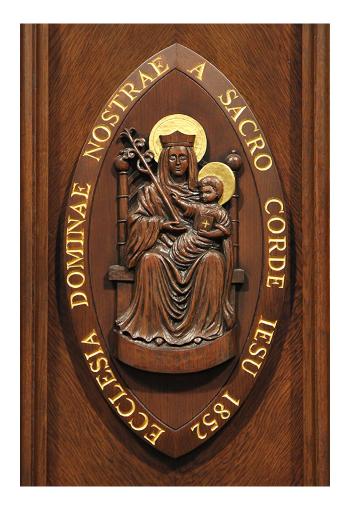
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## **Entrance Antiphon**

Daniel 3.31, 29, 30, 43, 42

All that you have done to us, O Lord, you have done with true judgment, for we have sinned against you and not obeyed your commandments. But give glory to your name and deal with us according to the bounty of your mercy.

Entrance Hymn

All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name



## 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,

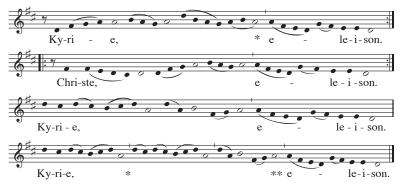
#### All strike their breast, saying:

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. . . . . . . . . . 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 caelé - stis, De-us, Pa-ter om - ní - po - tens. Dó-mi-ne Fi-li u-ni-gé-ni-te, Je - su Chri-ste. • • • • • • • Fí-li-us Dó-mi-ne De-us, A-gnus De-i, Pa - tris. -----• • • Qui tol-lis pec-cá-ta mun - di, mi-se-ré re no-bis. • • sú-sci-pé de-pre-ca-ti-ó -Qui tol - lis pec-cá - ta mun - di, . . . . Qui se-des ad déx-te-ram Pa-tris, nem no \_ stram. . . Quó - ni - am tu mi-se-ré-re no - bis. so - lus San - ctus. • • • Tu so-lus Al - tís - si-mus, Tu so-lus Dó - mi - nus. Je - su Chri - ste. Cum San - cto Spí - ri - tu, 0 in gló-ri-a De-i Pa tris. -А men.

Collect

# 💠 Liturgy of the Word 💠

# First Reading

## Numbers 11.25-29

The LORD came down in the cloud and spoke to Moses. Taking some of the spirit that was on Moses, the LORD bestowed it on the seventy elders; and as the spirit came to rest on them, they prophesied.

Now two men, one named Eldad and the other Medad, were not in the gathering but had been left in the camp. They too had been on the list, but had not gone out to the tent; yet the spirit came to rest on them also, and they prophesied in the camp. So, when a young man quickly told Moses, "Eldad and Medad are prophesying in the camp," Joshua, son of Nun, who from his youth had been Moses' aide, said, "Moses, my lord, stop them." But Moses answered him, "Are you jealous for my sake? Would that all the people of the LORD were prophets! Would that the LORD might bestow his spirit on them all!"

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.



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

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

Though your servant is careful of them, very diligent in keeping them, yet who can detect failings? Cleanse me from my unknown faults!

From wanton sin especially, restrain your servant; let it not rule over me. Then shall I be blameless and innocent of serious sin.

# Second Reading

James 5.1-6

Come now, you rich, weep and wail over your impending miseries. Your wealth has rotted away, your clothes have become moth-eaten, your gold and silver have corroded, and that corrosion will be a testimony against you; it will devour your flesh like a fire. You have stored up treasure for the last days. Behold, the wages you withheld from the workers who harvested your fields are crying aloud; and the cries of the harvesters have reached the ears of the Lord of hosts. You have lived on earth in luxury and pleasure; you have fattened your hearts for the day of slaughter. You have condemned; you have murdered the righteous one; he offers you no resistance.

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

#### People: Thanks be to God.

**Gospel Acclamation** 



Your word, O Lord, is truth; consecrate us in the truth. *Response*.

