

Liturgical Ministry at Holy Spirit

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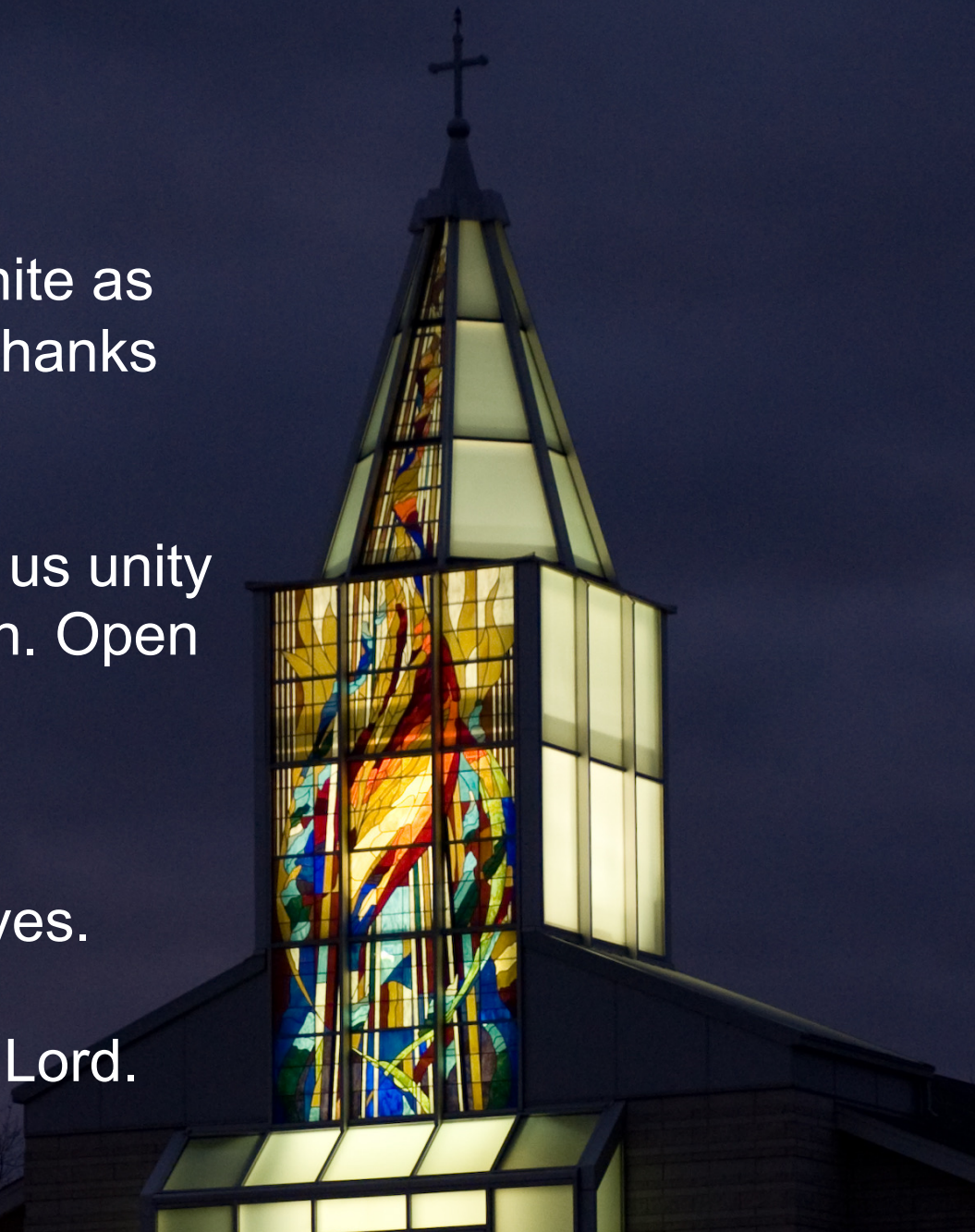
Opening Prayer

Heavenly Father, we pause in our journeys and unite as one people, serving together in ministry. We give thanks and praise to you for all your blessings.

As we continue this Easter season, which won for us unity with you, guide our minds as we serve your church. Open our hearts to follow the example of Christ and the challenge of the Gospel.

Be present with us this day and each day of our lives.

