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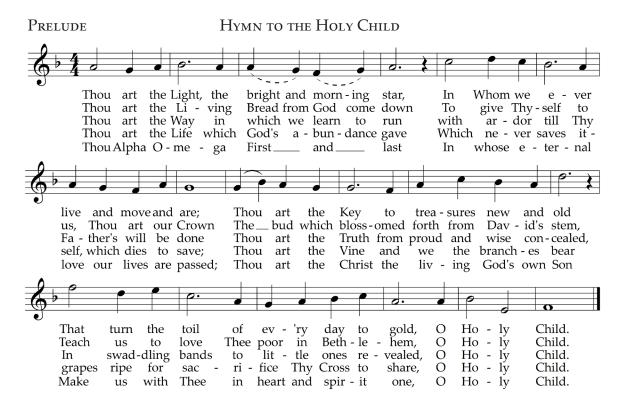
## LOVE AND SERVE 1846-2021 SOCIETY OF THE HOLY CHILD JESUS

Most Reverend Nelson J. Pérez Celebrant and Homilist

# Cathedral Basilica of Saints Peter and Paul and the Shrine of Saint Katharine Drexel Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time October 17, 2021 11:00 AM Solemn Mass Procession of the Sisters of the Holy Child Jesus, Associates, representatives of Holy Child American province schools and ministries

The first verse of the hymn will be sung (via video) by students of the Holy Child Network of Schools.



## Introductory Rites



Sign of the Cross and Greeting

#### Penitential Act

Priest: Have mercy on us, O Lord.

People: For we have sinned against you.

Priest: Show us, O Lord, your mercy.

People: And grant us your salvation.

Priest: May almighty God . . . and bring us to everlasting life.

People: Amen



GLORIA

RICHARD J. CLARK

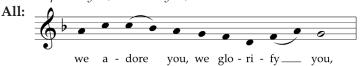
## Mass in Honor of Pope Saint John Paul II

Choir: Glory to God in the highest



and on earth peace to peo-ple of good will.

Choir: We praise you, we bless you,



Choir: we give you thanks for your great glory,



Choir: Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,



Choir: you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us;



Choir: you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us.



For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,

Choir: you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,



Collect

# LITURGY of THE WORD

First Reading Isaiah 53:10-11

If he gives his life as an offering for sin, he shall see his descendants in a long life.



Second Reading Hebrews 4:14-16

Let us confidently approach the throne of grace.



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The Son of Man came to serve and to give his life as a ransom for many.

Gospel Mark 10:35-45

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Homily

Profession of Faith

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Universal Prayer

# Liturgy of the Eucharist

Preparation of the Gifts

OFFERTORY

Be Thou My Vision Cathedral Basilica Choir ARR. CRAIG COURTNEY

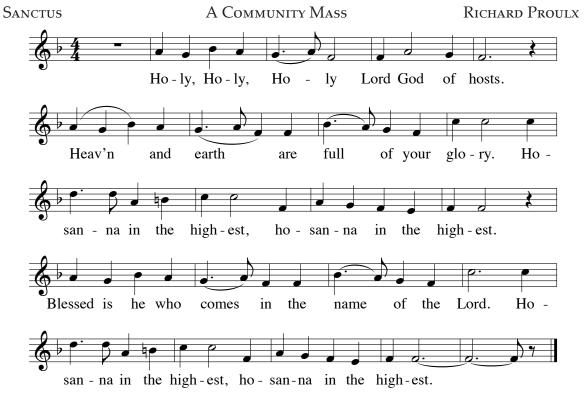
Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart Naught be all else to me, save that thou art. Thou my best thought, by day or by night Waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.

Riches I heed not, nor man's empty praise, Thou mine inheritance, now and always; Thou and thou only first in my heart. High King of heaven, my treasure thou art.

High King of heaven, my victory won, May I reach heaven's joys, O bright heaven's sun! Heart of my own heart, whatever befall, Still be my vision, O ruler of all.

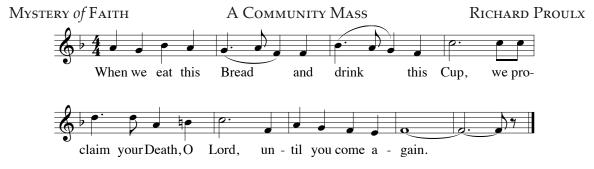
#### Prayer over the Offerings

#### **EUCHARISTIC PRAYER**



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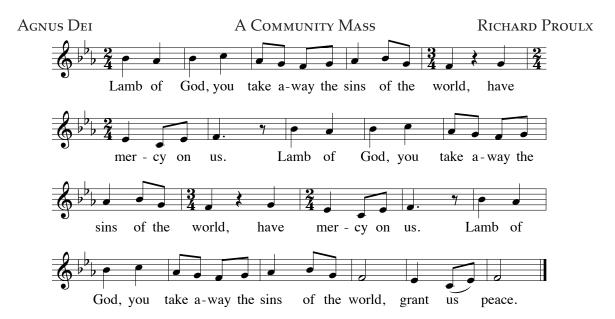


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#### COMMUNION RITE

#### LORD'S PRAYER

#### RITE of PEACE



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#### Communion

#### Cathedral Basilica Choir

Chant

English translation, sung in Latin
O Lord our governor, how admirable is your name in all the earth!