Gospel

Mark 9.38-43, 45, 47-48

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

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

At that time, John said to Jesus, "Teacher, we saw someone driving out demons in your name, and we tried to prevent him because he does not follow us." Jesus replied, "Do not prevent him. There is no one who performs a mighty deed in my name who can at the same time speak ill of me. For whoever is not against us is for us. Anyone who gives you a cup of water to drink because you belong to Christ, amen, I say to you, will surely not lose his reward.

"Whoever causes one of these little ones who believe in me to sin, it would be better for him if a great millstone were put around his neck and he were thrown into the sea. If your hand causes you to sin, cut it off. It is better for you to enter into life maimed than with two hands to go into Gehenna, into the unquenchable fire. And if your foot causes you to sin, cut if off. It is better for you to enter into life crippled than with two feet to be thrown into Gehenna. And if your eye causes you to sin, pluck it out. Better for you to enter into the kingdom of God with one eye than with two eyes to be thrown into Gehenna, where 'their worm does not die, and the fire is not quenched.""

Deacon: The Gospel of the Lord. **People: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.** 

Homily

# Profession of Faith (spoken slowly and reverently)

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,

#### Bow profoundly during these two lines:

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.

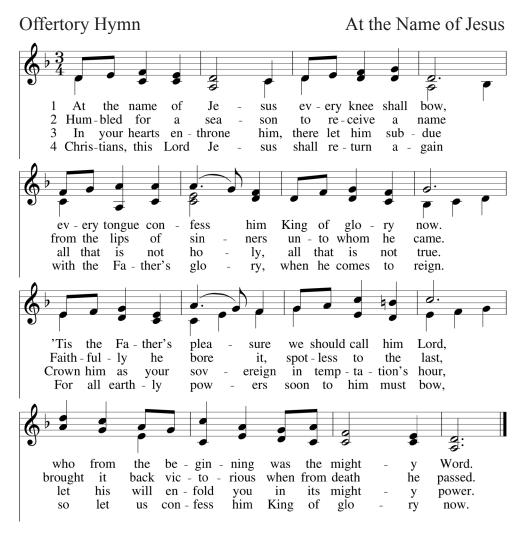
# The Bidding Prayers

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#### Offertory Antiphon

By the rivers of Babylon there we sat and wept, when we remembered Sion.



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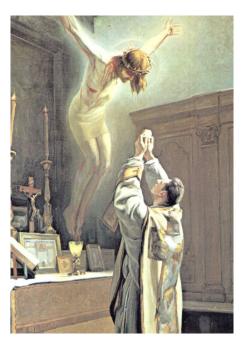


#### Ave Verum Corpus

Ave verum corpus, natum de Maria Virgine, vere passum, immolatum in cruce pro homine cuius latus perforatum fluxit aqua et sanguine: esto nobis prægustatum in mortis examine.

#### William Byrd

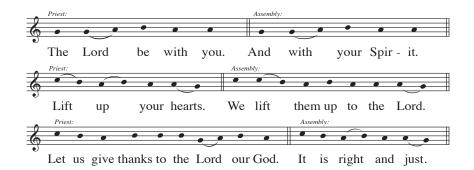
Hail the true body, born of the Virgin Mary: You who truly suffered and were sacrificed on the cross for the sake of man. From whose pierced flank flowed water and blood: Be a foretaste for us in the trial of death.



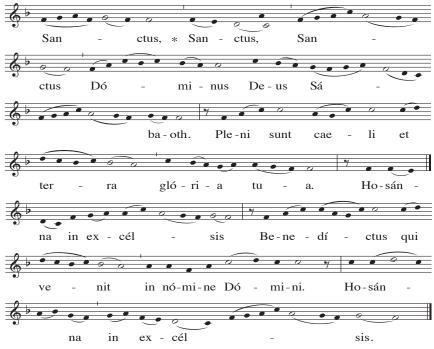
- Priest Pray, brethren, that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God, the Almighty Father.
- People May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands for the praise and glory of his name, for our good and the good of all his holy Church.

# EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

## Preface Dialogue



Sanctus



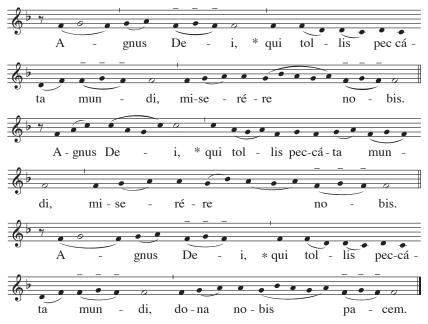
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# Communion Rite

- *Priest* At the Savior's command and formed by divine teaching, we dare to say:
- PeopleOur Father, who art in heaven,<br/>hallowed be thy name;<br/>thy kingdom come,<br/>thy will be done<br/>on earth as it is in heaven.<br/>Give us this day our daily bread,<br/>and forgive us our trespasses,<br/>as we forgive those who trespass against us;<br/>and lead us not into temptation,<br/>but deliver us from evil.
- PriestDeliver us, Lord, we pray, from every evil,<br/>graciously grant peace in our days,<br/>that, by the help of your mercy,<br/>we may be always free from sin<br/>and safe from all distress,<br/>as we await the blessed hope<br/>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



Music: Vatican Edition XVIII; acc. by Richard Proulx



- PriestBehold the Lamb of God,<br/>behold him who takes away the sins of the world.<br/>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**

*Remember your word to your servant, O Lord, by which you have given me hope. This is my comfort when I am brought low.* 



# 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**

Teach Me, O Lord (Psalm 119.33)

Thomas Attwood

Teach Me, O Lord, the way of thy statutes. And I will keep them unto the end.

#### Adoramus in aeternum

St Thomas Aquinas; Gregorio Allegri

Adoremus in aeternum Sanctissimum Sacramentum. Lauda te Dominum, omnes gentes, laudate Eum, omnes populi. Quoniam confirmata est super nos misericordia ejus, et veritas Domini manet in aeternum. Gloria Patri, gloria Filio, gloria Spiritui Sancto, sicut erat in principio, et nunc et semper, et in saecula saeculorum. Amen.

Let us worship forever the most holy Sacrament. O praise the Lord, all ye nations: praise Him, all ye people. For His mercy is confirmed upon us: and the truth of the Lord remaineth for ever. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

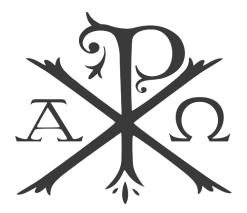


Communion Hymn

How Good the Name of Jesus Sounds



Text: John Newton, 1725-1807, alt. Tune: ST. PETER, CM; Alexander R. Reinagle, 1799-1877





PriestThe Lord be with you.PeopleAnd with your spirit.PriestMay almighty God bless you, the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit.PeopleAmen.DeaconGo in peace.PeopleThanks be to God.

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 one:* Michael P. McDunn. Detail of reredos, Saint Mary's Catholic Church, Greenville, SC. (21st century).

Page five: Tissot. Moses and Aaron Speak to the People. (19th century).

*Page fourteen:* Rubens and Jan Boeckhorst. *King David playing the Harp.* (17th century).

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# from the office of readings for the twenty-sixth subday of the year

From Polycarp and his fellow presbyters to the pilgrim church of God at Philippi: May you have mercy and peace in abundance from Almighty God and Jesus Christ our Savior.

I rejoice with you greatly in the Lord Jesus Christ because you have assumed the pattern of true love and have rightly helped on their way those who were in chains. Such chains are becoming to the faithful; they are the rich crown of the chosen ones of our Lord and God. I am glad, too, that your deep-rooted faith, proclaimed of old, still abides and continues to bear fruit in the life-giving power of our Lord Jesus Christ. He, for our sins, did not refuse to go down to death, and *God raised him up after destroying the pains of hell. With a glorious joy that no words can express you believe in Christ without seeing him.* This is the joy in which many wish to share knowing that it is by grace that you are saved and not by works, for so God has willed through Jesus Christ.

