

SAINT STEPHEN'S CHURCH

PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND



SOLEMN REQUIEM MASS for REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY

please know that we are so glad that you are new or visiting today, please know that we are so glad that you are here, and that you are welcome in this community of faith. S. Stephen's is an Episcopal parish in the Diocese of Rhode Island and is part of the worldwide Anglican Communion. Located in the midst of Brown University, it serves the communities of Providence and beyond. S. Stephen's has stood within the Anglo-Catholic tradition since its founding, and so the Mass or the Eucharist is at the center of our common life, with ancient and timeless ceremonial used to draw attention to the Living God in our very midst. We strive to be a diverse community and come from many various backgrounds, while united in One Body through our Lord Jesus Christ.

Requiem Masses are not normally offered on Sundays. An exception to this rule was made by Benedict XV following the First World War, when he granted permission for churches in the combatant countries to keep a Requiem on Remembrance Sunday (the Sunday closest to Armistice Day, November 11th) to pray for the war dead. The practice subsequently was adopted in Anglo-Catholic parishes throughout the English-speaking world.

Today we are observing the ancient custom of having a catafalque – representing a coffin, covered with a funeral pall and surrounded by bier lights – which serves as a visible reminder of the faithful departed for whom we pray.

Fr. Benjamin Straley, Rector

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ORDER OF SERVICE

The setting of the Mass is Missa pro defunctis à 6 by Frei Manuel Cardoso (1566–1650).

¶ All stand at the ringing of the bell.

INTROIT ¶ Sung by the choir.

Requiem æternam dona eis, Domine; et lux perpetua luceat eis. Te decet hymnus, Deus, in Sion, et tibi reddetur votum in Jerusalem. Exaudi orationem meam; Ad te omnis caro veniet.

KYRIE ELEISON ¶ Sung by the choir.

Kyrie eleison.

Christe eleison.

Kyrie eleison.

Rest eternal grant unto them, O Lord: and let light perpetual shine upon them. Thou, O God, art praised in Zion, and unto thee shall the vow be performed in Jerusalem: hear my prayer; unto thee shall all flesh come.

Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.

COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.People And with thy spirit.Celebrant Let us pray.

eternal Lord God, who holdest all souls in life: Give, we beseech thee, to thy whole Church in paradise and on earth thy light and thy peace; and grant that we, following the good examples of those who have served thee here and are now at rest, may at the last enter with them into thine unending joy, through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

¶ Please be seated.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

THE EPISTLE

1 Thessalonians 4:3–18

We would not have you ignorant, brethren, concerning those who are asleep, that you may not grieve as others do who have no hope. For since we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so, through Jesus, God will bring with him those who have fallen asleep. For this we declare to you by the word of the Lord, that we who are alive, who are left until the coming of the Lord, shall not precede those who have fallen asleep. For the Lord himself will descend from heaven with a cry of command, with the archangel's call, and with the sound of the trumpet of God. And the dead in Christ will rise first; then we who are alive, who are left, shall be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air; and so we shall always be with the Lord. Therefore comfort one another with these words.

Subdeacon The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

¶ All stand as the choir sings

GRADUAL & Sung by the choir

Requiem æternam dona eis Domine; et lux perpetua luceat eis.

Rest eternal grant unto them, O Lord: and let light perpetual shine upon them.

THE HOLY GOSPEL

John 5:24-27

Deacon The Lord be with you.

People And with thy spirit.

Deacon The Holy Gospel № of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

People Glory be to thee, O Lord.

Jesus said to the people, "Truly, truly, I say to you, he who hears my word and believes him who sent me, has eternal life; he does not come into judgment, but has passed from death to life. Truly, truly, I say to you, the hour is coming, and now is, when the dead will hear the voice of the Son of God, and those who hear will live. For as the Father has life in himself, so he has granted the Son also to have life in himself, and has given him authority to execute judgment, because he is the Son of man."

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise be to thee, O Christ.

HOMILY

The Rev'd Fr. Benjamin Straley



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ACT OF REMEMBRANCE ¶ All stand.

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et us remember before God, and commend to his sure keeping those who have died for their country in war; those whom we knew, and whose memory we treasure; and all who have lived and died in the service of humanity.

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¶ Here is read the Parish Necrology, found on p. 13.

They shall grow not old as we that are left grow old: Age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn. At the going down of the sun and in the morning,

- We will remember them.
- We will remember them.

¶ Here follows for two minutes

The Silence

Celebrant

lmighty and eternal God, from whose love in Christ we cannot be parted, Leither by death or life: Hear our prayers and thanksgivings for all whom we remember this day; fulfill in them the purpose of thy love; and bring us all, with them, to thine eternal joy; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE PEACE

Celebrant The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And with thy spirit.

¶ The Celebrant begins the Offertory with a sentence of scripture after which the people sit.

THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

¶ At the Offertory, we gratefully offer back to God a portion of what God has given us, symbolically in the bread and wine, and in the money we give. To make an electronic gift today, please either visit sstephens.org/give or scan the QR code below.



