

# Solemnity of Saints Peter and Paul



## St. Patrick Catholic Church

*The Mission of St. Patrick Catholic Community is to proclaim and live the Gospel message of unconditional love, healing and reconciliation through prayer, celebration and action on behalf of justice as a sign of hope for all God's people.*

### Gathering Hymn: We've Come This Far by Faith

Refrain

We've come this far by faith, Lean-ing on the

Lord; Trust-ing in his ho-ly word,

He's nev-er failed me yet. Oh,

can't turn a-round, We've come this far by faith.

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Verse 1

1. Don't be dis - cour - aged when trou - ble's in your  
life, He'll bear your bur - dens and  
move all mis - er - y and strife. That's why we've

2. Just the other day I heard someone say  
He didn't believe in God's word;  
But I can truly say that God had made a way,  
And he's never failed me yet.  
That's why we've...

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Tune: Albert A. Goodson, b.1933; arr. by James Abbington, b.1960  
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## **Gloria:**

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will. We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory, Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father. Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us; you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer; you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us. 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.

## **First Reading:**

Acts 12:1-11

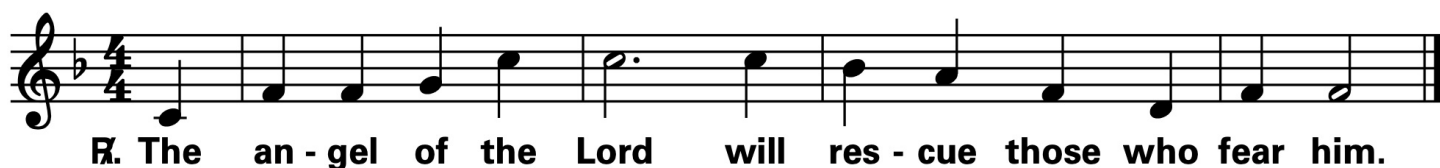
In those days, King Herod laid hands upon some members of the Church to harm them. He had James, the brother of John, killed by the sword, and when he saw that this was pleasing to the Jews he proceeded to arrest Peter also. —It was the feast of Unleavened Bread.— He had him taken into custody and put in prison under the guard of four squads of four soldiers each. He intended to bring him before the people after Passover. Peter thus was being kept in prison, but prayer by the Church was fervently being made to God on his behalf. On the very night before Herod was to bring him to trial, Peter, secured by double chains, was sleeping between two soldiers, while outside the door guards kept watch on the prison. Suddenly the angel of the Lord stood by him and a light shone in the cell. He tapped Peter on the side and awakened him, saying, “Get up quickly.” The chains fell from his wrists. The angel said to him, “Put on your belt and your sandals.” He did so. Then he said to him, “Put on your cloak and follow me.” So he followed him out, not realizing that what was happening through the angel was real; he thought he was seeing a vision. They passed the first guard, then the second, and came to the iron gate leading out to the city, which opened for them by itself. They emerged and made their way down an alley, and suddenly the angel left him. Then Peter recovered his senses and said, “Now I know for certain that the Lord sent his angel and rescued me from the hand of Herod and from all that the Jewish people had been expecting.”

The word of the Lord.

**R/: Thanks be to God.**

## **Responsorial Psalm:**

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**Second Reading:**

2 Timothy 4:6-8, 17-18

I, Paul, am already being poured out like a libation, and the time of my departure is at hand. I have competed well; I have finished the race; I have kept the faith. From now on the crown of righteousness awaits me, which the Lord, the just judge, will award to me on that day, and not only to me, but to all who have longed for his appearance. The Lord stood by me and gave me strength, so that through me the proclamation might be completed and all the Gentiles might hear it. And I was rescued from the lion's mouth. The Lord will rescue me from every evil threat and will bring me safe to his heavenly Kingdom. To him be glory forever and ever. Amen.

The word of the Lord.

**R/: Thanks be to God.****Gospel:**

Matthew 16:13-19

When Jesus went into the region of Caesarea Philippi he asked his disciples, “Who do people say that the Son of Man is?” They replied, “Some say John the Baptist, others Elijah, still others Jeremiah or one of the prophets.” He said to them, “But who do you say that I am?” Simon Peter said in reply, “You are the Christ, the Son of the living God.” Jesus said to him in reply, “Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah. For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my heavenly Father. And so I say to you, you are Peter, and upon this rock I will build my Church, and the gates of the netherworld shall not prevail against it. I will give you the keys to the Kingdom of heaven. Whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven; and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

