

# ST. PATRICK SUNDAY

11 March 5778



*St. Pádraig*

*Bishop of Armagh & Archbishop of Ireland*

# St. Mary of Mo`ili`ili



*We STAND for the Silent Procession of the Cross.  
A litany of penitence follows [see insert].*

*We are SEATED after the Absolution for **THE LESSONS.***

## **Numbers 21: 4 - 9**

When Moses led the Israelites out by the way to the Red Sea from Mount Hor, the Israelites spoke against him, saying, “Why have you brought us up out of Egypt to die in the desert? For there is no food or water.” Angered by their complaints, the LORD caused poisonous serpents to strike them, so that many Israelites died in the wilderness.

## **Psalm 107**

In Unison

Those who rebel against the Most High are afflicted with suffering; while the faithful are redeemed: for the LORD is just and his steadfast love endures forever.

## **Ephesians 2: 1 - 10**

We who once followed the desires of flesh, have been redeemed by GOD’s grace. For out of his great love, GOD made us one with Christ. This is GOD’s gift to us. For though we were created in Christ Jesus for good works, no one has reason to boast; for we have been saved by GOD’s grace rather than our own righteousness.

We STAND for the Proclamation of the GOSPEL.

Gospel Hymn: *Amazing Grace* [verse 1]

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*Our Gospellor proclaims*  
The Holy Gospel of our Lord  
Jesus Christ according to St John.  
*People* **Glory to you, Lord Christ!**

The **GOSPEL: John 3: 14 - 21**

*After the lesson, the Gospellor says*  
The Gospel of the Lord.  
*People* **Praise to you, Lord Christ!**

Gospellor:

Rev. Martha Blanchett

Gospel Hymn: *Amazing Grace* [verse 3]

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Sermon:

Preston Lentz

We KNEEL together as a community of faith in prayer.

Prayers of the People [Insert]

Intercessor: Frank Condello

Please be SEATED for the Celebrations.

We celebrate birthdays, baptisms, anniversaries, and travel blessings!

Celebrations & Peace

Gifts: *Frank & Leah*

We greet one another in the name of Christ. A song of thanksgiving is played.

The gifts of bread and wine are brought to the altar. The OFFERING is brought forward and blessed.

**Thanksgiving Song:**

*Press On* by Mandisa

**Communion Video:**

*Prayer of St. Patrick*



*We STAND to celebrate Christ's presence with us.*

## The GREAT THANKSGIVING

*The Eucharist is spoken rather than sung during the penitential seasons.*

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you!

*Congregation* **And also with you!**

*Celebrant* Lift up your hearts.

*Congregation* **We lift them to the Lord.**

*Celebrant* Let us give thanks.

*Congregation* **It is good to offer thanks and praise.**



*The Celebrant recalls GOD's acts of mercy and salvation*

It is good to offer thanks and praise, **6**GOD so loved the world that he gave us his Son, that we would walk in the light of faith rather than darkness. Therefore, we join our voices with all the angels and saints, saying:

**Holy, Holy, Holy Lord,  
GOD of power and might,  
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
Hosanna in the highest!  
Blessed are they  
who come in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest!**

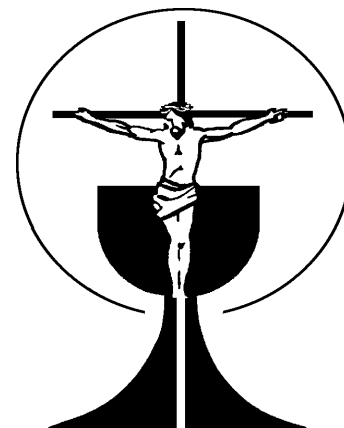
*The Celebrant continues*

Holy are you Lord GOD of hosts, and blessed is your Son Jesus, who was lifted up from death to reign with you in heaven, that we would repent of our sins and proclaim by word and example the good news of salvation, throughout this Lenten season.

*The Lord's Supper is recalled.*

For on the night before our Lord died for us, he took bread, and gave it to his disciples, saying: **“Take and eat: for this is my body given for you. Do this is remembrance of me.”**

When supper had ended, Jesus also took the cup, saying: **“Take and drink: for this is my blood poured out for you. Do this in remembrance of me.”**



*The Memorial Acclamation & Epiclesis is offered.*

*Celebrant* Remembering your mighty acts, O LORD, and giving thanks for your Presence among us, we proclaim the mystery of faith:

*Congregation* **Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again!**

*Celebrant* Pour out your Spirit upon these gifts, heavenly Father.

Sanctify them to be Christ's body and blood in us, that we may be Christ's witness to the world.

