# Ordination of Joseph Philippe Yuson

to the Order of Deacons



Conferred By His Excellency Most Reverend Gary Gordon Bishop of Victoria



Saturday, July 8, 2023, 10:30 am St. Andrew's Cathedral, Victoria BC

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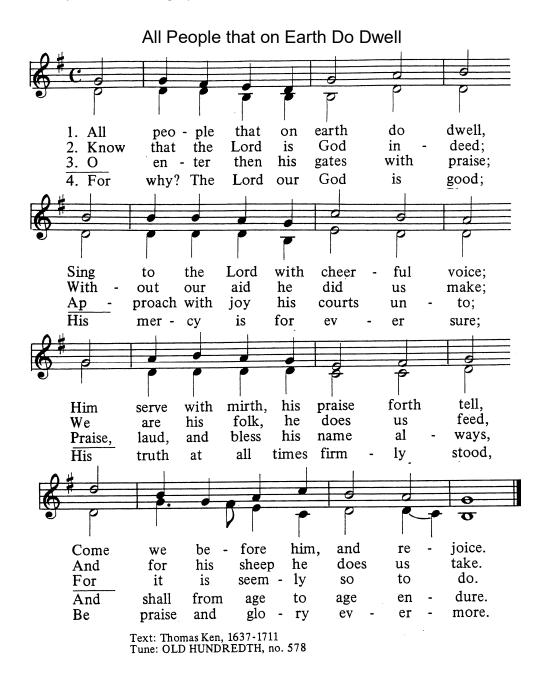
Gregory Norbet



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- 5.) The 'ternal gifts of Christ the King, The 'postles glory, let us sing, And all with hearts of gladness raise Due hymns of thankful love and praise.
- 6.) Their faith in Christ, the Lord prevailed: Their hope, a light that never failed; Their love ablaze o'er pathways trod To lead them to the 'ternal God.
- 7.) To them the Father's glory shone,In them the will of God the Son,In them exults the Spirit BlessedThrough them rejoice the heav'nly host.
- 8.) To Thee, Redeemer, now we cry, That you wouldst join to them on high, Thy servants, who this grace implore, For ever and for ever more.



## **The Introductory Rites**

Bishop: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

All: Amen.

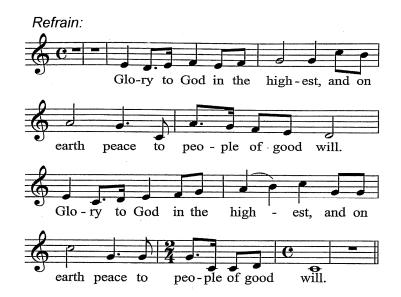
*Bishop:* Peace be with you.

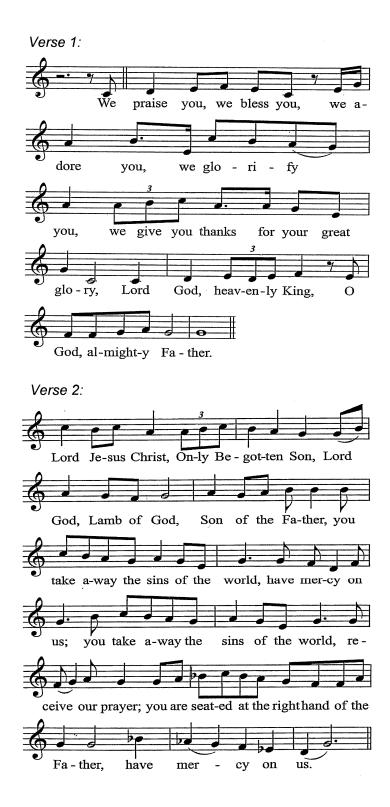
## All: And with your spirit.