**R/: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**



## **Profession of Faith:**

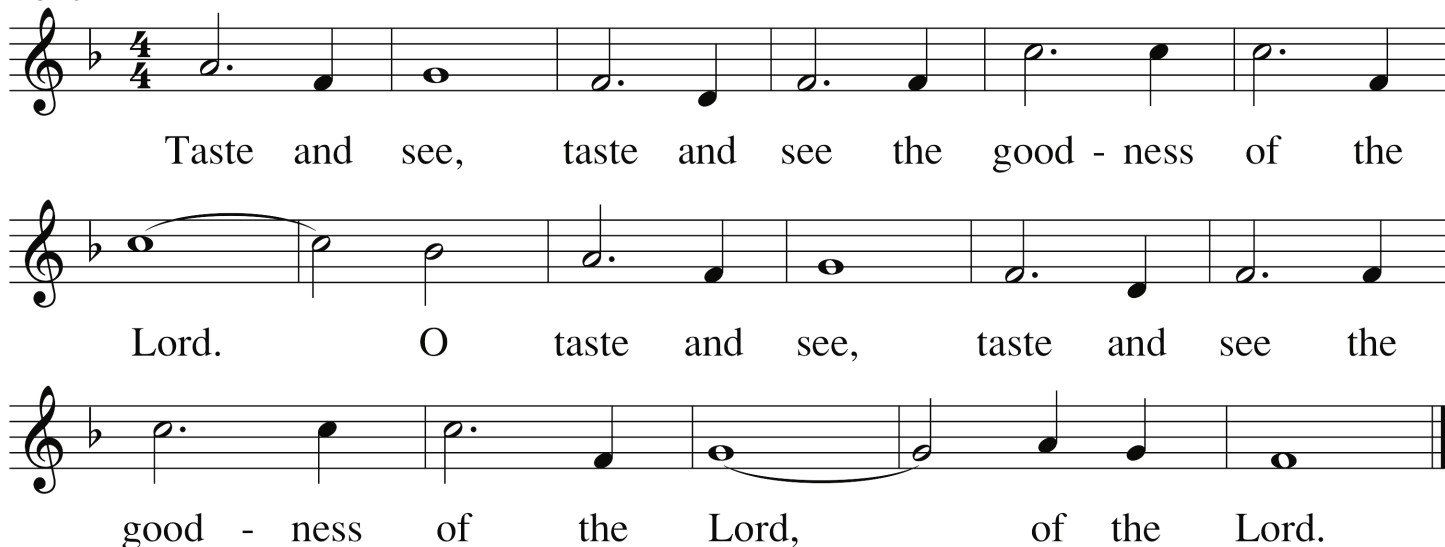
I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible. I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father, through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day 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. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.



