

*st mary's catholic church  
greenville, south carolina*



*third sunday of easter  
14 april 2024*

# Entrance Antiphon

Psalm 66.1, 2, 3

*Cry out with joy to God, all the earth; alleluia. O sing to the glory of his name, alleluia; O render him glorious praise, alleluia, alleluia.*

# Entrance Hymn

# Christ the Lord is Risen Today



1. Christ the Lord is ris'n to - day; Chris-tians, haste your vows to pay;
2. Christ, the vic - tim un - de - filed, God and sin - ners rec - on - ciled;
3. Hal - lowed, cho - sen dawn of praise, East - er, queen of all our days:
4. Christ, who once for sin - ners bled, now the first-born from the dead,



Make your joy and prais - es known at the Pas - chal Vic-tim's throne;  
When in fierce and blood - y strife met to - geth - er death and life;  
Zi - on's chil-dren now come forth; east to west and south to north.  
Throned in end - less might and pow'r, lives and reigns for ev - er - more.



For the sheep the Lamb has bled, sin - less in the sin - ner's stead.  
Chris-tians, on this hap - py day raise your hearts with joy and say:  
Let the peo - ple praise you, Lord, be, by all that is, a - dored:  
Hymns of glo - ry, songs of praise, Fa - ther, un - to You we raise:



Christ the Lord is ris'n on high; now He lives, no more to die.  
Christ the Lord is ris'n on high; now He lives, no more to die.  
Let the na - tions shout and sing; glo - ry to their Pas - chal King!  
Ris - en Lord, we now a - dore, with the Spir - it ev - er - more.

Text: *Victimae paschali laudes*; Ascr. to Wipo of Burgundy, d.1048; Tr. by Jane E. Leeson, 1809-1881, alt.  
Tune: VICTIMAE PASCHALI, 77 77 D; Würth's *Katholisches Gesangbuch*, 1859; Revised in *Catholic Youth's Hymn Book*, 1871



# 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,

*All strike their breast, saying:*

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.

Priest May almighty God have mercy on us,  
forgive us our sins,  
and bring us to everlasting life.

**People Amen.**

## Kyrie

Ky-ri - e, \* e - le - i - son.  
Chri - ste, e - le - i - son.  
Ky - ri - e, e - le - i - son.  
Ky - ri - e, \* \*\* e - le - i - son.

Music: Vatican Edition VIII; acc. by Richard Proulx



# Gloria

Gló-ri - a in ex-cél-sis De - o. Et in ter - ra pax ho - mí - ni - bus  
bo - nae vo - lun - tá - tis. Lau - dá - mus te.  
Be - ne - dí - ci - mus te. A - do - rá - mus te.  
Gló - ri - fi - cá - mus te. Grá - ti - as á - gi - mus ti - bi  
pro - pter ma - gnam gló - ri - am tu - am. Dó - mi - ne De - us, Rex cae -  
lé - stis, De - us, Pa - ter om - ní - po - tens.  
Dó - mi - ne Fi - li u - ni - gé - ni - te, Je - su Chri - ste.  
Dó - mi - ne De - us, A - gnus De - i, Fí - li - us Pa - tris.  
Qui tol - lis pec - cá - ta mun - di, mi - se - ré - re no - bis.  
Qui tol - lis pec - cá - ta mun - di, sú - sci - pé de - pre - ca - ti - ó -  
nem no - stram. Qui se - des ad déx - te - ram Pa - tris,  
mi - se - ré - re no - bis. Quó - ni - am tu so - lus San - ctus.  
Tu so - lus Dó - mi - nus. Tu so - lus Al - tís - si - mus,  
Je - su Chri - ste. Cum San - cto Spí - ri - tu,  
in gló - ri - a De - i Pa - tris. A - men.

