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our lord Jesus Christ king of the Universe 21 november 2021



Entrance Antiphon

Revelation 5.12; 1.6

How worthy is the Lamb who was slain, to receive power and divinity, and wisdom and strength and honor. To him belong glory and power for ever and ever.



Words: Charles Wesley (1707-1788)

Music: Helmsley, melody Augustine Arne (1710-1778)

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:

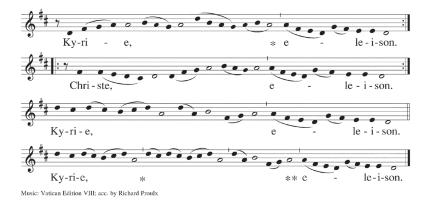
through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault;

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





Gloria



LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Reading

Daniel 7.13-14

As the visions during the night continued, I saw one like a Son of man coming, on the clouds of heaven; when he reached the Ancient One and was presented before him, the one like a Son of man received dominion, glory, and kingship; all peoples, nations, and languages serve him. His dominion is an everlasting dominion that shall not be taken away, his kingship shall not be destroyed.

Lector: The Word of the Lord. **People: Thanks be to God.**



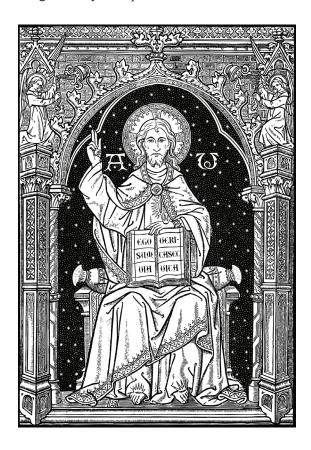
Responsorial Psalm



The LORD is king, in splendor robed; robed is the LORD and girt about with strength. *Response*.

And he has made the world firm, not to be moved. Your throne stands firm from of old; from everlasting you are, O Lord. *Response*.

Your decrees are worthy of trust indeed; holiness befits your house, O LORD, for length of days. *Response*.



Second Reading Revelation 1.5-8

Jesus Christ is the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead and ruler of the kings of the earth. To him who loves us and has freed us from our sins by his blood, who has made us into a kingdom, priests for his God and Father, to him be glory and power forever and ever. Amen. Behold, he is coming amid the clouds, and every eye will see him, even those who pierced him. All the peoples of the earth will lament him. Yes. Amen.

"I am the Alpha and the Omega," says the Lord God, "the one who is and who was and who is to come, the almighty."

Lector: The Word of the Lord. **People: Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Acclamation



Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! Blessed is the kingdom of our father David that is to come! *Response*.

Gospel John 18.33b-37

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.

Pilate said to Jesus, "Are you the King of the Jews?" Jesus answered, "Do you say this on your own or have others told you about me?" Pilate answered, "I am not a Jew, am I? Your own nation and the chief priests handed you over to me. What have you done?" Jesus answered, "My kingdom does not belong to this world. If my kingdom did belong to this world, my attendants would be fighting to keep me from being handed over to the Jews. But as it is, my kingdom is not here." So Pilate said to him, "Then you are a king?" Jesus answered, "You say I am a king. For this I was born and for this I came into the world, to testify to the truth. Everyone who belongs to the truth listens to my voice."

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

The Collection

The offering is for the support of the parish, and envelopes for Christmas Flowers may also be placed in this collection.

Offertory Antiphon

Psalm 3.8

Ask of me, and I will give you the nations for an inheritance and the ends of the earth for your possession.

Offertory Hymn

All People that on Earth Do Dwell



Words: William Kethe (d. 1608?); para. of Psalm 100

Music: Old 100th, melody from Pseaumes octante trois de David, 1551, alt.;

harm. after Louis Bourgeois (1510?-1561?)

