Catholic Bible Institute – January 21, 2017 Opening Prayer – Mary of Magdala Group

Opening Song: "Faith, Hope, and Love" by Stephen Dean (vv 1-2) see back page

Reading (1 Cor 13:1-13)

Leader: A reading from the First Letter of Paul to the Corinthians:

- If I speak in human and angelic tongues but do not have love, I am a resounding gong or a clashing cymbal.
- And if I have the gift of prophecy and comprehend all mysteries and all knowledge;

if I have all faith so as to move mountains but do not have love, I am nothing.

If I give away everything I own, and if I hand my body over so that I may boast but do not have love, I gain nothing.

Love is patient, love is kind.

It is not jealous, love is not pompous, it is not inflated.

It is not rude, it does not seek its own interests.

It is not quick-tempered, it does not brood over injury.

It does not rejoice over wrongdoing but rejoices with the truth.

It bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things.

Love never fails. If there are prophecies, they will be brought to nothing; if tongues, they will cease; if knowledge, it will be brought to nothing.

For we know partially and we prophesy partially,

But when the perfect comes, the partial will pass away.

When I was a child, I used to talk as a child, think as a child, reason as a child; when I became a man, I put aside childish things.

At present we see indistinctly, as in a mirror, but then face to face. At present I know partially; then I shall know fully, as I am fully known.

So faith, hope, love remain, these three, but the greatest of these is love.

The word of the Lord! All: Thanks be to God!

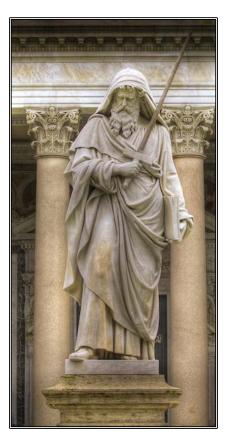
Responsorial Psalm (Ps 36)

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ALL:	Y our love is forever
Women:	Your unfailing love, is as vast as the heavens; your faithfulness reaches beyond the clouds. Your righteousness is like the mighty mountains, your justice like the ocean depths
ALL:	Your love is forever
Men:	You care for people and animals, O Lord. How precious is your unfailing love, O God! All humanity finds shelter in the shadow of your wings.
ALL:	Your love is forever
Women:	You feed us from the abundance of your house, letting us drink from your river of delights. For you are the fountain of life, the light by which we see.
ALL:	Your love is forever
Men:	Pour out your unfailing love on those who love you;

give justice to those with honest hearts

ALL: Your love is forever



Intercessions

- Leader: Let us now pray that the Holy Spirit may further endow us with faith, hope, and love. Our response is... *Help us this day to live in your love.*
- Holy Spirit, give leaders of communities, cities, and nations your wisdom and the will to overcome all that oppresses the human spirit...(*Response*)

Holy Spirit, love divine, fill our hearts with the joy that only you can give...(*Response*)

Holy Spirit, healer, strengthen our desire to follow Jesus in faithful, reconciling love, leading to peace in the world...(*Response*)

Holy Spirit, open our hearts to welcome Jesus in the children, the young and all who dream of a better tomorrow...(*Response*)

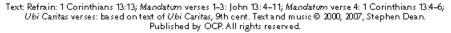
Holy Spirit, giver of all gifts, fill us with generosity and gentleness to serve the needs of our neighbors...(*Response*) Holy Spirit, guide our country's leaders to reach out to the needs of all our citizens and immigrants...(*Response*)

Closing Prayer

ALL O Loving God, we pray that you continue to work in us, changing us into who you want us to be. We believe, Lord, that love is the root. Help us to be patient about what you do through your love for us. We pray that we be kind to all around us, whether we know them or not. Help us to recognize the signs of your love and let us show this love to others. Let us forgive others as you have forgiven us. Thank you, Lord, for everything you have given us. Thank you for the faith we have in you, the hope you have given us, and the love you have shown us. Thank you, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Amen.



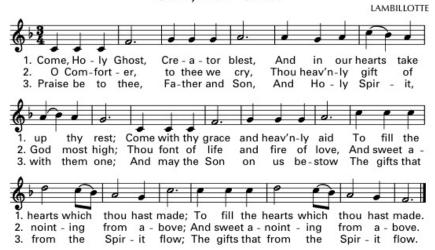
Closing Song: (v. 3)



Catholic Bible Institute – January 21, 2017 Closing Prayer – Matthew Group

Opening Song: (vv 1-2)

COME, HOLY GHOST



Text: LM with repeat; Veni, creator spiritus; attr. to Rabanus Manus, 776–856; tr. by Edward Caswall, 1814–1878, alt. Music: Louis Lambillotte, SJ, 1796–1855.

Call to Prayer

Leader: Come Holy Spirit! Grant us the Spirit of Wisdom—that we may not be attached to the perishable things of this world but aspire only after the things that are eternal. Grant us the Spirit of Understanding—to enlighten our minds with the light of your divine truth, the Spirit of Counsel—that we may ever choose the surest way of pleasing God and gaining Heaven, the Spirit of Fortitude—that we may bear our crosses and that we may overcome with courage all the obstacles that oppose our sanctification, the Spirit of Knowledge—that we may know God and know ourselves and grow perfect in the image of the Saints. Grant us the Spirit of Piety—that we may find the service of God sweet and enjoy showing your goodness to others, the Spirit of Fear—that we may be filled with a loving reverence towards God and may avoid anything that may displease him. Mark us, dear Holy Spirit with the sign of a true apostle and make us alive with your Spirit in all things. ALL: Amen.

Reading (1 Cor 12:4-11)

Leader: A reading from the first letter of St. Paul to the Corinthians.

There are different kinds of spiritual gifts but the same Spirit; there are different forms of service but the same Lord; there are different workings but the same God who produces all of them in everyone. To each individual the manifestation of the Spirit is given for some benefit. To one is given through the Spirit the expression of wisdom; to another the expression of knowledge according to the same Spirit; to another faith by the same Spirit; to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit; to another mighty deeds; to another prophecy; to another discernment of spirits; to another varieties of tongues; to another interpretation of tongues. But one and the same Spirit produces all of these, distributing them individually to each person as he wishes.

The word of the Lord. **ALL**: Thanks be to God!

Responsorial Psalm (Psalm 27)

Men:	The Lord is my light and my salvation, whom do I fear? The Lord is my life's refuge; of whom am I afraid?
Women:	When evildoers come at me to devour my flesh, my enemies and foes themselves stumble and fall.
Men:	One thing I ask of the Lord; this I seek: To dwell in the Lord's house all the days of my life; to gaze on the Lord's beauty, to visit his temple.
Women:	For God will hide me in his shelter in time of trouble, He will conceal me in the cover of his tent; and set me high upon a rock.

Concluding Prayer (Prayer to the Holy Spirit)

ALL: Come Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of us your faithful and kindle in us the fire of your love. Send forth your Spirit and we shall be created. And you shall renew the face of the earth. O God who by the light of the Holy Spirit instructs the hearts of the faithful, grant that by the same Holy Spirit we may be truly wise and ever rejoice in his consolations. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Final Blessing and Closing Hymn: "Come, Holy Ghost" (vv. 1, 3)