# PARISH OF ST. VINCENT FERRER AND ST. CATHERINE OF SIENA

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# EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD



March 30, 2024

8 PM Easter Vigil in the Holy Night

The setting of the Mass Ordinary is Missa Congratulamini mihi by Francisco Guerrero (1528-1599).

# LUCERNARIUM THE SOLEMN BEGINNING OF THE VIGIL

All gather on East 66th Street. The People stand and face Lexington Avenue where a fire is kindled.

## SIGN OF THE CROSS AND GREETING

#### **EXHORTATION**

Dear brethren, on this most sacred night, in which our Lord Jesus Christ passed over from death to life, the Church calls upon her sons and daughters, scattered throughout the world, to come together to watch and pray. If we keep the memorial of the Lord's paschal solemnity in this way, listening to his word and celebrating his mysteries, then we shall have the sure hope of sharing his triumph over death and living with him in God.

## PRAYER OF BLESSING

Let us pray.

O God, who through your Son bestowed upon the faithful the fire of your glory, sanctify this new fire, we pray, and grant that, by these paschal celebrations, we may be so inflamed with heavenly desires, that with minds made pure we may attain festivities of unending splendor. Through Christ our Lord. *Amen*.

The Paschal Candle is brought to the Celebrant. Into the Candle a cross has been cut, with the Greek letters Alpha above and Omega below, and the current year between the arms of the cross:

#### PREPARATION OF THE CANDLE

The Celebrant blesses the Candle, saying:

Christ yesterday and today; the beginning and the end; the Alpha; and the Omega; all time belongs to him; and all the ages; to him be glory and power; through every age and for ever. Amen.

The Celebrant marks the insertion of five grains of incense into the Candle, forming a cross, saying:

By his holy; and glorious wounds; may Christ our Lord; guard us; and protect us. Amen.

The Celebrant lights Paschal Candle from the new fire, saying:

May the light of Christ rising in glory dispel the darkness of our hearts and minds.





A Minister, bearing the Paschal Candle, leads the procession into the Church.

#### **PROCESSION**

Thrice the procession pauses and is proclaimed:

N. The Light of Christ.

R. Thanks be to God.

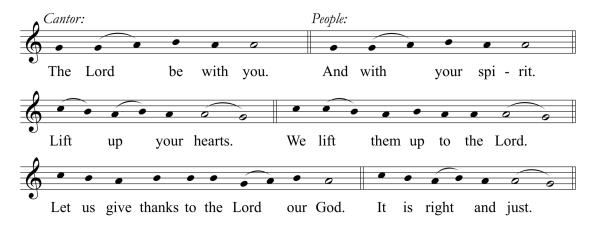
The candles of the People are lighted with a flame taken from the Paschal Candle.

All take their places and remain standing with their lighted candles as is proclaimed:

## **EXSULTET** The Easter Proclamation

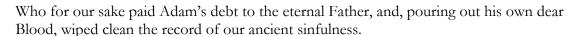
Exult, let them exult, the hosts of heaven, exult, let Angel ministers of God exult, let the trumpet of salvation sound aloud our mighty King's triumph! Be glad, let earth be glad, as glory floods her, ablaze with light from her eternal King, let all corners of the earth be glad, knowing an end to gloom and darkness. Rejoice, let Mother Church also rejoice, arrayed with the lightning of his glory, let this holy building shake with joy, filled with the mighty voices of the peoples.

Therefore, dearest friends, standing in the awesome glory of this holy light, invoke with me, I ask you, the mercy of God almighty, that he, who has been pleased to number me, though unworthy, among the Levites, may pour into me his light unshadowed, that I may sing this candle's perfect praises.



It is truly right and just, with ardent love of mind and heart and with devoted service of our voice, to acclaim our God invisible, the almighty Father, and Jesus Christ, our Lord, his Son, his Only Begotten.





These, then, are the feasts of Passover, in which is slain the Lamb, the one true Lamb, whose Blood anoints the doorposts of believers.

This is the night, when once you led our forebears, Israel's children, from slavery in Egypt and made them pass dry-shod through the Red Sea.

This is the night that with a pillar of fire banished the darkness of sin.

This is the night that even now, throughout the world, sets Christian believers apart from worldly vices and from the gloom of sin, leading them to grace and joining them to his holy ones.

This is the night, when Christ broke the prison-bars of death and rose victorious from the underworld.

Our birth would have been no gain, had we not been redeemed. O wonder of your humble care for us! O love, O charity beyond all telling, to ransom a slave you gave away your Son!

O truly necessary sin of Adam, destroyed completely by the Death of Christ!

O happy fault that earned so great, so glorious a Redeemer!

O truly blessed night, worthy alone to know the time and hour when Christ rose from the underworld!

This is the night of which it is written: The night shall be as bright as day, dazzling is the night for me, and full of gladness.

The sanctifying power of this night dispels wickedness, washes faults away, restores innocence to the fallen, and joy to mourners, drives out hatred, fosters concord, and brings down the mighty.

On this, your night of grace, O holy Father, accept this candle, a solemn offering, the work of bees and of your servants' hands, an evening sacrifice of praise, this gift from your most holy Church.