We ask this through Christ Jesus, the resurrected Lord.
Amen.



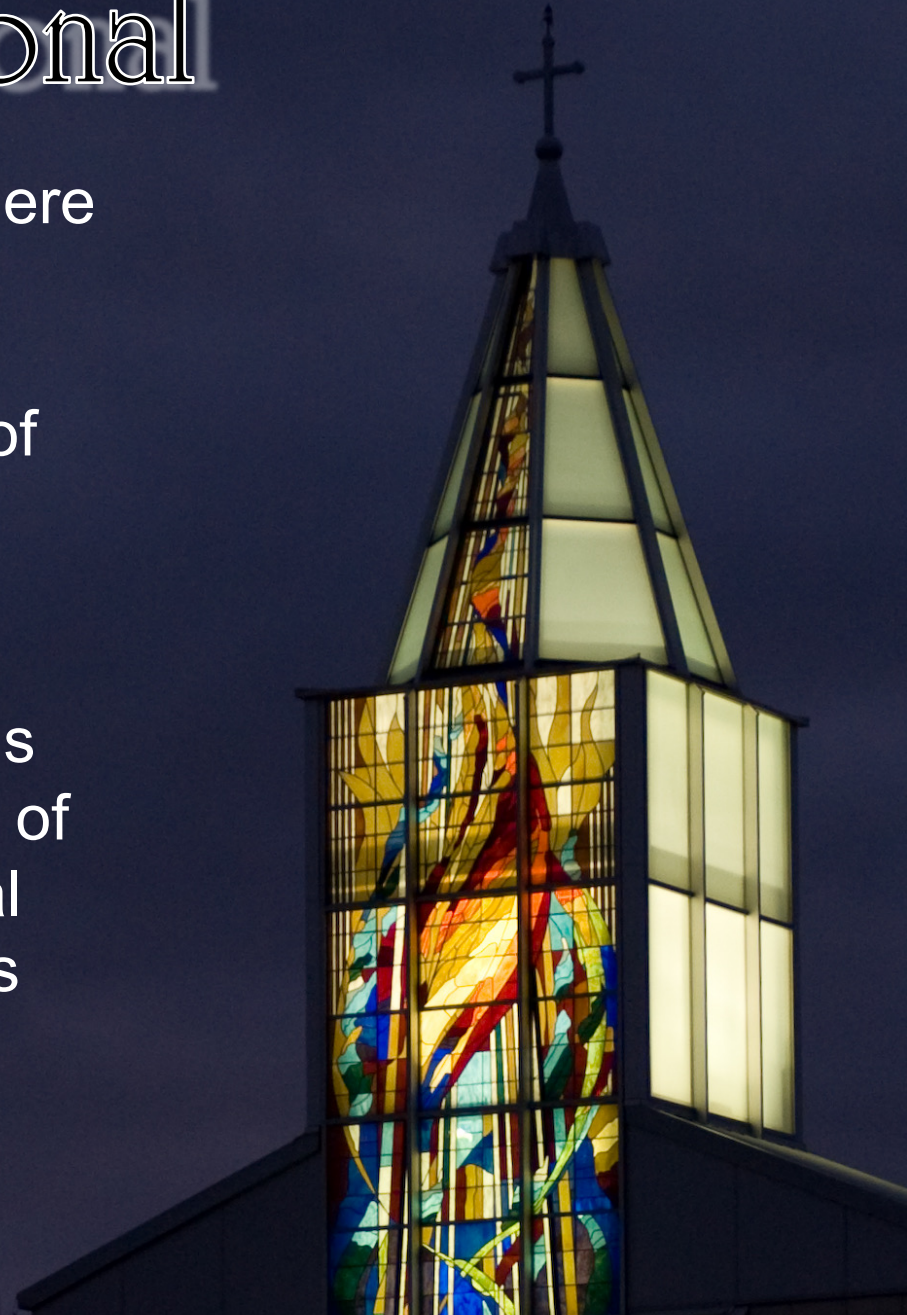
Celebrating Faithfully

- Faith and ministry are relational
- What is Liturgy and Liturgical Ministry?
- What do the church documents say about liturgy?
- Leadership: Triangle Model vs. The Three E's
- Preferences and Options for Liturgical Celebrations



