

# Mary Magdalene Apostle Catholic Community

*“A new way to be Roman Catholic”*

*•Making Catholicism relevant •Restoring women’s  
ordination •Living the change we envision*



*I give you a new commandment: love one another.  
John 13:34*

**Worship Aid & Eucharistic Prayer  
Ordinary Time II**

## Opening Song

### Kyrie

Jesus, Gift of God’s Justice, we often fail to share our resources with those who are poor and those in need.

**[R] God, forgive us. Empower us to live the Gospel.**

Jesus, Gift of God’s Compassion, we often allow discrimination against others when we benefit from it.

**[R] God, forgive us. Empower us to live the Gospel.**

Jesus, Gift of God’s Peace, we often feed divisiveness when we should seek common ground with integrity.

**[R] God, forgive us. Empower us to live the Gospel.**

May God, who is Justice, Compassion, and Peace, forgive our failure to live the Gospel, and strengthen us to serve others with compassion and hope. *Amen.*

## Opening Prayer

### Blessing of the Children *[Sung]*

### First Reading

The Word of our God. **[R] Thanks be to God.**

### Psalm

### Second Reading

The Word of our God. **[R] Thanks be to God.**

*[Moment of Silence]*

### Gospel Acclamation *[Sung]*

### Gospel

God is with you. **[R] And also with you.**

A reading from the Gospel according to .....

**[R] Glory to You, O God.**

The Gospel of our God. **[R] Praise to you, Jesus the Christ.**

## Homily

*[Moment of Silence]*

### Profession of Faith

*(by Sister Joan Chittister, OSB; edited version)*

*We believe in God who made us all  
and whose divinity infuses life with the sacred.  
We believe in the multiple revelations of God,  
alive in every human heart, expressed in every culture,  
found in all the wisdoms of the world.*

*We believe in Jesus, the Christ,  
who leads us to the fullness of humanity,  
to what we are meant to become.  
Through Christ, we become new people,  
called beyond the consequences of our brokenness,  
lifted to the fullness of life.*

*We believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the breath of God on earth,  
who keeps the Christ vision present  
to souls yet in darkness,  
gives light to hearts now blind,  
infuses energy into spirits yet weary,  
isolated, searching and confused.  
We believe in God who is life.*

*Amen to courage, to hope, to spirit of truth, to nature,  
to happiness, to wholeness,  
to the partnership of women and men in God's plan,  
to the Christ who calls us  
beyond the boundaries of ourselves, to forgiveness,  
and to everything that stretches our hearts  
to the dimensions of God.  
In all of this, we can surely believe, as God does.*

### Prayer of the Faithful

## Presentation of the Gifts & Offertory Song

### Preparation of the Bread and Wine

Blessed are you, God of all creation. Through your goodness we have this bread to offer, which earth has given and human hands have made. It will become for us the bread of life.

**[R]** *Blessed be God forever.*

Blessed are you, God of all creation. Through your goodness we have this wine to offer, fruit of the vine and work of human hands. It will become our spiritual drink.

**[R]** *Blessed be God forever.*

Pray that our offering is one that God desires.

**[R]** *We gather in Your name, O God.  
Be with us in our midst.*

### Prayer Over the Gifts

### Eucharistic Prayer

God dwells in you.

**[R]** *And also in you.*

Come to the table with thankful hearts.

**[R]** *We open our hearts to God and to one another.*

### Presider

Creator God, Creator Spirit, Creator beyond all imagining, we thank You for the gift of reflective awareness that enables us to recognize Your presence in our universe.

### Voice 1

Everything we have, everything we see, everything we do, everyone we love and everyone who loves us, reveals Your sustaining presence. We thank You that Your presence brings energy to life and all that exists.

## **Voice 2**

We recognize that You express Yourself in human life and that – through us – You sing and dance, speak and write, love and create. In this we never cease to hope, and for this we always thank and praise You. We join with the saints of all times and places in praise of Your glory:

### **Sanctus** [Recited]

***Holy, holy, holy God, God of Spirit and Life.  
Heaven and earth are full of Your glory.  
Hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed are all who come in the name of God.  
Hosanna in the highest.***

## **Voice 3**

Conscious that we live and move and have our being in You, we give thanks for those throughout history who have affirmed Your loving presence and challenged Your people to give witness. They have witnessed to Your presence in lives characterized by love, mercy, compassion, generosity and forgiveness.

