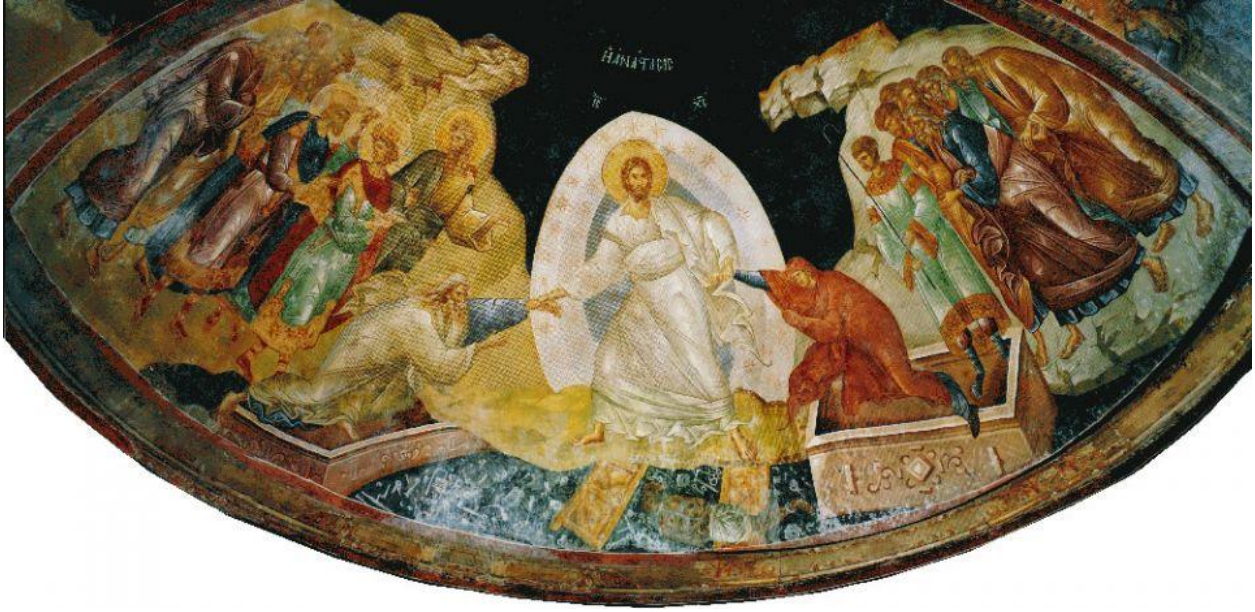

Mary Mother of Jesus Inclusive Catholic Community
15th Week of Extraordinary Time, July 13 2024

Theme: Everything—brought together and summed up in Christ.

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Den: Welcome to Mary Mother of Jesus,
our inclusive Catholic Community, our church without walls.
"Whoever you are, wherever you are,
you are welcome at our table."

Den & All: Let us begin our liturgy ✝ in the name of God, source of all being, Jesus the Christ, our eternal Word, and Sophia Holy Wisdom. Amen

Michael: We welcome each other with a sign of Christ's peace:
All: Namaste, Namaste, Namaste. May Christ's peace be with us!

Gathering Song 🎵 Prayer of St Francis
https://youtu.be/hC77O0fMuL0

Prayer of Transformation.
Jan. Let us remember now times when messages of our unworthiness clouded our vision of the infinite Love within us. Let us imagine our imperfections, the chaos and messes of our lives, all brightly lit by a Love that heals and transforms us as we evolve and grow in awareness of our divinity and our humanity.
(Pause for several moments. Now place hand over your heart as we pray)
All: I love you. Thank you. I forgive you. I'm sorry.

Opening Prayer.
Jerry. Holy One, we rejoice that you are bringing all people and all creation together in the love of Christ. We are ready to answer your call to a new birth as joyful, divinized disciples of Christ. **All:** Amen

A Joyful Gloria: Linda Lee Miller; graphics by Rick Miller
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=_lA5l0nODZI

Liturgy of the Word. Excerpts from *The Message* by Eugene H Peterson

Jan. The First reading is from Paul's letter to the Ephesians.
How blessed is God! And what a blessing he is! He's the Father of our Master, Jesus Christ, and takes us to the high places of blessing in him. Long before he laid down earth's foundations, he had us in mind, had settled on us as the focus of his love, to be made whole and holy by his love. Long, long ago he decided to adopt us into his family through Jesus Christ. (What pleasure he took in planning this!) He wanted us to enter into the celebration of his lavish gift-giving by the hand of his beloved Son.

Because of the sacrifice of the Messiah, his blood poured out on the altar of the Cross, we're a free people—free of penalties and punishments chalked up by all our misdeeds. And not just barely free, either. Abundantly free! He thought of everything, provided for everything we could possibly need, letting us in on the plans he took such delight in making. **He set it all out before us in Christ, a long-range plan in which everything would be brought together and summed up in Christ, everything in deepest heaven, everything on planet earth.** Paul's inspired words are our message for today.
All: We commit to living this message!