But now we know the praises of this pillar, which glowing fire ignites for God's honor, a fire into many flames divided, yet never dimmed by sharing of its light, for it is fed by melting wax, drawn out by mother bees to build a torch so precious.

O truly blessed night, when things of heaven are wed to those of earth, and divine to the human.



Therefore, O Lord, we pray you that this candle, hallowed to the honor of your name, may persevere undimmed, to overcome the darkness of this night. Receive it as a pleasing fragrance, and let it mingle with the lights of heaven. May this flame be found still burning by the Morning Star: the one Morning Star who never sets, Christ your Son, who, coming back from death's domain, has shed his peaceful light on humanity, and lives and reigns for ever and ever. *Amen*.

## LITURGY OF THE WORD

Dear brethren, now that we have begun our solemn Vigil, let us listen with quiet hearts to the Word of God. Let us meditate on how God in times past saved his people and in these, the last days, has sent us his Son as our Redeemer. Let us pray that our God may complete this paschal work of salvation by the fullness of redemption.

All are seated and the People extinguish their candles.

FIRST READING Genesis 1:1, 26-31a

The creation of the world.

In the beginning, when God created the heavens and the earth, God said: "Let us make man in our image, after our likeness. Let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, the birds of the air, and the cattle, and over all the wild animals and all the creatures that crawl on the ground." God created man in his image; in the image of God he created him; male and female he created them. God blessed them, saying: "Be fertile and multiply; fill the earth and subdue it. Have dominion over the fish of the sea, the birds of the air, and all the living things that move on the earth." God also said: "See, I give you every seed-bearing plant all over the earth and every tree that has seed-bearing fruit on it to be your food; and to all the animals of the land, all the birds of the air, and all the living creatures that crawl on the ground, I give all the green plants for food." And so it happened. God looked at everything he had made, and he found it very good. Evening came, and morning followed—the sixth day.



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## **CANTICLE** Psalm 99 (100):1-3

Chant, mode viii

Jubilate Deo omnis terra: servite Domino in laetitia.

Sing joyfully to God, all the earth; serve the Lord with gladness.

V. Intrate in conspectu ejus in exsultatione.

V. Come in before his presence with exultation.

V. Scitote quod Dominus ipse est Deus.

V. Know that the Lord he is God.

V. Ipse fecit nos, et non ipsi nos: nos autem populus ejus et oves pascuae ejus.

V. He made us, and not we ourselves; we are his people and the sheep of his pasture.

## **PRAYER**

Let us pray.

Almighty ever-living God, who are wonderful in the ordering of all your works, may those you have redeemed understand that there exists nothing more marvelous than the world's creation in the beginning except that, at the end of the ages, Christ our Passover has been sacrificed. Who lives and reigns for ever and ever. *Amen.* 

## **SECOND READING** Genesis 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18

The sacrifice of Abraham.

God put Abraham to the test. He called to him, "Abraham!" "Here I am," he replied. Then God said: "Take your son Isaac, your only one, whom you love, and go to the land of Moriah. There you shall offer him up as a holocaust on a height that I will point out to you."

When they came to the place of which God had told him, Abraham built an altar there and arranged the wood on it. Next he tied up his son Isaac, and put him on top of the wood on the altar. Then he reached out and took the knife to slaughter his son. But the Lord's messenger called to him from heaven, "Abraham, Abraham!" "Here I am!" he answered. "Do not lay your hand on the boy," said the messenger. "Do not do the least thing to him. I know now how devoted you are to God, since you did not withhold from me your own beloved son." As Abraham looked about, he spied a ram caught by its horns in the thicket. So he went and took the ram and offered it up as a holocaust in place of his son.

Again the Lord's messenger called to Abraham from heaven and said: "I swear by myself, declares the Lord, that because you acted as you did in not withholding from me your beloved son, I will bless you abundantly and make your descendants as countless as the stars of the sky and the sands of the seashore; your descendants shall take possession of the gates of their enemies, and in your descendants all the nations of the earth shall find blessing—all this because you obeyed my command."





## **CANTICLE** Psalm 15 (16):5, 8, 9-10, 11

James D. Wetzel (b. 1987)



O Lord, my allotted portion and my cup, you it is who hold fast my lot. I set the Lord ever before me; with him at my right hand I shall not be disturbed.

Therefore my heart is glad and my soul rejoices, my body, too, abides in confidence; because you will not abandon my soul to the netherworld, nor will you suffer your faithful one to undergo corruption.

You will show me the path to life, fullness of joys in your presence, the delights at your right hand forever.

## **PRAYER**

Let us pray.

O God, supreme Father of the faithful, who increase the children of your promise by pouring out the grace of adoption throughout the whole world and who through the Paschal Mystery make your servant Abraham father of nations, as once you swore, grant, we pray, that your peoples may enter worthily into the grace to which you call them. Through Christ our Lord. *Amen*.

## THIRD READING Exodus 14:15-15:1

Israel's deliverance through the Red Sea.

