

Welcome to St. Monica's Episcopal Church



THE LAST SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

Holy Eucharist Rite II

Year B

February 13th & 14th, 2021

5:00 PM & 10:00 AM

St. Monica's Episcopal Church
7070 Immokalee Road
Naples, FL 34119
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WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please Stand

HYMN

Alleluia! Sing to Jesus!

Hymn 460

Sung by St. Monica's Choir Ensemble

THE WORD OF GOD

Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,

People **And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**Celebrant Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

GLORIA

Glory to God in the Highest – Robert Powell

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Sung by St. Monica's Choir Ensemble

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth. Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory. Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

THE COLLECT

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

O God, who before the passion of your only-begotten Son revealed his glory upon the holy mountain: Grant to us that we, beholding by faith the light of his countenance, may be strengthened to bear our cross, and be changed into his likeness from glory to glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

THE LESSONS

FIRST LESSON

2 Kings 2:1-12

When the Lord was about to take Elijah up to heaven by a whirlwind, Elijah and Elisha were on their way from Gilgal. Elijah said to Elisha, "Stay here; for the Lord has sent me as far as Bethel." But Elisha said, "As the Lord lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you." So they went down to Bethel. The company of prophets who were in Bethel came out to Elisha, and said to him, "Do you know that today the Lord will take your master away from you?" And he said, "Yes, I know; keep silent."

Elijah said to him, "Elisha, stay here; for the Lord has sent me to Jericho." But he said, "As the Lord lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you." So they came to Jericho. The company of prophets who were at Jericho drew near to Elisha, and said to him, "Do you know that today the Lord will take your master away from you?" And he answered, "Yes, I know; be silent."

Then Elijah said to him, "Stay here; for the Lord has sent me to the Jordan." But he said, "As the Lord lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you." So the two of them went on. Fifty men of the company of prophets also went, and stood at some distance from them, as they both were standing by the Jordan. Then Elijah took his mantle and rolled it up, and struck the water; the water was parted to the one side and to the other, until the two of them crossed on dry ground.

When they had crossed, Elijah said to Elisha, "Tell me what I may do for you, before I am taken from you." Elisha said, "Please let me inherit a double share of your spirit." He responded, "You have asked a hard thing; yet, if you see me as I am being taken from you, it will be granted you; if not, it will not." As they continued walking and talking, a chariot of fire and horses of fire separated the two of them, and Elijah ascended in a whirlwind into heaven. Elisha kept watching and crying out, "Father, father! The chariots of Israel and its horsemen!" But when he could no longer see him, he grasped his own clothes and tore them in two pieces.

Lector The Word of the Lord.
People **Thanks be to God.**

THE PSALM

Deus deorum

Psalm 50:1-6

Sung by St. Monica's Choir Ensemble

- 1 The Lord, the God of gods, has spoken; *
he has called the earth from the rising of the sun to its setting.
- 2 Out of Zion, perfect in its beauty, *
God reveals himself in glory.
- 3 Our God will come and will not keep silence; *
before him there is a consuming flame, and round about him a raging storm.
- 4 He calls the heavens and the earth from above *
to witness the judgment of his people.
- 5 "Gather before me my loyal followers, *
those who have made a covenant with me and sealed it with sacrifice."
- 6 Let the heavens declare the rightness of his cause; *
for God himself is judge.

SECOND LESSON

2 Corinthians 4:3-6

Even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled to those who are perishing. In their case the god of this world has blinded the minds of the unbelievers, to keep them from seeing the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God. For we do not proclaim ourselves; we proclaim Jesus Christ as Lord and ourselves as your slaves for Jesus' sake. For it is the God who said, "Let light shine out of darkness," who has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.

Lector The Word of the Lord.
People **Thanks be to God.**

THE GRADUAL HYMN

O Wondrous Type! O Vision Fair

Hymn 137

Sung by St. Monica's Choir Ensemble

THE GOSPEL

Mark 9:29

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.
People **Glory to you Lord Christ.**

Jesus took with him Peter and James and John, and led them up a high mountain apart, by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, and his clothes became dazzling white, such as no one on earth could bleach them. And there appeared to them Elijah with Moses, who were talking with Jesus. Then Peter said to Jesus, "Rabbi, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah." He did not know what to say, for they were terrified. Then a cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud there came a voice, "This is my Son, the Beloved; listen to him!" Suddenly when they looked around, they saw no one with them any more, but only Jesus.