*The Bishop leads all gathered in the Penitential Act. When it is concluded, all sing the Gloria:* 

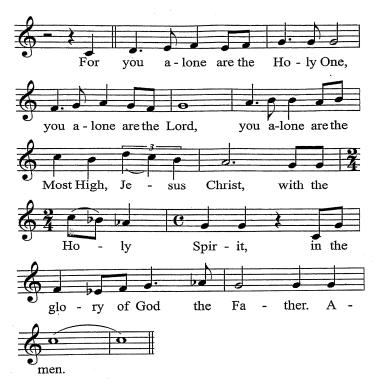
## **GLORIA**

Geoffrey S. Angeles





Verse 3:



#### *Bishop:* Let us pray.

All pray in silence with the Bishop for a while.

*Bishop:* O God, who have taught the ministers of your Church to seek not to be served but to serve their brothers and sisters, grant, we pray, that this your servant, whom you graciously choose today for the office of Deacon, may be effective in action, gentle in ministry, and constant in prayer.

> Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

## All: Amen.

*Please be seated.* 

## The Liturgy of the Word

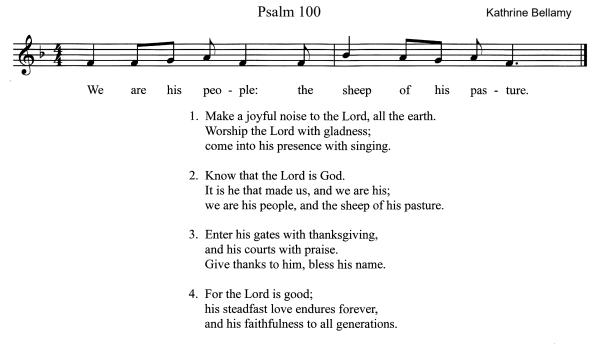
## FIRST READING: Numbers 3:5-9

Proclaimer: Bernadette Yuson "They are unreservedly given to Aaron from among the Israelites"

Proclaimer: The word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

**P**SALM



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## SECOND READING: Acts 8:26-40

Proclaimer: Diane Picken "He proclaimed to him the good news about Jesus"

Proclaimer: The word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

## **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

Randall DeBruyn



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#### Verses:

- 1. I have called you friends, says the Lord; for I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father.
- 2. The Lord sent me to bring good news to the poor, to proclaim release to the captives.

*Bishop:* The Lord be with you.

### *All:* **And with your spirit.**

*Bishop:* A reading from the Holy Gospel according to John.

As we prepare to listen to the words of Jesus we sign ourselves, making the Sign of the Cross on our forehead, lips and heart.

### *All:* **Glory to you, O Lord.**

### **GOSPEL:** John 15:9-17

"Love one another as I have loved you"

*Bishop:* The Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Please remain standing.

## **Rite of Ordination**

Veni, Sancte Spiritus

Christopher Walker



Verses: Cantor

- 1. Holy Spirit, Lord of Light, radiance give from celestial height. Come, O Spirit of the poor, come now with treasures that endure: Light of all who live.
- You of all consolers the best. You the soul's delightful guest; refreshing peace bestow. You in toil my comfort sweet. You coolness in the heat. You my solace in time of woe.
- 3. Light immortal, light divine; fire of love our hearts refine, our inmost being fill.

Take your grace away and nothing pure in us will stay, all our good is turned to ill.

- 4. Heal our wounds, our strength renew, on our dryness pour your dew; wash guilt away, bend the stubborn heart, melt the frozen, warm the chill and guide the steps that go astray.
- 5. Seven-fold gifts on us be pleased to pour, who you confess and you adore; bring us your comfort when we die; give us life with you on high; give us joys, give us joys that never end.

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## THE ELECTION OF THE CANDIDATE

A priest associated with Joseph's formation will call Joseph by name:

*Priest:* Let the one who is to be ordained a Deacon come forward: Joseph Yuson.

Joseph: I am present.

Joseph goes to the Bishop, to whom he makes a sign of reverence.

*Priest:* Most Reverend Father, holy Mother Church asks you to ordain this man, our brother, to the responsibility of the Diaconate.

*Bishop:* Do you know him to be worthy?

Priest:	After inquiry among the Christian people and upon the recommendation of those
	concerned with his formation, I testify that he has been found worthy.
Bishop:	Relying on the help of the Lord God and our Saviour Jesus Christ, we choose this
	our brother for the Order of the Diaconate.

