

Solemn High Mass

THE 12TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
August 16, 2026 11 a.m.



Welcome to Atonement. We hope you will participate fully in today's service, as you feel comfortable. Customary times to stand, kneel, and sit are indicated by italic type. Words spoken by the people are indicated by bold type. Hymns can be found by number in the blue hymnal in the pewbacks.

*The Mass setting is "Missa de Sancta Maria Magdalena"
by Healey Willan (1880–1968)*

THE VOLUNTARY

*Suite du Premier Ton
Plein jeu, Basse de Trompette, Duo, Terce en Taille*

Pierre Du Mage (1674–1751)

THE ENTRANCE RITE

When the bell rings, please stand, as able.

THE OPENING HYMN • 544

Jesus shall reign where'er the sun

Duke Street

THE OPENING ACCLAMATION

Celebrant

Bless - ed be God: Father, Son, and Ho - ly Spi - rit.

People

And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ev - er. A - men.

THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

THE KYRIE • S-91

Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Lord, have mer - cy up -
on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -
on us. Christ, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -
on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.
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THE GLORIA • S-202

1. Glo - ry be to God on high, and on earth peace,
good will towards men. 2. We praise thee, we bless thee,
we wor - ship thee, we glo - ri - fy thee, we give
thanks to thee for thy great glo - ry, 3. O Lord God, heaven - ly
King, God the Fa - ther Al - might - y.
4. O Lord, the on - ly be - got - ten Son, Je - sus Christ;

5. O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Fa-ther, that
ta - kest a - way the sins of the world, have mer - cy up -
on us. 6. Thou that ta - kest a - way the sins of the
world, re - ceive our prayer. 7. Thou that sit - test at the
right hand of God the Fa-ther, have mer - cy up - on us.
8. For thou on - ly art ho - ly; thou on - ly art the Lord; 9. thou
on - ly, O Christ, with the Ho - ly Ghost, art most
high in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther.____
A - - - - - men.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

Almighty God, you have given your only Son to be for us a sacrifice for sin, and also an example of godly life: Give us grace to receive thankfully the fruits of his redeeming work, and to follow daily in the blessed steps of his most holy life; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

THE WORD OF GOD

The People sit for the readings from scripture.

THE FIRST READING

Isaiah 56:1,6–8

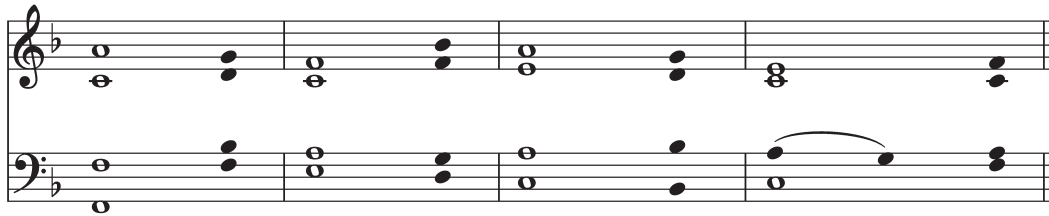
Thus says the Lord: Maintain justice, and do what is right, for soon my salvation will come, and my deliverance be revealed. And the foreigners who join themselves to the Lord, to minister to him, to love the name of the Lord, and to be his servants, all who keep the sabbath, and do not profane it, and hold fast my covenant—these I will bring to my holy mountain, and make them joyful in my house of prayer; their burnt offerings and their sacrifices will be accepted on my altar; for my house shall be called a house of prayer for all peoples. Thus says the Lord God, who gathers the outcasts of Israel, I will gather others to them besides those already gathered.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

THE PSALM • 67

Deus misereatur



May God be merciful to us and bless us, *
show us the light of his countenance and come to us.
Let your ways be known upon earth, *
your saving health among all nations.
Let the peoples praise you, O God; *
let all the peoples praise you.
Let the nations be glad and sing for joy, *
for you judge the peoples with equity
and guide all the nations upon earth.
Let the peoples praise you, O God; *
let all the peoples praise you.
The earth has brought forth her in-crease; *
may God, our own God, give us his blessing.

2nd part

May God give us his blessing, *
and may all the ends of the earth stand in awe of him.

THE SECOND READING

Romans 11:1–2a, 29–32

I ask, then, has God rejected his people? By no means! I myself am an Israelite, a descendant of Abraham, a member of the tribe of Benjamin. God has not rejected his people whom he foreknew.