## Presentation of Gifts:

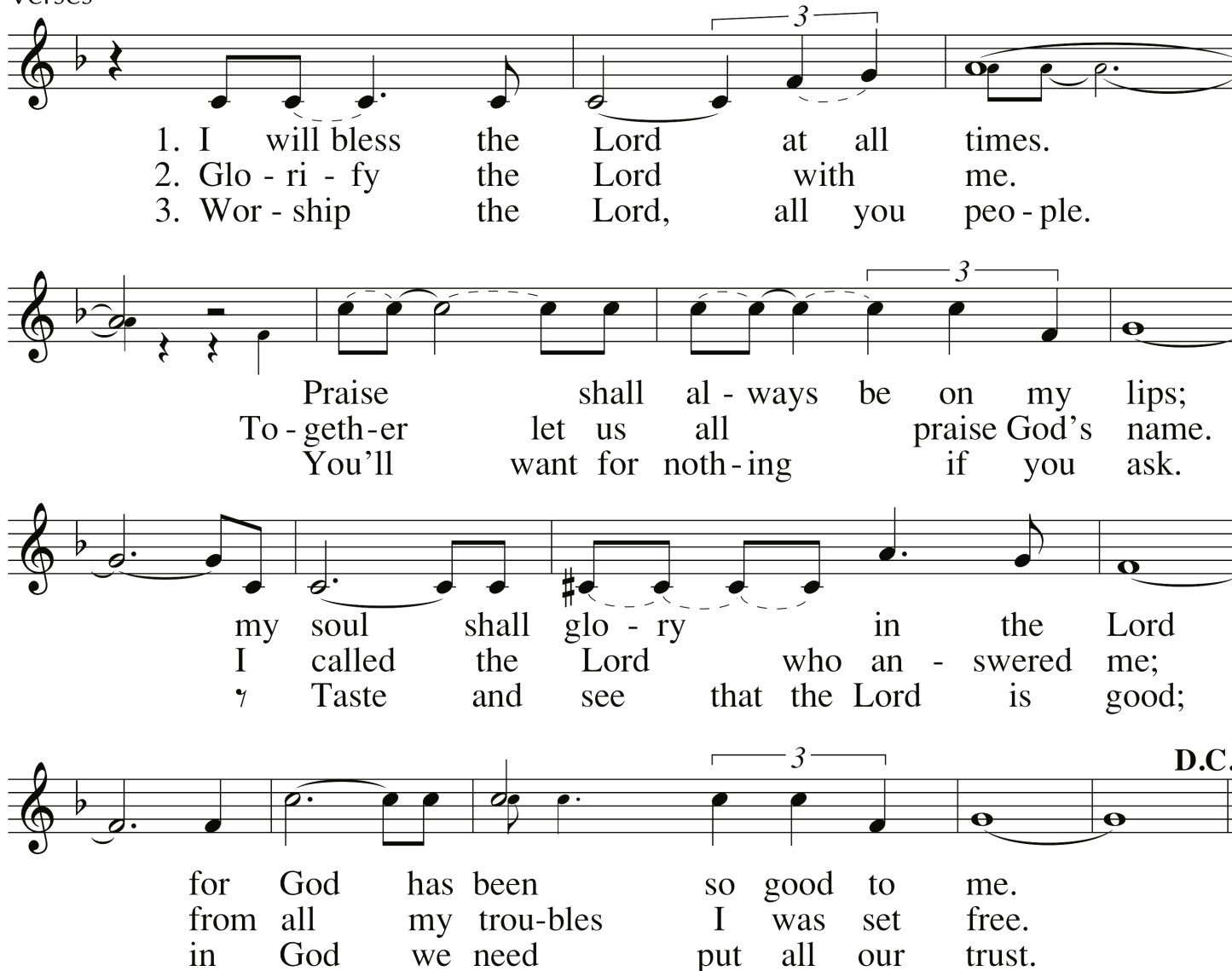
## Taste and See

### Refrain



Taste and see, taste and see the good - ness of the  
Lord. O taste and see, taste and see the  
good - ness of the Lord, of the Lord.

### Verses



1. I will bless the Lord at all times.  
2. Glo - ri - fy the Lord with me.  
3. Wor - ship the Lord, all you peo - ple.

Praise shall al - ways be on my lips;  
To - geth - er let us all praise God's name.  
You'll want for noth - ing if you ask.

my soul shall glo - ry in the Lord  
I called the Lord who an - swered me;  
Taste and see that the Lord is good;

for God has been so good to me.  
from all my trou - bles I was set free.  
in God we need put all our trust.

Text: Psalm 34; James E. Moore, Jr., b.1951

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## Communion:

## Be Not Afraid

### Verse 1

1. You shall cross the bar-ren des-ert, but you  
shall not die of thirst. You shall wan-der far in  
safe-ty though you do not know the way. You shall  
speak your words in for-eign lands and all will un-der-  
stand. You shall see the face of God and live.

The musical notation for Verse 1 is written on five staves in G major (one sharp) and common time. The melody is simple and hymn-like, with lyrics written below the notes. The first staff begins with a whole rest followed by a quarter note, then a half note, and continues with eighth and quarter notes. The lyrics are: '1. You shall cross the bar-ren des-ert, but you'. The second staff continues with 'shall not die of thirst. You shall wan-der far in'. The third staff continues with 'safe-ty though you do not know the way. You shall'. The fourth staff continues with 'speak your words in for-eign lands and all will un-der-'. The fifth staff concludes with 'stand. You shall see the face of God and live.'.

### Refrain

Be not a - fraid. I go be - fore you al - ways.  
Come, fol-low me, and I will give you rest.

The musical notation for the Refrain is written on two staves in G major and common time. The first staff contains the lyrics 'Be not a - fraid. I go be - fore you al - ways.' and the second staff contains 'Come, fol-low me, and I will give you rest.'.

### Verse 2

2. If you pass through rag - ing wa-ters in the

The musical notation for Verse 2 is written on one staff in G major and common time. The lyrics are: '2. If you pass through rag - ing wa-ters in the'.

sea, you shall not drown. If you walk a-mid the burn-ing flames,  
 you shall not be harmed. If you stand be-fore the  
 pow'r of hell and death is at your side,  
 know that I am with you through it all. **D.S.**

Verse 3

3. Bless-ed are your poor, for the king-dom shall be  
 theirs. Blest are you that weep and mourn, for  
 one day you shall laugh. And if wick-ed tongues in -  
 sult and hate you all be-cause of me,  
 bless-ed, bless-ed are you! **D.S.**

Text: Isaiah 43:2-3, Luke 6:20ff; Bob Dufford, SJ, b.1943

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## Closing Hymn:

## They'll Know We Are Christians

1. We are one in the Spir - it, we are  
2. We will walk with each oth - er, we will  
3. We will work with each oth - er, we will  
4. All praise to the Fa - ther, from

one in the Lord, We are one in the  
walk hand in hand, We will walk with each  
work side by side, We will work with each  
whom all things come, And all praise to Christ

Spir - it, we are one in the Lord, And we  
oth - er, we will walk hand in hand, And to -  
oth - er, we will work side by side, And we'll  
Je - sus, his on - ly Son, And all

pray that all u - ni - ty may one day be re -  
geth - er we'll spread the news that God is in our  
guard each one's dig - ni - ty and save each one's  
praise to the Spir - it, who makes us

stored:  
land:  
pride:  
one:  
And they'll know we are Chris - tians by our

love, by our love, Yes, they'll know we are

Chris - tians by our love.

Text: Peter Scholtes, b.1938

Tune: ST. BRENDAN'S, 7 6 7 6 8 6 with refrain; Peter Scholtes, b.1938

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## Prayer of St. Patrick

Spirit of life, Spirit of wisdom, be active among us, the people of St. Patrick Community. Bring us together and keep us together in unity of mind and heart as we search for ways to live the Gospel in our present and in our future. Lead us and inspire us in fulfilling our mission as disciples of Jesus in this community of believers, now and always.

**Amen.**



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