## **Voice 4**

We thank You for Jesus, who loved so greatly, taught so clearly, and proclaimed so courageously. He set people free from images, ideas and religious practices that bound them in fear and a false sense of separation from You. Through Jesus, we learn how we share in Your life when we love. In Jesus, we see Your Spirit challenge us to make Your presence on earth more visible.

## **Voice 5**

We thank You for Your spirit of life and love among us. We thank You for Your Spirit that frees us to discover Your presence within us and in our world. We are mindful of Your Spirit at work in our lives and our community, as we celebrate this Eucharist and the gift of Your love for all who seek You.

*[Please extend your hand, palm up, toward the bread and wine.]*

## **Presider**

And so, Steadfast One, we recognize Your Spirit alive and at work in this bread and wine, and in us. We open ourselves to Your Spirit who sanctifies and transforms these gifts to become You in us, the body and blood of Christ, as we now fulfill your command of love. We remember that...

## **All:**

***...on the night before Jesus died, while at supper with his friends, he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread and gave it to them saying: "Take this, all of you and eat. This is my body. Do this in memory of me."***

*[Pause]*

***In the same way, Jesus took the cup filled with wine. He said the blessing, gave the cup to his friends, and said, "Take this all of you and drink. This is my blood. Do this in memory of me."***

## **Presider**

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:

***When we eat this bread, and drink this cup, we proclaim your death, O Jesus, until you come in glory.***

## **Voice 6**

God of Love, through Jesus You entrust this pledge of love to us. We celebrate the memory of his death and resurrection and the gift You have given us, the possibility of reconciliation, justice, and peace. We ask You to fill us with the Spirit of Jesus through the sharing of this meal. Take away all that divides us and enable us to accept all. Keep us in communion with one another and with all people who love You throughout the world. Let Your Spirit make us a sign of unity, a model of equality, and instruments of Your peace.

### **Voice 7**

Let Your spirit also come upon our leaders, both religious and political, so that they might act without fear. Move them to make the necessary changes to become peacemakers. Move them to transform Your church and protect Your world. Move them to bring Your justice and Your grace to all.

### **Voice 8**

You have gathered us around this table in friendship with You, Mary, Jesus and all the saints. Move *our* minds and hearts, so that we may act without fear. Move *us* to become peacemakers. Move *us* to transform Your church and protect Your world. Move *us* to bring Your justice and Your grace to all.

### **Voice 9**

Strengthen and console all who are suffering in any way. Bless all those who have gone before us and bring them into the lasting joy and peace of Your presence.

### **Presider**

We ask You to gather together women, men and children of every race, language, religion and way of life to share in Your one, eternal banquet. Then, in Your presence, we shall give You glory with all creation and with Jesus through whom Your goodness flows.

### **Great Amen**

*[Recited] Through Christ, may all creation unfold;  
With Christ, may all creation be one;  
In Christ, may all divisions be healed;  
In the unity of the Holy Spirit, may all glory and honor be  
Yours, forever and ever.*

*[Sung] Amen, Amen, Amen. [Repeated]*

**The Prayer of Jesus** *[Sung]* translation by Unknown  
*Loving God, in whom is heaven, may Your name be honored  
everywhere. May Your kin-dom come...the desire of Your heart  
for the world be done, in us, by us and through us.  
Give us the bread we need for each day. Forgive us.  
Enable us to forgive others. Keep us from all anxiety and fear.  
For You reign in the power that comes from love which is Your  
glory, forever and ever. Amen.*

### **The Sign of Peace**

May the peace of God be always with you.  
**[R]** *And also with you.*  
Let us offer each other a sign of peace.

### **Lamb of God**

*Lamb of God, you call us to live the Gospel with peace and  
justice.  
Lamb of God, you call us to be your compassion and love without  
limits.  
Lamb of God, you call us to serve one another with trust and  
freedom. Grant us peace.*

### **Presider**

We are the body of Christ, called to serve God in creation and one another.  
**[R]** *We are happy and blessed to share in this celebration.*

### **Communion Song**

*[Moment of Silence]*

### **Prayer after Communion**

### **Closing Blessing**

\* This Liturgy adapts a modified Eucharistic Prayer from Michael Morwood.