BACCALAUREATE MASS
SAINT LOUIS UNIVERSITY
PATIENT TRUST

Above all, trust in the slow work of God.
We are quite naturally impatient in everything
to reach the end without delay.
We should like to skip the intermediate stages.
We are impatient of being on the way to something
unknown, something new.
And yet it is the law of all progress
that it is made by passing through
some stages of instability —
and that it may take a very long time.

And so I think it is with you;
your ideas mature gradually — let them grow,
let them shape themselves, without undue haste.
Don’t try to force them on,
as though you could be today what time
(that is to say, grace and circumstances
acting on your own good will)
will make of you tomorrow.

Only God could say what this new spirit
gradually forming within you will be.
Give Our Lord the benefit of believing
that his hand is leading you,
and accept the anxiety of feeling yourself
in suspense and incomplete.

— Pierre Teilhard de Chardin, S.J.
excerpted from Hearts on Fire

PRELUDE  How Beautiful
Sweet Redeemer

WELCOME

UNIVERSITY PROCESSION  O God Beyond All Praising
INTRODUCTORY RITES

Please stand.

GATHERING SONG  Table of Plenty

Refrain

Come to the feast of heav-en and earth! Come to the ta-
ble of plen - ty! God will pro-
vide for all that we
need, here at the ta-
ble of plen-
ty.

Verses

1. O come and sit at my ta-le where saints and
   sin-ners are friends. I wait to wel-
come the lost and
2. drink with-out price. My feast of glad-ness will feed your
   fields will flow-er in full-ness; your homes will
3. sor-row and woe. My wine will flow like a sea of
4. flour-ish in peace. For I, the giv-er of home and

1. lone-ly to share the cup of my love.
2. spir-it with faith and full-ness of life.
3. glad-ness to flood the depths of your soul.
4. har-vest, will send my rain on the soil.

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SPRINKLING RITE  I Send You Out

REFRAIN

I send you out on a mis-
sion of love. I send you out on a mis-
sion of love. I send you out on a mis-
sion of love, and know that I am with

you al-ways un-til the end of the world.
GLORIA

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will.
We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you,
we give you thanks for your great glory,
Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father.

Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us;
you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us.

For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

COLLECT

FIRST READING  Wisdom 6:7-21

RESPONSORIAL PSALM  Psalm 117: Go Out, Go Out

SECOND READING  1 Corinthians 12:4-13
GOSPEL ACCLAMATION  
Alleluia! Give the Glory - Mass of Glory

Please stand.

GOSPEL  
John 17:11-19

HOMILY  
Rev. Mike May, S.J.  
Associate Professor of Mathematics

PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL  
Response: Lord, hear our prayer.

PREPARATION OF THE TABLE  
The Breastplate of St. Patrick

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST  
Please be seated.

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HOLY, HOLY  Mass of New Life

Sanctus

Holy Holy Holy Lord, God of hosts. Heaven and earth are full of your glory, Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna, Hosanna in the highest.
MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION  Mass of New Life

Mystery of Faith

C: Save us, Sa-vior of the world, for by your
cross and res-sur-rec-tion you have set us free.

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GREAT AMEN  Mass of New Life

Amen

A - men, A - men,

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LORD’S PRAYER

Please stand.

SIGN OF PEACE

LAMB OF GOD  Mass of New Life

Lamb of God

by Tom Conry
arr. Sean P. Dineen

Peace I leave with you, my friends, my
friends, and I will be with you ’til the end.

Lamb of God, You take a-way the sin of the
world have mer-cy on us. world. Grant us peace.

Please kneel after the Lamb of God.

RECEPTION OF HOLY COMMUNION

For Catholic Christians, the reception of Holy Communion is a significant
sign of the Church’s unity in faith, life, and worship. While people of all faith
traditions are welcome to the celebration of the Eucharist, Communion may
only be received by Catholics in union with the Church.

Those not receiving Holy Communion are encouraged to come forward with arms
crossed over the chest to receive a blessing.
COMMUNION SONG

In Christ Alone

(REFRAIN)
Better is one day
Better is one day
Better is one day
Than thousands elsewhere

(BRIDGE)
My heart and flesh cry out for You
The living God
Your Spirit’s water for my soul
I’ve tasted and I’ve seen
Come once again to me
I will draw near to You
I will draw near to You

(ENDING)
Better is one day
Better is one day
Better is one day
Better is one day

How lovely is Your dwelling place
O Lord Almighty
For my soul longs and even faints for You
For here my heart is satisfied
Within Your presence
I sing beneath the shadow of Your wings

(REFRAIN)
Better is one day in Your courts
Better is one day in Your house
Better is one day in Your courts
Than thousands elsewhere
One thing I ask and I would seek
To see Your beauty
To find You in the place
Your glory dwells

COMMUNION SONG

Better Is One Day

1. In Christ a - lone
2. In Christ a - lone
3. There in the ground
4. No guilt in life,
my hope is found, flesh, lay in death,
he is my full - ness of light of the

1. light, my
2. God, in
3. world, by
4. pow’r of

1. ground,
2. ness,
3. day,
4. breath,

1. love,
2. cross,
3. stands
4. hell,

1. love of Christ
2. death of Christ
3. pre-cious blood of Christ
4. pow’r of Christ

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COMMUNION MEDITATION  *Open the Eyes of My Heart*

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

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SENDING SONG  *A Rightful Place*

POSTLUDE  *Love Has Come*
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The goal of our life is to live with God forever.

God, who loves us, gave us life.

Our own response of love allows God’s life to flow into us without limit.

All the things in this world are gifts of God, presented to us so that we can know God more easily and make a return of love more readily.

As a result, we appreciate and use all these gifts of God insofar as they help us develop as loving persons.

But if any of these gifts become the center of our lives, they displace God and so hinder our growth toward our goal.

In everyday life, then, we must hold ourselves in balance before all of these created gifts insofar as we have a choice and are not bound by some obligation.

We should not fix our desires on health or sickness, wealth or poverty, success or failure, a long life or short one.

For everything has the potential of calling forth in us a deeper response to our life in God.

Our only desire and our one choice should be this: I want and I choose what better leads to God’s deepening his life in me.

— St. Ignatius of Loyola, S.J., founder of the Society of Jesus from A Contemporary Reading of the Spiritual Exercises by David L. Fleming, S.J.

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