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# Nativity Catholic Church

## Celebration of the Eucharist

5pm, August 1, 2026

### ✠ Introductory Rites ✠

#### Prelude

#### *Shall We Gather at the River*

HANSON PLACE



- Verses
1. Shall we gath - er at the riv - er, Where bright an - gel feet have
  2. On the mar - gin of the riv - er, Wash - ing up its sil - ver
  3. Ere we reach the shin - ing riv - er, Lay we ev - 'ry bur - den
  4. Soon we'll reach the shin - ing riv - er, Soon our pil - grim - age will



1. trod, With its crys - tal tide for - ev - er, Flow - ing
2. spray, We will walk and wor - ship ev - er, All the
3. down; Grace our spir - its will de - liv - er, And pro -
4. cease; Soon our hap - py hearts will quiv - er With the



#### Refrain

1. by the throne of God? Yes, we'll gath - er at the riv - er, The
2. hap - py gold - en day.
3. vide a robe and crown.
4. mel - o - dy of peace.



beau - ti - ful, the beau - ti - ful riv - er, Gath - er with the



saints at the riv - er That flows by the throne of God.

Text: 87 87 with refrain; Revelation 22:1-5. Music: Robert Lowry, 1826-1899.

#### Processional Hymn

#### *Table of Plenty*

Schutte

#### Refrain



Come to the feast of heav - en and earth! Come to the ta -



- ble of plen - ty! God will pro - vide for all that we



need, here at the ta - ble of plen - ty.



- Verses
1. O come and sit at my ta - ble where saints and
  2. O come and eat with - out mon - ey; ☩ come to
  3. My bread will ev - er sus - tain you through days of
  4. Your fields will flow - er in full - ness; your homes will



1. sin - ners are friends. I wait to wel - come the lost and
2. drink with - out price. My feast of glad - ness will feed your
3. sor - row and woe. My wine will flow like a sea of
4. flour - ish in peace. For I, the giv - er of home and



#### to Refrain

1. lone - ly to share the cup of my love.
2. spir - it with faith and full - ness of life.
3. glad - ness to flood the depths of your soul.
4. har - vest, will send my rain on the soil.

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#### Penitential Rite

Gloria

*Mass of Renewal*

Stephan

Collect

### ✠ Liturgy of the Word ✠

#### First Reading

Isaiah 55:1-3

Thus says the LORD: All you who are thirsty, come to the water! You who have no money, come, receive grain and eat; Come, without paying and without cost, drink wine and milk! Why spend your money for what is not bread; your wages for what fails to satisfy? Heed me, and you shall eat well, you shall delight in rich fare. Come to me heedfully, listen, that you may have life. I will renew with you the everlasting covenant, the benefits assured to David.

#### Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 145:8-9, 15-16, 17-18



R. The hand of the Lord feeds us; he an - swers all our needs.

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#### Second Reading

Romans 8:35, 37-39

Brothers and sisters: What will separate us from the love of Christ? Will anguish, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or the sword? No, in all these things we conquer overwhelmingly through him who loved us. For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor

present things, nor future things, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor any other creature will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Gospel Acclamation

Matthew 4:4b



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*One does not live on bread alone,  
but on every word that comes forth from the mouth of God.*

Gospel

Matthew 14:13-21

When Jesus heard of the death of John the Baptist, he withdrew in a boat to a deserted place by himself. The crowds heard of this and followed him on foot from their towns. When he disembarked and saw the vast crowd, his heart was moved with pity for them, and he cured their sick. When it was evening, the disciples approached him and said, "This is a deserted place and it is already late; dismiss the crowds so that they can go to the villages and buy food for themselves." Jesus said to them, "There is no need for them to go away; give them some food yourselves." But they said to him, "Five loaves and two fish are all we have here." Then he said, "Bring them here to me," and he ordered the crowds to sit down on the grass. Taking the five loaves and the two fish, and looking up to heaven, he said the blessing, broke the loaves, and gave them to the disciples, who in turn gave them to the crowds. They all ate and were satisfied, and they picked up the fragments left over—twelve wicker baskets full. Those who ate were about five thousand men, not counting women and children.

