

FIRST READING: Read by Tessa Flanagan

A reading from the book of Genesis 1:26-28.31

Male and female he created them

God said: “Let us make man in our own image, in the likeness of ourselves, and let them be masters of the fish of the sea, the birds of heaven, the cattle, all the wild beasts and all the reptiles that crawl upon the earth.”

God created man in the image of himself; in the image of God he created him; male and female he created them.

God blessed them, saying: “Be fruitful, multiply; fill the earth and conquer it. Be masters of the fish of the sea, the birds of heaven and all living animals on the earth.”

God saw all he had made, and indeed it was very good.

The word of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Read by Oliver Church

Responsorial Psalm

Reader: The response to the psalm is, "How good is the Lord to all"

All: How good is the Lord to all

The Lord is kind and full of compassion,

Slow to anger, abounding in love.

How good is the Lord to all,

Compassionate to all his creatures.

All: How good is the Lord to all

All your creatures shall thank you, O Lord,

And your friends shall repeat their blessing.

The eyes of all creatures look to you

And you give them their food in due time.

All: How good is the Lord to all

The Lord is just in all his ways,

and loving in all his deeds.

He is close to all who call him,

who call on him from their hearts

All: How good is the Lord to all

SECOND READING: Read by Anthony Dent

A Reading from the first letter of St. Paul to the Corinthians 12: 31- 13:8

If I am without love, it will do me no good whatever.

Be ambitious for the higher gifts. And I am going to show you a way that is better than any of them.

If I have all the eloquence of men or of angels, but speak without love, I am simply a gong booming or a cymbal clashing.

If I have the gift of prophecy, understanding all the mysteries there are, and knowing everything, and if I have faith in all its fullness, to move mountains, but without love, then I am nothing at all.

If I give away all that I possess, piece by piece, and if I even let them take my body to burn it, but am without love, it will do me no good whatever.

Love is always patient and kind; it is never jealous; love is never boastful or conceited; it is never rude or selfish; it does not take offence, and is not resentful.

Love takes no pleasure in other people's sins but delights in the truth: it is always ready to excuse, to trust, to hope, and to endure whatever comes.

Love does not come to an end.

The word of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God

Reader: Please stand to greet the Gospel and say together the Gospel

Acclamation

All: Alleluia, alleluia.

As long as we love one another, God will live in us,

And his love will be complete in us. Alleluia

GOSPEL

Priest: The Lord be with you

All: And with your spirit

Priest : A reading from the Holy Gospel according to John 15:9-12

All: Glory to you, O Lord

Remain in my love

Jesus said to his disciples: "As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you.

Remain in my love.

If you keep my commandments you will remain in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and remain in his love.

I have told you this so that my own joy may be in you and your joy be complete.

This is my commandment: love one another as I loved you".

The Gospel of the Lord

All: Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ

Homily

The Celebration of Marriage

BIDDING PRAYERS: Read by Mary Pearston

May the grace given to Harry and Ceri in this Sacrament of Matrimony be always active in them. May it inspire them when life seems dull and strengthen them in times of trial. May it give them understanding in moments of tension.

Lord hear us

All: Lord graciously hear us

By this marriage, our two families have been united. May all of us, and particularly the parents of Harry and Ceri, increase in affection for one another, and find in one another, a source of help and strength.

Lord hear us

All: Lord graciously hear us

May the love of Harry and Ceri grow large enough to embrace the children God may send them. May they in turn, bring ever greater happiness to their parents.

Lord hear us

All: Lord graciously hear us

We pray for all friends of Harry and Ceri. We pray especially for those who have had some part in bringing them to this happy day. May God bless them with the gift of his own undying friendship.

Lord hear us

All: Lord graciously hear us

We pray for those of our dear ones: Eamonn Flanagan, Kathleen Flanagan, Meurig Lewis, Bronwen Lewis and Susan Lewis who have departed this life. May God give them eternal rest.

Lord hear us

All: Lord graciously hear us

Let us commend ourselves and all God's people living and dead to Mary,
Mother of God and wife of Joseph the carpenter

All: Hail, Mary, Full of Grace. The lord is with thee. Blessed art thou amongst
women and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus. Holy Mary, Mother of
God, pray for us sinners, now and at the hour of our death. Amen

Let us add our own prayers in silence

Priest: Listen, O Lord, to the prayers we offer for Harry and Ceri. May their
love for one another be a never-failing reminder of your own love for us all.
We ask this through Christ Our Lord. Amen

Second Hymn

How Great Thou Art

O Lord my God, when I in awesome wonder
Consider all the worlds thy hand hath made,
I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder,
Thy power throughout the universe displayed.

(Refrain): Then sings my soul, my Saviour God to thee:
How great thou art, how great thou art.
Then sings my soul, my Saviour God to thee:
How great thou art, how great thou art.

When through the woods and forest glades I wander
And hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees,
When I lookdown from lofty mountain grandeur
And hear the brook and feel the gentle breeze: *(Refrain)*

And when I think that God, his Son not sparing,
Sent him to die, I scarce can take it in
That on the cross, my burden gladly bearing
He bled and died to take away my sin. *(Refrain)*

When Christ shall come with shout of acclamation
And take me home, what joy shall fill my heart;
Then I shall bow in humble adoration,
And there proclaim; my God, how great thou art. *(Refrain)*

LORD'S PRAYER:

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.
Amen

Nuptial Blessing & Final Blessing

Final Hymn

I, the Lord of Sea and Sky

I, the Lord of sea and sky,
I have heard my people cry.
All who dwell in dark and sin,
My hand will save.

I who made the stars of night,
I will make their darkness bright.
Who will bear My light to them?
Whom shall I send?

(Refrain) Here I am Lord, Is it I Lord?
I have heard You calling in the night.
I will go Lord, if You lead me.
I will hold Your people in my heart.

I, the Lord of snow and rain,
I have born my people's pain.
I have wept for love of them,
They turn away.