

# Hymns ~ Twenty-Sixth Sunday Ordinary Time

## OPENING HYMN

**Come, Holy Ghost**, Creator, come From Thy bright heav'nly throne;  
Come, take possession of our souls, And make them all Thine own.

Thou who art called the Paraclete, Best gift of God above,  
The living spring, the living fire, Sweet unction and true love.

Thou who art sevenfold in Thy grace, Finger of God's right hand;  
His promise, teaching little ones To speak and understand.

Through Thee may we the Father know, Through Thee th'eternal Son,  
And Thee the Spirit of them both, Thrice-blessèd Three in One.

All glory to the Father be, With His co-equal Son:  
The same to Thee, great Paraclete, While endless ages run

## SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

'My Jesus, I believe that you are present in this Holy Sacrament of the Altar.  
I love you above all things and I passionately desire to receive you into my soul.  
Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, come spiritually into my soul so that  
I may unite myself wholly to you now and forever.' Amen  
(based on prayer of St Alphonsus Liguori)

## COMMUNION HYMN

**Soul of my Saviour** sanctify my breast,  
Body of Christ, be thou my saving guest,  
Blood of my Saviour, bathe me in thy tide,  
wash me with waters gushing from thy side.

Strength and protection may thy passion be,  
O blessèd Jesus, hear and answer me;  
deep in thy wounds, Lord, hide and shelter me,  
so shall I never, never part from thee.

Guard and defend me from the foe malign,  
in death's dread moments make me only thine;  
call me and bid me come to thee on high  
where I may praise thee with thy saints for ay.

## **FINAL HYMN**

**Holy Virgin**, by God's decree,  
you were called eternally;  
that he could give his Son to our race.  
Mary, we praise you, hail full of grace.  
Ave, ave, ave, Maria.

By your faith and loving accord,  
as the handmaid of the Lord,  
you undertook God's plan to embrace.  
Mary, we thank you, hail full of grace.

Joy to God you gave and expressed,  
of all women none so blessed,  
when in mankind your Son took his place.  
Mary, we love you, hail full of grace.

Refuge for your children so weak,  
sure protection all can seek.  
Problems of life you help us to face.  
Mary, we trust you, hail full of grace.

To our needy world of today  
love and beauty you portray,  
showing the path to Christ we must trace.  
Mary, our Mother, hail, full of grace.