

## **First reading - Angela Des-Rosiers**

A reading from the book of the Apocalypse (19:1. 5-9)

I, John, seemed to hear the great sound of a huge crowd in heaven, singing, 'Alleluia! Victory and glory and power to our God'. Then, a voice came from the throne; it said, 'Praise our God, you servants of his and all who, great or small, revere him'. And I seemed to hear the voices of a huge crowd, like the sound of the ocean, or the great roar of thunder, answering 'Alleluia! The reign of the Lord our God Almighty has begun; let us be glad and joyful and give praise to God, because this is the time for the marriage of the Lamb. His bride is ready, and she has been able to dress herself in dazzling white linen, because her linen is made of the good deeds of the saints'. The angel said 'Write this: Happy are those who are invited to the wedding feast of the Lamb'.

This is the word of the Lord.

Responsorial psalm (ps148: 1-4. 9-14. Rv.12)

Response: Alleluia!

## **Second reading - Shirley Matthew**

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Corinthians  
(12:31-13:8)

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.

This is the word of the Lord.

### **Gospel Acclamation (I Jn 4:16)**

Alleluia, alleluia! Anyone who lives in love

Lives in God, And God lives in him. Alleluia!

### **Gospel - A Reading from the holy Gospel according to John (15:9-12)**

Jesus said to his disciples: 'As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you. Remain in my love. If you keep 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 commandments: Love one another, as I have loved you.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

The Homily

The Marriage Rite; vows, blessing and exchange of rings

### **The Prayer of the Faithful - Bidding Prayers - Marie Mahony**

The Liturgy of the Eucharist

Offertory

## **Offertory Hymn - Morning has broken**

Morning has broken like the first morning,  
Blackbird has spoken like the first bird.  
Praise for the singing! Praise for the morning!  
Praise for them, springing fresh from the Word!

Sweet the rain's new fall, sunlit from Heaven,  
Like the first dewfall on the first grass.  
Praise for the sweetness of the wet garden,  
Sprung in completeness where His feet pass.

Mine is the sunlight! Mine is the morning,  
Born of the one light, Eden saw play!  
Praise with elation, praise every morning,  
God's recreation of the new day!

Eucharistic Prayer

The Communion Rite

The Nuptial Blessing

Receive Communion / Blessing

## **Communion Hymn 1 - Here I am Lord**

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 have 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**

**It is 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 borne my people's pain.

I have wept for love of them.

They turn away.

I will break their hearts of stone,

Give them hearts for love alone.

I will speak my word to them.

Whom shall I send? : [Refrain]

### **Communion Hymn 2 - Shine Jesus Shine**

Lord, the light of your love is shining

In the midst of the darkness, shining

Jesus, Light of the world, shine upon us

Set us free by the truth you now bring us :

[Refrain]:

**Shine on me, Shine on me.**

**Shine Jesus Shine, fill this land with the Father's glory**

**Blaze, Spirit, Blaze, set our hearts on fire**

**Flow, river, flow, flood the nations with grace and mercy**

**Send forth your word, Lord and let there be light**

As we gaze on your kingly brightness

So our faces display your likeness

Ever-changing from glory to glory

Mirrored here, may our lives tell your story [Refrain]