

# Good Shepherd Catholic Church

## Prayer Service

**6:45 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.  
February 18, 2026  
Ash Wednesday**



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Introductory Rite

Gathering Song

**Lead Me to the Cross** by Brooke Ligertwood (© 2006 Hillsong Music Publishing Australia)

Savior I come, quiet my soul. Remember. Redemption's hill where Your blood was spilled for my ransom. Everything I once held dear I count it all as loss.

**(Chorus): Lead me to the cross where Your love poured out. Bring me to my knees, Lord I lay me down. Rid me of myself, I belong to You. Oh, lead me. Lead me to the cross.**

You were as I, tempted and tried. Human. The word became flesh, bore my sin in death. Now You're risen. Everything I once held dear I count it all as loss.

**(Chorus)**

## Introductory Rite

### Greeting

#### **Penitential Act: Confiteor**

I confess to almighty God and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have greatly sinned in my thoughts and in my words, in what I have done and in what I have failed to do, through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault; therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin, all the Angels and Saints, and you, my brothers and sisters, to pray for me to the Lord our God.

-OR-

Lord have Mercy,

Christ have Mercy,

Lord have Mercy

# Liturgy of the Word

## [Readings from USCCB](#)

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## Distribution of Ashes Song No. 1

**Kyrie Eleison** by Chris Tomlin, Matt Redman, Matt Maher, Jason Ingram (©2016 S.D.G. Publishing)

Lord have mercy, Christ have mercy. Hear our cry and heal our land.  
Let kindness lead us to repentance. Bring us back again.

**(Chorus): For Your name is great and Your heart is grace. Kyrie  
Eleison. Over all You reign You alone can save. Kyrie  
Eleison. Lord have mercy. Christ have mercy on us now.**

**Bridge:** Who is this God who pardons all our sin, so ready to forgive?  
You delight to show Your mercy. **(Chorus)**

## Distribution of Ashes Song No. 2

### Give Us Clean Hands by Charlie Hall (©2000 sixsteps Music)

We bow our hearts. We bend our knees. Oh spirit come make us humble. We turn our eyes from evil things. Oh Lord we cast down our idols.

**(Chorus): Give us clean hands. Give us pure hearts. Let us not lift our souls to another. Give us clean hands. Give us pure hearts. Let us not lift our souls to another.**

We bow our hearts. We bend our knees. Oh spirit come make us humble. We turn our eyes from evil things. Oh Lord we cast down our idols. **(Chorus)**

**Bridge:** And oh God let us be a generation that seeks, that seeks Your face, oh, God of Jacob. And oh God let us be a generation that seeks, that seeks Your face, oh, God of Jacob. **(Chorus)**

# Distribution of Ashes Song No. 3

## Goodness of God by Jenn Johnson, Ed Cash, Jason Ingram, Ben Fielding, Brian Johnson (© 2018 Alletrop Music)

I love You Lord. Oh, Your mercy never fails me. All my days, I've been held in Your hands. From the moment that I wake up until I lay my head. I will sing of the goodness of God.

**(Chorus): All my life You have been faithful. All my life You have been so, so good. With every breath that I am able. I will sing of the goodness of God.**

I love Your voice. You have led me through the fire. In darkest night, You are close like no other. I've known You as a father. I've known you as a friend. I have lived in the goodness of God. **(Chorus)**

**Bridge:** Your goodness is running after, it's running after me. Your goodness is running after, it's running after me. With my life laid down I'm surrendered now, I give You everything. Your goodness is running after, it's running after me. **(Chorus)**

## Concluding Rite

### Sending Song

**Yes and Amen** by Chris McClarney, Nate Moore, Tony Brown (© 2016 Bethel Worship Publishing)

Father of kindness You have poured out grace. You brought me out of darkness,  
You have filled me with peace. Giver of mercy You're my help in time of need.  
Lord, I can't help but sing.

**(Chorus): Faithful You are. Faithful forever You will be. Faithful You are. All  
Your promises are yes and amen. All Your promises are yes and  
amen.**

Beautiful savior You have brought me near. You pulled me from the ashes, You  
have broken ev'ry curse. Blessed redeemer You have set this captive free. Lord, I  
can't help but sing. **(Chorus)**

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