For the gifts and the calling of God are irrevocable. Just as you were once disobedient to God but have now received mercy because of their disobedience, so they have now been disobedient in order that, by the mercy shown to you, they too may now receive mercy. For God has imprisoned all in disobedience so that he may be merciful to all.

The Word of the Lord.

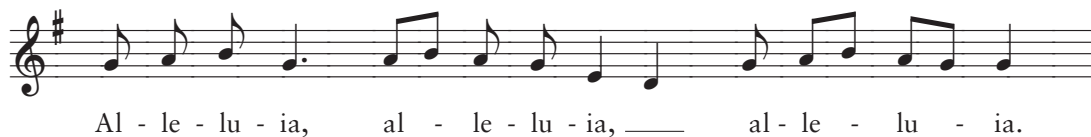
Thanks be to God.

Please stand, as able.

THE HOLY GOSPEL

Matthew 15:21–28

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.



The People are invited to bow as the Gospel Book passes.

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus left that place and went away to the district of Tyre and Sidon. Just then a Canaanite woman from that region came out and started shouting, “Have mercy on me, Lord, Son of David; my daughter is tormented by a demon.” But he did not answer her at all. And his disciples came and urged him, saying, “Send her away, for she keeps shouting after us.” He answered, “I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel.” But she came and knelt before him, saying, “Lord, help me.” He answered, “It is not fair to take the children’s food and throw it to the dogs.” She said, “Yes, Lord, yet even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their masters’ table.” Then Jesus answered her, “Woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish.” And her daughter was healed instantly.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

THE SERMON

Br. Ron Fox, BSG

Please stand, as able.

THE NICENE CREED

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, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again 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.

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.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

The People respond to each intercession, saying

Hear our prayer.

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

THE CONFESSION

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

The People kneel, as able.

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

THE ABSOLUTION

Almighty God, have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

THE PEACE

Celebrant



The peace of the Lord be al - ways with you.

People



And al - so with you.

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

If this is your first time here, we would love to get to know you. Please fill out a Welcome Card and place it in the offering basket or hand it to the priest or an usher after the service.

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THE HOLY COMMUNION

THE OFFERTORY SENTENCE

Please stand, as able.

THE OFFERTORY HYMN

I cannot tell

1. I can - not tell why He, whom an - gels wor - ship,
2. I can - not tell how si - lent - ly He suf - fered,
3. I can - not tell when He will win the na - tions,
4. I can - not tell how all the lands shall wor - ship,

should set His love up - on the sons of men, or why, as
as with His peace He graced this place of tears, or how His
when He will claim His her - i - tage of earth, or sat - is -
when at His bid - ding eve - ry storm is stilled, or who can

Shep - herd, He should seek the wan - d'ers to bring them back,
heart up - on the cross was bro - ken, the crown of pain
fy the cries and crush - ing sor - rows of east and west,
say how great the ju - bi - la - tion when eve - ry heart



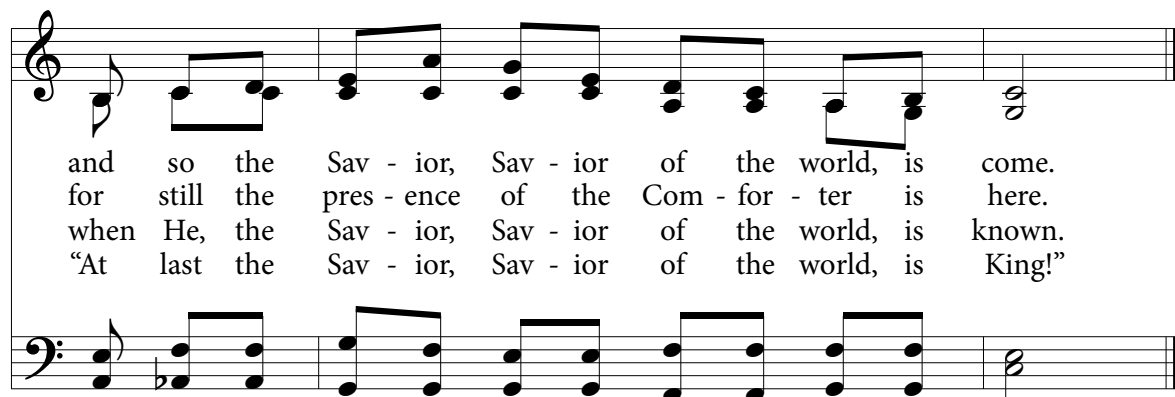
they know not how or when. But this I know, that He was born of
 to three and thir - ty years. But this I know: He heals the bro - ken -
 of those who have new birth. But this I know: all flesh shall see His
 with love and joy is filled. But this I know: the skies will thrill with



