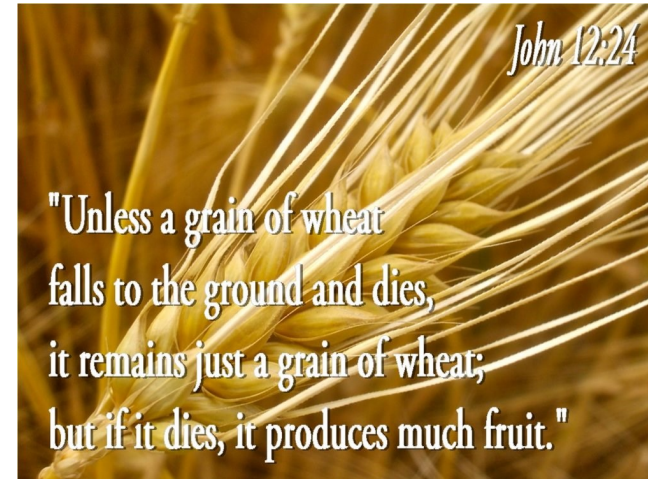


**Sending Forth: Christ Before Us**

1. Christ before us, Christ beside us,  
Christ to guide us all our days.  
He to carry all our sorrows,  
he to bear us perfect grace.  
Jesus, Savior, Friend and Brother,  
Intercessor, Son of God,  
save your people in your dying,  
and in rising, conquer death.  
  
2. May we be for one another  
all that you would have us be.  
May we live your law of kindness,  
love, compassion, charity.  
May we climb your holy mountain;  
may we see your holy face!  
Visit now this humble dwelling;  
dwell within this holy place.  
  
4. O Redeemer, fill your servants  
with your words of lasting life.  
Give to those with hands of healing  
love transcending pain and strife.  
Make us loving sons and daughters;  
make us holy, kind and true,  
sent to labor for your Kingdom—  
restless till we rest in you.

**Stations of the Cross—Friday, March 22 @ 6:00 pm—  
Our Mother of Sorrows—Speaker, Soup & Salad Following  
Stations**



**Fifth Sunday of Lent  
March 17, 2024**

**Prelude: Draw Me Close To You**

**Gathering: Led By the Spirit**

1. Led by the Spirit of our God, we go to fast and pray  
With Christ into the wilderness; we join his paschal way.  
"Rend not your garments, rend your hearts. Turn back your lives to me."  
Thus says our kind and gracious God, whose reign is liberty.
2. Led by the Spirit, we confront temptation face to face,  
And know full well we must rely on God's redeeming grace.  
On bread alone we cannot live, but nourished by the Word  
We seek the will of God to do: this is our drink and food.
3. Led by the Spirit, now draw near the waters of rebirth  
With hearts that long to worship God in spirit and in truth.  
"Whoever drinks the drink I give shall never thirst again."  
Thus says the Lord who died for us, our Savior, kin and friend.

**First Reading:** Jeremiah 31:31-34

**Responsorial Psalm:** Create in me a clean heart, O God, a clean heart,  
O God create in me.

**Second Reading:** Hebrews 5:7-9

**Gospel Acclamation:** Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ,  
King of endless glory!

**Gospel:** John 12:20-33

*Instead of the Nicene Creed, during Lent and Easter Time, the  
baptismal Symbol of the Roman Church, known as the Apostle's Creed,  
may be used.*

### **Apostles Creed**

I believe in God, the Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth,  
and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,

**Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary,**  
suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried;  
he descended into hell; on the third day he rose again from the dead;  
he ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God  
the Father almighty; from there he will come  
to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of  
saints , the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body,  
and life everlasting. Amen.

**Response to Intercessions:** *Merciful Lord, hear our prayer*

### **Preparation: Give Us Clean Hands**

We bow our hearts, we bend our knees  
Oh Spirit come make us humble  
We turn our eyes from evil things  
Oh Lord we cast down our idols

(Chorus)

Give us clean hands, give us pure hearts  
Let us not lift our souls to another  
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Let us not lift our souls to another

(repeat verse and chorus)

### **Preparation: Give Us Clean Hands**

(Bridge)

Oh God let us be a generation that seeks  
Seeks Your face, oh God of Jacob  
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(repeat chorus and bridge)

### **Communion: Eye Has Not Seen**

**Refrain:** Eye has not seen, ear has not heard  
what God has ready for those who love him;  
Spirit of love, come, give us the mind of Jesus,  
teach us the wisdom of God.

1. When pain and sorrow weigh us down,  
be near to us, O Lord,  
forgive the weakness of our faith,  
and bear us up within your peaceful word.

2. Our lives are but a single breath,  
we flower and we fade,  
yet all our days are in your hands,  
so we return in love what love has made.

3. To those who see with eyes of faith,  
the Lord is ever near,  
reflected in the faces of all the poor  
and lowly of the world.

4. We sing a myst'ry from the past,  
in halls where saints have trod,  
yet ever new the music rings  
to Jesus, Living Song of God.