



THE CATHEDRAL OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

In the City and Roman Catholic Diocese of Albany, New York

The Fifth Sunday of Easter

May 2, 2021

Welcome back to the Cathedral! With Saint Peter, who witnessed the glory of Christ at His transfiguration on Mount Tabor, we can say with joy, “Lord it is good that we are here!”

We appreciate your patience navigating new logistical procedures together. Please always be prudent regarding your attendance at Mass: if you feel sick, please stay home—the obligation to attend Mass remains suspended. The wearing of a mask is required in the Cathedral as a safety precaution for you and your neighbors. Restrooms are closed, except for emergency use. If you should have need to use a restroom, please be prepared to follow sanitization instructions provided for the restrooms. Congregational singing is permitted; singing gently, as though whispering, may prove to be more comfortable at this time.

If you are disposed to receive Holy Communion and feel safe to do so, please refer to page 12 for guidelines. Specially trained ushers are on hand to escort you throughout the Cathedral, as well as to answer any questions you may have.

PRELUDE

Adagio, BWV 564/2

Johannes Sebastian Bach
(1685–1750)

INTRODUCTORY RITE

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Organ *All*

Sing to the Lord a new song, for
He has done mar-vel-ous deeds, al - le - lu - ia!

Text: Refrain, *Lectionary for Mass* © 1969, 1981, ICEL
Music: Brian F. Gurley, b. 1983

THE SIGN OF THE CROSS AND THE GREETING

℣. ✠ In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

℟. **Amen.**

℣. Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

℟. **And with your spirit.**

RITE FOR THE BLESSING AND SPRINKLING OF WATER

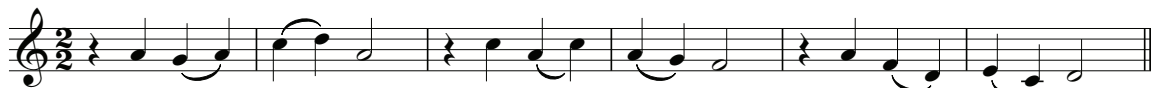
℣. Dear brothers and sisters, let us humbly beseech the Lord our God to bless this water he has created, which will be sprinkled on us as a memorial of our Baptism. May he help us by his grace to remain faithful to the Spirit we have received.

The Celebrant prays over the water, concluding:

Therefore, may this water be for us a memorial of the Baptism we have received, and grant that we may share in the gladness of our brothers and sisters who at Easter have received their Baptism. Through Christ our Lord.

℟. **Amen.**

ANTIPHON FOR THE SPRINKLING WITH HOLY WATER



℟. Al-le - lu - ia, al-le - lu - ia, al-le - lu - ia.

1. I saw water flowing from the right side of the temple, Alleluia. ℟.
2. It brought God's life and His salvation, and the people sang in joyful praise, Alleluia. ℟.
3. You are a people God claims as His own to praise Him, Alleluia. ℟.
4. God called you out of darkness into His marvelous light, Alleluia. ℟.
5. Lord Jesus, from Your wounded side flowed streams of cleansing water, Alleluia. ℟.
6. The world was washed of all its sin, all life made new again, Alleluia. ℟.

Text: *Vidi aquam egredientem*; cf. Ezekiel 47:1-2,9; 1 Peter 2:9 from the *Sacramentary*, 1973, alt. © ICEL. All rights reserved.

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[After the Sprinkling with Holy Water.]

℣. May almighty God cleanse us of our sins, and through the celebration of this Eucharist make us worthy to share at the table of his Kingdom.

℟. **Amen.**

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS



Glo-ri - a in ex-cél-sis De - o.
Glory to God in the highest,

Et in ter - ra pax ho-mi-ni-bus
and on earth peace to people of good will.



bo-næ vo-lun-tá - tis.

Lau - dá - mus te.
We praise you,

Be-ne-dí-ci - mus te.____
we bless you,

[continued]

A-do-rá - mus te. *we adore you,* **Gló-ri-fi-cá-mus te.** *we glorify you,* **Grá-ti-as á-gi-mus ti - bi** *we give you thanks for your great glory.*

prop-ter mag-nam gló - ri - am tu - am. **Dó-mi - ne De - us, Rex cæ -** *Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father.*

le - stis, De - us Pa - ter om - ní - po - tens.