So prepare yourselves for the struggle, serve the Lord in fear and truth. Put aside empty talk and popular errors; your faith must be in him who raised our Lord Jesus Christ from the dead and gave him a share in his own glory and a seat at his right hand. To him everything was made subject in heaven and on earth; all things obey him, who will come as judge of the living and the dead. All who refuse to believe in him must answer to God for the blood of his Son.

He who raised him from the dead will raise us too if we do his will and keep his commandments, loving what he loved, refraining from all wrongdoing, fraud, avarice, malice and slander. We must abstain from false witness, *not returning evil for evil, nor curse for curse*, nor blow for blow, nor denunciation for denunciation. Always remember the words of the Lord, who taught: *Do not judge and you will not be judged; forgive and you will be forgiven; be merciful and you will find mercy; the amount you measure out to others will be the amount measured out to you. Blessed are the poor and those who suffer persecution, for theirs is the kingdom of God.* 

 From the beginning of a letter to the Philippians by Saint Polycarp, bishop and martyr b. 69; d. 23 February 155

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# from the pastor

Dear Friends in Christ,

The Fourth Principle of Evangelical Catholicism is: "Through Word and Sacrament we are drawn by grace into a transforming union with the Lord Jesus, and having been justified by faith we are called to sanctification and equipped by the Holy Spirit for the good works of the new creation. We must, therefore, learn to live as faithful disciples and to reject whatever is contrary to the Gospel, which is the Good News of the Father's mercy and love revealed in the life, death, and Resurrection of Jesus Christ."

When Protestants want to explain what they perceive as the primary mistake in Catholic teaching on salvation, they often charge that we believe in "works righteousness," by which they mean that Catholics falsely believe we can earn the favor of God and be rewarded with eternal salvation by doing good works as opposed to being justified by faith. But to frame the conversation in this way presents a false choice between faith and works because we are not saved by either our faith or our works; rather, we are saved only by Jesus Christ, and his work of salvation is pure grace - the free and unmerited favor of God. The question, then, is how Christ extends to us this offer of salvation by grace alone and how we respond to that offer. To answer this question we must first acknowledge that all grace is mediated, meaning that God's grace is given to us through instruments that correspond to our nature: words that we can hear and read, food that we can eat, the touch of human hands that we can feel. This is what it means to say that "through Word and Sacrament we are drawn by grace into a transforming union with the Lord Jesus."

The Fourth Principle goes on to insist that having been justified by faith, we are then called to holiness of life - a call for which we are equipped by the gifts of the Holy Spirit. This is what the Lord Jesus teaches us in the Sermon on the Mount: "Not everyone who says to me, 'Lord, Lord,' will enter the Kingdom of Heaven, but the one who does the will of my Father..." And what is the will of Our Father? We are commanded to feed the hungry, to give drink to the thirsty, to welcome the immigrant, to clothe the naked, to visit the sick and imprisoned, to protect the widow and the orphan, to defend the oppressed. Those who do these things will be welcomed into the kingdom prepared from the foundation of the world, while those who do not do these things will be cast away into eternal punishment. (cf. Matthew 25: 31-46)

This is not works righteousness; this is living by grace through faith in the Lord Jesus Christ. Only because we have first received God's gift of faith in Jesus Christ (justification), do we strive to live the life of the new creation in Jesus Christ (sanctification) so that we may inherit everlasting life in Jesus Christ (glorification). Justification must lead to sanctification which is made perfect in glorification; only together do these three moments of grace constitute what we mean by salvation: sharing by the grace of adoption the life and glory of the Triune God by our communion with the Lord Jesus Christ.

#### Father Newman