Mar - y when Bethl'hem's man - ger was His on - ly home,
 heart - ed and stays our sin, and calms our faith-less fear,
 glo - ry, and He shall reap the har-vest He has sown,
 rap - ture, and myr - iad ran - somed sons and daught-ers sing,



and that He lived at Naz - a - reth and la - bored,
 and lifts the bur - den from the heav - y - lad - en;
 and some glad day His light will shine in splen - dor
 and earth to heav'n, and heav'n to earth, will an - swer,



and so the Sav - ior, Sav - ior of the world, is come.
 for still the pres - ence of the Com - for - ter is here.
 when He, the Sav - ior, Sav - ior of the world, is known.
 "At last the Sav - ior, Sav - ior of the world, is King!"

Celebrant *People*
The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

Celebrant *People*
Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and every where to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

The Celebrant offers a Proper Preface, before continuing

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

THE SANCTUS AND BENEDICTUS • S-114

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, Lord God of

Hosts: Hea - ven and earth are full of thy glo - ry. Glo -

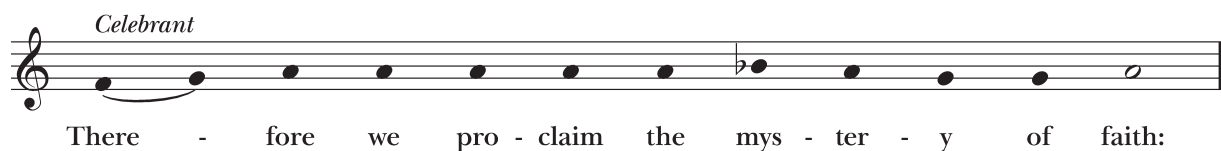
- ry be to thee, O Lord Most High. Bless - ed is he that com - eth

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

Please kneel or stand, as able, as the Celebrant continues the prayer.

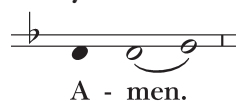
Holy and gracious Father: ...

...Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me.”



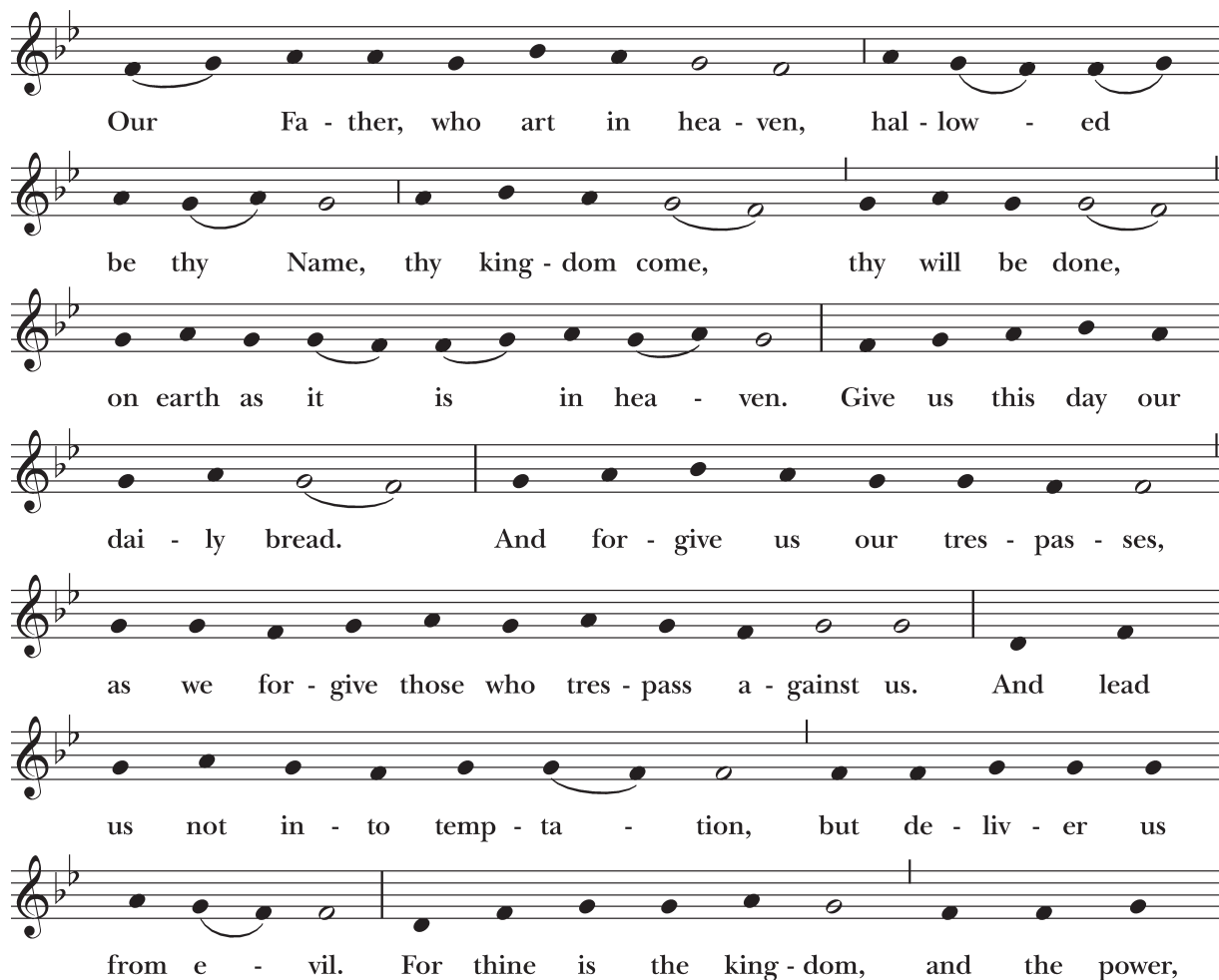
We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father...