Dó-mi - ne Fi - li u - ni - gé - ni - te Je - su Chri - ste. *Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,*

Dó-mi - ne De - us, Ag - nus De - i, Fí - li - us Pa - tris. *Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,*

Qui tol - lis pec - cá - ta mun - di, mi - se - ré - re no - bis. *you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us;*

Qui tol - lis pec - cá - ta mun - di, sú - sci - pe de - pre - ca - ti - ó -

nem - no - stram. Qui se - des ad d é x - te - ram Pa - tris, *you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us.*

mi - se - ré - re no - bis. Quó - ni - am tu so - lus san - ctus. *For you alone are the Holy One,*

Tu so - lus Dó - mi - nus. Tu so - lus Al - tís - si - *you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,*

[continued]

mus, Je - su Chri - ste. **Cum San - cto Spí - ri - tu,**
with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

in gló-ri - a De - i Pa - tris. A - - - men.

Text: Gregorian Missal
 Music: *Missa de Angelis*, plainsong, mode V

COLLECT

The Celebrant prays the collect.
 R. **Amen.**

LITURGY OF THE WORD

[Please be seated.]

FIRST READING

Acts 9:26–31

Barnabas reported to the apostles how Saul had seen the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 22:26–27, 28, 30, 31–32

R. I will praise you, Lord, in the as-sembly of your peo - ple.

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| <p>1. I will fulfill my vows before those who fear the LORD.
 The lowly shall eat their fill;
 they who seek the LORD shall praise him:
 “May your hearts live forever!” R.</p> <p>2. All the ends of the earth
 shall remember and turn to the LORD;
 all the families of the nations
 shall bow down before him. R.</p> | <p>3. To him alone shall bow down
 all who sleep in the earth;
 before him shall bend
 all who go down into the dust. R.</p> <p>4. And to him my soul shall live;
 my descendants shall serve him.
 Let the coming generation be told of the LORD
 that they may proclaim to a people yet to be born
 the justice he has shown. R.</p> |
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SECOND READING

1 John 3:18–24

And his commandment is this: we should believe and love.

ALLELUIA *[Please stand.]*

al - le - lu - ia!

R̄. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

Gospel verse. Remain in me as I remain in you, says the Lord, alleluia;
Whoever remains in me will bear much fruit, alleluia. R̄.

Text: *O Filii et filiae*, verses attributed to Jean Tisserand, d. 1494
Music: O FILII ET FILIAE, 8 8 8 with refrain; Traditional French melody, 15th century

GOSPEL

John 15:1–8

[Before the Gospel]

℣. The Lord be with you.

℟. **And with your spirit.**

℣. A reading from the Holy Gospel according to John.

℟. **Glory to You, O Lord.**

Whoever remains in me and I in him will bear much fruit.

[After the Gospel]

℣. The Gospel of the Lord.

℟. **Praise to You, Lord Jesus Christ.**

[When a bishop is present, all remain standing until he has revered the book of the Gospels.]

HOMILY *[Please be seated.]*

Note: Preaching schedule subject to change.

The Very Reverend David R. LeFort, S.T.L., V.G.
Rector of the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception

THE PROFESSION OF FAITH *The Nicene Creed*

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.

I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven,

[All bow.]

and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day 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.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic, and apostolic Church. I confess one baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

UNIVERSAL PRAYER

Cantor *All*

(Intention) Let us pray to the Lord. Lord, hear our prayer.

CROWNING OF AN IMAGE OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

[Please remain standing.]

INTRODUCTION

[The celebrant introduces the celebration of the May Crowning.]

PRAYER *[5 P.M. only]*

- ☩. God of mercy, listen to the prayers of Your servants who have honored Your handmaid Mary as mother and queen. Grant that by Your grace we may serve You and our neighbor on earth and be welcomed into Your eternal kingdom. We ask this through Christ our Lord.
- ☩. **Amen.**

[The Regina cæli is sung, printed on the next page.]

THANKSGIVING AND INVOCATION *[11 A.M. only]*

[The celebrant leads the prayer of thanksgiving and invocation with the assembly.]

