

The Christians in The World

Christians are indistinguishable from other men either by nationality, language or customs. They do not inhabit separate cities of their own, or speak a strange dialect, or follow some outlandish way of life. Their teaching is not based upon reveries inspired by the curiosity of men.

Unlike some other people, they champion no purely human doctrine. With regard to dress, food and manner of life in general, they follow the customs of whatever city they happen to be living in, whether it is Greek or foreign.

And yet there is something extraordinary about their lives. They live in their own countries as though they were only passing through. They play their full role as citizens, but labor under all the disabilities of aliens. Any country can be their homeland, but for them their homeland, wherever it may be, is a foreign country. Like others, they marry and have children, but they do not expose them. They share their meals, but not their wives.

They live in the flesh, but they are not governed by the desires of the flesh. They pass their days upon earth, but they are citizens of heaven. Obedient to the laws, they yet live on a level that transcends the law. Christians love all men, but all men persecute them. Condemned because they are not understood, they are put to death, but raised to life again. They live in poverty, but enrich many; they are totally destitute, but possess an abundance of everything. They suffer dishonor, but that is their glory. They are defamed, but vindicated. A blessing is their answer to abuse, deference their response to insult. For the good they do they receive the punishment of malefactors, but even then they, rejoice, as though receiving the gift of life. They are attacked by the Jews as aliens, they are persecuted by the Greeks, yet no one can explain the reason for this hatred.

To speak in general terms, we may say that the Christian is to the world what the soul is to the body. As the soul is present in every part of the body, while remaining distinct from it, so Christians are found in all the cities of the world, but cannot be identified with the world. As the visible body contains the invisible soul, so Christians are seen living in the world, but their religious life remains unseen. The body hates the soul and wars against it, not because of any injury the soul has done it, but because of the restriction the soul places on its pleasures. Similarly, the world hates the Christians, not because they have done it any wrong, but because they are opposed to its enjoyments.

Christians love those who hate them just as the soul loves the body and all its members despite the body's hatred. It is by the soul, enclosed within the body, that the body is held together, and similarly, it is by the Christians, detained in the world as in a prison, that the world is held together. The soul, though immortal, has a mortal dwelling place; and Christians also live for a time

amidst perishable things, while awaiting the freedom from change and decay that will be theirs in heaven. As the soul benefits from the deprivation of food and drink, so Christians flourish under persecution. Such is the Christian's lofty and divinely appointed function, from which he is not permitted to excuse himself.

-From a letter to Diognetus (Nn. 5-6; Funk, 397-401)

The Bible in the Mass

Introductory Rites:

Sign of the Cross:

-“In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.” (Mt 28:19; see Jn 14:13-14; Acts 2:21)

Liturgical Greeting:

-“The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.” (2 Cor 13:14)

-“Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.” (Phil 1:2; Eph 1:2)

-“The Lord be with you.” (2 Tim 4:22; see Mt 1:23; 28:20)

People's Response:

-“And with your spirit” (see Gal 6:18; 2 Tim 4:22)

Rite of Blessing and Sprinkling Holy Water (see Ezek 36:25; cf. Num 8:7a)

Penitential Act:

-Intro: “Let us acknowledge our sins, and so prepare ourselves to celebrate the sacred mysteries.” (see Ps 51:5)

-“I confess to almighty God....” (see Lev 5:5; Neh 1:5-9; Dan 9:3-19; James 5:16)

-“Have mercy on us, O Lord. / For we have sinned against you. / Show us, O Lord, your mercy. / And grant us your salvation.” (Ps 41:4)

-“Lord, have Mercy” (Matt 15:22; 17:15; 20:30-31; see Ps 123:3)

Gloria:

-“Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will.” (Lk 2:14; cf. Rev 4:11; 5:11-14)

-“We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you...” (See Ps 148:13)

-“Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son” (see Ps 2:7; John 1:14)

-“Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, You take away the sins of the world...” (cf. Jn 1:29)

-Prayers concluded by “Amen.” (Neh 8:6; Ps 41:13; Rom 16:27; Heb 13:20-21; Rev 7:16)

Liturgy of the Word:

-“The Word of the Lord” (1 Peter 1:25)

-“Thanks be to God” (Rom 6:17; 2 Cor 9:15)

-“A reading from the holy Gospel according to...”