Our Catholic Faith is Relational

- “All men are called to the same end: God himself. There is a certain resemblance between the union of the divine persons and the fraternity that men are to establish among themselves in truth and love. Love of neighbor is inseparable from love for God.”
 - *(CCC, 1878)*
- “The human person needs to live in society. Society is not for him an extraneous addition but a requirement of his nature. Through the exchange with others, mutual service and dialogue with his brethren, man develops his potential; he thus responds to his vocation.”
 - *(CCC, 1879)*



Community and Ministry

- Liturgical Ministry: serving God by serving one another
- Coming together seeking God's presence, to worship, and serve one another
- Uniting hearts, minds, and voices together as one people of faith
 - *"Uplifting heart and voice"*
 - *"I invite you to **sing loudly**, and **pray boldly**"*



Community and Ministry

- Universal Church → Local Church → Parish Community
- It is important to be faithful to what **unites us** rather than our personal preferences
- Christ calls us to stand united with each other
 - ***“By this everyone will know you are my disciples if you love one another.” (John 13:35)***
- Liturgy is the work of the people; thus, we work diligently to be faithful to what the church is asking of us in the liturgy



Vision of the Church Universal

- There is strength in unity
- There is fidelity in faith
- Through faith we grow stronger as a community
- As a community, we grow stronger in relationship to those we don't know but are one with in Christ throughout the world



Keywords

- **Universality:** the quality of involving or being shared by all people or things in the world or in a particular group.
- **Church Universal:** the whole body of catholic Christians throughout the world
 - *Catholic = universal*



3 Types of Liturgical Law

1. Universal Law

1. *These laws are binding everywhere for all those for whom issued. (Can. 12 §1)*
2. **The GIRM, Code of Canon Law**

2. Ecclesiastical Law

1. *Similar to Universal Law; binding to those baptized or received into the catholic church, possess efficient use of reason, and are 7 y.o. (Can. 11)*
2. **Lenten fasting & abstinence, Holy Days in the U.S.**

3. Particular Law

1. *Laws pertaining to a particular group, region, territory, or diocese. (Can. 12 §3)*
2. **Congregation kneeling after the “Holy, Holy” vs. the epiclesis**



What is Liturgy & How Does it Form Us?

- Liturgy is the work of the people
- The rubrics of the church are pivotal in how we worship
 - General Instruction of the Roman Missal (**GIRM**)
 - 3rd Edition of the Roman Missal
 - **Sacrosanctum Concillium**
 - *Vatican II Constitution on the Sacred Liturgy*
- Go to Mass anywhere in the world?
 - Language and customs might differ, the structure and essence are the same
 - *This foundation connects us*
 - *Thus we are still “One Bread, One Body”*



The GIRM on Liturgical Ministry

- **GIRM 16:**

- “The celebration of the Mass...is the center of the whole of Christian life for the church both universal and local, as well as for each of the faithful individually.”

- **GIRM 17:**

- “It is, therefore, of the greatest importance that the celebration of the Mass of the Lord’s Supper be so ordered that the sacred ministers and the faithful...may draw from it more abundantly.”



The GIRM on Liturgical Ministry

- **GIRM 95:**

- “In the celebration of the Mass the faithful form a holy people, a people of God’s own possession and a royal Priesthood...”
- “...They are consequently to avoid any appearance of singularity or division, keeping in mind that they have only one Father in heaven and that hence are all brothers or sisters one to the other.”



- **Altar Servers**

- “...these carry the cross, the candles, the thurible, the bread, the wine, and the water...” (*GIRM 100*)

- **Readers**

- “...people who are...carefully prepared, so that by their hearing the readings from the sacred texts the faithful may conceive in their hearts a sweet and living affection for Sacred Scripture.” (*GIRM 101*)



- **Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion**

- “In the distribution of Holy Communion...the priest may call upon extraordinary ministers to assist him, that is, duly instituted acolytes or even other faithful who have been duly deputed for this purpose.”
(*GIRM 162*)



Sacrosanctum Concilium

- **Article 26**

- “Liturgical services are not private functions, but are celebrations of the Church, which is the ‘sacrament of unity,’ namely, the holy people united and ordered under their bishops.”

- **Article 28**

- “In liturgical celebrations, each person, minister or layman, who has an office to perform, should do all of, but only, those parts which pertain to his office by the nature of the rite and the principles of liturgy.”