The Lord said to Moses, "Why are you crying out to me? Tell the Israelites to go forward. And you, lift up your staff and, with hand outstretched over the sea, split the sea in two, that the Israelites may pass through it on dry land. But I will make the Egyptians so obstinate that they will go in after them. Then I will receive glory through Pharaoh and all his army, his chariots and charioteers. The Egyptians shall know that I am the Lord, when I receive glory through Pharaoh and his chariots and charioteers."

The angel of God, who had been leading Israel's camp, now moved and went around behind them. The column of cloud also, leaving the front, took up its place behind them, so that it came between the camp of the Egyptians and that of Israel. But the cloud now became dark, and thus the night passed without the rival camps coming any closer together all night long. Then Moses stretched out his hand over the sea, and the Lord swept the sea with a strong east wind throughout the night and so turned it into dry



land. When the water was thus divided, the Israelites marched into the midst of the sea on dry land, with the water like a wall to their right and to their left.

The Egyptians followed in pursuit; all Pharaoh's horses and chariots and charioteers went after them right into the midst of the sea. In the night watch just before dawn the Lord cast through the column of the fiery cloud upon the Egyptian force a glance that threw it into a panic; and he so clogged their chariot wheels that they could hardly drive. With that the Egyptians sounded the retreat before Israel, because the Lord was fighting for them against the Egyptians.

Then the Lord told Moses, "Stretch out your hand over the sea, that the water may flow back upon the Egyptians, upon their chariots and their charioteers." So Moses stretched out his hand over the sea, and at dawn the sea flowed back to its normal depth. The Egyptians were fleeing head on toward the sea, when the Lord hurled them into its midst. As the water flowed back, it covered the chariots and the charioteers of Pharaoh's whole army which had followed the Israelites into the sea. Not a single one of them escaped. But the Israelites had marched on dry land through the midst of the sea, with the water like a wall to their right and to their left. Thus the Lord saved Israel on that day from the power of the Egyptians. When Israel saw the Egyptians lying dead on the seashore and beheld the great power that the Lord had shown against the Egyptians, they feared the Lord and believed in him and in his servant Moses.

Then Moses and the Israelites sang this song to the Lord: I will sing to the Lord, for he is gloriously triumphant; horse and chariot he has cast into the sea.

## CANTICLE Exodus 15:1, 2

Chant, mode viii

Cantemus Domino, gloriose enim honorificatus est: equum et ascensorem projecit in mare:

V. Adjutor et protector factus est mihi in salutem.

V. Hic Deus meus, et honorabo eum: Deus patris mei, et exaltabo eum.

V. Dominus conterens bella: Dominus nomen est illi.

Let us sing to the Lord, for he is gloriously honored; the horse and the rider he has cast into the sea.

V. He has become my helper and protector unto salvation.

V. He is my God, and I will honor him: the God of my father, and I will extol him.

V. The Lord crushes wars: the Lord is his name.





## **PRAYER**

Let us pray.

O God, who by the light of the New Testament have unlocked the meaning of wonders worked in former times, so that the Red Sea prefigures the sacred font and the nation delivered from slavery foreshadows the Christian people, grant, we pray, that all nations, obtaining the privilege of Israel by merit of faith, may be reborn by partaking of your Spirit. Through Christ our Lord. *Amen*.

## **FOURTH READING** *Isaiah 54:5-14*

The new Jerusalem.

The One who has become your husband is your Maker; his name is the Lord of hosts; your redeemer is the Holy One of Israel, called God of all the earth. The Lord calls you back, like a wife forsaken and grieved in spirit, a wife married in youth and then cast off, says your God. For a brief moment I abandoned you, but with great tenderness I will take you back. In an outburst of wrath, for a moment I hid my face from you; but with enduring love I take pity on you, says the Lord, your redeemer. This is for me like the days of Noah, when I swore that the waters of Noah should never again deluge the earth; so I have sworn not to be angry with you, or to rebuke you. Though the mountains leave their place and the hills be shaken, my love shall never leave you nor my covenant of peace be shaken, says the Lord, who has mercy on you. O afflicted one, stormbattered and unconsoled, I lay your pavements in carnelians, and your foundations in sapphires; I will make your battlements of rubies, your gates of carbuncles, and all your walls of precious stones. All your children shall be taught by the Lord, and great shall be the peace of your children. In justice shall you be established, far from the fear of oppression, where destruction cannot come near you.



## **CANTICLE** Psalm 29 (30):2, 4, 5-6, 11-12, 13

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I will extol you, O Lord, for you drew me clear and did not let my enemies rejoice over me. O Lord, you brought me up from the netherworld; you preserved me from among those going down into the pit.

Sing praise to the Lord, you his faithful ones, and give thanks to his holy name. For his anger lasts but a moment; a lifetime, his good will. At nightfall, weeping enters in, but with the dawn, rejoicing.

Hear, O Lord, and have pity on me; O Lord, be my helper. You changed my mourning into dancing; O Lord, my God, forever will I give you thanks.

## **PRAYER**

Let us pray.

