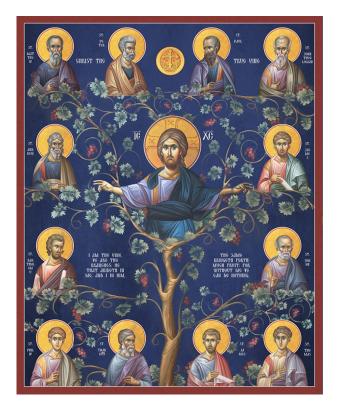
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Entrance Antiphon

Psalm 98.1, 2

O sing a new song to the Lord, alleluia; for he has worked wonders, alleluia; in the sight of the nations he has shown his deliverance, alleluia, alleluia.

Entrance Hymn

Christ the Lord is Risen Today



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:

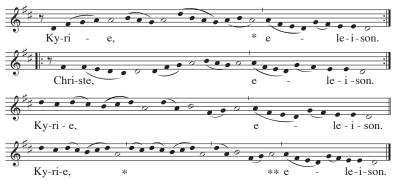
through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault;

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



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. 0 Grá-ti - as á - gi - mus ti - bi Gló-ri - fi - cá-mus te. • • • • ••• 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 - tris. Pa • • • 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 -• • • Qui se-des ad déx-te-ram Pa-tris, nem no stram. • • • • • • 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. А men.

First Reading

Acts of the Apostles 9.26-31

When Saul arrived in Jerusalem he tried to join the disciples, but they were all afraid of him, not believing that he was a disciple. Then Barnabas took charge of him and brought him to the apostles, and he reported to them how he had seen the Lord, and that he had spoken to him, and how in Damascus he had spoken out boldly in the name of Jesus. He moved about freely with them in Jerusalem, and spoke out boldly in the name of the Lord. He also spoke and debated with the Hellenists, but they tried to kill him. And when the brothers learned of this, they took him down to Caesarea and sent him on his way to Tarsus.

The church throughout all Judea, Galilee, and Samaria was at peace. It was being built up and walked in the fear of the Lord, and with the consolation of the Holy Spirit it grew in numbers.

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.



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

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!"

All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the LORD; all the families of the nations shall bow down before him

To him alone shall bow down all who sleep in the earth; before him shall bend all who go down into the dust.

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.

Second Reading

1 John 3 18-24

Children, let us love not in word or speech but in deed and truth. Now this is how we shall know that we belong to the truth and reassure our hearts before him in whatever our hearts condemn, for God is greater than our hearts and knows everything. Beloved, if our hearts do not condemn us, we have confidence in God and receive from him whatever we ask, because we keep his commandments and do what pleases him. And his commandment is this: we should believe in the name of his Son, Jesus Christ, and love one another just as he commanded us. Those who keep his commandments remain in him, and he in them, and the way we know that he remains in us is from the Spirit he gave us.

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation



Remain in me as I remain in you, says the Lord; Whoever remains in me will bear much fruit. *Response*.

Gospel

John 15.1-8

Deacon: The Lord be with you. **People: And with your spirit.**

Deacon: A reading from the holy Gospel according to John. **People: Glory to you, O Lord.**

Jesus said to his disciples: "I am the true vine, and my Father is the vine grower. He takes away every branch in me that does not bear fruit, and every one that does he prunes so that it bears more fruit. You are already pruned because of the word that I spoke to you. Remain in me, as I remain in you. Just as a branch cannot bear fruit on its own unless it remains on the vine, so neither can you unless you remain in me. I am the vine, you are the branches. Whoever remains in me and I in him will bear much fruit, because without me you can do nothing. Anyone who does not remain in me will be thrown out like a branch and wither; people will gather them and throw them into a fire and they will be burned. If you remain in me and my words remain in you, ask for whatever you want and it will be done for you. By this is my Father glorified, that you bear much fruit and become my disciples."

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 and the Catholic Home Missions. You may donate online using the link below:

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Offertory Antiphon

Psalm 66.1, 2, 16

Shout with joy to God, all the earth; sing a psalm to his name. Come and hear, all who fear God, and I will tell you what great things the Lord has done for my soul, alleluia.