THE OFFERTORY & Sung by the choir

Domine Jesu Christe, Rex gloriæ, libera animas omnium fidelium defunctorum de pænis inferni, et de profundo lacu: libera eas de ore leonis, ne absorbeat tartarus, ne cadant in obscurum, sed signifer sanctus Michael repræsentet eas in lucem sanctam. Quam olim Abrahæ promisisti, et semini ejus. Hostias et preces tibi Domine laudis offerimus: tu suscipe pro animabus illis, quarum hodie memoriam facimus. Fac eas, Domine, de morte transire ad vitam. Quam olim Abrahæ promisisti, et semini ejus.

Lord Jesus Christ, King of Majesty, deliver the souls of all the faithful departed from the hand of hell, and from the pit of destruction: deliver them from the lion's mouth, that the grave devour them not, that they go not down to the realm of darkness, but let Michael, the holy standard-bearer, bring them into the holy light, Which thou promisedst of old time to Abraham and his seed. Sacrifice and prayer do we offer to thee, O Lord, do thou accept them for the souls departed, in whose memory we make this oblation: and grant them, Lord, to pass from death unto life. Which thou promisedst of old time to Abraham and his seed.

¶ The people stand at the conclusion of the Offertory.

ORATE, FRATRES

Celebrant Pray, brothers and sisters, that this my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God the Father Almighty.

People May the Lord receive this sacrifice at thy hands, to the praise and glory of his Name, both to our benefit and that of all his holy Church.

SURSUM CORDA

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And with thy spirit.

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them up unto the Lord.

Celebrant Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

People It is meet and right so to do.

It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God; Through Jesus Christ our Lord; who rose victorious from the dead, and doth comfort us with the blessed hope of everlasting life; for to thy faithful people, O Lord, life is changed, not ended; and when our mortal body doth lie in death, there is prepared for us a dwelling place eternal in the heavens.

Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying,

SANCTUS ET BENEDICTUS ¶ Sung by the choir

Sanctus, sanctus, Dominus Deus Sabaoth. Pleni sunt cœli et terra gloria tua. Hosanna in excelsis. Benedictus 록 qui venit, in nomine Domini. Hosanna in excelsis.

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts:
Heaven and earth are full of thy Glory.
Glory be to thee, O Lord Most High.
Blessed ♣ is he that cometh in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

EUCHARISTIC PRAYER JAll kneel.

Il glory be to thee, Almighty God, our heavenly Father, for that thou, of thy tender mercy, didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption; who made there, by his one oblation of himself once offered, a full, perfect, and sufficient sacrifice, oblation, and satisfaction, for the sins of the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death and sacrifice, until his coming again.

For in the night in which he was betrayed, he took bread; and when he had given thanks, he brake it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat,

THIS IS MY BODY,
WHICH IS GIVEN FOR YOU.
Do this in remembrance of me."

Likewise, after supper, he took the cup; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink ye all of this;

FOR THIS IS MY BLOOD, OF THE NEW TESTAMENT, WHICH IS SHED FOR YOU, AND FOR MANY, FOR THE REMISSION OF SINS.

Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me."

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Wherefore, O Lord and heavenly Father, according to the institution of thy dearly beloved Son our Savior Jesus Christ, we, thy humble servants, do celebrate and make here before thy divine Majesty, with these thy holy gifts, which we now offer unto thee, the memorial thy Son hath commanded us to make; having in remembrance his blessed passion and precious death, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; rendering unto thee most hearty thanks for the innumerable benefits procured unto us by the same.

And we most humbly beseech thee, O merciful Father, to hear us; and, of thy almighty goodness, vouchsafe to bless and sanctify, with thy Word and Holy Spirit, these thy gifts and creatures of bread and wine; that we, receiving them according to thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ's holy institution, in remembrance of his death and passion, may be partakers of his most blessed Body and Blood.

And we earnestly desire thy fatherly goodness mercifully to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving; most humbly beseeching thee to grant that, by the merits and death of thy Son Jesus Christ, and through faith in his blood, we, and all thy whole Church, may obtain remission of our sins, and all other benefits of his passion.

And here we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, our selves, our souls and bodies, to be a reasonable, holy, and living sacrifice unto thee; humbly beseeching thee that we, and all others who shall be partakers of this Holy Communion, may worthily receive the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son Jesus Christ, be filled with thy grace ♣ and heavenly benediction, and made one body with him, that he may dwell in us, and we in him.

Remember, Lord, also the souls of thy servants and handmaidens, which are gone before us with the mark of faith, and rest in the sleep of peace. We beseech thee, O Lord, that unto them, and unto all such as rest in Christ, thou wilt grant a place of refreshing, light, and peace. And vouchsafe to give unto us some portion and fellowship with thy holy Apostles and Martyrs, Saint Stephen, and all thy Saints; within whose fellowship we beseech thee to admit us.

