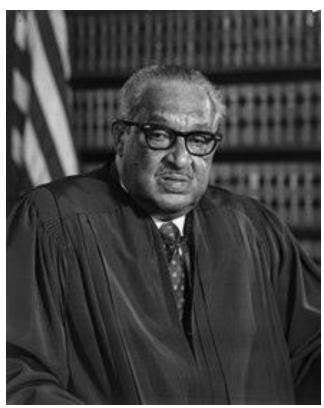


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THE FEAST OF THURGOOD MARSHALL

Wed. 18 May 9:30am, 2022



Thurgood Marshall (July 2, 1908 – January 24, 1993) was an American lawyer and civil rights activist who served as Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States from October 1967 until October 1991. Marshall was the U.S. Supreme Court's first African American justice. Prior to his judicial service, he successfully argued several cases before the Supreme Court, including Brown v. Board of Education.

Born in Baltimore, Maryland, Marshall graduated from the Howard University School of Law in 1933. He established a private legal practice in Baltimore before founding the NAACP Legal Defense and Educational Fund, where he served as executive director. In that position, he argued several cases before the Supreme Court, including *Smith v*. Allwright, Shelley v. Kraemer, and Brown v. Board of Education, the latter of which held that racial segregation in public education is a violation of the Equal Protection Clause. In 1961, President John F. Kennedy appointed Marshall to United States Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit. Four years later, President Lyndon B. Johnson appointed Marshall as the United

The Word of God

The Greeting

Presider Alleluia! Christ is risen!

People The Lord is risen indeed! Alleluia!

Gloria in Excelsis S278

Hymnal 1982 # S278

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth. Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks,

we praise you for your glory.
Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the
Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world:

have mercy on us;
you are seated at the right hand of
the Father:
 receive our prayer.
For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High,
 Jesus Christ,
 with the Holy Spirit,

in the glory of God the Father.

Amen.

The Collect of the Day:

Presider The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Presider Let us pray

All: Eternal and ever-gracious God, who blessed your servant Thurgood Marshall with grace and courage to discern and speak the truth: Grant that, following his example, we may know you and recognize that we are all your children, brothers and sisters of Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

The Word of God (Please be seated)

The First Lesson: A reading from Amos 5:10-15

They hate the one who reproves in the gate,

and they abhor the one who speaks

the truth.

Therefore, because you trample on the poor

and take from them levies of grain, you have built houses of hewn stone, but you shall not live in them; you have planted pleasant vineyards, but you shall not drink their wine. For I know how many are your transgressions, and how great are your sins you who afflict the righteous, who take a bribe, and push aside the needy in the gate. Therefore the prudent will keep silent

Seek good and not evil, that you may live; and so the Lord, the God of hosts, will be with you, just as you have said. Hate evil and love good, and establish justice in the gate; it may be that the Lord, the God of hosts, will be gracious to the remnant of

Joseph.

in such a time; for it is an evil time.

Lector: The Word of the Lord People: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 34:15-22 (Read aloud in unison) Benedicam Dominum

15 The eyes of the Lord are upon the righteous, * and his ears are open to their cry.

16 The face of the Lord is against those who do evil, * to root out the remembrance of them from the earth.

17 The righteous cry, and the Lord hears them * and delivers them from all their troubles.

18 The Lord is near to the brokenhearted * and will save those whose spirits are crushed.

19 Many are the troubles of the right-

eous, * but the Lord will deliver him out of them all.

20 He will keep safe all his bones; * not one of them shall be broken.

21 Evil shall slay the wicked, * and those who hate the righteous will be punished.

22 The Lord ransoms the life of his servants, *

and none will be punished who trust in him.

Gospel Lesson:

Reader: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to

Matthew 23:1-11

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ

Jesus said to the crowds and to his disciples, "The scribes and the Pharisees sit on Moses' seat; therefore, do whatever they teach you and follow it; but do not do as they do, for they do not practice what they teach. They tie up heavy burdens, hard to bear, and lay them on the shoulders of others; but they themselves are unwilling to lift a finger to move them. They do all their deeds to be seen by others; for they make their phylacteries broad and their fringes long. They love to have the place of honor at banquets and the best seats in the synagogues, and to be greeted with respect in the marketplaces, and to have people call them rabbi. But you are not to be called rabbi, for you have one teacher, and you are all students. And call no one your father on earth, for you have one Father—the one in heaven. Nor are you to be called instructors, for you have one instructor, the Messiah. The greatest among you will be your servant. All who exalt themselves will be humbled, and all who humble themselves will be exalted."

Reader The Gospel of the Lord

People Praise to you, Lord Christ

Homily

Nicene Creed: Traditional Version (Said aloud by all, in unison)

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the

Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the Prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Prayers of the People

Leader: We pray to Jesus who is present with us to eternity. Jesus, light of the world, bring the light and peace of your gospel to the nations of the world Jesus, Lord of life,

People: in your mercy, hear us.

