

Lyrics for September 12, 2021

24th Sunday in Ordinary Time – September 12, 2021

Saint Agnes Church – N. Huntingdon, PA

Pastor – Msgr. Paul Fitzmaurice

✚ VOCATION PRAYER

O Jesus, we believe you are truly present in the Sacrament of the Eucharist. We beg you to send your graces to inspire the young men and women of Saint Agnes so that God becomes so real to them that he lives within their hearts. We pray that you will touch their souls, and enlighten them to the true purpose of life on this earth. We especially ask that you call our men to the fulfilling life of the priesthood and permanent diaconate so that our Church may live on. O Mother Mary, please present our prayers to your Son. AMEN

♪ Gathering – LORD OF NATIONS, GOD ETERNAL

1. Lord of nations, God eternal, Lift we songs of praise to thee,
For our nation strong and mighty; May thy blessings ever be
On our land, a land of beauty, Land of freedom, land we love;
Fields and valleys, plains and mountains, Spreading 'neath blue skies above.

2. Make our nation strong in justice, that the people still shall know
Freedom from all fear and danger from within, from outward foe.
O renew us in true valor, That like founders of this land,
We may stand for right and honor, seeking guidance by your hand.

3. (4) Fill our hearts with hope and courage; Let us sing the songs of peace,
As in harmony we labor that true justice may increase.
Give us hearts that know compassion, helping others on their way;
Till the world shall live in freedom, and accept your sovereign sway.

Text: from *New Hymns for America*, 1976 by H. Glen Lanier, 1924-1978

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♪ Responsorial Psalm 116

I will walk before the Lord, I will walk before the Lord, in the land of the living.

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✚ NICENE CREED: I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible. I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven, and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day 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.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Presentation of Gifts - TAKE UP YOUR CROSS –

Refrain...

Take up your cross, take up your cross,
Take up your cross and follow me. (2x)

V1. Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself;
Whoever wishes to come after me must take up his cross,
And follow me. **Refrain....**

V2. Whoever wishes to save his life will lose it,
Whoever loses his life for my sake will find it. **Refrain....**

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THIS IS THE BODY OF CHRIST...

Broken that we may be whole; this cup, as promised by God,
True to his word, cradles our Lord: food for the good of the soul.

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Communion – UBI CARITAS Refrain....

Ubi caritas est vera, est vera: Deus ibi est, Deus ibi est.

(Where there is true charity, God is present.)

Text: Refrain and vss 1,2 5 bases on Ubi Caritas, 9th C; vss 3,4 Bob Hurd

Tune: Bob Hurd, b.1950; acc by Craig K. Kingsbury, b.1952

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Meditation - IN EVERY AGE

V1. Long before the mountains came to be and the land and
Sea and stars of the night, through the endless seasons of all time,
You have always been, you will always be. **Refrain....**

Ref: In every age, O God, you have been our refuge,
In every age, O God, you have been our hope.

2. Destiny is cast, and at your silent word we return to dust
and scatter to the wind. A thousand years are like a single
moment gone, As the light that fades at the end of day. **Refrain....**

3. Teach us to make use of the time we have. Teach us to be patient
even as we wait. Teach us to embrace our every joy and pain, to sleep
peacefully, and to rise up strong. **Refrain...**

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SAINT MICHAEL PRAYER (said after Blessing): Saint Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle. Be our defense against the wickedness and snares of the devil; May God rebuke him, we humbly pray. And do thou, O Prince of the Heavenly Host, by the power of God, thrust into hell Satan and the other evil spirits who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.

♪ Sending Forth – FOR THE HEALING OF THE NATIONS

V1. For the healing of the nations, Lord we pray with one accord;
For a just and equal sharing of the things that earth affords.
To a life of love in action help us rise and pledge our word.

V2. Lead your people into freedom, From despair your world release
That, redeemed from war and hatred, All may come and go in peace.
Show us how, through care and goodness, Fear will die and hope increase.

4. You, creator God, have written your great name on humankind;
For our growing in your likeness, Bring the life of Christ to mind,
That by our response and service Earth its destiny may find.

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Tune: LAUDA ANIMA, 878787: John Goss, 1800-1880