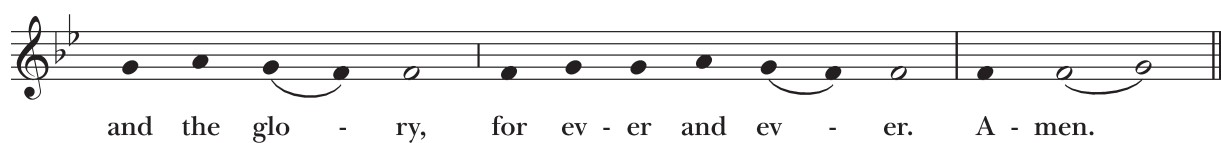
All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever.



THE LORD'S PRAYER

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,





The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.

THE AGNUS DEI • S-158

O Lamb of God, that ta - kest a - way the sins of the world, have mer - cy up - on us. O Lamb of God, that ta - kest a - way the sins of the world, have mer - cy up - on us. O Lamb of God, that ta - kest a - way the sins of the world, grant us thy peace.

THE INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Behold the Lamb of God; behold him who takes away the sins of the world.
 Blessed are those who are called to the supper of the Lamb.
**Lord, I am not worthy that you should come under my roof,
 but speak the word only and my soul shall be healed.**

Everyone is welcome to come forward at this time. All baptized Christians are invited to receive Communion in both bread and wine. Please do not dip your bread in the wine. Gluten-free bread is available; please notify the priest as they come to you.

If you are not baptized, or if you prefer, you may receive a blessing from the priest instead: cross your arms over your chest to indicate this. If you do not wish to receive wine, cross your arms over your chest after receiving the bread. Please remain in place until the person next to you has received Communion.

THE COMMUNION HYMN • 317

This is the hour of banquet and of song

Morestead

THE COMMISSION OF EUCHARISTIC VISITORS

From time to time, a Eucharistic Visitor is sent forth with the Body of Christ to those unable to be present with us on Sundays.

N., in the name of Christ, we send you forth bearing these holy gifts, that those to whom you go may share with us in the communion of Christ's body.

We, who are many are one body, because we all share in one bread.

Please kneel or stand, as able.

THE POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

Let us pray.

Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

THE BLESSING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

The Celebrant offers God's blessing on the congregation, to which the People respond

Amen.

Please stand, as able.

THE DISMISSAL

The Deacon, or Celebrant, dismisses the People, to which they respond

Thanks be to God.

The People are invited to bow as the processional cross passes.

THE CLOSING HYMN • 51

We the Lord's people, heart and voice uniting

Decatur Place

THE VOLUNTARY

Marche Episcopale

David Briggs (b.1962)

*The voluntary is an offering of worship, not a performance. In lieu of applause,
please consider thanking the organist at coffee hour or by email.*

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*Please join us for coffee and refreshments after the service in Montgomery Hall,
through the double doors on the right side of the church.*

Today's coffee hour is sponsored by the Young Adults Group.