🎵 🎶 **Alle, Alle, Alleluia. https://youtu.be/ID5UGWcS6Ws**

Den. The Gospel reading is from the Good News according to Mark.
Jesus called the Twelve to him, and sent them out in pairs. He gave them authority and power to deal with the evil opposition. He sent them off with these instructions:

Don't think you need a lot of extra equipment for this. You are the equipment. No special appeals for funds. Keep it simple.

"And no luxury inns. Get a modest place and be content there until you leave.

"If you're not welcomed, not listened to, quietly withdraw. Don't make a scene. Shrug your shoulders and be on your way."

Then they were on the road. They preached with joyful urgency that life can be radically different; right and left they sent the demons packing; they brought wellness to the sick, anointing their bodies, healing their spirits. This is today's Good News from the Gospel writer Mark. **All:** We accept our commission as joyful disciples of Jesus!

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Shared Homily. Michael & Community

Andrea & All. Profession of Faith.

We believe in God, the creator of the universe,
the fountain of life, flowing through every being.
We believe in Jesus the Christ
who reflects the face of God and the fullness of humanity.
We believe in the Holy Spirit, the breath of God in the cosmos,
who calls us to loving service without counting the cost.
We believe in our global communion with all in the circle of life.
Amen to loving actions on behalf of justice, healing,
compassion and equality for all in our world!
We are called to be light to the world!

Prayers of the Community

Jerry: Aware that the Holy One is present within us and works through us, we bring to the table our intentions.

Response: We remember and we pray.

We bring to the table the many families and children who suffer due to wars in Ukraine and in Gaza and Israel, **R**

We bring to the table the hundreds of thousands of displaced, starving women & children in Gaza. May love drive us to provide for the many who are suffering and dying. **R**

We bring to the table the victims of Hurricane Beryl in Jamaica, Mexico, Texas, and the south central US. **R**

We bring to the table the seriously ill, particularly our family and friends and members of MMOJ. **R**
We bring to the table the petitions in our MMOJ prayer book. **R**
And who/what else do we bring to the table today? …. **R.**
We can do all things in the power of the Spirit of love working through us. **All:** Amen

Offering of Our Gifts at the table *Have bread and wine on your table*
Jan. O Holy One, we bring you our gifts from creation, bread of the grain and wine of the grapes. We recognize that they are holy in you their creator. And we know that they will make us holy, one with you and one with each other.

Jan. Please join in song to begin our **Eucharistic Prayer**
🎵 Here in This Place **https://youtu.be/sgkWXOSGmOQ**

Den & All, *with hand extended in blessing:* As we do in this place what you did in an upstairs room, send down your Spirit Sophia on us and on these gifts of bread and wine that they may become for us your body, healing and making us whole. And that we may become for you, your body, loving and caring in the world until your kindom comes. Amen.

Jerry & All:
On the night before he died, while at supper with his friends,
Jesus took bread said the blessing,
broke the bread 🥖 and gave it to them saying,
"Take and eat. This is my very self." (Pause)
Jesus then raised high the cup of blessing
and offered them the wine🍷with these words,
"Take and drink of the covenant made new
through my life for you and for everyone.
Whenever you do this, remember me."

Andrea & All:
Remember, gracious God, your Church throughout the world.
Open us to welcome everyone.
In union with all people,
may we strive to create a world where suffering is diminished,
and where all people can live in health and wholeness.
Thru Christ, with Christ, in Christ, in union with the Holy Spirit,
all glory is yours, gracious God. Amen

Michael. This is Jesus, God with us, loving us forever. All are invited to partake of this sacred banquet of love. **All:** We are the Body of Christ.
All sing 🎵: Holy gifts for holy people, come you hungry and believe. Come receive Christ's body offered, come and be what you receive(x2)

Communion Instrumental 🎵 Sentinel Meadow, Mars Lasar
http://youtube.com/watch?v=B9JFOEcq1GA&fea 2:33

Jan: We pray our common prayer that Jesus taught us:
All: Eternal Spirit, Earth-maker, Pain-bearer, Life-giver,
Source of all that is and that shall be,
Father and Mother of us all,
Loving God, in whom is heaven:
The hallowing of your name echoes through the universe**!**
The way of your justice be followed by the peoples of the world**!**
Your will be done by all created beings**!**
May your beloved community of peace and freedom
sustain our hope and come on earth.
With the bread we need for today, feed us.
In the hurts we absorb from one another, forgive us.
In times of temptation and test, strengthen us.
From trials too great to endure, spare us.
From the grip of all that is evil, free us.
For you reign in the glory of the power that is love, now and forever.
Amen.
Adapted from The New Zealand Book of Prayer | He Karakia Mihinare o Aotearoa.
This version of the Lord's prayer was influenced by Maori theologians

Michael. Prayers of Thanksgiving. Announcements.

Final blessing 🎵 St Patrick's ☘ Christ within me prayer ☘
https://youtu.be/FyjLD25BRvI (stop at :50)
Andrea. Go in the peace of Christ.
Let us bring God's reign of love, peace & joy to all those we meet!
All: Thanks be to God. Alleluia!
Final Song 🎵 Blessed Unrest
https://youtu.be/pLAZ9q6JDj0 *(Stop at 4:20)*

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