Almighty ever-living God, surpass, for the honor of your name, what you pledged to the Patriarchs by reason of their faith, and through sacred adoption increase the children of your promise, so that what the Saints of old never doubted would come to pass your Church may now see in great part fulfilled. Through Christ our Lord. *Amen.* 

## FIFTH READING Isaiah 55:1-11

Salvation freely offered.

Thus says the Lord: All you who are thirsty, come to the water! You who have no money, come, receive grain and eat; come, without paying and without cost, drink wine and milk! Why spend your money for what is not bread, your wages for what fails to satisfy? Heed me, and you shall eat well, you shall delight in rich fare. Come to me heedfully, listen, that you may have life. I will renew with you the everlasting covenant, the benefits assured to David. As I made him a witness to the peoples, a leader and commander of nations, so shall you summon a nation you knew not, and nations that knew you not shall run to you, because of the Lord, your God, the Holy One of Israel, who has glorified you.



Seek the Lord while he may be found, call him while he is near. Let the scoundrel forsake his way, and the wicked man his thoughts; let him turn to the Lord for mercy; to our God, who is generous in forgiving. For my thoughts are not your thoughts, nor are your ways my ways, says the Lord. As high as the heavens are above the earth, so high are my ways above your ways and my thoughts above your thoughts.

For just as from the heavens the rain and snow come down and do not return there till they have watered the earth, making it fertile and fruitful, giving seed to the one who sows and bread to the one who eats, so shall my word be that goes forth from my mouth; my word shall not return to me void, but shall do my will, achieving the end for which I sent it.

## **CANTICLE** Isaiah 5:1, 2

Chant, mode viii

Vinea facta est dilecto in cornu, in loco uberi.

V. Et maceriam circumdedit, et circumfodit: et plantavit vineam Sorec, et aedificavit turrim in medio ejus.

V. Et torcular fodit in ea: vinea enim Domini Sabaoth, Domus Israel est.

A vineyard my beloved had on a hill, in a fruitful place.

V. And he encircled it with a fence, and surrounded it with a ditch, and planted it with the vine of Sorec, and built a tower in the midst of it.

V. And he dug out a winepress in it: for the vineyard of the Lord of hosts, is the house of Israel.

## **PRAYER**

Let us pray.

Almighty ever-living God, sole hope of the world, who by the preaching of your Prophets unveiled the mysteries of this present age, graciously increase the longing of your people, for only at the prompting of your grace do the faithful progress in any kind of virtue. Through Christ our Lord. *Amen*.

## **SIXTH READING** Baruch 3:9-15

The fountain of wisdom.

Hear, O Israel, the commandments of life: listen, and know prudence! How is it, Israel, that you are in the land of your foes, grown old in a foreign land, defiled with the dead, accounted with those destined for the netherworld? You have forsaken the fountain of wisdom! Had you walked in the way of God, you would have dwelt in enduring peace. Learn where prudence is, where strength, where understanding; that you may know also





where are length of days, and life, where light of the eyes, and peace. Who has found the place of wisdom, who has entered into her treasuries?

The One who knows all things knows her; he has probed her by his knowledge— The One who established the earth for all time, and filled it with four-footed beasts; he who dismisses the light, and it departs, calls it, and it obeys him trembling; before whom the stars at their posts shine and rejoice; when he calls them, they answer, "Here we are!" shining with joy for their Maker. Such is our God; no other is to be compared to him: he has traced out the whole way of understanding, and has given her to Jacob, his servant, to Israel, his beloved son.

Since then she has appeared on earth, and moved among people. She is the book of the precepts of God, the law that endures forever; all who cling to her will live, but those will die who forsake her. Turn, O Jacob, and receive her: walk by her light toward splendor. Give not your glory to another, your privileges to an alien race. Blessed are we, O Israel; for what pleases God is known to us!

**CANTICLE** Psalm 18 (19):8, 9, 10, 11 (John 6:68c)

James D. Wetzel



The law of the Lord is perfect, refreshing the soul; the decree of the Lord is trustworthy, giving wisdom to the simple.

The precepts of the Lord are right, rejoicing the heart; the command of the Lord is clear, enlightening the eye.

The fear of the Lord is pure, enduring forever; the ordinances of the Lord are true, all of them just.

They are more precious than gold, than a heap of purest gold; sweeter also than syrup or honey from the comb.

#### **PRAYER**

Let us pray.

O God, who constantly increase your Church by your call to the nations, graciously grant to those you wash clean in the waters of Baptism the assurance of your unfailing protection. Through Christ our Lord. *Amen*.



# SEVENTH READING Ezekiel 36:16-17a, 18-28

A new heart and new spirit.

