



Our Lady of Sorrows

Traditional Catholic Mission Central Texas

Upcoming Mass Details:

Sunday, June 14, 2026

Confession 4:30pm – Mass 5:30pm

Courtyard by Marriott Austin Dripping Springs – Meeting Room #2

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Note From Father

Dear Faithful,

The torrents of rain which have been falling for days here in Cincinnati have finally abated and the day is beautiful and sunny with a nice little breeze. While everything was gloomy, wet, and muddy during the rains, it is pretty and green now and it seems it will stay dry for the foreseeable future. This good weather is welcome for the busy week ahead.

It is a time of many successive ups and downs. There were two new babies baptized this past weekend at St. Gertrude's, which is very joyful. However, the beginning of this week there will be two funerals...one of which is for a parishioner in his forties who tragically died in a car accident. Then, Thursday, we have the feast of Corpus Christi, with all its festivities. At St. Gertrude's the clergy sing the entire Divine Office that day in front of the Blessed Sacrament, which is a great grace. And next Sunday will bring us the Solemnity of Corpus Christi and the happy occasion of First Holy Communions at St. Gertrude's, St. Hugh's, and St. Anthony's.

As much as this week has its fill of joy and grief, it is a perfect point of reflection for all of us, however. In one week, we have the whole purpose of Christ's Church. The Church baptizes to bring man into the Ark of Salvation and infuse sanctifying grace into each one's souls, provides all the spiritual food by way of its Sacraments to maintain and increase that grace and provide the means of sanctification, and does so for the very purpose that one day we are able to produce these gifts at our judgment and may find ourselves welcomed into eternal life. It really is quite beautiful and should fill us all with hope and gratitude. The Good God is just that...Infinitely Good. Deo Gratias!

In Christ, *Fr. Stephen McKenna*

Set Your Missal

Trinity Sunday with a commemoration and Proper Last Gospel of Pentecost I. Trinity Preface.

Novena for Corpus Christi

O Amiable Jesus! who hast given us in the adorable Eucharist, so convincing a proof of thy infinite love, permit us to thank thee in the name of all thy creatures, for the blessings included in this one precious gift. We adore thee, O hidden Deity! and most ardently wish we could offer thee such love as would atone for our own offenses, and those committed by all mankind against this most amiable mystery. But, my God, if all creatures are so deeply indebted to thy mercy for this adorable sacrament, how much more sensibly should we feel our obligations, since by thy special predilection we have been chosen to assemble here under the same roof with thyself, to see thee daily offered on our altars, and to receive so frequently thy precious body and blood.

Convinced by these thy tender mercies that our confidence in thy goodness cannot be too great, we come now to implore of thee, by that infinite love which induced thee to institute this adorable sacrament, and by all the graces which have ever flowed from this source of every blessing, to grant us the favor we ask in this Novena.

We firmly purpose to become from this moment the devoted adorers of this sacrament of love, and to take thy eucharistic life for the rule and model of ours. Give us grace to honour thy silence on our altar by the spirit of recollection and prayer; thy poverty, obedience, and adorable sanctity by detachment from all things, renunciation of self-will, and horror of sin. Above all, we beseech thee, O living Bread of eternal life! to remove all obstacles to our frequently and worthily receiving thee ; and to grant us so tender a devotion to this adorable mystery, that our hearts and thoughts may ever be turned to Thee present on our altars, and every action of our lives be directed to the perfect accomplishment of thy holy will. Amen.

*O sacrament most holy! O sacrament divine! All praise and all thanksgiving be every moment thine.
(Indulgence 100 days, once a day)*

Sancti Venite

(Hymn of the Ancient Iris Church, from the Antiphonarium Benchorensis, 7th century Monastic Antiphonary of the Monastery of Bangor, County Down)

Draw nigh, ye holy ones, draw nigh,
And take the body of the Lord;
And drink the Sacred Blood outpoured,
By which, redeemed, ye shall not die.