As they were coming down the mountain, he ordered them to tell no one about what they had seen, until after the Son of Man had risen from the dead.

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.
People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

THE SERMON

The Rev. Edward F. P. Gibbons

THE NICENE CREED

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the Prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Reader: With all our heart and with all our mind, let us pray to the Lord, saying "Hear our prayer."

I ask your prayers for the peace of the world, for the welfare of the Church, and for the unity of all peoples, Lord in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

I ask your prayers for God's people throughout the world; for Justin Archbishop of Canterbury, Michael our Presiding Bishop, Dabney our Bishop, Fr. Eddie our Priest; for this gathering; and for all minister and people. Pray for the Church, Lord in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

I ask your prayers for goodwill among nations; and for the well-being of all people. For our President Joe, Ron our Governor, for the leaders of the nations, & for all in authority. We also pray for all those who are serving in our Armed Forces, especially Katie Coston, Noah Evans, Sal Filardi Jr., Dane Grauer, Devin Harrity, Emma McHenry, Kate McHenry, Schaeffer McHenry-Grauer, Troy Nelson, Tristan Pate, James Pyles, Doug Ross, Drew Scullard, Daniel Williams, Peter Witte. Pray for justice and peace, Lord in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

I ask your prayers for this city of Naples, for every city and community, and for those who live in them, Lord in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

I ask your prayers for the aged and infirm, for the widowed and orphans, and for the sick and the suffering, especially for Steve Corey, Joyce Coryea & Barbara, Kyle, Heather Williamson & family. Lord in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

I ask your prayers for those celebrating birthdays this week: Eulah Burrows, Sonia Delgado, Marilyn Dessauer, David Dougan Jr., Tom Gibson, Emily Macartney, Dalna Montroy, Marciadee Newman, Merrienne Orndoff. We also give thanks for those celebrating wedding anniversaries this week: Rob & Katherine Crevier, Donna Luzzi & Susan Janosec-Luzzi, James & Donna Kalbach. We pray that our guests today know the joy of life in Jesus Christ. Lord in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

I ask your prayers for the poor and the oppressed, for the unemployed and the destitute, for prisoners and captives, and for all who remember and care for them, Lord in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

I ask your prayers for all who have died in the hope of the resurrection, and for all the departed, especially for Dr. Norman Williamson, Lord in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

In the communion of the Ever Blessed Virgin Mary, St. Monica, and all the saints, let us commend ourselves, and one another, and all our life, to Christ our God. Lord in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

PRAYER FOR THE RECTOR SEARCH

Almighty God, giver of every good gift:

Look graciously on St. Monica's, and so guide the minds of those who shall choose a rector for this parish, that we may receive a faithful pastor, who will care for your people and equip us for our ministries, through Jesus Christ Our Lord. *Amen.*

THE CONFESSION OF SIN

Celebrant Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

People Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name.

Amen.

Celebrant Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life.

Amen.

THE PEACE

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

DURING THE OFFERING

5:00 PM	Voluntary	<i>Allegro in A Major</i> Georg	Georg Friedrich Handel
10:00 AM	Anthem	<i>Christ Whose Glory Fills the Skies</i> Sung by St. Monica's Choir Ensemble	T. Frederick Candlyn

Please Stand

OFFERTORY HYMN

Verse 3 (Doxology)

Hymn 380

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below;
praise him above, ye heavenly host: praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Eucharistic Prayer D

Celebrant	The Lord be with you.
<i>People</i>	And also with you.
Celebrant	Lift up your hearts.
<i>People</i>	We lift them to the Lord.
Celebrant	Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
<i>People</i>	It is right to give him thanks and praise.

Celebrant continues:

It is truly right to glorify you, Father, and to give you thanks; for you alone are God, living and true, dwelling in light inaccessible from before time and forever. Fountain of life and source of all goodness, you made all things and fill them with your blessing; you created them to rejoice in the splendor of your radiance.