And although we are unworthy, through our manifold sins, to offer unto thee any sacrifice, yet we beseech thee to accept this our bounden duty and service, not weighing our merits, but pardoning our offences, through Jesus Christ our Lord;

By whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost all honor and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end. **AMEN**.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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



THE BREAKING OF BREAD

Celebrant Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us:

People Therefore let us keep the feast.

THE INVITATION: ECCE AGNUS DEI

Celebrant Behold № the Lamb of God; behold him that taketh away the sins of the world.

People Lord, I am not worthy that thou shouldest come under my roof: but speak the word only, and my soul shall be healed.

THE ADMINISTRATION OF HOLY COMMUNION

Please come forward to the altar rail and then return to your pew via the passageway on the right. If you are unable to come forward, communion can be brought to you in your pew. All baptized Christians are welcome to receive the Eucharist at the Lord's Table. Gluten-free wafers are available. If you are not receiving, you are invited to come forward for a blessing (indicated by crossing your arms over your chest). If you have not been baptized and find yourself drawn to Jesus Christ and life in him, please let one of our clergy know. We would be honored to have a conversation with you about baptism or answer any other questions. Baptism and life in the Body of Christ is open to all.

AGNUS DEI ¶ Sung by the choir.

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, dona eis requiem. Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, dona eis requiem. Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, dona eis requiem sempiternam. O Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, grant them rest. O Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, grant them rest. O Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, grant them rest eternal.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

L'Requiem aeternam Dona eis Domine, lux perpetua luceat eis. Cum sanctis tuis in æternum, quia pius es. tuis in æternum, quia pius es.

May light eternal shine, O Lord, upon them: For endless ages with thy blessed ones, for thou art gracious. Rest eternal grant unto them.

HYMN 357 ADORO DEVOTE

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER ¶ All kneel.

Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty God, we thank thee that in thy great love thou hast fed us with the spiritual food and drink of the Body and Blood of thy Son Jesus Christ, and hast given unto us a foretaste of thy heavenly banquet. Grant that this Sacrament may be unto us a comfort in affliction, and a pledge of our inheritance in that kingdom where there is no death, neither sorrow nor crying, but the fullness of joy with all thy saints; through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

¶ All stand.

THE ABSOLUTION AT THE CATAFALQUE

¶ The ministers takes their place at the Catafalque, after which the Priest says

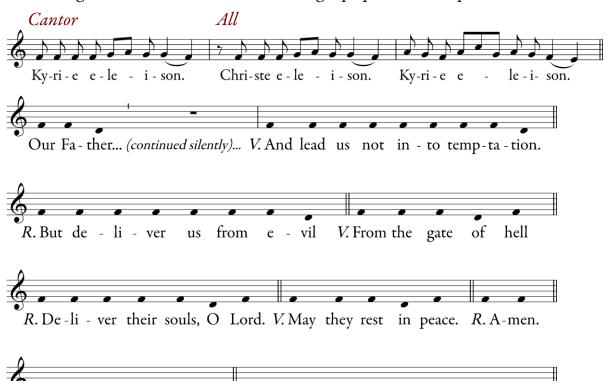
It into judgment with thy servants, O Lord, for in thy sight shall no man living be justified, unless thou grant him remission of all his sins. We therefore beseech thee, let not the sentence of thy judgment press hard upon them, whom the reasonable prayer of thy faithful Christian people commendeth unto thee: but grant that by the succor of thy grace, they who while living were sealed with the sign of the Holy Trinity, may be counted worthy to escape thine avenging judgment. Who livest and reignest, world without end. **Amen.**

¶ The Priest then censes the Catafalque as the choir sings

LIBERA ME

Libera me, Domini, de morte æterna in die illa tremenda; quando cœli movendi sunt et terra; dum veneris judicare sæculum per ignem. Tremens factus sum ego, et timeo, dum discussio venerit atque ventura ira. Dies illa, dies irae, calamitatis et miseriæ, dies magna et amara valde. Requiem æternam dona eis Domine, et lux perpetua luceat eis.

Deliver me, O Lord, from everlasting death in that fearful day: When the heavens and earth shall be shaken: When thou shalt come to judge the world by fire. I am in fear and trembling, until the sifting be upon us and the wrath to come. Woe is me, for the day of wrath, calamity and misery, the great day of exceeding bitterness. Rest eternal grant unto them, O Lord; and let light perpetual shine upon them.



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V.O Lord, hear my prayer. R. And let

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Let us pray.

God, whose nature and property is ever to have mercy and to forgive: receive our humble petitions, for the souls of thy servants and handmaids, whom thou hast bidden to depart of this world: deliver them not into the hand of the enemy, neither forget them forever, but command thy holy Angels to receive them and bring them into the country of paradise; that forasmuch as they hoped and believed in thee, they may not suffer the pains of hell, but possess the joys of eternal life. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

¶ Then the Priest, making the sign of the cross over the Catafalque, says

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 eternal grant unto them, O Lord.
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¶ Again making the sign of the cross over the Catafalque, the Priest says

May their souls, and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

VOLUNTARY

Paduan dolorosa à 4

Samuel Scheidt (1587–1654)

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