All: Thanks be to God.

## THE HOMILY

Please be seated for the homily.

## THE PROMISE OF THE ELECT

After the homily, Joseph rises and stands before the Bishop.

Bishop:	Dear son, before you proceed to the Order of the Diaconate, you must declare before the people your resolve to undertake this office. Do you resolve to be consecrated for the ministry of the Church through the laying on of my hands and the gift of the Holy Spirit?
Joseph:	I do.
Bishop:	Do you resolve to discharge with humble charity the office of the Diaconate, so as to assist the priestly Order and to benefit the Christian people?
Joseph:	I do.
Bishop:	Do you resolve to hold fast to the mystery of the faith with a clear conscience, as the Apostle says, and to proclaim this faith by word and deed according to the Gospel and the Church's tradition?
Joseph:	I do.
Bishop:	Do you resolve to keep the commitment of celibacy perpetually as a sign of the dedication of your life to Christ the Lord for the sake of the Kingdom of Heaven, in service to God and others?
Joseph:	I do.
Bishop:	Do you resolve to guard and increase the spirit of prayer proper to your way of life and, in keeping with this spirit and the circumstances of your life, to celebrate faithfully the Liturgy of the Hours, with and for the People of God and indeed for the whole world?
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Joseph: I do.

*Bishop:* Do you resolve to conform your manner of life always to the example of Christ, whose Body and Blood you will handle at the altar?

*Joseph:* I do, with the help of God.

Joseph then goes to the Bishop and, kneeling before him, places his joined hands between those of the Bishop.

*Bishop:* Do you promise respect and obedience to me and my successors?

Joseph: I do.

*Bishop:* May God who has begun the good work in you bring it to fulfillment.

## THE LITANY OF SUPPLICATION

*Please rise. The Bishop faces the people and invites them to pray:* 

*Bishop:* Let us pray, dearly beloved, that God the almighty Father will, in his mercy, pour out the grace of his blessing on this his servant whom he is pleased to receive into the Sacred Order of the Diaconate.

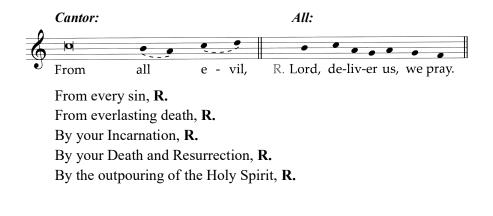
Joseph prostrates himself and all kneel as the Litany is sung.



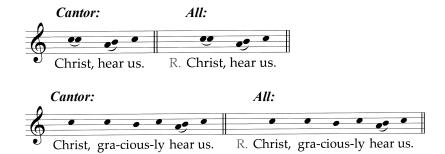
Our Lady of the Holy Family, **R**. Saint Michael, Saint Gabriel, and Saint Raphael, **R**. Holy Angels of God, **R**. Saint John the Baptist, **R**. Saint Joseph, **R**. Saint Peter and Saint Paul, **R**. Saint Andrew, R. Saint John, R. Saint Mary Magdalene, R. Saint Stephen, R. Saint Ignatius of Antioch, R. Saint Lawrence of Rome, R. Saint Vincent, R. Saint Lorenzo Ruiz, R. Saint Jean de Brébeuf and the Holy Canadian Martyrs, R. Saint Perpetua and Saint Felicity, R. Saint Agnes, R. Saint Gregory, R. Saint Augustine, R. Saint Athanasius, R. Saint Basil, R. Saint Ephrem, R. Saint Martin, R. Saint Benedict, R. Saint Francis and Saint Dominic, R. Saint Philip the Deacon, R. Saint Thomas Aquinas, R. Saint Francis Xavier, R. Saint Francois de Laval, R. Saint Jean Vianney, R. Saint Eugène de Mazenod, R. Saint John Henry Newman, R. Saint Catherine of Siena, R. Saint Teresa of Jesus, R. Saint Kateri Tekakwitha, R. Saint Marie of the Incarnation, R. Saint Marguerite Bourgeoys, R. Saint Marguerite d'Youville, R. Blessed Marie Anne Blondin, R. Saint Thérèse of the Child Jesus, R.

