*If you are worshipping with us from home, you are invited to sing the hymns. If you are with us at church, please refrain from singing out loud for everyone’s safety.

The Introductory Rites

OPENING HYMN

O God Beyond All Praising

THAXTED

O God beyond all praising, we worship you today
And sing the love amazing that songs cannot repay;
For we can only wonder at ev’ry gift you send,
At blessings without number and mercies without end.
We lift our hearts before you and wait upon your word;
We honor and adore you, our great and mighty Lord.


GLORY TO GOD

Mass for Saint John Paul II

Richard J. Clark

The 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.

PSALM

Psalm 145

Michel Guimont
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

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

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

The Liturgy of the Eucharist

PREPARATION OF THE ALTAR  They Came, a Milling Crowd

ST. THOMAS

They came, a milling crowd, And gathered round the Lord. He loved them with a shepherd’s heart And fed them with his Word.

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HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

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MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

THE LORD’S PRAYER

LAMB OF GOD

COMMUNION

ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION (for those worshipping with us at home)

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 at least 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.

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

The Concluding Rites

DISMISSAL

RECEPTION OF COMMUNION AFTER MASS

Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee

Eric H. Thiman

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