Jesus, bread of life, give food to the hungry and nourish us all with your word. Jesus, Lord of life,

in your mercy, hear us.

Jesus, our way, our truth, our life, be with us and all who follow you in the way. Deepen our appreciation of your truth and fill us with your life. Jesus, Lord of life,

in your mercy, hear us.

Jesus, Good Shepherd who gave your life for the sheep, recover the straggler, bind up the injured, strengthen the sick and lead the healthy and strong to new pastures. Jesus, Lord of life,

in your mercy, hear us.

Jesus, the resurrection and the life, we give you thanks for all who have lived and believed in you and who have passed from this life into the life eternal. May we also enter your gates of glory at our appointed time. Jesus, Lord of life,

In your mercy, hear us, accept our prayers, and be with us always.

Amen.

Exchange of the Peace

Presider May the peace of Christ be always with you

All And also with you.

The Ministers and People exchange socially distant signs of peace (peace sign, namaste, virtual hug)

Presider: As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,

All: Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name,

thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread.

And forgive us our trespasses,

as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

Recognition of a Birthday, Anniversary, Healing, Gratitude

Benediction:

Presider: The God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus

Christ, the great shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant, make you perfect in every good work to do his will, working in you that which is well-pleasing in his sight; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,

be among you and remain with you always. Amen.

Dismissal

Presider: People of St. Stephen's, what does God call us to do?

People: We are called to love and serve.

Presider: Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in God's Spirit. Alleluia!

Alleluia!

People: Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia, (Alleluia!)

States Solicitor General. In 1967, Johnson successfully nominated Marshall to succeed retiring Associate Justice Tom C. Clark as an Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States. Marshall retired during the administration of President George H. W. Bush in 1991, and was succeeded by Clarence Thomas. [3][4]

Early life and education

Marshall was born in <u>Baltimore</u>, Maryland, on July 2, 1908. He was descended from enslaved persons on both sides of his family. He was named Thoroughgood after a great-grandfather, but later shortened it to Thurgood. His father, William Canfield Marshall, worked as a <u>railroad porter</u>, and his mother, Norma Arica Williams, worked as a teacher. Marshall's parents instilled in him an appreciation for the <u>United States Constitution</u> and the <u>rule</u> of law. 16||7|

Marshall first learned how to debate from his father, who took Marshall and his brother to watch court cases; they would later debate what they had seen. The family also debated current events after dinner. Marshall said that although his father never told him to become a lawyer, he "turned me into one. He did it by teaching me to argue, by challenging my logic on every point, by making me prove every statement I made." [8]

Marshall attended Frederick Douglass High School in Baltimore and was placed in the class with the best students. He graduated a year early in 1925 with a B-grade average, and placed in the top third of the class. He attended Lincoln University, a historically black university in Pennsylvania. It is commonly reported [who?] that he intended to study medicine and become a dentist. [citation needed] But according to his application to Lincoln University, [9] Marshall said his goal was to become a lawyer. Among his classmates was poet Langston Hughes. Initially he did not take his studies seriously, and was suspended twice for hazing and pranks against fellow students. [10][11] He was not politically active at first, becoming a "star" of the debating team.

In his first year, Marshall opposed the integration of African-American professors at the university. Hughes later described Marshall as "rough and ready, loud and wrong". In his second year, Marshall participated in a sit-in protest against segregation at a local movie theater. That year, he was initiated as a member of Alpha Phi Alpha, the first fraternity founded by and for blacks.

In September 1929, Marshall married <u>Vivien Buster Burey</u> and began to take his studies seriously, graduating *cum laude* with a <u>Bachelor of Arts</u> degree in <u>American literature</u> and <u>philosophy</u> in 1930. [11]

Marshall wanted to study in his hometown law school, the <u>University of Maryland School of Law</u>, but did not apply because of the school's policy of <u>segregation</u>. Marshall attended <u>Howard University School of Law</u>, where he worked harder than he had at Lincoln. His mother had to pawn her wedding and engagement rings to pay the tuition. His views on discrimination were strongly influenced by the dean, <u>Charles Hamilton Houston</u>. Marshall graduated from Howard Law in 1933 ranked first in his class with an <u>LL.B. magna cum laude</u>.

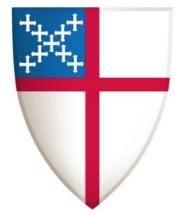
Legal career

After graduating from law school, Marshall started a private law practice in Baltimore. He began his 25-year affiliation with the <u>National Association for the Advancement of Colored People</u> (NAACP) in 1934 by representing the organization in the law school discrimination suit <u>Murray v. Pearson</u>. In 1936, Marshall became part of the national

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