✠ LITURGY OF THE WORD ✠

First Reading

Acts of the Apostles 3.13-15, 17-19

Peter said to the people: “The God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, the God of our fathers, has glorified his servant Jesus, whom you handed over and denied in Pilate’s presence when he had decided to release him. You denied the Holy and Righteous One and asked that a murderer be released to you. The author of life you put to death, but God raised him from the dead; of this we are witnesses. Now I know, brothers, that you acted out of ignorance, just as your leaders did; but God has thus brought to fulfillment what he had announced beforehand through the mouth of all the prophets, that his Christ would suffer. Repent, therefore, and be converted, that your sins may be wiped away.”

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.



# Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 4.2, 4, 7-8, 9



When I call, answer me, O my just God,  
you who relieve me when I am in distress;  
have pity on me, and hear my prayer!

Know that the LORD does wonders for his faithful one;  
the LORD will hear me when I call upon him.

O LORD, let the light of your countenance shine upon us!  
You put gladness into my heart.

As soon as I lie down, I fall peacefully asleep,  
for you alone, O LORD,  
bring security to my dwelling.



## Second Reading

1 John 2.1-5a

My children, I am writing this to you so that you may not commit sin. But if anyone does sin, we have an Advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous one. He is expiation for our sins, and not for our sins only but for those of the whole world. The way we may be sure that we know him is to keep his commandments. Those who say, "I know him," but do not keep his commandments are liars, and the truth is not in them. But whoever keeps his word, the love of God is truly perfected in him.

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**



## Gospel Acclamation



Lord Jesus, open the Scriptures to us;  
make our hearts burn while you speak to us. *Response.*

## Gospel

Luke 24.35-48

Deacon: The Lord be with you.

**People: And with your spirit.**

Deacon: A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke.

**People: Glory to you, O Lord.**

The two disciples recounted what had taken place on the way, and how Jesus was made known to them in the breaking of bread.

While they were still speaking about this, he stood in their midst and said to them, “Peace be with you.” But they were startled and terrified and thought that they were seeing a ghost. Then he said to them, “Why are you troubled? And why do questions arise in your hearts? Look at my hands and my feet, that it is I myself. Touch me and see, because a ghost does not have flesh and bones as you can see I have.” And as he said this, he showed them his hands and his feet. While they were still incredulous for joy and were amazed, he asked them, “Have you anything here to eat?” They gave him a piece of baked fish; he took it and ate it in front of them.

He said to them, “These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you, that everything written about me in the law of Moses and in the prophets and psalms must be fulfilled.” Then he opened their minds to understand the Scriptures. And he said to them, “Thus it is written that the Christ would suffer and rise from the dead on the third day and that repentance, for the forgiveness of sins, would be preached in his name to all the nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things.”

Deacon: The Gospel of the Lord.

**People: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

## Homily



## Profession of Faith *(spoken slowly and reverently)*

*The Apostles' Creed is the baptismal profession of faith of the Holy Roman Church, which is used in the administration of Baptism and at the renewal of our baptismal promises at Easter. For this reason, we use this text throughout Lent and Eastertide to profess our faith.*

I believe in God,  
the Father almighty,  
Creator of heaven and earth,  
and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,

*Bow profoundly during these two lines:*

who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the Virgin Mary,

suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died and was buried;  
he descended into hell;  
on the third day he rose again from the dead;  
he ascended into heaven,  
and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty;  
from there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I 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. Amen.

## The Bidding Prayers

### The Collection

*The offering is for the support of the parish. You may donate online using the link below:*

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Offertory Antiphon

Psalm 146.2

*Praise the Lord, O my soul, all my life I will praise the Lord, I will sing praise to my God as long as I shall live, alleluia.*

Offertory Hymn

I Know That My Redeemer Lives



1. I know that my Re - deem - er lives;  
 2. He lives, to bless me with his love;  
 3. He lives, and grants me dai - ly breath;  
 4. He lives, all glo - ry to his name;



What joy the blest as - sur - ance gives!  
 He lives, to plead for me a - bove;  
 He lives, and I shall con - quer death;  
 He lives, my Sav - ior still the same;



He lives, he lives, who once was dead;  
 He lives, my hun - gry soul to feed;  
 He lives, my man - sion to pre - pare;  
 What joy the blest as - sur - ance gives;



He lives, my ev - er - last - ing Head!  
 He lives, to help in time of need.  
 He lives, to bring me safe - ly there.  
 I know that my Re - deem - er lives!