All holy men and women, Saints of God, R.





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After the singing of the Litany, the Bishop prays:

*Bishop:* Lord God, mercifully hear our prayers, and kindly accompany with your help what we are about to do by virtue of our office; sanctify with your blessing the one whom, in our judgement, we believe is worthy to be offered for the exercise of sacred ministries. Through Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.

## THE LAYING ON OF HANDS AND THE PRAYER OF ORDINATION

Joseph then goes to the Bishop and kneels before him. The Bishop lays his hands upon Joseph's head, without saying anything. Then the Bishop says the Prayer of Ordination:

Draw near, we pray, almighty God, giver of every grace, who apportion every order and assign every office. While remaining unchanged, you make all things new and, setting all things in order with everlasting providence, you make due provision for every age, through your Word, your Power, and your Wisdom, Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord. You grant that your Church, his Body, adorned with manifold heavenly graces, drawn together in the diversity of her members, and united by a wondrous bond through the Holy Spirit, should grow and spread forth to build up a new temple. As once you chose the sons of Levi to minister in the former tabernacle, so now you establish three ranks of ministers in their sacred offices to serve your name.

Thus, in the first days of your Church, your Son's Apostles, led by the Holy Spirit, appointed seven men of good repute to help them in the daily ministry, so that they might devote themselves more fully to prayer and the preaching of the word. By prayer and the laying on of hands they entrusted to these chosen men the ministry of serving at table.

Look favourably also on this your servant, we pray, O Lord, whom we humbly dedicate to serve at your holy altars in the office of the Diaconate.

Send forth the Holy Spirit upon him, O Lord, we pray, that he may be strengthened by the gift of your sevenfold grace to carry out faithfully the work of the ministry.

May every evangelical virtue abound in him: unfeigned love, concern for the sick and the poor, unassuming authority, the purity of innocence, and the observance of spiritual discipline.

May your precepts shine forth in his conduct, that by the example of his manner of life he may inspire the imitation of your holy people. In offering the witness of a good conscience, may he remain firm and steadfast in Christ, so that, imitating your Son on earth, who came not to be served but to serve, he may be found worthy to reign with him in heaven.

Who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

All: Amen.

### THE HANDING ON OF THE BOOK OF GOSPELS

Please be seated. Joseph rises and is vested with a diaconal stole and dalmatic by Deacon Daniel Lavoie and Deacon Philip Yuson.



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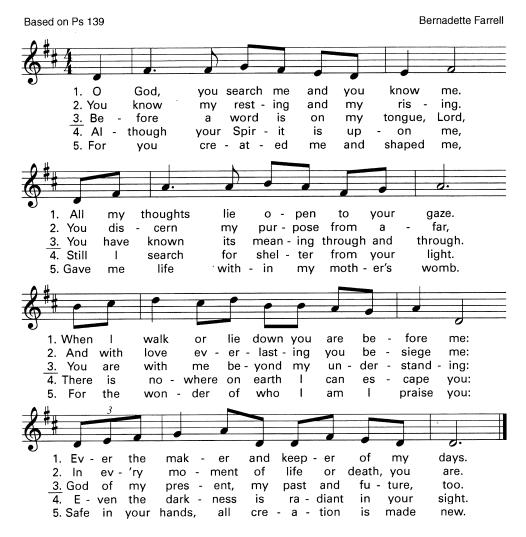
He then kneels before the Bishop, who places the Book of Gospels into his hands.

- *Bishop:* Receive the Gospel of Christ, whose herald you have become. Believe what you read, teach what you believe, and practice what you teach.
- Lastly, the Bishop gives Joseph the fraternal kiss.
- *Bishop:* Peace be with you.
- Joseph: And with your spirit.

## The Liturgy of the Eucharist

### **OFFERTORY HYMN**

## O God, You Search Me and You Know Me



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*Bishop:* Pray, brothers and sisters, that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.