Offertory Anthem

A Hymn to Christ the King Text: Fr. Percival Jones; Tune: Breton; arr. Arlen Clarke

Thee, O Christ, the Prince of ages, Thee, the nations' glorious King. Praise we now with exultation, men and angels answering. And to Thee with meek devotion, hearts and minds and senses bring. Come, O Lord, assure the Kingship, rebel hearts Thy pow'r can gain. Bend the stubborn will of rulers, who from homage still refrain: In the home as in the city, be supreme, O Christ, and reign. From our own dear land, O Savior, drive the night of heresy. That, in holy Church united, all may love and worship Thee: Who upon the Cross uplifted drawest all in charity. Thee, O Christ, the Prince of ages, Thee, the nations' glorious king. Praise we now with exultation, men and angels answering. Father, Son and Holy Spirit, all to Thee thy servants sing. Amen.



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,

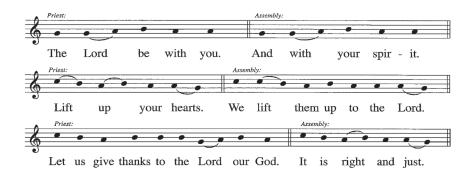
for our good

and the good of all his holy Church.

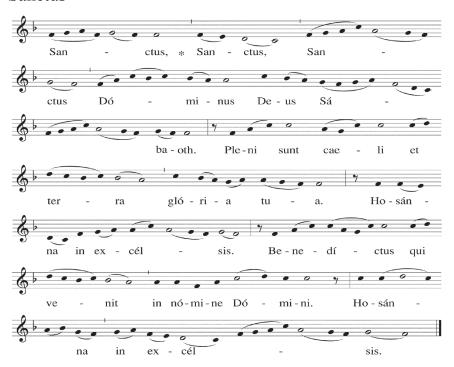
Prayer Over the Offerings

EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

Preface Dialogue

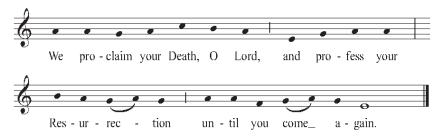


Sanctus



Music: Vatican Edition VIII; acc. by Richard Proulx

Mystérium Fídei (The Mystery of Faith)



The Great Amen

arr. by Judy Franzen





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.

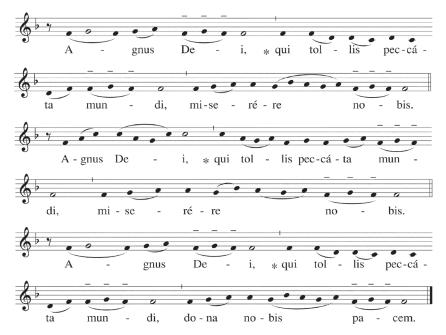
Who live and reign for ever and ever.

People Amen.

Priest The peace of the Lord be with you always.

People And with your spirit.

Agnus Dei



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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 Lord sits as King for ever. The Lord will bless his people with peace.



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

Psalm 100

Anglican Chant; Tune: Stansberry

Be joyful in the LORD, all you lands; serve the LORD with gladness and come before his presence with a song. Know this: The LORD himself is God; he himself has made us, and we are his; we are his people and the sheep of his pasture. Enter his gates with thanksgiving; go into his courts with praise; give thanks to him and call upon his Name. For the LORD is good; his mercy is everlasting; and his faithfulness endures from age to age.



Come My Way Arlen Clarke

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.



Words: John Henry Newman (1801-1890), alt.

Music: Newman, Richard Runciman Terry (1865-1938)

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.

People Thanks be to God.

Postlude

The Greenville Brass

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Coleman Alexander - Tuba Cody Beard - Trumpet Craig King - Trumpet Chris Smith - Trombone Darian Washington - Horn



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 until recently has been rare in the Ordinary Form of the Roman Rite. For an explanation of this practice, please visit our parish website, www.smcgvl.org, and look for the link entitled Facing East to Pray.

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from the office of readings for the solemnity of christ the king

The kingdom of God, in the words of our Lord and Savior, does not come for all to see; nor shall they say: Behold, here it is, or behold, there it is, but the kingdom of God is within us, for the word of God is very near, in our mouth and in our heart. Thus it is clear that he who prays for the coming of God's kingdom prays rightly to have it within himself, that there it may grow and bear fruit and become perfect. For God reigns in each of his holy ones. Anyone who is holy obeys the spiritual laws of God, who dwells in him as in a well-ordered city. The Father is present in the perfect soul, and with him Christ reigns, according to the words: We shall come to him and make our home with him.