Sancti, venite, Christi corpus sumite 7th cent. hymn, tr. by John M. Neale, 1818–1866, alt. Steven R. Janco Music © 1992, WLP

## CONCLUDING RITES

SHCJ SLIDE PRESENTATION

A PLACE CALLED HOME

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Words and Arr. Michael Joncas (Adapted for SHCJ 175th anniversary)

- 1. A place called home with kindness for each family; a place called home of nourishment and joy; a place called home that welcomes in the stranger, where one unknown becomes a life-long friend, where love can find a human face and spirit; God grant us all this grace; a place called home.
- 2. A place called home where tenderness can flourish; a place called home where children learn to trust; a place called home where hearts and minds are opened, where spirits soar and each becomes them self, where peace can find a human face and spirit; God grant us all this grace; a place called home.
- 3. A place called home, a promise for tomorrow; a place called home, a vision handed down; a place called home for all God's sons and daughters, where love prevails, and peace is ever found, where hope can find a human face and spirit; God grant us all this grace; a place called home. (Interlude)
- 4. A place called home for every human being; a place called home where dwells not words but actions; a place called home where dignity is offered, where none are lost, alone or cast aside, but members of one Holy Child family; God grant us grace to be a place called home.

Greeting, Blessing and Dismissal

Blessing of the Memorial to Venerable Cornelia Connelly and the Shrine of the Holy Child

Prayer for the Beatification of Venerable Cornelia Connelly

God of life, in Christ You lead us, guiding us along the way.

In our past, through joys and sorrows, You have been our strength and stay.

Keep us faithful, true disciples, in our learning and our praise, celebrating past and present, consecrating future days.

God of words and Word incarnate, Words that challenge and embrace, grant us boldness in our speaking, while we know Your loving grace. Give us words both clear and certain, loving hearts and listening ears, celebrating past and present, consecrating future years.

God of days and years and people, still You call, as in the past.

Work undone demands our labor; justice yearns for peace at last.

Yours the vision and the challenge; ours the mission and the praise, celebrating past and present, consecrating future days.

Text: Jane Parker Huber. A Singing Faith, 1987.

Postlude

CHORALE IN E MAJOR, Op. 37 No. 4

**JOSEPH JONGEN** 

The Sisters of the Holy Child Jesus are grateful to Reverend Gerald Dennis Gill, as well as the Saints Peter and Paul Cathedral Basilica Parish staff and community for welcoming us into their parish for our closing celebration of the Society's founding anniversary. Of the Society's 175 years of love and service to the people of God around the world, 159 of these years have been spent in the Philadelphia Archdiocese. The Society has been blessed to be part of the mission of the Philadelphia Archdiocese and to serve with all of our partners in ministry.

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## Venerable Cornelia Connelly, 1809-1879 Foundress of the Society of the Holy Child Jesus

Cornelia Augusta Peacock Connelly, an American-born wife, mother of five children, convert, and Catholic Sister, founded the Society of the Holy Child Jesus, an international community of women religious, on October 15, 1846, in Derby, England. Sixteen years later, Cornelia sent six Sisters to the United States to establish what is now the American Province. The Sisters who first arrived in America opened a school in Towanda, Pennsylvania. One year later, a second group of Sisters began serving in Cornelia's hometown of Philadelphia. The Sisters of the Holy Child Jesus have been ministering in Philadelphia and the surrounding counties for nearly 160 years.

Cornelia's life leading up to establishing the Society was filled with challenges—the loss of her parents before she was 14; her marriage and subsequent separation from her husband Pierce, when he became a Catholic priest; and the tragic deaths of three of her young children.

Even in the midst of suffering and loss, Cornelia embraced life and even joy through her unshakable faith. She channeled her trials into "a love full action" and established a religious community and an education system rooted in joy, compassion, zeal, and respect.

Today, the Society of the Holy Child Jesus carries on Cornelia's work in Africa, Europe, North America, and South America through its educational, social justice, health, and spiritual ministries.

Cornelia's educational philosophy—while unconventional at the time—is widely praised today for its innovation and vision. The Society's motto is "Actions Not Words."

On Easter Friday in 1879, Cornelia died at the age of 70. As early as 1911, petitions for cures through Cornelia's intercession were recorded. The official Cause for Cornelia's canonization was opened in 1959. Cornelia Connelly was declared Venerable by the Church in 1992. A miracle is needed to confirm her holiness and declare her Blessed.

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