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Today's Ministers. *Celebrant:* The Rev'd Charles Everson; *Deacon:* The Rev'd Charles Farrell; *Subdeacon:* Br. Will White, CMJ; *Preacher:* Br. Ron Fox, BSG; *Organist:* Charlie Sega; *Lectors:* Mary Devlin, Hugh Smart; *Intercessor:* Evie Aadland Coe

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Blessing of the backpacks. All children and youth of the parish are invited to bring their backpacks to church on Sun., Aug. 23 at the 9:00 and 11:00 masses for a special blessing. Along with your backpacks, bring your hopes and dreams for the upcoming school year. We'll ask for God's protection and blessing on your backpacks and on you. Hope to see you there.

Dinners for 8 launch in September. Dinners for 8 is an Atonement ministry which brings us together for conversation, fellowship and a communal meal shared in our own homes.

We organize participants into diverse groups (age, singles, marrieds, families) which meet for about three months starting soon after Labor Day. These dinner groups are flexible and casual, each organizing its own schedule, setting and menu. The agenda is to build our community and connections by getting to know one another, making new friends and strengthening old ones.

You can sign up online at tinyurl.com/dinners8-fall2026, or by reaching out to Sena Leikvold (senaleikvold@yahoo.com) or Monique Clark (moniquekclark03@gmail.com). To be included in the Fall, 2026 round of Dinners for 8, please sign up by Thu., Aug. 27.

Be a friend to a refugee youth. Help a student start the school year strong! Resettled refugee kids face unique hurdles. Often, they need to learn a new language and culture in addition to school subjects. Over 50 volunteers are needed by Sep.15. You'll help a refugee student grow in academic skills and confidence. Here are two ways to help:

- Visit a refugee youth in their home. You'll help with homework, English practice, and offer encouragement. Visits are coordinated with the student's parents. (1 hour weekly, 3 months)
- Volunteer at Kids Club. You'll help with learning activities, games, reading, and more at our Heidi's House center in Rogers Park. (1.5 hours weekly/bimonthly, 3 months)

Questions? Contact Bonnie Carson at bonnie.carson@exodusworldservice.org

Want to help with Coffee Hour? Who's bringing the goodies on Sep. 13? For the past several months, our guilds have spoiled us with delicious Coffee Hour treats. And we welcome all participation in the coffee hour. If you're not part of a guild, this is your chance to join the fun. We'd love your help providing finger food snacks for Coffee Hour on Sep.13 for either the 9:00 and/or 11:00 services. Examples of finger food include: savory (cheese, crackers, hummus, pita, cream cheese, bagels, chips, nuts, pretzels, snack mixes) or sweet (fruit such as grapes, apple slices and oranges, coffee cake, cookies, brownies, sweet rolls, donuts). Please, no fruit cups, casseroles, cobblers or pies which would require utensils.

Let us know what you'd like to bring, and choose which service you'll be attending at tinyurl.com/coffeehour-atonement. Or you can contact Charlaine Reynolds by email (charlaine.reynolds@gmail.com) or call (281) 804-5374.

Every contribution—homemade or store-bought—is appreciated. Thanks for helping keep this post-service fellowship for both visitors and parishioners a sweet (and savory) tradition.

Mark Your Calendars: Atonement Ministry Fair on Oct. 11. Whether you're looking for a new way to serve, hoping to learn more about the life of our parish, or simply curious about the many ways our members share their gifts, this is an event you won't want to miss.

Representatives from our many ministries will be available to answer questions, share information, and welcome anyone interested in getting involved. It's a wonderful opportunity to discover how God is working through our congregation and where your own gifts and passions might find a home.

Please save the date and plan to join us.

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Request a Mass Intention at atonementchicago.org/mass-intentions. We ask that intentions be submitted at least one week in advance. There is no charge or fee, but if you wish to leave a donation.

Restrooms are located in the Parish House, through the double doors on the right side of the church. There is a changing table in each restroom.

To find out more about our ministries, visit atonementchicago.org or contact any of the staff listed below.

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WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Sundays. Low Mass 8 a.m., Family Mass 9 a.m., Solemn High Mass 11 a.m.

Weekdays. Monday and Friday 7:30 a.m., Tuesday and Thursday 12 noon, Wednesday 7 p.m.

Saturdays. The Holy Rosary 9:30 a.m., Healing Mass 10 a.m.

Morning Prayer. Daily 8:30 a.m. *on Google Meet*

Evening Prayer. Tuesday 5:30 p.m. *on Google Meet*

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