Thus the kingdom of God within us, as we continue to make progress, will reach its highest point when the Apostle's words are fulfilled, and Christ, having subjected all his enemies to himself, will hand over his *kingdom to God the Father*, that God may be all in all. Therefore, let us pray unceasingly with that disposition of soul which the Word may make divine, saying to our Father who is in heaven: *Hallowed be thy name*; thy kingdom come.

Note this too about the kingdom of God. It is not a *sharing of justice with iniquity*, nor *a society of light with darkness*, nor *a meeting of Christ with Belial*. The kingdom of God cannot exist alongside the reign of sin.

Therefore, if we wish God to reign in us, in no way *should sin reign in our mortal body*; rather we should *mortify our members which are upon the earth* and bear fruit in the Spirit. There should be in us a kind of spiritual paradise where God may walk and be our sole ruler with his Christ. In us the Lord will sit at the right hand of that spiritual power which we wish to receive. And he will sit there until all his enemies who are within us become *his footstool*, and every principality, power and virtue in us is cast out.

All this can happen in each one of us, and the last enemy, death, can be destroyed; then Christ will say in us: *O death, where is your sting? O hell, where is your victory?* And so, what is *corruptible* in us must be clothed in holiness and *incorruptibility*; and what is *mortal* must be clothed, now that death has been conquered, in the Father's *immortality*. Then God will reign in us, and we shall enjoy even now the blessings of rebirth and resurrection.

- From a notebook On Prayer by Origen, priest



from the pastor

Dear Friends in Christ,

If Jesus is not Lord of all in my life, he is not Lord at all in my life. That is the way Father Richard John Neuhaus used to make the point that there are no part-time Christians, and on this Solemnity of Christ the King, the Church bids us consider the many ways in which Christ either is or is not the Lord of all in my life.

Becoming an obedient disciple of Jesus Christ is first and last a work of God's grace, but living under the lordship or dominion of Christ requires our cooperation with his grace. And that is why the Church's mission to the nations begins with Christ's clarion call to conversion: "The time is fulfilled, and the Kingdom of God is at hand; repent, and believe in the Gospel." (Mark 1.15)

By our Baptism we are called to repent of our sins and receive the Gospel as a complete, coherent, comprehensive way of life, and this we do by becoming disciples of the Lord Jesus. But to live as true disciples of Christ, everything about us must be measured and guided by the Gospel: our thoughts, words, deeds, relationships, spending habits, political convictions, religious beliefs, leisure activities, lifestyle choices, business decisions... in sum, everything. Moreover, this total surrender to Christ is not a restriction of our freedom; this is the evangelical freedom of the children of God - not the license to do whatever we want but the liberty to do everything we should. As the Lord Jesus teaches, "If you continue in my word, you are truly my disciples, and you will know the truth, and the truth will make you free." (John 8.32)

But how are we to do this? How are we to allow Jesus Christ to be Lord of all in our lives? We begin by knowing the Gospel, believing the Gospel, living the Gospel, and sharing the Gospel with others, and the privileged place for this to happen is in the sacred liturgy, the source and summit of the Church's life. Then what begins in prayer finds expression in our service of those in need and our witness in the public square to the liberating truth of the Word of God. Right worship, right belief, and right living are the most compelling testimony we can offer to the world that the Son of Mary is the Son of God and the shepherd king of all creation, and we grow stronger in that public witness by following the Way of the Cross and embracing radical conversion, deep fidelity, joyful discipleship, and courageous evangelism. The Preface of the Eucharistic Prayer for this Solemnity expresses this great mystery in these words:

"Almighty and eternal God... you anointed your Only Begotten Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, with the oil of gladness as eternal Priest and King of all creation, so that, by offering himself on the altar of the Cross as a spotless sacrifice to bring us peace, he might accomplish the mysteries of human redemption, and making all created things subject to his rule, he might present to the immensity of your majesty an eternal and universal kingdom, a kingdom of truth and life, a kingdom of holiness and grace, a kingdom of justice, love and peace."

Father Newman