Unity in Faith and Ministry

- 1 Corinthians 12: 25-26

“As a body is one though it has many parts, and all the parts of the body, though many, are one body, so also Christ...so that there may be no division in the body, but that the parts may have the same concern for one another. If [one] part suffers, all the parts suffer with it; if one part is honored, all the parts share it’s joy.”

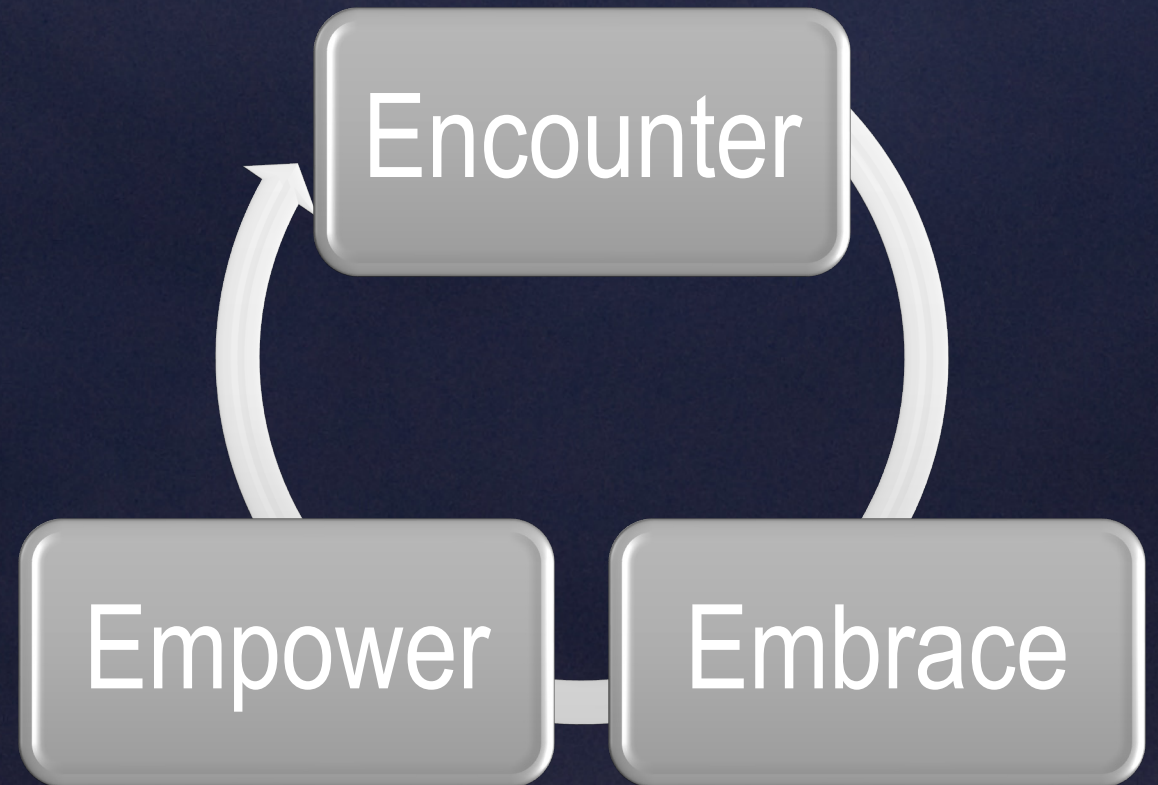
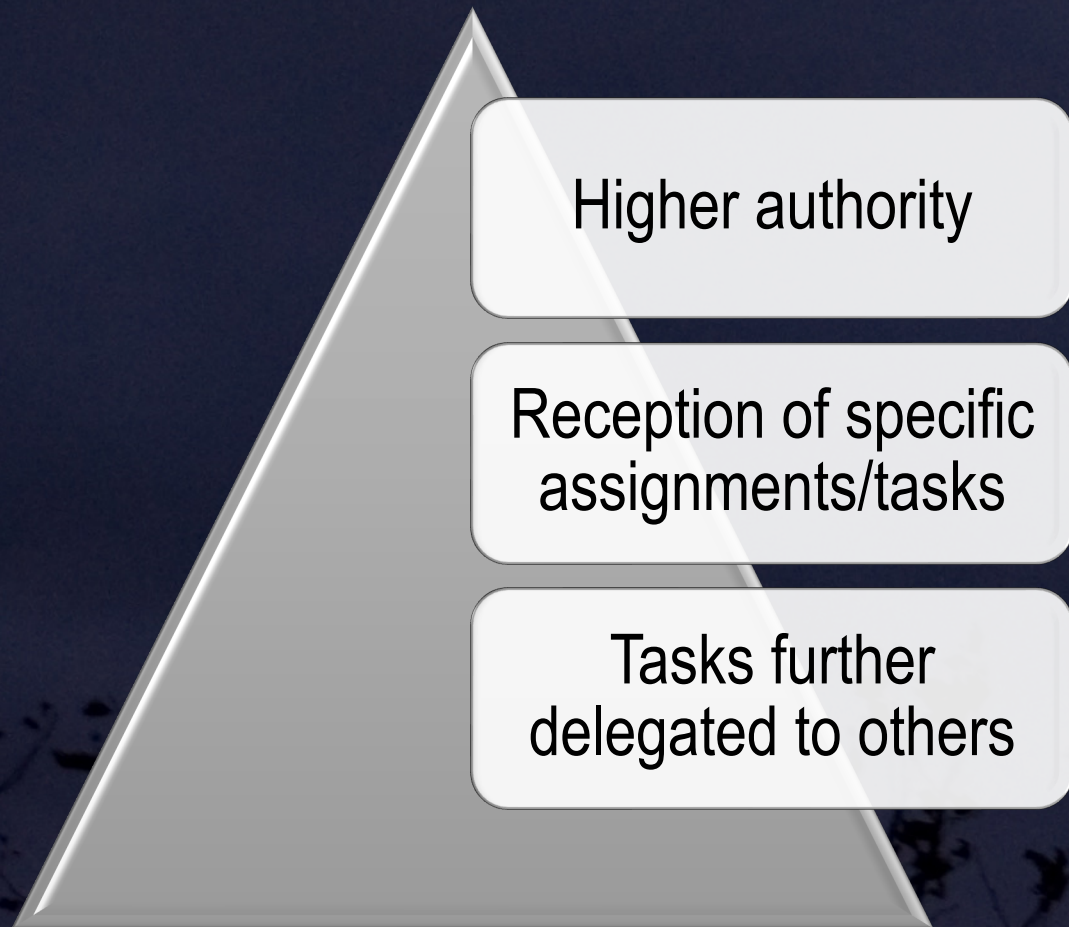