- ☩. Lord, we bless You, for You are full of mercy and justice: You humble the proud and exalt the lowly.
- ☩. **You gave us the highest example of Your divine wisdom in the mystery of the Word made flesh and of His virgin Mother.**
- ☩. Your Son, humbled by death, rose glorious at Your right hand, the King of all creation.
- ☩. **The Virgin, who acknowledged herself to be a servant, became the Mother of our Redeemer and of those reborn in her Son. Now, raised above the angels, she prays for all: the Queen of mercy and grace.**
- ☩. Bless us as we crown this image of the Mother of Your Son.
- ☩. **We confess Christ to be the King of creation and call upon Mary, our Queen. May we walk in their likeness spending ourselves for the sake of others. Content with our place in this life may we one day hear Your voice inviting us to take our place in heaven and receive the crown of victory.**
- ☩. Pray, brothers and sisters, that my sacrifice and yours, may be acceptable to God the Almighty Father.
- ☩. **May the Lord accept this sacrifice at your hands for the praise and glory of his name, for our good and the good of all his holy church.**

CROWNING [11 A.M. only]

[The deacon places the crown on the image of the Blessed Mother, while all sing the Regina cæli.]

ANTIPHON AT THE CROWNING OF A STATUE OF THE BLESSED MOTHER

Queen of heaven, rejoice, alleluia:



[Re - gí - na caé - li] * lae - tá - re, al - le - lú - ia:

For He Whom you were made worthy to bear, alleluia:



Qui - a quem me - ru - í - sti por - tá - re, al - le - lú - ia:

Has risen as He said, alleluia:



Re - sur - ré - xit, si - cut di - xit, al - le - lú - ia:

Pray for us to God, alleluia.




O - ra pro nó - bis Dé - um, al - le - lú - ia.

Text: Latin, 12th C.


Music: REGINA CAELLI, Irregular; Mode VI

[At 5 P.M., after the singing of the Regina cæli, all may be seated. Mass continues in the usual way.]


LITANY OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY [11 A.M. only]



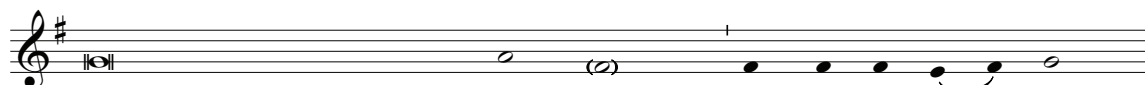
℣. Lord, have mer - cy. ℟. Lord, have mer - cy.



℣. Christ, have mer - cy. ℟. Christ, have mer - cy.



℣. Lord, have mer - cy. ℟. Lord, have mer - cy.



God our Father in hea - ven, have mer - cy on__ us.
God the Son, Redeemer of the world, have mer - cy on__ us.
God the Holy Spi - rit, have mer - cy on__ us.
Holy Trinity, one God, have mer - cy on__ us.

[continued]

Cantor *All*

Holy Ma - ry, pray — for us.
 (Invocation) pray — for us.
 Queen of the u - niverse, pray — for us.

∿. *Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccáta mundi,*
(Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world)

R̄. **par - ce no - bis, Dó - mi - ne.**
(spare us, O Lord)

∿. *Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccáta mundi,*
(Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world)

R̄. **ex - áu - di nos, Dó - mi - ne,**
(graciously hear us, O Lord)

∿. *Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccáta mundi,*
(Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world)

R̄. **mi - se - ré - re no - - bis.**
(have mercy on us)

Pray for us, O glorious Mother of the Lord.
 R̄. **That we may become worthy of the promises of Christ.**

[The celebrant concludes the litany with the following prayer.]

∿. God of mercy, listen to the prayers of Your servants
 who have honored Your handmaid Mary as mother and queen.
 Grant that by Your grace we may serve You and our neighbor on earth
 and be welcomed into Your eternal kingdom.
 We ask this through Christ our Lord.
 R̄. **Amen.**

[The Regina cæli is repeated, after which all may be seated. Mass continues in the usual way.]

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

[Please be seated.]

PREPARATION OF THE ALTAR AND THE GIFTS

ANTHEM AT THE OFFERTORY 11 A.M.

Most glorious Lord of life, that on this day
Didst make Thy triumph over death and sin,
And having harrowed hell, didst bring away
Captivity thence captive, us to win.

This joyous day, dear Lord, with joy begin,
And grant that we may for whom Thou didst die,
Being with Thy dear blood clean washed from sin,
May live forever in felicity.

And that Thy love we weighing worthily,
May likewise love Thee for the same again;
And for Thy sake, that all like dear didst buy,
With love may one another entertain.

So let us love, dear Love, like as we ought;
Love is the lesson which the Lord us taught.

