

## Liturgy of the Eucharist

Presentation of Gifts - Hold on to Love- BB 484

Communion - As Grains of Wheat - BB 328

Communion Meditation - My Worth Is Not In What I Own  
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I rejoice in my Redeemer

Greatest Treasure

Wellspring of my soul

I will trust in Him, no other

My soul is satisfied in Him alone

Closing Prayer and Final Blessing

Song of Sending Forth: City of God - BB 385



Let us build the City of God, May our tears be turned into dancing,  
For the Lord, our light and our love has turned the night into day!

## Mass of Thanksgiving



St. Gerard Majella Church  
Canton, Massachusetts  
Saturday, September 25, 2021  
4:00 PM

## Introductory Rites

Gathering Song - For the Beauty of the Earth- BB 597

Opening Prayer

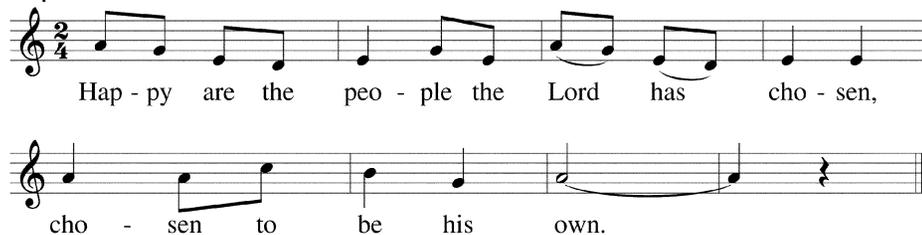
## Liturgy of the Word

### First Reading

A Reading from the Prophet Isaiah 63:7-9

I will recount the steadfast love of the Lord, the praises of the Lord, according to all that the Lord has granted us, and the great goodness to the house of Israel which he has granted them according to his mercy, according to the abundance of his steadfast love. For he said, Surely they are my people, sons who will not deal falsely; and he became their Savior. In all their affliction he was afflicted, and the angel of his presence saved them; in his love and in his pity he redeemed them; he lifted them up and carried them all the days of old.

## Responsorial Psalm



Hap - py are the peo - ple the Lord has cho - sen,  
cho - sen to be his own.

### Verses

1. Your words, O God, are truth indeed, and all your works are ever faithful; you love justice and right, your compassion fills all creation.
2. See how the eye of God is watching, ever guarding all who wait in hope, to deliver them from death and sustain them in time of famine.
3. Exult, you just, in the Lord, for praise is the song of the righteous! How happy the people of God, the ones whom God has chosen!
4. Our soul is waiting for God, for God is our help and our shield. May your kindness, O God, be upon us who place our hope in you.

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## Second Reading

A Reading from the Letter of St. Paul to the Colossians 3:12-17

Brothers and Sisters,

Put on then, as God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, compassion, kindness, lowliness, meekness, and patience, forbearing one another and, if one has a complaint against another, forgiving each other; as the Lord has forgiven you, so you also must forgive. And above all these put on love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony. And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in the one body.

And be thankful.

Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly, as you teach and admonish one another in all wisdom, and as you sing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs with thankfulness in your hearts to God. And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

## The Holy Gospel

A Reading from the Holy Gospel According to John 17: 20 – 26

Jesus raised his eyes to heaven and said:

“I pray not only for my disciples,

but also for those who will believe in me through their word, so that they may all be one, as you, Father, are in me and I in you, that they also may be in us, that the world may believe that you sent me. And I have given them the glory you gave me, so that they may be one, as we are one,

I in them and you in me, that they may be brought to perfection as one, that the world may know that you sent me, and that you love them even as you loved me.

Father, they are your gift to me. I wish that where I am they also may be with me, that they may see my glory that you gave me, because you loved me before the foundation of the world. Righteous

Father, the world also does not know you, but I know you, and they know that you sent me.

I have made known to them your name and I will make it known, that the love with which you loved me may be in them and I in them.”