Homily

Profession of Faith

Universal Prayer

## ✠ Liturgy of the Eucharist ✠

Preparation of the Gifts

*Psalm 42: As the Deer Longs*

OWALY WALY



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Prayer over the Offerings

The Eucharistic Prayer

*Holy*

*Mass of Renewal*

Stephan

*We Proclaim Your Death*

*Mass of Renewal*

Stephan

*Amen*

*Mass of Renewal*

Stephan

Communion Rite

*The Lord's Prayer*

*The Sign of Peace*

*The Breaking of the Bread*

*Lamb of God*

*Mass of Renewal*

Stephan

Prayer of Spiritual Communion

**My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.**

Music during the Communion Procession

*I Am the Bread of Life*

Talbot

**Refrain:** I am the Bread of Life. All who eat this Bread will never die. I am God's love revealed. I am broken that you might be healed.

All who eat of this heavenly Bread,  
All who drink this cup of the covenant,  
You will live forever for I will raise you up.

*Refrain*

No one who comes to Me shall ever hunger again.

No one who believes shall ever thirst.

All that the Father draws shall come to Me, and I will give them rest.

*Refrain*

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# Meditation

## Christ Before Us

SUO GÂN



1. Christ be - fore us, Christ be - side us, Christ to guide us
2. May we be for one an - oth - er all that you would
3. God be - fore us through the a - ges; Christ be - side us
4. O Re - deem - er, fill your ser - vants with your words of



1. all our days. He to car - ry all our sor - rows, he to
2. have us be. May we live your law of kind - ness, love, com -
3. here to - day. Spir - it, lead us forth for - ev - er; guide and
4. last - ing life. Give to those with hands of heal - ing love trans -



1. bear us per - fect grace. Je - sus, Sav - ior, Friend and Broth - er,
2. pas - sion, char - i - ty. May we climb your ho - ly moun - tain;
3. help us all our days. Christ the Sav - ior, God the Liv - ing,
4. cend - ing pain and strife. Make us lov - ing sons and daugh - ters;

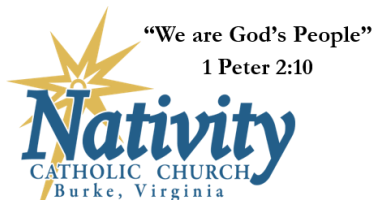


1. In - ter - ces - sor, Son of God, save your peo - ple
2. may we see your ho - ly face! Vis - it now this
3. Great Cre - a - tor, Spir - it blest! Ho - ly Three - in -
4. make us ho - ly, kind and true, sent to la - bor



1. in your dy - ing, and in ris - ing, con - quer death.
2. hum - ble dwell - ing; dwell with - in this ho - ly place.
3. One Im - mor - tal, come and be our wel - come guest.
4. for your King - dom— rest - less till we rest in you.

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# Prayer After Communion

## Concluding Rites

## Final Blessing and Dismissal Recessional Hymn

### Though the Mountains May Fall

Schutte



Though the moun - tains may fall and the hills turn to dust,



yet the love of the Lord will stand



as a shel - ter for all who will call on his name.



Sing the praise and the glo - ry of God.



1. Could the Lord ev - er leave you? Could the Lord for -
2. Should you turn and for - sake him, he will gen - tly
3. Go to him when you're wea - ry; he will give you
4. As he swore to your fa - thers, when the flood de -



1. get his love? Though a moth - er for -
2. call your name. Should you wan - der a -
3. ea - gle's wings. You will run, nev - er
4. stroyed the land, he will nev - er for -



1. sake her child, he will not a - ban - don you.
2. way from him, he will al - ways take you back.
3. tire, for your God will be your strength.
4. sake you; he will swear to you a - gain.

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