Text: Samuel Medley, 1738-1799  
 Tune: DUKE STREET, LM; John Hatton, c.1710-1793



## Offertory Anthem

*Rise Heart, Thy Lord is Risen*

Arlen Clarke

*Excerpts from The Temple, George Herbert, 17th century*

*Rise heart; thy Lord is risen. Sing his praise without delayes, who takes thee by the hand, that thou likewise with him may'st rise; that, as his death calcined thee to dust, his life may make thee gold, and much more, just. Consort both heart and lute, and twist a song pleasant and long; or since all music is but three parts vied and multiplied. O let thy blessed Spirit bear a part, and make up our defects with his sweet art. I got me flowers to strew thy way; I got me boughs off many a tree: but thou wast up by break of day, and brought'st thy sweets along with thee. Can there be any day but this, though many suns to shine endeavour? We count three hundred, but we miss: there is but one, and that one ever.*



*Priest* Pray, brethren,  
that my sacrifice and yours  
may be acceptable to God,  
the Almighty Father.

*People* **May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands  
for the praise and glory of his name,  
for our good  
and the good of all his holy Church.**


 EUCHARISTIC PRAYER
 

## Preface Dialogue

*Priest:* The Lord be with you. *Assembly:* And with your Spir - it.

*Priest:* Lift up your hearts. *Assembly:* We lift them up to the Lord.

*Priest:* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. *Assembly:* It is right and just.

## Sanctus

San - ctus, \* San - ctus, San -  
 ctus Dó - mi - nus De - us Sá -  
 ba - oth. Ple - ni sunt cae - li et  
 ter - ra gló - ri - a tu - a. Ho - sán -  
 na in ex - céel - sis Be - ne - dí - ctus qui  
 ve - nit in nó - mi - ne Dó - mi - ni. Ho - sán -  
 na in ex - céel - sis.

Music: Vatican Edition VIII; acc. by Richard Proulx

 COMMUNION RITE 

*Priest* At the Savior's command and formed by divine teaching, we dare to say:

***People* 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.**

*Priest* Deliver us, Lord, we pray, from every evil,  
graciously grant peace in our days,  
that, by the help of your mercy,  
we may be always free from sin  
and safe from all distress,  
as we await the blessed hope  
and the coming of our Savior, Jesus Christ.

***People* For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours now and for ever.**

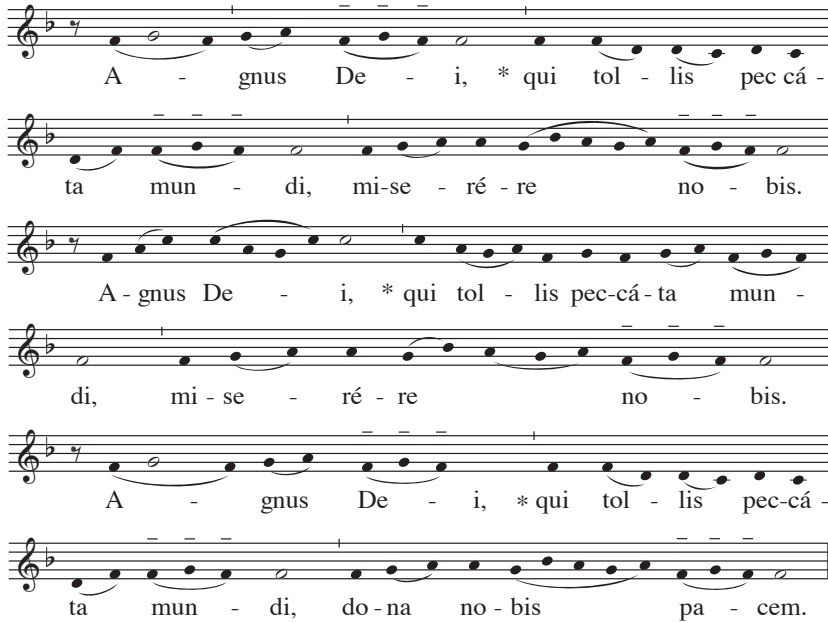
*Priest* Lord Jesus Christ,  
who said to your Apostles:  
Peace I leave you, my peace I give you,  
look not on our sins,  
but on the faith of your Church,  
and graciously grant her peace and unity  
in accordance with your will.  
Who live and reign for ever and ever.

