKING OF BREAD:

LAMB OF GOD

(111) Jan Vermulst

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the world: have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the world: have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the world: grant us peace.

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COMMUNION:

(Will be distributed under both forms.)

Come, Lord of Life

Words and Music by Jack Miffleton

1. Come, Lord of life who fa - thers us; \_\_\_\_\_  
 2. Come, fresh and new - born in your Son; \_\_\_\_\_  
 3. Come, bright and burn - ing in your fire; \_\_\_\_\_

1. come, save your peo - ple and take us home. \_\_\_\_\_  
 2. come, reach - ing for us with hu - man hands. \_\_\_\_\_  
 3. come, mak - ing all things new a - gain. \_\_\_\_\_

1. We are like dead men with hol - low hearts, \_\_\_\_\_  
 2. We are like chil - dren in Bab - y - lon, \_\_\_\_\_  
 3. We are like win - ter, cold and cruel, \_\_\_\_\_

1. wait - ing for the breath of the Lord. \_\_\_\_\_  
 2. wait - ing for the day of the Lord. \_\_\_\_\_  
 3. wait - ing for the warmth of the Lord. \_\_\_\_\_

REFRAIN

Come, Lord, be with your peo - ple. \_\_\_\_\_ We are like

dry lands thirst - ing. \_\_\_\_\_ Come, Lord, be with your

peo - ple. \_\_\_\_\_ Come with your light heal - ing rain. \_\_\_\_\_

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# Gift of Finest Wheat

Official Hymn of the Eucharistic Congress, 1976

Omer Westendorf  
REFRAIN

Robert E. Kreutz

You sat - is - fy the hun - gry heart — With  
gift of fin - est wheat; Come, give to us, O —  
sav - ing Lord, The bread of life to eat. —

## VERSES

1. As when the shep - herd calls his sheep, They  
2. With joy - ful lips we sing to you Our  
3. Is not the cup we bless and share The  
4. The mys - t'ry of your pres - ence, Lord, No  
5. You give your-self to us, O Lord; Then

1. know and heed his voice; So when you call your  
2. praise and grat - i - tude, That you should count us  
3. blood of Christ out - poured? Do not one cup, one  
4. mor - tal tongue can tell: Whom all the world can  
5. self - less let us be, To serve each oth - er

Repeat Refrain

1. fam - 'ly, Lord, We fol - low and re - joice.  
2. wor - thy, Lord, To share this heav'n - ly food.  
3. loaf, de - clare Our one - ness in the Lord?  
4. not con - tain Comes in our hearts to dwell.  
5. in your name In truth and char - i - ty.

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## COMMUNION MEDITATION:

Choir: "Thanks Be to Thee" ... George F. Handel

## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

## SOLEMN BLESSING

## DISMISSAL

## CLOSING SONG

# Praise the Lord, O Heavens

Based on Psalm 148

Verses 1,2: Foundling Hospital Collection, c. 1801, alt.

Verses 3: Edward Osler, 1836

Rowland Hugh Prichard, 1855

1. Praise the Lord, O heav'ns, a - dore him; Praise him,  
2. Praise the Lord, for he is glo - rious, Nev - er  
3. Wor - ship, hon - or, glo - ry, bless - ing, Lord, we

1. an - gels in the height; Sun and moon, re - joice be -  
2. shall his prom - ise fail; God has made his saints vic -  
3. of - fer un - to thee; Young and old, thy praise ex -

1. fore him; Praise him, all ye stars of light.  
2. to - rious, Sin and death shall not pre - vail.  
3. press - ing, In glad hom - age bend the knee.

1. Praise the Lord, for he has spo - ken; Worlds his  
2. Praise the God of our sal - va - tion; Hosts on  
3. All the saints in heav'n a - dore thee, We would

1. might - y voice o - beyed; Laws, which nev - er  
2. high, his power pro - claim; Heav'n and earth and  
3. bow be - fore thy throne; As thine an - gels

## FINALE: Choir

"Bless Thou the Lord" ..... George F. Handel

EVERYONE IS INVITED TO PROCEED TO THE RECEPTION  
IN THE AUDITORIUM.



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