The word of the Lord came to me, saying: Son of man, when the house of Israel lived in their land, they defiled it by their conduct and deeds. Therefore I poured out my fury upon them because of the blood that they poured out on the ground, and because they defiled it with idols. I scattered them among the nations, dispersing them over foreign lands; according to their conduct and deeds I judged them. But when they came among the nations wherever they came, they served to profane my holy name, because it was said of them: "These are the people of the Lord, yet they had to leave their land." So I have relented because of my holy name which the house of Israel profaned among the nations where they came. Therefore say to the house of Israel: Thus says the Lord God: Not for your sakes do I act, house of Israel, but for the sake of my holy name, which you profaned among the nations to which you came. I will prove the holiness of my great name, profaned among the nations, in whose midst you have profaned it. Thus the nations shall know that I am the Lord, says the Lord God, when in their sight I prove my holiness through you. For I will take you away from among the nations, gather you from all the foreign lands, and bring you back to your own land. I will sprinkle clean water upon you to cleanse you from all your impurities, and from all your idols I will cleanse you. I will give you a new heart and place a new spirit within you, taking from your bodies your stony hearts and giving you natural hearts. I will put my spirit within you and make you live by my statutes, careful to observe my decrees. You shall live in the land I gave your fathers; you shall be my people, and I will be your God.

# **CANTICLE** *Psalm 41 (42):2-4*

Francisco Guerrero

Sicut cervus desiderat ad fontes aquarum: ita desiderat anima mea ad te, Deus.

V. Sitivit anima mea ad Deum fortem vivum: quando veniam, et apparebo ante faciem Dei mei?

V. Fuerunt mihi lacrimae meae panes die ac nocte, dum dicitur mihi per singulos dies:
Ubi est Deus tuus?

As the deer pants after fonts of water, so my soul pants after you, O God.

V. My soul has thirsted for the strong living God: when shall I come and appear before the face of my God?

V. My tears have been my bread day and night, while they say to me every day:
Where is your God?

## **PRAYER**

Let us pray.

O God of unchanging power and eternal light, look with favor on the wondrous mystery of the whole Church and serenely accomplish the work of human salvation, which you planned from all eternity; may the whole world know and see that what was cast down is raised up, what had become old is made new, and all things are restored to integrity through Christ, just as by him they came into being. Who lives and reigns for ever and ever. *Amen*.

Bells are rung and the altar candles are lighted while the Gloria is sung.

## **GLORIA**

Gloria in excelsis Deo et in terra pax hominibus bonae voluntatis. Laudamus te, benedicimus te, adoramus te, glorificamus te, gratias agimus tibi propter magnam gloriam tuam, Domine Deus, Rex caelestis, Deus Pater omnipotens. Domine Fili unigenite, Jesu Christe, Domine Deus, Agnus Dei, Filius Patris. Qui tollis peccata mundi, miserere nobis. Qui tollis peccata mundi, suscipe deprecationem nostram. Qui sedes ad dexteram Patris, miserere nobis. Quoniam tu solus Sanctus, tu solus Dominus, tu solus Altissimus, Jesu Christe, cum Sancto Spiritu, in gloria Dei Patris. Amen.

Glory be to God on high, and on earth peace to men of good will. We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory, Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father almighty. Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, who takes away the sins of the world, have mercy on us; who takes away the sins of the world, receive our prayer; who sits at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us. For only you are holy, only you are the Lord, only you are the most high, *Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,* in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

## COLLECT

O God, who make this most sacred night radiant with the glory of the Lord's Resurrection, stir up in your Church a spirit of adoption, so that, renewed in body and mind, we may render you undivided service. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever. *Amen.* 



## **EPISTLE** Romans 6:3-11

Brothers and sisters: Are you unaware that we who were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? We were indeed buried with him through baptism into death, so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might live in newness of life.

For if we have grown into union with him through a death like his, we shall also be united with him in the resurrection. We know that our old self was crucified with him, so that our sinful body might be done away with, that we might no longer be in slavery to sin. For a dead person has been absolved from sin. If, then, we have died with Christ, we believe that we shall also live with him. We know that Christ, raised from the dead, dies no more; death no longer has power over him. As to his death, he died to sin once and for all; as to his life, he lives for God. Consequently, you too must think of yourselves as being dead to sin and living for God in Christ Jesus.

## All stand.

A Cantor intones the Alleluia thrice, each time in a higher tone. The People repeat the Alleluia each time.

Then, the Schola sings the Tract.

**ALLELUIA** Psalm 117 (118):1; Psalm 116 (117):1, 2

Chant, mode viii



- V. Confitemini Domino quoniam bonus: quoniam in saeculum misericordia ejus.
- V. Laudate Dominum, omnes gentes: et collaudate eum omnes populi.
- V. Quoniam confirmata est super nos misericordia ejus: et veritas Domini manet in aetemum.
- V. Give praise to the Lord, for he is good; for his mercy endures forever.
- V. Praise the Lord, all you nations; and praise him, all you peoples.
- V. For established on us is his mercy; and the truth of the Lord endures for ever.



When the sabbath was over, Mary Magdalene, Mary, the mother of James, and Salome bought spices so that they might go and anoint him. Very early when the sun had risen, on the first day of the week, they came to the tomb. They were saying to one another, "Who will roll back the stone for us from the entrance to the tomb?" When they looked up, they saw that the stone had been rolled back; it was very large. On entering the tomb they saw a young man sitting on the right side, clothed in a white robe, and they were utterly amazed. He said to them, "Do not be amazed! You seek Jesus of Nazareth, the crucified. He has been raised; he is not here. Behold the place where they laid him. But go and tell his disciples and Peter, 'He is going before you to Galilee; there you will see him, as he told you."

