

# Mercy Day Mass 2018



## Opening Hymn: Gather

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Gather from the East, gather from the West, gather from the highways too.  
Gather from the North, gather from the South,  
gather when the night is noon.

*Refrain:*       And we'll gather, and we shall reap,  
                    and no longer in sadness we'll weep,  
                    And we'll gather, and we shall reap,  
                    resting, rising, calling, guiding O Lord.

Gather all the needy, gather all in pain, gather all who cry in vain.  
Gather all the thirsty, gather all the poor, gather all in Jesus' name. *R*

Gather all forgotten, gather all forlorn, gather all who weep and mourn.  
Gather all the silent, gather all who sing, gather all the hearts reborn. *R*

Gather from all races, gather from all creeds, gather that you may believe.  
Gather all you ages, gather in his keep, gather in the Lord's own peace. *R*

## Kyrie Eleison

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*Leader:*       Kyrie eleison.  
*R:*                Kyrie eleison.  
*L:*                Christe eleison.  
*R:*                Christe eleison.  
*L:*                Kyrie eleison, Kyrie eleison, Kyrie eleison.  
*R:*                Kyrie eleison, Kyrie eleison, Kyrie eleison.

## Scripture Reading

Proverbs 3:27-34 (NRSV)

Do not withhold good from those to whom it is due,  
when it is in your power to do it.

Do not say to your neighbor, “Go, and come again,  
tomorrow I will give it”—when you have it with you.

Do not plan harm against your neighbor  
who lives trustingly beside you.

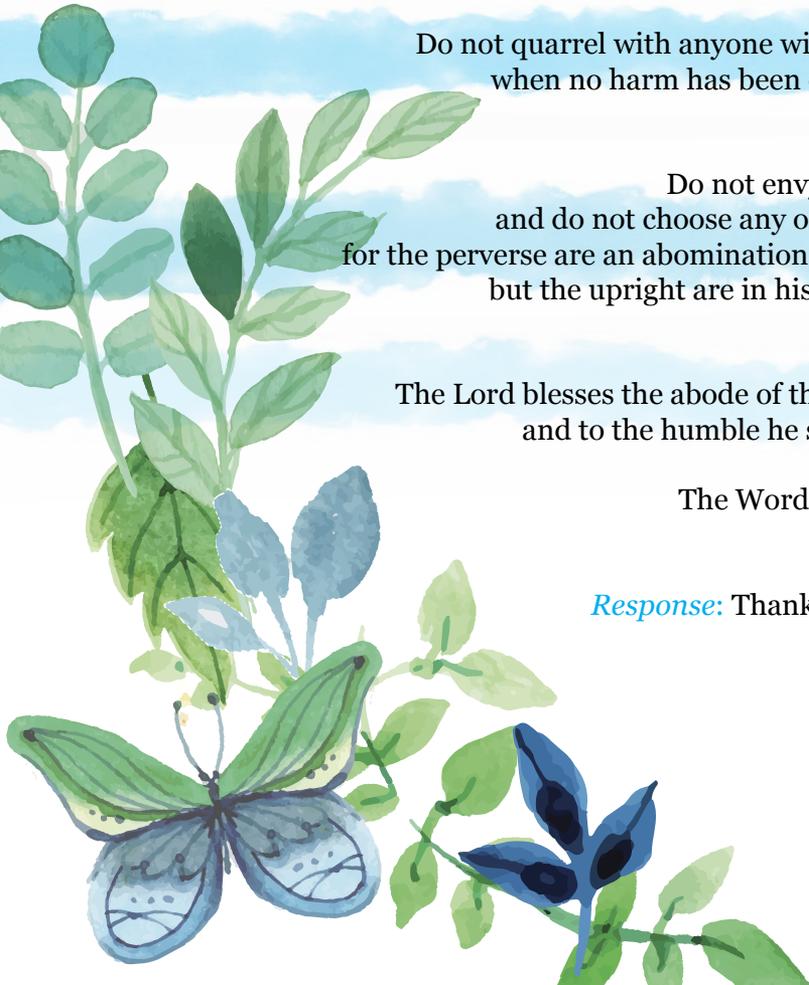
Do not quarrel with anyone without cause,  
when no harm has been done to you.

Do not envy the violent  
and do not choose any of their ways;  
for the perverse are an abomination to the Lord,  
but the upright are in his confidence.

The Lord blesses the abode of the righteous,  
and to the humble he shows favor.

The Word of the Lord.

*Response:* Thanks be to God.



## Extracts from the Practical Sayings of Catherine McAuley

A reprint of A little Book of Practical Sayings, Advices and Prayers of Our Reverend Foundress, Mother Mary Catharine McAuley by Mary Clare Moore. 1868 with a new preface, introduction and appendix by Mary C Sullivan © 2010.

You should remember that not to advance is to go back and reflect each day what you can do more to attract God's love and friendship than you did the day before. page 18

When or how do we expect to take up our Cross and follow Christ, if we are not to meet with it in those with whom we are associated? page 17

You must guard your mind from all unprofitable thoughts and practice one virtue after the manner of Jesus Christ, and then another. page 25

Nothing can be more disgraceful than to hear a Religious say anything sharp; it at once renders her habit unbecoming to her. page 5

Try to act so in all times and places that if our divine Lord were to appear on earth again, He might not be ashamed to point you out as one intimately united with him and so nearly allied to him. page 16

If we are humble and sincere God will finish in us the work He has begun, He never refuses His grace to those who ask it. page 3



## Psalm Response: The Lord is my Shepherd

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*Refrain:* The Lord is my shepherd, there is nothing I want,  
nothing I want, fresh and green are God's rich pastures.  
The Lord is my shepherd, there is nothing I want,  
nothing I want, for God guides me to living waters.