-“The Gospel of the Lord” (Rom 16:25; Mk 1:1)

-“Alleluia” (many Psalms, esp. Ps 146-150; Rev 19:1-6)

-“Praise to You, Lord Jesus Christ, King of endless glory!” (see Ps 24:7-10; 1 Thess 2:12; 2 Tim 4:18)
-“Praise and honor to you, Lord Jesus Christ!” (see Dan 4:34, 37; 1 Peter 1:7)
-“Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!” (see Phil 1:11)

Profession of Faith:

“I believe...” (Mk 9:24; Jn 11:27; see Jn 14:1; 1 Jn 5:10)

General Intercessions:

-“We pray to the Lord” (Ex 8:29-30; 10:17-18; Jer 42:2-4; Acts 8:22-24)
-“Lord, hear our prayer” (2 Kings 20:2-5; Isa 38:2-5)

Liturgy of the Eucharist:

Preparation of the Gifts:

-“Blessed are You, Lord God of all creation...” (see 1 Chron 29:10; Ps 72:18-19; 119:10; Lk 1:68)
-“Blessed be God forever.” (see Gen 14:20; Ps 66:20; 68:35)

Eucharistic Acclamations:

-“Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts...” (Isa 6:3; Rev 4:8)
-“Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.” (Ps 118:26; Mk 11:9; Mt 21:9; Lk 19:38; Jn 12:13)
-“Hosanna in the highest” (Mk 11:10; Mt 21:9; cf. Lk 19:38)

Words of Institution: (see Mk 14:22-24; Mt 26:26-28; see Lk 22:17-20; 1 Cor 11:23-25)

-“Take this, all of you, and eat of it, for this is My Body, which will be given up for you.” (a combination of Mk 14:22; Mt 26:26; Lk 22:19; 1 Cor 11:24)
-“Take this, all of you, and drink from it, for this is the chalice of My Blood, the Blood of the new and eternal covenant, which will be poured out for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins.” (a combination of Mk 14:24; Mt 26:27b-28; Lk 22:17, 20; 1 Cor 11:25)
-“Do this in remembrance of me” (only Lk 22:19; 1 Cor 11:24a, 25b)

Memorial Acclamations:

-“We proclaim Your Death, O Lord, and profess Your Resurrection until you come again.” (see 1 Cor 16:22)
-“When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup, we proclaim Your Death, O Lord, until you come again.” (see 1 Cor 11:26)
-“Save us, Savior of the world, for by Your Cross and Resurrection You have set us free.” (see Mt 8:25; Lk 4:42; Rom 8:21)

Lord’s Prayer:

-“Our Father in heaven...” (Mt 6:9-13; see Lk 11:2-4; Mk 14:36; Gal 4:6)
-Embolism: “Deliver us, Lord, we pray, from every evil... as we await the blessed hope and the coming of our Savior, Jesus Christ” (Titus 2:13)

-Doxology: “For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours...” (found only in some biblical manuscripts after Mt 6:13; see Rev 4:11; 11:15; 1 Chron 29:11)

Greeting of Peace:

-“Lord Jesus Christ, you said to Your apostles, ‘I leave you peace, My peace I give you.’” (Jn 14:27)
-“The peace of the Lord be with you always.” (see Jn 16:33; 20:19, 21, 26)

Breaking of the Bread:

-“Lamb of God, You take away the sins of the world...” (see Jn 1:29, 36; Rev 5:6-13; 22:1-3)

Preparation before Communion:

-“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.” (Jn 1:29, 36; Rev 19:9)
-“Lord, I am not worthy that You should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.” (Mt 8:8; cf. Lk 7:1-10)

Concluding Rite:

Final Blessing (cf. Gen 28:3; Deut 14:29; Num 6:23-27; Ps 29:11)

Dismissal:

-“Go forth, the Mass is ended.”
-“Go and announce the Gospel of the Lord.” (see Mk 16:15)
-“Go in peace, glorifying the Lord by your life.” (see Ps 115:1; 1 Cor 10:31; 2 Thess 1:12)
-“Go in peace.” (see Exod 4:18; Deut 10:11-13; Judg 18:6; 1 Sam 1:17; Mk 5:34; Lk 7:50; 8:48)

Welcome to the Altar of Jesus on May 6, 2018

Please pray for our princes and princesses who are receiving their First Holy Communion in Granby.

Quinn Miller Eli Redding Aaron Silva
Jillian Wehmeyer Linkin Wehmeyer
Arlo Rust Juan Carlos and Alondra Terrazas
Ivan Galaviz Abram Turner
Yarely Galbraith Melissa Jacobo

Welcome to the Altar of Jesus on May 13, 2018

Please pray for our princes and princesses who are receiving their First Holy Communion in Kremmling.

Saul Cereceres Kimberly Cereceres
Erick Alexis Rosas Valente Abril Flores Mario Silva

Novena to the Holy Spirit

Pentecost falls on May 20 this year. Ideally, we would begin the novena begins on Friday, May 11, in order to pray for nine days in a row, ending the Saturday before Pentecost Sunday.

You can pray the shorter novena contained in this bulletin, or you can get the longer novena (5 minutes) at the exits of the churches or from our website:

<http://grandcatholic.com/prayers/>

Novena to the Holy Spirit (prayed daily May 11-19)

O God Almighty, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit! I praise and glorify You. Holy Spirit, third Person of the Blessed Trinity, Spirit of truth, love, and holiness, proceeding from the Father and the Son, and equal to Them in all things, I adore You and love You with all my heart.