Text: Edmund Spenser, Sonnet LXVIII, *Amoretti and Epithalamion*, 1595
Music: Sir William Henry Harris, KCVO, 1883–1973

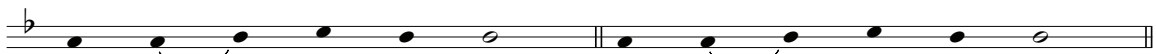
INVITATION TO PRAYER *[Please stand.]*

℣. Pray, brothers and sisters, that my sacrifice and yours, may be acceptable to God the Almighty Father.
℟. **May the Lord accept this sacrifice at your hands for the praise and glory of his name, for our good and the good of all his holy church.**

PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

The Celebrant prays the prayer over the gifts.
℟. **Amen.**

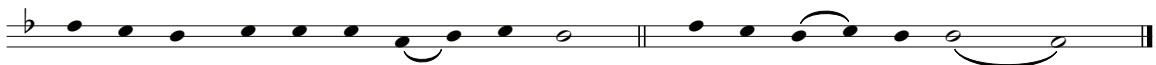
PREFACE DIALOGUE



℣. The Lord___ be with you. ℟. **And with___ your spi - rit.**



℣. Lift___ up___ your hearts.. ℟. **We lift___ them up to the Lord.---**



℣. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. ℟. **It is right and just.---**

SANCTUS ET BENEDICTUS

Organ All

Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly Lord God of hosts.

Heaven and earth are full of Your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Blessed is he who comes in the Name of the Lord.

Ho - san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

The musical score is written on a single staff in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It begins with a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp (F#). The piece is divided into two sections: 'Organ' and 'All'. The lyrics are: 'Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly Lord God of hosts. Heaven and earth are full of Your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Blessed is he who comes in the Name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.' The score includes various musical notations such as notes, rests, and dynamic markings.

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EUCHARISTIC PRAYER *[Please kneel.]*

MYSTERY OF FAITH

Organ All

We pro - claim Your death, O Lord, and pro - fess Your

Re - sur - rec - tion, un - til You come a - gain.

The musical score is written on a single staff in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It begins with a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp (F#). The piece is divided into two sections: 'Organ' and 'All'. The lyrics are: 'We pro - claim Your death, O Lord, and pro - fess Your Re - sur - rec - tion, un - til You come a - gain.' The score includes various musical notations such as notes, rests, and dynamic markings.

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AMEN

Organ All

A - men, a - men, a - - men.

The musical score is written on a single staff in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It begins with a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp (F#). The piece is divided into two sections: 'Organ' and 'All'. The lyrics are: 'A - men, a - men, a - - men.' The score includes various musical notations such as notes, rests, and dynamic markings.

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THE OUR FATHER *[Please stand.]*

All



R. Our Fa - ther, Who art in heav - en, hal - lowed be Thy Name;



Thy king - dom come; Thy will be done on earth as it is in heav - en.



Give us this day our dai - ly bread; and for - give us our tres - pass - es



as we forgive those who tres - pass a - gainst us; and lead us not in - to



temp - ta - tion, but de - liv - er us from e - vil.

The Celebrant prays the embolism. Then, all sing:



R. For the king - dom, the power and the glo - ry are Yours, now and for ev - er.

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Music: Traditional chant, adapt. by Robert Snow, 1964

SIGN OF PEACE

✠. The peace of the Lord be with you always.

R. **And with your spirit.**

AGNUS DEI

✠. Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi: (2x)

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world:



R. mi - se - ré - re no - - bis.

have mercy on us.

✠. Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi: (Final time)

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world:



R. do - na no - bis pa - - cem.

grant us peace.

Text: *Missale Romanum*
Music: Mass VIII "de Angelis," *Gregorian Missal*, Mode VI

During the Communion procession, please follow the direction of the usher, who will invite you by pew to proceed to the Minister of Holy Communion. Spatial distancing of 6 feet must be maintained between households. Reception of Holy Communion in the hand should take place with your mask still covering your nose and mouth. Simply slide your mask below your chin to keep both hands free. Upon consumption of the host, immediately reposition your mask to cover your nose and mouth. In order to receive Holy Communion on the tongue, simply slide your mask below your chin. Upon reception of Holy Communion, immediately reposition your mask to cover your nose and mouth. The ministers of Holy Communion may pause the procession periodically in order to sanitize their hands.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION *[Please kneel.]*

- ☩. Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who takes away the sins of the world.
Blessed are those who are called to the supper of the Lamb.
- ✠. **Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof,
but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.**

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

I am the true vine, and you are the branches; he who abides in me and I in him, he it is who bears much fruit, alleluia, alleluia.

