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Saint Augustine of Canterbury
Kendall Park, NJ

July 25, 2020
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ORDER OF MASS

Gathering Hymn: **City of God** (Dan Schutte)

Verse 1:

Awake from your slumber! Arise from your sleep!
A new day is dawning for all those who weep.
The people in darkness have seen a great light.
The Lord of our longing has conquered the night.

Refrain:

*Let us build a city of God.
May our tears be turned into dancing!
For the Lord, our light and our love,
Has turned the night into day.*

Verse 2:

We are sons of the morning; we are daughters of day.
The One who has loved us has brightened our way.
The Lord of all kindness has called us to be
a light for His people to set their hearts free. *(to Refrain)*

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1st Reading: **Lamentations 3: 21-27, 31-33**

Read by: John Azzara (Son)

Yet this I call to mind and therefore I have hope: Because of the LORD's great love we are not consumed, for his compassions never fail. They are new every morning; great is your faithfulness. I say to myself, "The LORD is my portion; therefore I will wait for him." The LORD is good to those whose hope is in him, to the one who seeks him; it is good to wait quietly for the salvation of the LORD. It is good for a man to bear the yoke while he is young. For no one is cast off by the Lord forever. Though he brings grief, he will show compassion, so great is his unfailing love. For he does not willingly bring affliction or grief to anyone.

The word of the Lord. **THANKS BE TO GOD**

Responsorial Psalm: **Psalm 89** (Karen Barrie)

Refrain:

*I will celebrate your love forever, Oh God.
Age on age, my words proclaim your love.
For I claim that love is built to last forever,
founded firm, your faithfulness.*

1. I have made a covenant with my chosen, given my servant my word.
I have made your name to last forever, built to outlast all time.
2. O Lord, the assembly of those who love you applaud your marvelous word.
Who in the skies can compare with our God? Who can rival him?
3. Happy the people who learn to acclaim you. They rejoice in your light.
You are our glory and you are our courage. Our hope belongs to you.
4. I have revealed my chosen servant and he can rely on me;
given him my love to last forever. He shall rise in my name.
5. He will call to me, "My Father! My God!" for I make him my first-born son.
I cannot take back my given promise. I've called him to shine like the sun.

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2nd Reading: **2 Timothy 4: 5-8, 18**

Read by: Kate Hinkle (Sister-in-Law)

You must keep steady all the time; put up with suffering; do the work of preaching the gospel; fulfil the service asked of you. As for me, my life is already being poured away as a libation, and the time has come for me to depart. I have fought the good fight to the end; I have run the race to the finish; I have kept the faith; all there is to come for me now is the crown of uprightness which the Lord, the upright judge, will give to me on that Day; and not only to me but to all those who have longed for his appearing. The Lord will rescue me from all evil attempts on me, and bring me safely to his heavenly kingdom. To him be glory for ever and ever. Amen.

The word of the Lord. **THANKS BE TO GOD.**

Gospel Reading: **Mark 15:33-39, 16:1-6**

The Gospel of the Lord. **PRAISE TO YOU, LORD JESUS CHRIST.**

General Intercessions

Read by: Mark Hinkle (Brother-in-Law)

Response: **HEAR OUR PRAYER.**

Homily

Offertory Hymn: **Prayer of St. Francis** (Sebastian Temple)

1. Make me a channel of your peace. Where there is hatred let me bring your love. Where there is injury, your pardon Lord, and where there's doubt, true faith in you.
2. Make me a channel of your peace. Where there's despair in life, let me bring hope. Where there is darkness only light, and where there's sadness ever joy.
O Master grant that I may never seek so much to be consoled as to console, to be understood as to understand, to be loved, as to love with all my soul.
3. Make me a channel of your peace. It is in pardoning that we are pardoned, in giving of ourselves that we receive, and in dying that we're born to eternal life.

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Communion Hymn: I Am The Bread of Life (Suzanne Toolan, RSM)

I am the bread of life.
He who comes to me shall not hunger;
he who believes in me shall not thirst.
No one can come to me
unless the Father draw him.

Unless you eat
of the flesh of the Son of Man
and drink of his blood,
and drink of his blood,
you shall not have life within you.

Refrain:
***And I will raise you up,
and I will raise you up,
and I will raise you up on the last day.***

I am the resurrection,
I am the life.
He who believes in me
even if he die,
he shall live forever.

The bread that I will give
is my flesh for the life of the world,
and he who eats of this bread,
he shall live forever,
he shall live forever.

Yes, Lord, I believe
that you are the Christ,
the Son of God,
who has come
into the world.

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Communion Reflection: All Recite Aloud

Prayer to St. Joseph



O Saint Joseph whose protection is so great, so strong,
so prompt before the Throne of God,
I place in you all my interests and desires.
O Saint Joseph do assist me by your powerful intercession
and obtain for me from your Divine Son
all spiritual blessings through Jesus Christ, Our Lord;
so that having engaged here below your Heavenly power
I may offer my Thanksgiving and Homage
to the most Loving of Fathers

Recessional Hymn: Sing A New Song (Dan Schutte)

Refrain:
***Sing a new song unto the Lord: let your song be sung from
mountains high.
Sing a new song unto the Lord, singing Alleluia.***

1. Shout with gladness! Dance for joy! O come before the Lord.
And play for Him on glad tambourines, and let your trumpet sound.
2. Rise, O children, from your sleep; your Savior now has come.
He has turned your sorrow to joy, and filled your soul with song.
3. Glad my soul for I have seen the glory of the Lord.
The trumpet sounds; the dead shall be raised. I know my Savior lives.

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Thank you for joining us
in the celebration of Joe's life.



Following the funeral mass, burial services will be
privately held for family at Holy Cross Burial Park and
Mausoleum in Jamesburg, NJ.

"Live Is Short but Sweet for Certain"
(David J. Matthews)

Rest in Peace Dear Joe