***People* Amen.**

*Priest* The peace of the Lord be with you always.

***People* And with your spirit.**

# Agnus Dei



A - gnus De - i, \* qui tol - lis pec cá -  
ta mun - di, mi - se - ré - re no - bis.  
A - gnus De - i, \* qui tol - lis pec - cá - ta mun -  
di, mi - se - ré - re no - bis.  
A - gnus De - i, \* qui tol - lis pec - cá -  
ta mun - di, do - na no - bis pa - cem.

Music: Vatican Edition XVIII; acc. by Richard Proulx



*Priest* Behold the Lamb of God,  
behold him who takes away the sins of the world.  
Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.

*People* **Lord, I am not worthy  
that you should enter under my roof,  
but only say the word  
and my soul shall be healed.**

*The disciples recognized the Lord Jesus, alleluia, in the breaking of the bread, alleluia.*



***AN ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION***

LORD JESUS, I LOVE YOU ABOVE ALL THINGS.  
HOW I LONG TO RECEIVE YOU WITH MY BROTHERS  
AND SISTERS AT THE TABLE YOU HAVE PREPARED.  
BUT SINCE I CANNOT AT THIS MOMENT RECEIVE YOU IN  
THE HOLY SACRAMENT OF YOUR **BODY AND BLOOD**,  
I ASK YOU TO FEED ME WITH THE MANNA OF YOUR **HOLY SPIRIT**  
AND NOURISH ME WITH YOUR HOLY PRESENCE.

I UNITE MYSELF COMPLETELY TO YOU;  
NEVER PERMIT ME TO BE SEPARATED FROM YOUR LOVE.

AMEN.

## Communion Motets

### *The Call*

*Ralph Vaughan-Williams*

*Come, my Way, my Truth, my Life: such a way as gives us breath, such a truth as ends all strife, such a life as killeth death. Come, my Light, my Feast, my Strength such a light as shows a feast, such a feast as mends in length, such a strength as makes his guest. Come, my Joy, my Love, my Heart: such a joy as none can move, such a love as none can part, such a heart as joys in love.*

### *Psalm 130 (Anglican Chant)*

*Morricone*

*Out of the depths I cry to you, O Lord! O Lord, hear my voice! Let your ears be attentive to the voice of my pleas for mercy! If you, O Lord, should mark iniquities, O Lord, who could stand? But with you there is forgiveness, that you may be feared. I wait for the Lord, my soul waits, and in his word I hope; my soul waits for the Lord more than watchmen for the morning, more than watchmen for the morning. O Israel, hope in the Lord! For with the Lord there is steadfast love, and with him is plentiful redemption. And he will redeem Israel from all his iniquities.*





# Communion Hymn

# God With Hidden Majesty



1. God with hid - den maj - es - ty, lies in pres - ence here,
2. All my oth - er sens - es, can - not now per - ceive,
3. God lay stretched up - on the cross, on - ly man could die.
4. Wounds that doub - ting Thom - as saw, I could nev - er see,