## HOMILY

## **Catechumens**

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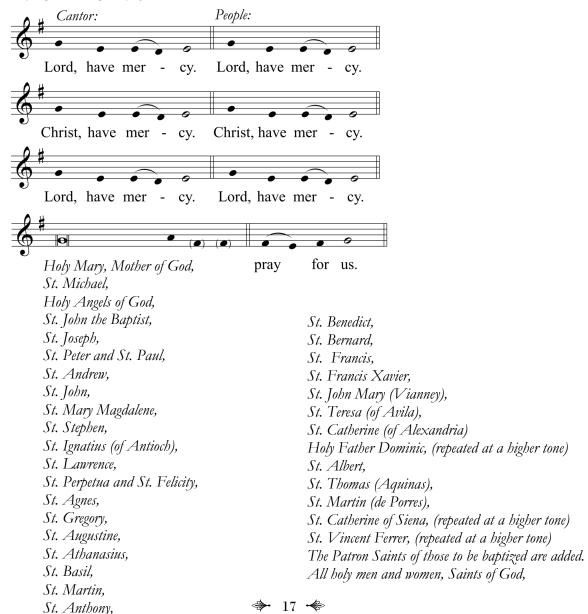
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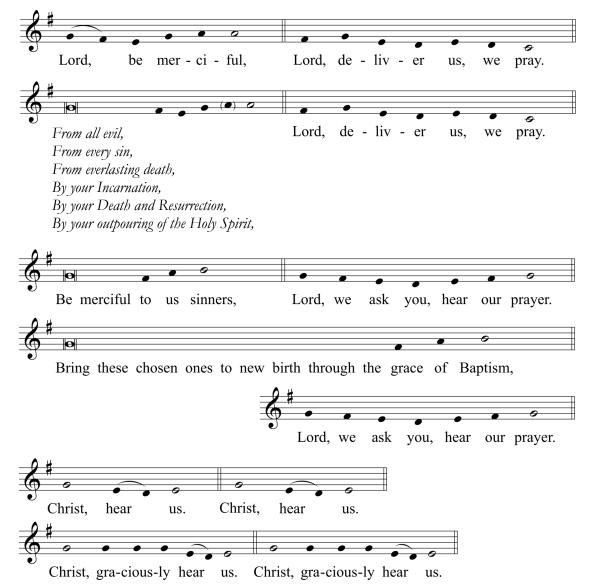
## A Minister offers a greeting to the Catechumens.

The People stand and remain in the pews while the Ministers, with one carrying the Paschal Candle, lead those to be baptized in procession to the Font, during which time the following is sung:

## LITANY OF THE SAINTS







# The Celebrant offers the concluding Collect:

Almighty ever-living God, be present by the mysteries of your great love and send forth the spirit of adoption to create the new peoples brought to birth for you in the font of Baptism, so that what is to be carried out by our humble service may be brought to fulfillment by your mighty power. Through Christ our Lord. *Amen*.



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# The People remain standing.

## BLESSING OF BAPTISMAL WATER

O God, who by invisible power accomplish a wondrous effect through sacramental signs and who in many ways have prepared water, your creation, to show forth the grace of Baptism;

O God, whose Spirit in the first moments of the world's creation hovered over the waters, so that the very substance of water would even then take to itself the power to sanctify;

O God, who by the outpouring of the flood foreshadowed regeneration, so that from the mystery of one and the same element of water would come an end to vice and a beginning of virtue;

O God, who caused the children of Abraham to pass dry-shod through the Red Sea, so that the chosen people, set free from slavery to Pharaoh, would prefigure the people of the baptized;

O God, whose Son, baptized by John in the waters of the Jordan, was anointed with the Holy Spirit, and, as he hung upon the Cross, gave forth water from his side along with blood, and after his Resurrection, commanded his disciples: "Go forth, teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit," look now, we pray, upon the face of your Church and graciously unseal for her the fountain of Baptism. May this water receive by the Holy Spirit the grace of your Only Begotten Son, so that human nature, created in your image and washed clean through the Sacrament of Baptism from all the squalor of the life of old, may be found worthy to rise to the life of newborn children through water and the Holy Spirit.

# Lowering the Paschal Candle into the water and then holding it there, the Celebrant continues:

May the power of the Holy Spirit, O Lord, we pray, come down through your Son into the fullness of this font, so that all who have been buried with Christ by Baptism into death may rise again to life with him. Who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen*.

Once the Candle is lifted out of the water, the following Acclamation is sung:



Springs of wa-ter, bless the Lord; praise and exalt him above all for ev - er.

# The People sit.

## BAPTISM OF THE CATECHUMENS

The Catechumens make the Renunciation of Sin, are anointed with the Oil of Catechumens, and make the Profession of Faith.

The Catechumens are baptized and then presented with a white baptismal garment and a candle lighted from the Paschal Candle.