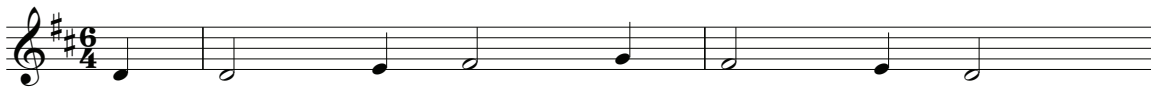
☩erses. ¹To shepherd of Israel, hear us, you who lead Joseph like a flock. ²You brought a vine out of Egypt; you drove out the nations and planted it. ³Before it you cleared the ground; it took root and filled the land. ⁴The mountains were covered with its shadow, the cedars of God with its boughs.

Ego sum vitis vera et vos pálmities, qui manet in me, et ego in eo, hic fert fructum multum, allelúia, allelúia.

☩erses. ¹Qui pascis Israel, inténde, qui dedúcis velut ovem Joseph ²Vineam de Ægypto trantulísti, ejecísti gentes et plantásti. ³Purgásti locum in conspéctu ejus, plantásti radíces ejus, et implévit terram. ⁴Opérti sunt montes umbra ejus, et ramis ejus cedri Dei.

Text: Antiphon, John 5:5; verses Psalm 79:2ab, 9, 10, 11
Music: *Gregorian Missal*, Mode VIII

HYMN OF PRAISE



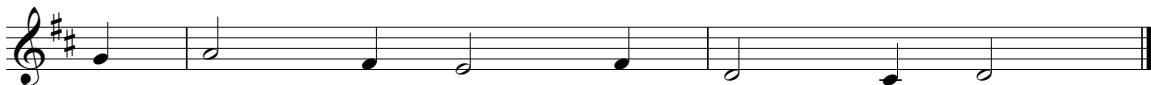
1. That Eas - ter Day with joy was bright,
2. His ris - en flesh with ra - diance glowed;
3. O Je - sus, King of gen - tle - ness,
4. O Lord of all, with us a - bid



1. The sun shone out with fair - er light,
2. His wound - ed hands and feet He showed;
3. Do Thou Thy - self our hearts pos - sess
4. In this our joy - ful Eas - ter - tide;



1. When, to their long - ing eyes re - stored,
2. Those scars their sol - emn wit - ness gave
3. That we may give Thee all our days
4. From ev - ery wea - pon death can wield



1. The a - pos - tles saw their ris - en Lord.
2. That Christ was ris - en from the grave.
3. The tri - bute of our grate - ful praise.
4. Thine own re - deemed for - ev - er shield.

Text: Latin, 5th C.; version *Hymnal 1940, alt.*

Music: PUER NOBIS, LM; melody from Trier MS., 15th C.; adapt. Michael Praetorius, 1571-1621

[After the Hymn of Praise, a time of silence is kept, while all may pray quietly.]

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION *[Please stand.]*

The Celebrant prays the prayer after communion.

R. Amen.

CONCLUDING RITES

FINAL BLESSING AND DISMISSAL

☩. The Lord be with you.

R. And with your spirit.

☩. [Blessed be the Name of the Lord.]

R. [Now and forever.]

☩. [Our help is in the Name of the Lord.]

R. [Who made heaven and earth.]

☩. ✠ May almighty God bless you.

R. Amen.

☩. Go forth, the Mass is ended.

R. Thanks be to God.

PRAYER TO SAINT MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL

Saint Michael the Archangel,
defend us in battle;
be our defense against the wickedness
and snares of the devil.
May God rebuke him, we humbly pray;
and do thou, O prince of the heavenly hosts, by the power of God,
cast into hell Satan and all the evil spirits
who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.

POSTLUDE

Toccata in C, BWV 564/1

Johannes Sebastian Bach
(1685–1750)

Following the Prayer to Saint Michael the Archangel, please follow the direction of the Ushers to exit the Cathedral safely. Service leaflets should be deposited in baskets as you exit, for recycling after Mass; they may not be reused. Collection baskets are located near the doors of the Cathedral; as always, thank you for your generous support.

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