I with deep de - vo - tion my true God re - vere;  
 But my hear - ing, taught by faith, al - ways will be - lieve:  
 Here up - on the al - tar God and man both lie;  
 But I still ac - knowl - edge you my true God to be;



Whom this out - ward shape and form se - cret - ly con - tains,  
 I ac - cept what - ev - er God the Son has said:  
 This I firm - ly hold as true, this is my be - lief,  
 Grant that I shall al - ways keep strong in faith and trust,



Christ in his di - vin - i - ty man - hood still re - tains.  
 Those who hear the word of God, by the truth are fed.  
 And I seek sal - va - tion, like the dy - ing thief.  
 Guid - ed by my Sav - ior, mer - ci - ful and just.

5. Blest reminder of the death suffered for the world,  
 Sacrament of living bread, health to every mind,  
 Let my soul approach you, live within your grace,  
 Let me taste the perfect joys time shall not efface.

Text: Asc. to Thomas Aquinas, 1227-1274; Tr. by Anthony G. Petti, b. 1932 © 1971, Faber Music Ltd.  
 Tune: ADORATE DEVOTE 11 11 11 11; Mode V; Acc. by Richard Proulx, b. 1937 © 1986, GIA Publications, Inc.



✠ CONCLUDING RITES ✠

*Priest*     The Lord be with you.

*People*     **And with your spirit.**

*Priest*     May almighty God bless you, the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

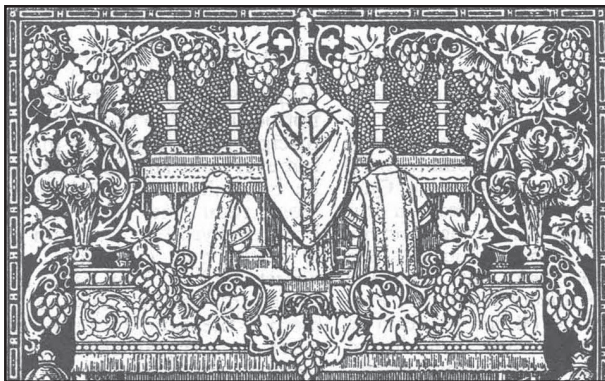
*People*     **Amen.**

*Deacon*    Go in peace. Alleluia. Alleluia.

*People*     **Thanks be to God. Alleluia. Alleluia.**

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**During Mass at St Mary's, the priest and people face the same direction at the altar, a custom that was once universal in the Catholic Church but is now rare in the celebration of the modern liturgy. For an explanation of this practice, please visit our parish website, [smcgvl.org](http://smcgvl.org), and look in the section called *Parish Links* for the essay entitled *Facing East to Pray*.**



*Page one:* Tissot. *The Appearance of Christ at the Cenacle*. (19th century).

*Page five:* Saint Paul Outside the Walls. (13th century; 19th century restoration).

*Page six:* David in Prayer from the Lorsch Gospels. (c. 780).

*Page seven:* Saint John from a French Gospel. (12th century).

## from the office of readings for the third sunday of easter

No one may share the eucharist with us unless he believes that what we teach is true, unless he is washed in the regenerating waters of baptism for the remission of his sins, and unless he lives in accordance with the principles given us by Christ.

We do not consume the eucharistic bread and wine as if it were ordinary food and drink, for we have been taught that as Jesus Christ our Savior became a man of flesh and blood by the power of the Word of God, so also the food that our flesh and blood assimilates for its nourishment becomes the flesh and blood of the incarnate Jesus by the power of his own words contained in the prayer of thanksgiving.

The apostles, in their recollections, which are called gospels, handed down to us what Jesus commanded them to do. They tell us that he took bread, gave thanks and said: *Do this in memory of me. This is my body.* In the same way he took the cup, he gave thanks and said: *This is my blood.* The Lord gave this command to them alone. Ever since then we have constantly reminded one another of these things. The rich among us help the poor and we are always united. For all that we receive we praise the Creator of the universe through his Son Jesus Christ and through the Holy Spirit.