Countless throngs of angels stand before you to serve you night and day; and, beholding the glory of your presence, they offer you unceasing praise. Joining with them, and giving voice to every creature under heaven, we acclaim you, and glorify your Name, as we sing,

SANCTUS

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord – Richard Proulx

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Sung by St. Monica's Choir Ensemble

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

Please stand or kneel as the Celebrant continues:

We acclaim you, holy Lord, glorious in power. Your mighty works reveal your wisdom and love. You formed us in your own image, giving the whole world into our care, so that, in obedience to you, our Creator, we might rule and serve all your creatures. When our disobedience took us far from you, you did not abandon us to the power of death. In your mercy you came to our help, so that in seeking you we might find you. Again and again, you called us into covenant with you, and through the prophets you taught us to hope for salvation.

Father, you loved the world so much that in the fullness of time you sent your only Son to be our Savior. Incarnate by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, he lived as one of us, yet without sin. To the poor he proclaimed the good news of salvation; to prisoners, freedom; to the sorrowful, joy. To fulfill your purpose, he gave himself up to death; and, rising from the grave, destroyed death, and made the whole creation new.

And, that we might live no longer for ourselves, but for him who died and rose for us, he sent the Holy Spirit, his own first gift for those who believe, to complete his work in the world, and to bring to fulfillment the sanctification of all.

When the hour had come for him to be glorified by you, his heavenly Father, having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end; at supper with them he took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Father, we now celebrate this memorial of our redemption. Recalling Christ's death and his descent among the dead, proclaiming his resurrection and ascension to your right hand, awaiting his coming in glory; and offering to you, from the gifts you have given us, this bread and this cup, we praise you and we bless you.

MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

We Praise you - McNeil Robinson

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Sung by St. Monica's Choir Ensemble

**We praise you and, we bless you, we give thanks to you,
and we pray to you, Lord our God.**

The Celebrant continues:

Lord, we pray that in your goodness and mercy your Holy Spirit may descend upon us, and upon these gifts, sanctifying them and showing them to be holy gifts for your holy people, the bread of life and the cup of salvation, the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ.

Grant that all who share this bread and cup may become one body and one spirit, a living sacrifice in Christ, to the praise of your Name.

Remember, Lord, your one holy catholic and apostolic Church, redeemed by the blood of your Christ. Reveal its unity, guard its faith, and preserve it in peace.

Remember all who minister in your Church. Remember all your people, and those who seek your truth. Remember all who have died in the peace of Christ, and those whose faith is known to you alone; bring them into the place of eternal joy and light.

And grant that we may find our inheritance with the Ever Blessed Virgin Mary, with patriarchs, prophets, apostles, and martyrs, with Monica and all the saints who have found favor with you in ages past. We praise you in union with them and give you glory through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, all honor and glory are yours, Almighty God and Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, for ever and ever.

AMEN

Amen - McNeil Robinson

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Sung by St. Monica's Choir Ensemble

Amen, Amen, Amen!

Celebrant And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

People **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. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.**

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Celebrant Alleluia, Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
People Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

FRACTION ANTHEM

Christ Our Passover – David Hurd
Sung by St. Monica's Choir Ensemble

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Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

*You are invited and encouraged to come God's table. The communion bread is received on an outstretched palm.
If you wish to receive a blessing instead of the sacrament, please cross your arms over your chest.*

COMMUNION SOLO

10:00 AM

From the Rising of the Sun
Sung by St. Monica's Choir Ensemble

Frederick Ouseley

COMMUNION VOLUNTARY

Alleluia, Alleluia! Give Thanks
Sung by St. Monica's Choir Ensemble

Hymn 380

Please Stand

PRAYER FOR SPIRITUAL COMMUNION 10:00 AM

My Jesus, I believe that you are truly present in the Blessed Sacrament of the Altar. I love you above all things, and long for you in my soul. Since I cannot receive you in the Sacrament of your Body and Blood, come spiritually into my heart. Cleanse and strengthen me with your grace, Lord Jesus, and let me never be separated from you. May I live in you, and you in me, in this life and in the life to come. *Amen.*

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Almighty and ever-living God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. *Amen.*

THE BLESSING

Response: *Amen*

THE DISMISSAL

Celebrant Go in peace to love and serve the Lord, alleluia, alleluia.
People Thanks be to God, alleluia, alleluia.

HYMN

Ye Watchers and Ye Holy Ones
Sung by St. Monica's Choir Ensemble

Hymn 618

VOLUNTARY

Carillon from 24 Pieces in a Free Style

Louis Vierne