That Easter Day With Joy Was Bright Offertory Hymn PUER NOBIS L.M. Latin, 5th Cent. Hymnal Version, 1939 Adapt. by Michael Praetorius, 1571-1621 Harm. by George R. Woodward, 1848-1934 1. That Eas ter Day with joy was 2. His flesh with ris en ra diance 3. O Je King of sus. gen tle -4. O Lord of all. with us a -5. All 0 praise, ris Lord. en we bright, the sun shone out with glowed; His ed hands wound and self do thou thy ness, _ our this bide in ful our joy give thee, who, dead, to a --0 fair light. when their long _ er to ing feet He showed; those their sol scars emn hearts that pos sess we may give thee -Eas tide from 'ry wea ter ev pon gain dost live; to God the Fa ther eyes re stored, the a pos tles saw their wit gave that Christ was ris ness en ing trib all our days the will ute wield thine death can own re deemed for -God Ho praise, and the ly e qual . ri en Lord. from grave. the of praise. our ev shield. er Ghost, raise, А we men.

Offertory Anthem

Walk in Love Ephesians 5.2 Arlen Clarke

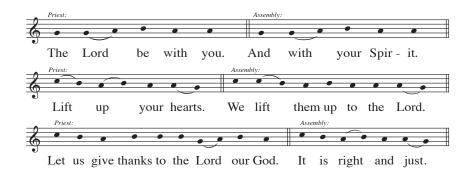
Walk in love as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us as a fragrant offering, and sacrifice to God.



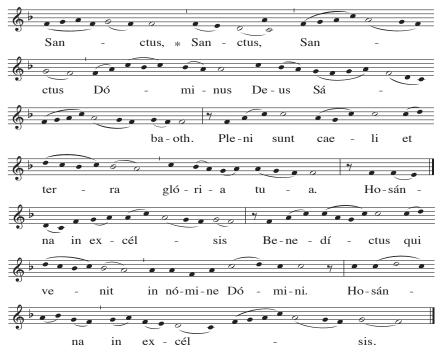
- Priest Pray, brethren, that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God, the Almighty Father.
- **People** May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands for the praise and glory of his name, for our good and the good of all his holy Church.

EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

Preface Dialogue



Sanctus



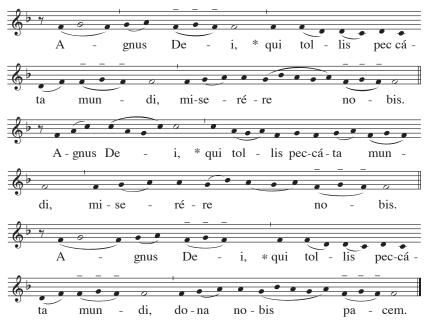
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Communion Rite

- *Priest* At the Savior's command and formed by divine teaching, we dare to say:
- PeopleOur 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.
- PriestDeliver 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 y our 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



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.

Communion Antiphon

I am the true vine and you are the branches, says the Lord. Whoever remains in me, and I in him, bears fruit in plenty, 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

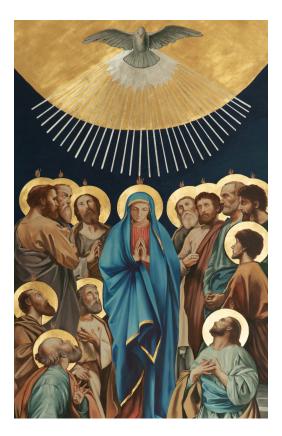
Jesu dulcis memoria

Jesu, the very thought of thee, with sweetness fills the breast; but sweeter far thy face to see and in thy presence rest. No voice can sing, nor heart can frame, nor can the memory find a sweeter sound than thy blest name, O Savior of mankind. Oh hope of every contrite heart, oh joy of all the meek, to those who fall how kind thou art, how good to those who seek. Jesus, our only joy be thou, as thou our prize will be: Jesus be thou our glory now and through eternity. Amen.

If Ye Love Me

Thomas Tallis

If ye love me, keep my commandments, and I will pray the Father that he shall bring you another comforter. That he may 'bide with you forever, e'en the spirit of truth.



Chant

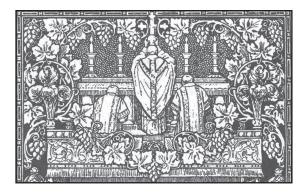


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Priest	The Lord be with you.
People	And with your spirit.
Priest People	May almighty God bless you, the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit. Amen.
Deacon	Go in peace. Alleluia. Alleluia.
People	Thanks be to God. Alleluia. Alleluia.

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, and look in the section called *Parish Links* for the essay entitled *Facing East to Pray*.



Page five: Paul and Barnabas.

Page ten: Lorenzo Monaco. The Intercession of Christ and the Virgin. (c. 1401).

Page fifteen: Saint Mary and Saint Joseph Coptic Orthodox Church, Ontario, Canada. (21st century).