On Sunday we have a common assembly of all our members, whether they live in the city or the outlying districts. The recollections of the apostles or the writings of the prophets are read, as long as there is time. When the reader has finished, the president of the assembly speaks to us; he urges everyone to imitate the examples of virtue we have heard in the readings. Then we all stand up together and pray.

On the conclusion of our prayer, bread and wine and water are brought forward. The president offers prayers and gives thanks to the best of his ability, and the people give assent by saying, "Amen." The eucharist is distributed, everyone present communicates, and the deacons take it to those who are absent.

The wealthy, if they wish, may make a contribution, and they themselves decide the amount. The collection is placed in the custody of the president, who uses it to help the orphans and widows and all who for any reason are in distress, whether because they are sick, in prison, or away from home. In a word, he takes care of all who are in need.

We hold our common assembly on Sunday because it is the first day of the week, the day on which God put darkness and chaos to flight and created the world, and because on that same day our savior Jesus Christ rose from the dead. For he was crucified on Friday and on Sunday he appeared to his apostles and disciples and taught them the things that we have passed on for your consideration.

- From the first apology in defense of the Christians by Saint Justin, martyr  
(b. 100; d. 165)

## *from the pastor*

Dear Friends in Christ,

During Eastertide the Church directs our attention to the central place of Holy Baptism in Christian faith and life, and each year on Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord, all the baptized are asked to renew the promises of their Baptism. So this is the perfect time for us to consider a crucial question in the Church's life: who is eligible to be baptized?

Before answering that question, we must take notice of the fact that for many centuries, the vast majority of people who have been baptized were brought to the font as infants, but this statistical fact should not distract us from the theological truth that the meaning of the Baptism of children is fully revealed only in light of the Baptism of adults who come to saving faith in the Lord Jesus and then ask to be baptized. All seven of the sacred mysteries of the New Covenant are sacraments of faith, and the request of an adult to be baptized presupposes the gift of faith received as a prevenient grace leading to the second birth by water and the Holy Spirit through which one enters the Church as by a door. And no one would ask for Baptism who was not prepared to live the Christian faith by, at a bare minimum, coming to Mass each Sunday to be nourished by the Word of God and the Most Holy Eucharist. In fact, in a certain sense we can say that we are baptized precisely so that we may attend Mass and receive the Body and Blood of the Savior, so those who do not intend to make Sunday Mass the center of their lives have no reason to ask for Baptism. But now we return to the statistical norm of infant Baptism and are immediately confronted with the strange custom of people who were baptized as children, have grown up to have their own children, and now ask to have their children baptized despite the fact that they seldom, if ever, come to Mass. And the same holds true for adults who are not coming to Mass but still ask for permission to serve as godparents or sponsors for the Baptism of a child.

So, who can be baptized? Those adults are eligible for Baptism who are prepared to make their own profession of faith and accept the most serious duty to practice the Catholic faith in every way, including attending Mass each Sunday and holy day of obligation. And those children are eligible for Baptism whose parents meet the same criteria as adults asking for Baptism. If the parents of a child are not practicing the faith by - at a bare minimum - attending Sunday Mass, then there is no founded hope that the child will be instructed in the Gospel and taught to follow the Lord Jesus in the Way of the Cross, and in that case, the Church cannot consent to baptize the child in question. This is not intended in any way as a punishment for the child or still less for the anguished grandparents who are practicing the faith and want their now grown children to do the same for the sake of the grandchildren, but it is an acknowledgment that the sacraments are not magic. For Holy Baptism to be a true sacrament of faith, there must be in those who request it - whether for themselves or for their children - a genuine intention to follow the Lord Jesus in every way, beginning and ending with the Sunday celebration of the Most Holy Eucharist.

Father Newman