## Please stand.

All:	May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands for the praise and glory of his name, for our good and the good of all his Holy church.
Bishop:	Holy Father, whose Son chose to wash the disciples' feet and so set us an example, accept, we pray, the oblations of our service, and grant that, offering ourselves as a spiritual sacrifice, we may be filled with a spirit of humility and zeal.
	Through Christ our Lord.
All:	Amen.
Bishop:	The Lord be with you.
All:	And with your spirit.
Bishop:	Lift up your hearts.
All:	We lift them up to the Lord.
Bishop:	Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
All:	It is right and just.
Bishop:	It is truly right and just, our duty and our salvation, always and everywhere to give you thanks, Father of mercies and faithful God.
	For you have given us Jesus Christ, your Son, as our Lord and Redeemer.
	He always showed compassion for children and for the poor, for the sick and for sinners, and he became a neighbour to the oppressed and the afflicted.
	By word and deed he announced to the world that you are our Father and that you care for all your sons and daughters.

And so, with all the Angels and Saints, we exalt and bless your name and sing the hymn of your glory as without end we acclaim:



Bishop: You are indeed Holy and to be glorified, O God, who love the human race and who always walk with us on the journey of life. Blessed indeed is your Son, present in our midst when we are gathered by his love and when, as once for the disciples, so now for us, he open the Scriptures and breaks the bread.

Therefore, Father most merciful, we ask that you send forth your Holy Spirit to sanctify these gifts of bread and wine, that they may become for us the Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ.

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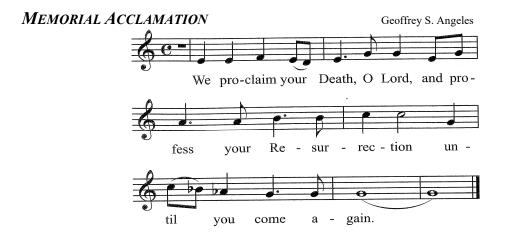
On the day before he was to suffer, on the night of the Last Supper, he took bread and said the blessing, broke the bread and gave it to his disciples, saying:

Take this, all of you, and eat of it, For this is my Body, Which will be given up for you.

In a similar way, when supper was ended, he took the chalice, gave you thanks and gave the chalice to his disciples, saying:

Take this, all of you, and drink from it, for this is the chalice of my Blood, the Blood of the new and eternal covenant, which will be poured out for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this in memory of me.

The mystery of faith:



Bishop: Therefore, holy Father,

as we celebrate the memorial of Christ your Son, our Saviour, whom you led through his Passion and Death on the Cross to the glory of the Resurrection, and whom you have seated at your right hand, we proclaim the work of your love until he comes again and we offer you the Bread of life and the Chalice of blessing. Look with favour on the oblation of your Church, in which we show forth the paschal Sacrifice of Christ that has been handed on to us, and grant that, by the power of the Spirit of your love, we may be counted now and until the day of eternity among the members of your Son, in whose Body and Blood we have communion.

Bring your Church, O Lord, to perfect faith and charity, together with Francis, our Pope, myself, your unworthy servant, with all Bishops, Priests and Deacons, and the entire people you have made your own.

Open our eyes to the needs of our brothers and sisters; inspire in us words and actions to comfort those who labour and are burdened. Make us serve them truly, after the example of Christ and at his command. And may your Church stand as a living witness to truth and freedom, to peace and justice, that all people may be raised up to a new hope.

Remember our brothers and sisters who have fallen asleep in the peace of your Christ, and all the dead, whose faith you alone have known. Admit them to rejoice in the light of your face, and in the resurrection give them the fullness of life.

Grant also to us, when our earthly pilgrimage is done, that we may come to an eternal dwelling place and live with you for ever; there, in communion with the Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of God with the Apostles and Martyrs, with Saint N. and with all the Saints, we shall praise and exalt you through Jesus Christ, your Son. Through him, and with him, and in him, O God, almighty Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honour is yours, for ever and ever.

AMEN





- *Bishop:* At the Saviour's command and formed by divine teaching, we dare to say:
- All: Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.
  Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
- Bishop: Deliver us Lord, we pray, from every evil, graciously grant peace in our days, that, by the help of your mercy, we may be always free from sin and safe from all distress, as we await the blessed hope and the coming of our Saviour, Jesus Christ.