## The People stand.

## RENEWAL OF BAPTISMAL PROMISES

The candles of the Ministers and People are relighted and the Celebrant addresses the People:

Dear brethren, through the Paschal Mystery we have been buried with Christ in Baptism, so that we may walk with him in newness of life. And so, now that our Lenten observance is concluded, let us renew the promises of Holy Baptism, by which we once renounced Satan and his works and promised to serve God in the holy Catholic Church. And so I ask you:

Do you renounce Satan? I do.

And all his works? I do.

And all his empty show? *I do*.

Do you believe in God, the Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth? I do.

Do you believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was born of the Virgin Mary, suffered death and was buried, rose again from the dead and is seated at the right hand of the Father? *I do*.

Do you believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting? *I do*.

And may almighty God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has given us new birth by water and the Holy Spirit and bestowed on us forgiveness of our sins, keep us by his grace, in Christ Jesus our Lord, for eternal life. *Amen*.

The People remain standing as the Ministers and the neophytes process back through the Nave.



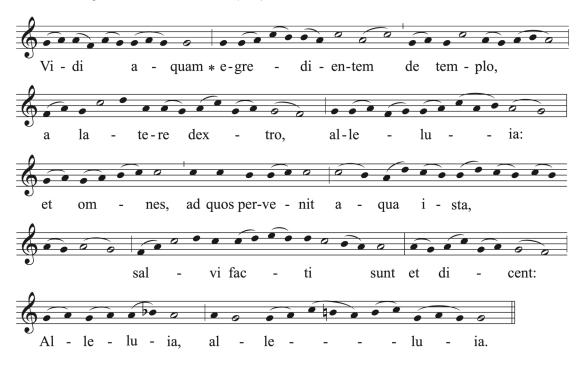


## **ASPERSION RITE**

# As the Celebrant sprinkles the People, the following is sung:

**ANTIPHON** Exekiel 47:1, 9; Psalm 117 (118):24

Chant, mode viii



I saw water flowing from the temple on the right side, alleluia: and all to whom that water came were saved, and they shall say: Alleluia, alleluia.

# The Schola then sings the Verse, after which all repeat the Antiphon.

Haec est dies quam fecit Dominus: exsultemus, et laetemur in ea.

This is the day that the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it.





The People sit and extinguish their candles.

## RITE OF RECEPTION

A Minister invites the Candidates and their Sponsors to come forward and the Celebrant addresses them.

The Candidates make the Profession of Faith.

The Celebrant receives those Confirmandi entering into the Church through the Act of Reception.

## RITE OF CONFIRMATION

The Celebrant prays over those to be confirmed, receives their confirmation names, signs them with Chrism Oil, and welcomes them into the Church.

The People stand.

## UNIVERSAL PRAYER

The People sit.

# LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

# **OFFERTORY ANTIPHON** Psalm 68 (69):21, 22

Chant, mode ii

Dextera Domini fecit virtutem, dextera Domini exaltavit me: non moriar, sed vivam, et narrabo opera Domini, alleluia. The right hand of the Lord has wrought strength; the right hand of the Lord has exalted me. I shall not die, but live, and shall declare the works of the Lord, alleluia.

# **OFFERTORY MOTET** John 20:13, 15

Ardens est cor meum: desidero videre Dominum meum. Quaero et non invenio ubi posuerunt eum: si tu sustulisti illum dicito mihi: et ego eum tollam, alleluia. Tomás Luis de Victoria (c. 1548-1611)

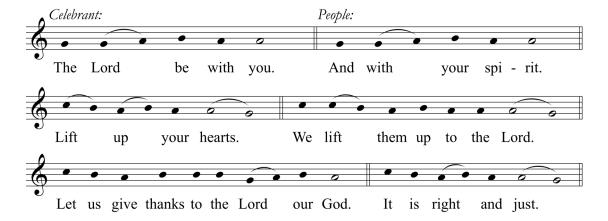
My heart is burning;
I desire to see my Lord.
I seek and cannot find where they put him;
if you have taken him away, tell me;
and I shall take him away, alleluia.



## PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

Accept, we ask, O Lord, the prayers of your people with the sacrificial offerings, that what has begun in the paschal mysteries may, by the working of your power, bring us to the healing of eternity. Through Christ our Lord. *Amen.* 

### **PREFACE**



It is truly right and just, our duty and our salvation, at all times to acclaim you, O Lord, but on this night above all to laud you yet more gloriously, when Christ our Passover has been sacrificed.

For he is the true Lamb who has taken away the sins of the world; by dying he has destroyed our death, and by rising, restored our life.

Therefore, overcome with paschal joy, every land, every people exults in your praise and even the heavenly Powers, with the angelic hosts, sing together the unending hymn of your glory, as they acclaim:

#### SANCTUS

Sanctus, Sanctus, Sanctus Dominus Deus Sabaoth.

Pleni sunt caeli et terra gloria tua:

Hosanna in excelsis.

Benedictus qui venit in nomine Domini: Hosanna in excelsis.

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts.

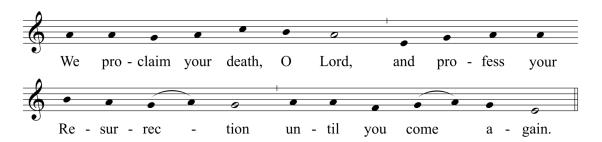
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.