*Congregation* **Therefore let us keep the feast!**

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to pray:  
**Our Father ...**

*After the Lord's Prayer our Celebrant lifts the Consecrated Bread, saying:*

We who are many are One Body,

*Congregation:* **For we all share One Bread.**

*Our Celebrant then lifts the Chalice, saying:*

We who are One Body all share One Faith,

*Congregation:* **For we all share One Cup.**

*Our Celebrant invites us to the Lord's Table.*

ALL who seek to love GOD and neighbor are encouraged to receive the blessed Sacrament here at Christ's Table.

**Communion Hymns:** *Red is the Rose* by Daniel O'Donnell;  
and *Danny Boy* by Michael Londra

## **DANNY BOY**



**Music:**

*Londonderry Air 1855*

**Words:**

Frederick Weatherly 1913

**Album:**

*Danny Boy:  
The Songs of Ireland 2013*

Oh Danny boy, the pipes, the pipes are calling  
From glen to glen, and down the mountain side  
The summer's gone, and all the flowers are dying  
'Tis you, 'tis you must go and I must bide.  
But come ye back when summer's in the meadow  
Or when the valley's hushed and white with snow  
'Tis I'll be here in sunshine or in shadow  
Oh Danny boy, oh Danny boy, I love you so.

And if you come, when all the flowers are dying  
And I am dead, as dead I well may be  
You'll come and find the place where I am lying  
And kneel and say an "Ave" there for me.

And I shall hear, tho' soft you tread above me  
And all my dreams will warm and sweeter be  
If you'll not fail to tell me that you love me  
I'll simply sleep in peace until you come to me.

*Those who are able KNEEL as we give thanks for Christ's presence in us.*

## Prayer of Thanksgiving [In Unison]

Eternal and ever-loving GOD, you have fed us with the holy food of new and unending life in Christ Jesus. Send us now into the world in peace: to love and serve you, with gladness and singleness of heart, throughout this Lenten season. AMEN!

## Blessing +

*We STAND to walk humbly with Christ during the season of Lent.*

**Closing Hymn: *For all the saints* [verses 1-2-4] H287**

## Until We Meet Again:

*Our Deacon sends us out into the world saying*  
May the road rise to meet us, and the wind be always at our back!

*The Congregation responds* **Thanks be to GOD!**



*% of population who say they are of Irish ancestry*

Massachusetts	21.6%
New Hampshire	21.0
Rhode Island	18.3
Vermont	17.9
Maine	17.6
Delaware	16.7
Pennsylvania	16.7
Connecticut	15.8
West Virginia	14.6
New Jersey	14.3

Note: The top 10 states for Irish ancestry are shown.  
Source: Census Bureau, 2011-2015 5-year estimates.

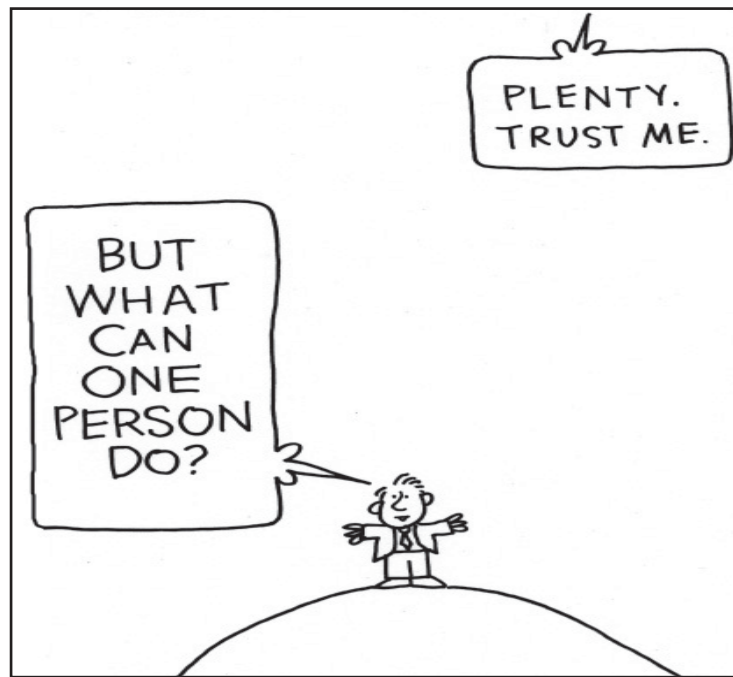
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**Postlude: *St. Patrick's Jig* by Craig Riley**

# LENTEN REFLECTION

*Be doers of the word; not just hearers.*

James 1:22



Spend a few minutes during LENT thinking about the people who have helped you: a teacher, or coach, or pastor, or supervisor, for example.

Maybe you were in elementary school at the time; or middle school, or high school, or college, or at church, and/or at work.

Give thanks for their time and talent. It's a gift.

Express your gratitude in a letter, text, post, or email.

Let them know what you are doing now, and how what you learned has helped you in your life.

**They will be delighted to hear from you!**