## *All:* For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours now and for ever.

- Bishop:Lord Jesus Christ,<br/>who said to your Apostles:<br/>Peace I leave you, my peace I give you,<br/>look not on our sins,<br/>but on the faith of your Church,<br/>and graciously grant her peace and unity<br/>in accordance with your will.<br/>Who live and reign for ever and ever.
- All: Amen.

*Bishop:* The peace of the Lord be with you always.

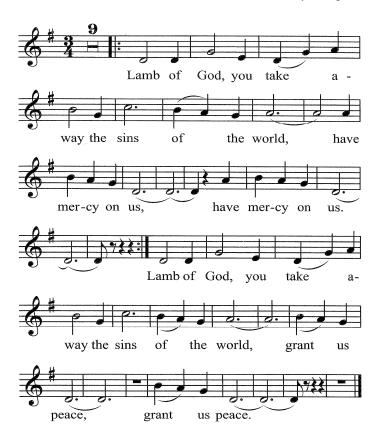
#### *All:* **And with your spirit.**

Deacon Joseph: Let us offer each other the sign of peace.

All offer one another a sign that expresses peace, communion, and charity (a reverent bow and the spoken words "Peace be with you" is recommended).

LAMB OF GOD

Geoffrey S. Angeles



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

Those who will not be receiving Communion are invited to join the Communion Procession to receive a blessing. Please cross your arms on your chest (in the form of an X) when you arrive at the minister of Communion.

## **COMMUNION HYMNS**



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### Gift of Finest Wheat



Text: Omer Westendorf, 1916-1998 Tune: BICENTENNIAL, CM, with refrain; Robert E. Kreutz, 1922-1996 © 1977, Archdiocese of Philadelphia

## Godhead Here in Hiding

Verses 1-7: English	
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1. God - head here in hid - ing	
2. See - ing, touch-ing, tast - ing	are in thee de-ceived;
3. On the cross thy god - hea	d made no sign to men;
_4. I am not like Thom - as,	wounds I can - not see,
5. O thou, our re-mind - er	of the Cru - ci - fied,
6. Like what ten - der tales tel	of the Pel - i - can,
7. Je - sus whom I look at	shroud-ed here be-low,
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1. Masked by these bare shad - ow	
2. How says trust - y hear - ing	
3. Here thy ver - y man - hoc	od steals from hu - man ken:
<u>4.</u> But I plain - ly call the	e Lord and God as he:
5. Liv - ing Bread, the life of	us for whom he died,
6. Bathe me, Je - sus Lord, in	what thy bos - om ran—
7. I be - seech thee, send me	e what I thirst for so,
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At the conclusion of the music, please stand as the Bishop rises.

*Bishop:* Let us pray.

Grant, O Lord, to your servant, whom you have replenished with heavenly food and drink, that, for the sake of your glory and the salvation of believers, he may be found faithful as a minister of the Gospel, of the Sacraments and of charity.

Through Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.

## **The Concluding Rites**

- *Bishop:* The Lord be with you.
- *All:* **And with your spirit.**

Deacon Joseph: Bow your heads for the blessing.

- *Bishop:* May God, who has called you to the service of others in his Church, give you great zeal for all, especially the afflicted and the poor.
- All: Amen.
- *Bishop:* May he, who has entrusted you with preaching the Gospel of Christ, help you, as you live according to his word, to be its sincere and fervent witness.
- All: Amen.
- *Bishop:* May he, who has appointed you a steward of his mysteries, make you an imitator of his Son, Jesus Christ, and a minister of unity and peace in the world.
- All: Amen.
- *Bishop:* And may almighty God bless all of you, who are gathered here, the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit.
- All: Amen.

Deacon Joseph: Go in peace, glorifying the Lord by your life.

All: Amen.



\*May be omitted.

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Finally, I give thanks to Almighty God - Father, Son, and Holy Spirit - whose steadfast love endures forever!



Following Mass, all are invited to a reception being held in the Seghers' Hall.