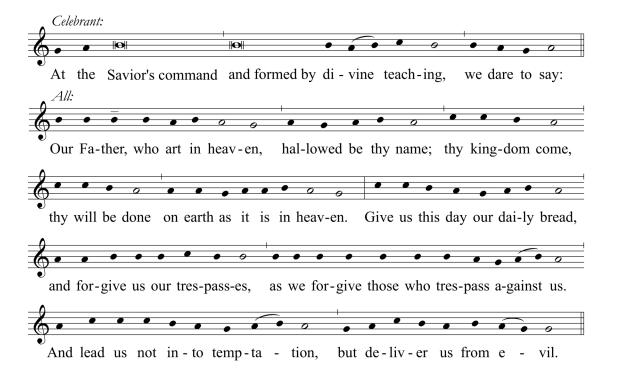
# Mystery of Faith



## PER IPSUM

## **COMMUNION RITE**

## PATER NOSTER









De-liv-er us, Lord... our Sav-ior Je-sus Christ.



For the king-dom, the pow-er and the glo-ry are yours now and for ev - er.

## **AGNUS DEI**

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, miserere nobis.

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, miserere nobis.

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, dona nobis pacem.

Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world, grant us peace.

To receive Holy Communion on the tongue, please use the Communion line at either altar rail.

To receive Holy Communion in the hand, please use the Communion line in the center aisle of the Nave.

# **COMMUNION ANTIPHON** I Corinthians 5:7, 8

Chant, mode vi

Pascha nostrum immolatus est Christus, alleluia: itaque epulemur in azymis sinceritatis, et veritatis, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Christ our Passover is sacrificed, alleluia; therefore let us feast with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.





## **COMMUNION MOTET**

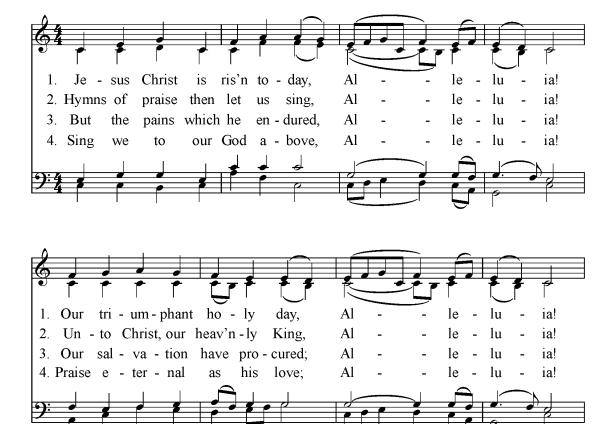
Regina caeli á 5

Cristóbal de Morales (c. 1500-1553)

Regina caeli, laetare, alleluia: Quia quem meruisti portare, alleluia: Resurrexit, sicut dixit, alleluia: Ora pro nobis Deum, alleluia. Queen of heaven, rejoice, alleluia; for he whom you did merit to bear, alleluia; is risen, as he said, alleluia; pray for us to God, alleluia.

# The People stand to sing.

## **POST-COMMUNION HYMN**





Text: Vs. 1, *Surrexit Christus hodie*, Latin, 14th century; para. *Lyra Davidica*, London, 1708, alt. Vs. 2, 3, *The Compleat Psalmist*, London, 1749, alt.; Vs. 4, Charles Wesley (1707-1788) Tune: EASTER HYMN; *Lyra Davidica*, London, 1708

## **POST-COMMUNION PRAYER**

Pour out on us, O Lord, the Spirit of your love, and in your kindness make those you have nourished by this paschal Sacrament one in mind and heart. Through Christ our Lord. *Amen.* 

## **CONCLUDING RITES**

## SOLEMN BLESSING

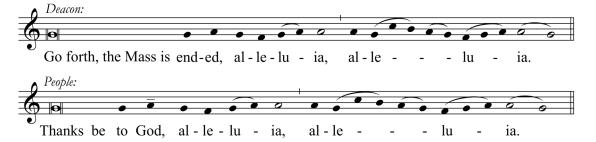
May almighty God bless you through today's Easter Solemnity and, in his compassion, defend you from every assault of sin. *Amen*.

And may he, who restores you to eternal life in the Resurrection of his Only Begotten, endow you with the prize of immortality. *Amen*.

Now that the days of the Lord's Passion have drawn to a close, may you who celebrate the gladness of the Paschal Feast come with Christ's help, and exulting in spirit, to those feasts that are celebrated in eternal joy. *Amen*.

And may the blessing of almighty God, the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit, come down on you and remain with you for ever. *Amen*.

## **DISMISSAL**



## VOLUNTARY

SYMPHONY NO. 6 IN G MINOR, Op. 42, No. 2 V. Finale Charles-Marie Widor (1844-1937)

A reception follows in the Lower Church. All are cordially invited.

Cover Image: The Maries at the tomb, detail from Armadio degli Argenti, San Marco, Florence painted between 1451-1453 by Bl. Fra Angelico, O.P. (c. 1395-1445) now held in the Museo nazionale di San Marco, Florence