Jesus, You told us: "Ask and you will receive" (Jn 16:24). So, Father, we ask that You send Your Holy Spirit to give us the following gifts so that we may build up Your Kingdom:

Acts of mercy, administration, discernment of spirits, evangelizing, proclaiming the faith, faith, power over evil, healing, inspired singing, tongues, interpretation of tongues, miracles, leadership, prophecy, service ministry, teaching, word of knowledge, and word of wisdom.

Also, we ask You to "rain down" Yourself into the hearts of believers and unbelievers in Grand and Jackson Counties. I ask for a renewal of Pentecost in our five Catholic churches—St. Anne, Our Lady of the Snow, St. Bernard, St. Peter, and St. Ignatius. Let the "Fire" fall!

Teach me, Divine Spirit, to know and seek Your goals for me; grant me the holy fear of God; grant me true contrition and patience. Do not let me fall into sin. Increase in me Your gifts of supernatural faith, hope, and charity, and bring forth in my soul all the virtues proper to my state of life. Help me to follow Your daily promptings.

Make me a faithful disciple of Jesus and an obedient child of His Church. Give me efficacious grace sufficient to keep the commandments and to receive the sacraments worthily. Increase in me the four cardinal virtues and Your seven gifts, and use me to produce Your nine fruit. Raise me to perfection in the state of life to which You have called me and lead me through a happy death to everlasting life. I ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

May Crowning at All Masses on the Weekend of May 12-13. Bring Vases and Flowers. After Mass, We Will Consecrate Our Churches to Jesus with Mary.

We invite you to bring flowers in a vase next weekend to Mass. We will process in and place the flowers at the feet of the statues of Mary (which help us to think about what she looked like). Here is a chance to show publicly your love for the Mother of God.

Playing with Fire – Survival Skills

Learn how to start a fire without matches and other survival skills.

High Schoolers invited. Deacon Jim, retired Air Force flyer and others will teach.

Friday, May 11, OLS; 1 – 5 p.m.



St. Anne Prayer Garden Fund Raiser Garage Sale

May 25, 26 and 28 (half price on this day). Proceeds go to establishing a prayer garden at St. Anne’s Church in Grand Lake. Donations are needed of new/slightly used items. Please no tube TVs, mattresses, baby cribs or hide-a-bed sofas. Volunteers are needed to mark, sort and work days of the sale. Please call Steve/Jan Robar (970-887-2000) to volunteer, for pickup of items or with questions. Tax donation slips are available.

Totus Tuus Vacation Bible School; June 17 – 22

Our Lady of the Snow. \$20 donation to offset the cost. Grades 1-6: Mon – Fri, 9 a.m. – 2:30 p.m.; grades 7-12: Sun – Thur, 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. (Be sure to pack a lunch and snacks for your children.)

Calendar of Events

-May 6 (Sun). First Communion at Our Lady, 9:30 a.m.

-May 13 (Sun). First Communion at St. Peter, 10 a.m.

Consecration of our five churches to Jesus through Mary.

-Jun 17-22 (Sun-Fri). *Totus Tuus* Vacation Bible School

-Jun 23 (Sat). Mass resumes at StB; 5:30 p.m.

-Jul 19-20 (Thu-Fri). Sports-Bible Camp in Fraser

Mass Collections, April 28 – 29

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| St. Anne | \$ 1852 |
| St. Bernard | 823 |
| Our Lady of the Snow | 1462 |
| St. Peter | 303 |
| St. Ignatius | 539 |
| Total | \$ 4979 |

Vocations Prayer Calendar

Please pray for our seminarians every day.

Sat—Deacons Shannon Thurman & Tomislav Tomic

Sun—Deacons Angel Brown & Roberto Rodriguez

Mon—Men in our boundaries called to the priesthood

Tue—Grand/Jackson Women called to consecrated life

Wed—St. John Vianney Seminary staff

Thu—*Redemptoris Mater* Seminary staff

Fri—Men and women applying for formation

Mass Intentions and Schedule for StA, StB, and OLS

KEY: StA = St. Anne; StB = St. Bernard;

OLS = Our Lady of the Snow

Weekend Masses

-Sat, May 5, StA, 5 p.m., People in our region & visitors

-Sun, May 6, StB, 7 a.m., Margaret Ledezma

-Sun, May 6, OLS, 9:30 a.m., First Holy Communicants

Weekday Masses

-Mon, May 7, StA, 8:30 a.m., Gary and Bridgette Keating

-Tue, May 8, OLS, 7:30 a.m., Zachary Hayes

-Wed, May 9, StB, 8:30 a.m., James and Mary Walker

-Thu, May 10, **OLS, 8:30 a.m.**, Benedict Kullman

-Fri, May 11, **OLS, 8:30 a.m.**, Benedict Kullman

Mass Intentions and Schedule for StP and StI

KEY: StI = St. Ignatius (Walden); StP = St. Peter

-Sun, May 6, StP, 10 a.m., Special intention

-Sun, May 6, StI, 4 p.m., People in our region & visitors