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from the office of readings for the fifth sanday of easter

Christ is risen! He has burst open the gates of hell and let the dead go free; he has renewed the earth through the members of his Church now born again in baptism, and has made it blossom afresh with men brought back to life. His Holy Spirit has unlocked the doors of heaven, which stand wide open to receive those who rise up from the earth. Because of Christ's resurrection the thief ascends to paradise, the bodies of the blessed enter the holy city, and the dead are restored to the company of the living. There is an upward movement in the whole of creation, each element raising itself to something higher. We see hell restoring its victims to the upper regions, earth sending its buried dead to heaven, and heaven presenting the new arrivals to the Lord. In one and the same movement, our Savior's passion raises men from the depths, lifts them up from the earth, and sets them in the heights.

Christ is risen. His rising brings life to the dead, forgiveness to sinners, and glory to the saints. And so David the prophet summons all creation to join in celebrating the Easter festival: *Rejoice and be glad, he cries, on this day which the Lord has made.*

The light of Christ is an endless day that knows no night. Christ is this day, says the Apostle; such is the meaning of his words: *Night is almost over; day is at hand*. He tells us that night is almost over, not that it is about to fall. By this we are meant to understand that the coming of Christ's light puts Satan's darkness to flight, leaving no place for any shadow of sin. His everlasting radiance dispels the dark clouds of the past and checks the hidden growth of vice. The Son is that day to whom the day, which is the Father, communicates the mystery of his divinity. He is the day who says through the mouth of Solomon: *I have caused an unfailing light to rise in heaven*. And as in heaven no night can follow day, so no sin can overshadow the justice of Christ. The celestial day is perpetually bright and shining with brilliant light; clouds can never darken its skies. In the same way, the light of Christ is eternally glowing with luminous radiance and can never be extinguished by the darkness of sin. This is why John the evangelist says: *The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has never been able to overpower it*.

And so, my brothers, each of us ought surely to rejoice on this holy day. Let no one, conscious of his sinfulness, withdraw from our common celebration, nor let anyone be kept away from our public prayer by the burden of his guilt. Sinner he may indeed be, but he must not despair of pardon on this day which is so highly privileged; for if a thief could receive the grace of paradise, how could a Christian be refused forgiveness?

- From a sermon by Saint Maximus of Turin, bishop (b. 380; d. after 465)

from the pastor

Dear Friends in Christ,

Two events of great importance to our parish are coming up in early June. First, on Saturday 1 June we are going to celebrate the Solemnity of Corpus Christi with a eucharistic procession and a parish picnic. And second, on Friday 7 June Deacon Peter O'Steen will be ordained to the priesthood in Charleston, and then on Sunday 9 June he will celebrate his Solemn Mass of Thanksgiving here at Saint Mary's at 11 am.

Corpus Christi Celebration

After the 5 pm Mass on Saturday 1 June, those who were present for the Mass but cannot stay for the procession are welcome to depart, and those who are coming for the procession and picnic but will not be at the 5 pm Mass should arrive between 6 and 6.10 pm. Then around 6.15 pm, the Blessed Sacrament will be exposed in the church, after which the procession will begin and (weather permitting) will travel around the perimeter of our campus to reach Miller Square where Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament will be administered from the Sacred Heart Columbarium.

After that liturgy is complete, then the picnic will begin on Francis Field. The Saint Mary's Council of Catholic Women are planning the event, while the Knight of Columbus will handle cooking the hot dogs and sausages, and the Saint Mary's High School Youth Group will assist with games for the kids. All parishioners are invited to attend, and the evening will end at 8.30 pm. There will be no cost to join us, but registration will be required so that enough food can be provided. And each household will be asked to bring a side dish to make this a parish family event. Please watch for information to come in the eBulletin, and plan now to join us on Saturday 1 June for the eucharistic procession and parish picnic.

O'Steen Ordination Celebration

On Friday 7 June, the Solemnity of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, Deacon Erik Roman and Deacon Peter O'Steen will be ordained to the priesthood for our diocese in the Cathedral Church of Saint John the Baptist in Charleston. The Ordination Mass will begin at 6 pm, and all are welcome to attend.

Then on Sunday 9 June, the newly ordained Father Peter O'Steen will be the principal celebrant at our Solemn Mass at 11 am, and right after Mass Father O'Steen will greet visitors and administer first priestly blessings in Gallivan Hall.

God be praised for this gracious gift to the Diocese of Charleston!

Father Newman