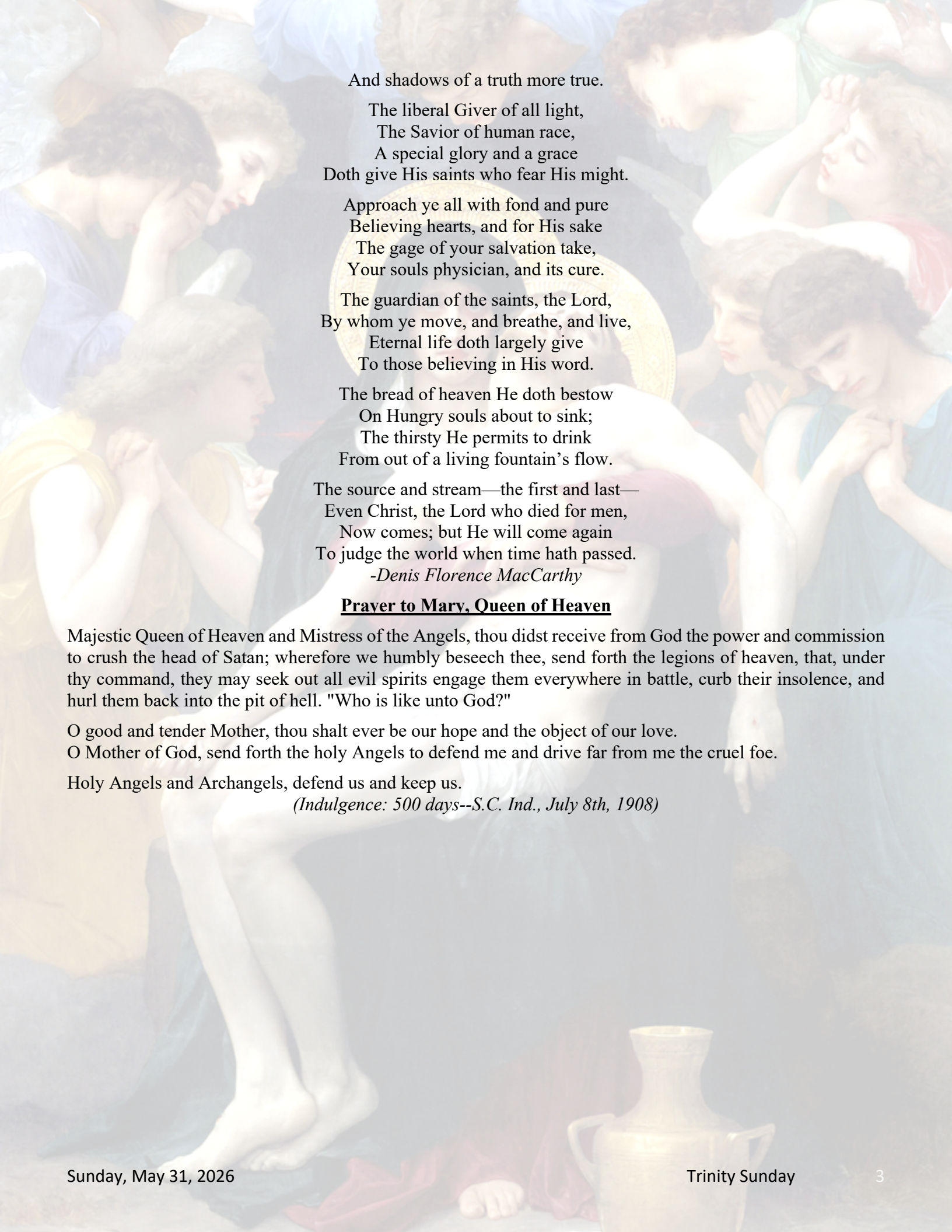
O saved from justice and the rod
By this divinest flesh and blood,
By these made strong, in grateful mood
Give thanks and praises unto God.

By this (Oh, blessed news to tell!)
This sacrament of flesh and blood,
Have all been rescued from the flood—
The flood of death—the jaws of hell.

The giver of salvation, He,
The Christ, the Son of God above,
Restored unto his Father's love
The world, by blood and by the tree.

From north to south, from west to east,
For all, the sacrifice is given—
For all is slain the Lord of Heaven
Himself the Offering and the Priest.

Read well the story through and through
Of victims bleeding at the shrine,
Types of a mystery more divine,



And shadows of a truth more true.
The liberal Giver of all light,
The Savior of human race,
A special glory and a grace
Doth give His saints who fear His might.

Approach ye all with fond and pure
Believing hearts, and for His sake
The gage of your salvation take,
Your souls physician, and its cure.

The guardian of the saints, the Lord,
By whom ye move, and breathe, and live,
Eternal life doth largely give
To those believing in His word.

The bread of heaven He doth bestow
On Hungry souls about to sink;
The thirsty He permits to drink
From out of a living fountain's flow.

The source and stream—the first and last—
Even Christ, the Lord who died for men,
Now comes; but He will come again
To judge the world when time hath passed.

-Denis Florence MacCarthy

Prayer to Mary, Queen of Heaven

Majestic Queen of Heaven and Mistress of the Angels, thou didst receive from God the power and commission to crush the head of Satan; wherefore we humbly beseech thee, send forth the legions of heaven, that, under thy command, they may seek out all evil spirits engage them everywhere in battle, curb their insolence, and hurl them back into the pit of hell. "Who is like unto God?"

O good and tender Mother, thou shalt ever be our hope and the object of our love.
O Mother of God, send forth the holy Angels to defend me and drive far from me the cruel foe.

Holy Angels and Archangels, defend us and keep us.

(Indulgence: 500 days--S.C. Ind., July 8th, 1908)