1. Near restful waters, God guides my soul,  
revives my spirit, God makes me whole.  
Guides me on the right path, guides me on the right path,  
You are true to Your name. *R.*
2. Goodness and kind, shall follow me and I shall find posterity.  
And in God's House, and in God's House  
my dwelling place shall be. *R.*

## Alleluia

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Sing alleluia, sing alleluia. Sing allelu, sing allelu, sing alleluia.

## Gospel: Luke 8:16-18

*P:* The Lord be with you.  
*R:* And with your spirit.  
*P:* A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Luke  
*R:* Glory to you O Lord.

No one after lighting a lamp hides it under a jar, or puts it under a bed, but puts it on a lampstand, so that those who enter may see the light. For nothing is hidden that will not be disclosed, nor is anything secret that will not become known and come to light. Then pay attention to how you listen; for to those who have, more will be given; and from those who do not have, even what they seem to have will be taken away."

*P:* The Gospel of the Lord  
*R:* Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ



# Presentation of Gifts: The Pilgrim (instrumental)

Music: Maura Bergin rsm

## Eucharistic Prayer Responses

- P:* Pray, brothers and sisters, that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.
- R:* May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands for the praise and glory of his name, for our good and the good of all his holy Church.
- P:* The Lord be with you.
- R:* And with your spirit.
- P:* Lift up your hearts.
- R:* We lift them up to the Lord.
- P:* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- R:* It is right and just.

## Holy Holy

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Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, Lord God of Hosts.  
Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest,  
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is he, blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest,  
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.

## Memorial Acclamation

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Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.  
Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.

## Amen

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Amen, Amen, Amen, Amen, Amen, Amen, Amen.

## The Lord's Prayer

Our Father who art in Heaven, Hallowed be thy name;  
thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses  
as we forgive those who trespass against us;  
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. Amen.

## Lamb of God

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Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.  
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.  
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, grant us peace, grant  
us peace.

- P:* Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who takes away the sins of  
the world. Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.  
*R:* Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof,  
but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.

## Communion: Toccata per l'Elevatione by Girolamo Frescobaldi

### Suscipe of Catherine McAuley

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My God, I am yours for time and eternity,  
Lord, I am yours forever.  
It is you who must teach me  
to trust in your Providence, loving God.

You are a God of love and tenderness.  
I put my faith in you.  
And I ask that you grant me  
acceptance of your will, loving God

Take from my heart all painful anxiety.  
Let nothing sadden me but sin.  
And let my delight be  
hoping to see your face, loving God.



## Dismissal

*P:* The Lord be with you.

*R:* And with your spirit.

*P:* May almighty God bless you: the Father, the Son,  
and the Holy Spirit.

*R:* Amen.

*P:* Go and announce the Gospel of the Lord.

*R:* Thanks be to God.

## Recessional: Blest are They

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1. Blest are they, the poor in spirit; theirs is the kingdom of God.  
Blest are they, full of sorrow; they shall be consoled.

*Refrain:* Rejoice and be glad! Blessed are you, holy are you!  
Rejoice and be glad! Yours is the kingdom of God!

2. Blest are they, the lowly ones; they shall inherit the Earth.  
Blest are they, who hunger and thirst; they shall have their fill. *R*
3. Blest are they, who show mercy; mercy shall be theirs.  
Blest are they, the pure of heart; they shall see God! *R*
4. Blest are they, who seek peace; they are the children of God.  
Blest are they who suffer in faith; the glory of God is theirs. *R*
5. Blest are you, who suffer hate, all because of me.  
Rejoice and be glad, yours is the kingdom; shine for all to see. *R*

## Launch of the new Mercyworld.org Website

The Congregation will be invited to move to the International Room where the new Mercyworld.org website will be launched.

## Speeches:

Mary Reynolds rsm - Mercy International Association

Ronan Morris and Barry D'Arcy - Together Digital

## Website Demonstration

Anne Walsh - Mercyworld.org Website Administrator

## Prayer for those who visit the Mercyworld Website

### Celebratory Hymn: Circle of Mercy

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In Mercy, we touch the hearts of those who are in misery.  
In Mercy, we're touched by them  
and feel their strength and courage.  
In Mercy, we heal the pain of those who are in sorrow.  
In Mercy, we're healed by them and see the face of hope.

**Refrain:** For the Circle of Mercy is timeless,  
it is Spirit of life itself,  
which grounds us in faith,  
and lifts us in hope  
and holds us in God's loving care,  
and holds us in God's loving care.

In Mercy, we welcome those the world has left rejected.  
In Mercy, we're drawn within the loving heart of God.  
In Mercy, we forgive the incompleteness in another.  
In Mercy, our sins are healed and we are whole again. *R*

In Mercy, the Spirit faith will ground us in God's presence.  
In Mercy, the Spirit hope will lift us out of doubt.  
In Mercy, the love of God will be our joy in living.  
In Mercy, we join with one another on our journey. *R*

*The celebrations will continue with a  
"Good Cup of Tea" in the Dining Room.*