Unified Liturgical Ministry and Community

- We are in relationship with one another in:
 - *Our Parish Community*
 - *The Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph*
 - *The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops*
 - *The Church Universal*
- Think of our second collections for **El Salvador, Peter's Pence, Catholic Charities, the Holy Land, etc.**
- This connection to one another unites our hearts and faith in Christ, making us one people of God, even when things differ



Leadership Models

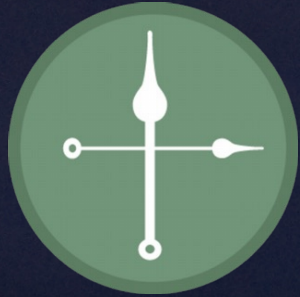


Summary

- Ministry and faith are relational and rely on connection as a community, local church, and church universal
- In the Mass we serve God through serving one another
- The GIRM, 3rd Edition of the Roman Missal, and Sacrosanctum Concilium offer guidance for the liturgy
- The Three E's: **Encounter, Embrace, Empower**
- Focus on that which unites us as one people of God at every liturgy



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Resources

General Instruction of the Roman Missal, 3rd Typical Edition (**GIRM**)

<https://www.usccb.org/prayer-and-worship/the-mass/general-instruction-of-the-roman-missal>

Sacrosanctum Concilium (**Constitution on the Sacred Liturgy**)

https://www.vatican.va/archive/hist_councils/ii_vatican_council/documents/vat-ii_const_19631204_sacrosanctum-concilium_en.html

United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (www.usccb.org)

Readers: <https://www.usccb.org/prayer-and-worship/the-mass/order-of-mass/liturgy-of-the-eucharist/extraordinary-ministers-of-holy-communion-at-mass>

Communion Ministers: <https://www.usccb.org/prayer-and-worship/the-mass/order-of-mass/liturgy-of-the-eucharist/extraordinary-ministers-of-holy-communion-at-mass>

