

The Sacred Paschal Triduum

The Easter Vigil in the Holy Night



April 3, 2021
8:30 PM

Saint Wendelin Catholic Church
Fostoria, Ohio

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GRIDYUM

Holy Saturday, April 3

8:30 PM: The Easter Vigil in the Holy Night

Easter Sunday, April 4

8:00 & 11:00 AM - Holy Mass of the Resurrection

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The Easter Vigil in the Holy Night

“This is the high point of the Christian year, the celebration of the Paschal Mystery in the great Easter Eucharist, summit and source of the liturgical action and life of God’s People. This ‘holy night’ is the ‘mother of all holy vigils’ that begins the ‘queen of feasts.’

He who took our human flesh, who suffered and died for us in that flesh, now rises in that same human body, glorified and immortal, as befits the new life of the Resurrection...At the broken tomb, the Incarnation reaches its fulfillment, and the ultimate purpose of our redemption is revealed in the frailty of human flesh — nothing less than a literal sharing in the glory of his bodily resurrection.

For this we were washed in the waters of baptism; for this we were sealed with the Spirit’s fragrant Chrism; for this we feast on the Body and Blood of the One who leads us on into eternal life”
(Most Rev. Peter J. Elliott, Ceremonies of the Liturgical Year, no. 255).

The Order of the Easter Vigil

The Easter Vigil begins outside of the church. Please gather outside under the Wood Street entrance for the lighting of the fire and preparation of the Paschal Candle.

The Solemn Beginning of the Vigil (Lucernarium)

The Blessing of the Fire and Preparation of the Candle



Outside the church, the paschal fire is lit and blessed. The new candle is then prepared by tracing a cross, the Greek letters Alpha (Α) and Omega (Ω), and the year 2021 on the wax.

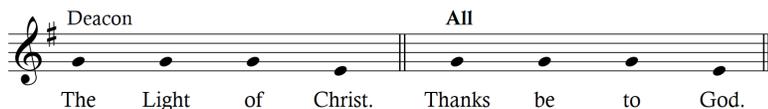
Five grains of incense are then inserted into the candle in the shape of a cross to remember the five wounds of Christ.

The candle is then lighted.

A coal of incense that had been burning in the fire is placed in the thurible and then incense is burned.

The procession then moves to the doors of the church.

Procession



The celebrant, concelebrant, or deacon carries the lighted paschal candle and chants,

“The Light of Christ” three times:

*First, at the door of the church;
second, in the middle of the nave;
and, third at the altar.*

The people reply, “Thanks be to God” each time.



The Easter Proclamation (Exsultet)

The Exsultet is a prayer recalling how Christ broke through the prison bars of death and sin by his death and resurrection. It is also “in which, following the Gospel admonition (Luke 12:35-37), the faithful, carrying lighted lamps in their hands, should be like those looking for the Lord when he returns, so that at his coming he may find them awake and have them sit at his table.”

(Rubric 1 for The Easter Vigil in the Holy Night from the Roman Missal)

The Liturgy of the Word

The Liturgy of the Word takes a much longer form this evening with nine readings provided, namely, seven from the Old Testament and two from the New Testament. The readings provide an overarching theme of salvation history beginning with the creation of the world, moving to the Law and the Prophets, and ending with the salvation of the world with Christ’s resurrection. It is during this time that the “Holy Church mediates on the wonders the Lord God has done for his people from the beginning, trusting in his word and promise.”

(Rubric 2 for The Easter Vigil in the Holy Night from the Roman Missal)

First Reading

Genesis 1:1—2:2

Found in the Journeysongs hymnal - #901

God looked at everything he had made, and he found it very good.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 104:1-2, 5-6, 10 & 12, 13-14, 24 & 35

Columba Kelly, OSB



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| 1. Bless the LORD, O my soul!
O LORD, my God, you are great indeed!
You are clothed with majesty and glory,
robed in light as with a cloak. ℟ | Beside them the birds of heaven dwell;
from among the branches they send
forth their song. ℟ |
| 2. You fixed the earth upon its foundation,
not to be moved forever;
with the ocean, as with a garment,
you covered it;
above the mountains
the waters stood. ℟ | 4. You water the mountains
from your palace;
the earth is replete with the fruit
of your works.
You raise grass for the cattle,
and vegetation for man’s use,
producing bread from the earth. ℟ |
| 3. You send forth springs into the
watercourses
that wind among the mountains. | 5. How manifold are your works, O LORD!
In wisdom you have wrought them all--
the earth is full of your creatures.
Bless the LORD, O my soul! ℟ |

The sacrifice of Abraham, our father in faith.



Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 16:5, 8, 9-10, 11
Anthony Ruff, OSB



 You are my in - her - it - ance, O Lord.

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| <p>1. O LORD, my allotted portion and my cup,
 you it is who hold fast my lot.
 I set the LORD ever before me;
 with him at my right hand I shall
 not be disturbed. ℟.</p> | <p>because you will not abandon my soul
 to the underworld,
 nor will you suffer your faithful one
 to undergo corruption. ℟.</p> |
| <p>2. Therefore my heart is glad and my soul
 rejoices,
 my body, too, abides in confidence;</p> | <p>3. You will show me the path to life,
 fullness of joys in your presence,
 the delights at your right hand
 forever. ℟.</p> |

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Third Reading

Exodus 14:15—15:1

The Israelites marched on dry land through the midst of the sea.

Responsorial Psalm

Exodus 15:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 17-18
Stephen Pishner

Let us sing to the Lord, let us sing to the Lord;
he has covered himself in glory.

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| <p>1. I will sing to the LORD, for he is gloriously triumphant;
horse and chariot he has cast into the sea.
My strength and my courage is the LORD,
and he has been my savior.
He is my God, I praise him;
the God of my father, I extol him. <i>℟</i></p> <p>2. The LORD is a warrior,
LORD is his name!
Pharaoh's chariots and army he hurled
into the sea;
the elite of his officers were submerged
in the Red Sea. <i>℟</i></p> | <p>3. The flood waters covered them,
they sank into the depths like a stone.
Your right hand, O LORD, magnificent in
power,
your right hand, O LORD, has shattered
the enemy. <i>℟</i></p> <p>4. You brought in the people you redeemed
and planted them on the mountain
of your inheritance--
the place where you made your seat,
O LORD,
the sanctuary, LORD, which your hands
established.
The LORD shall reign forever and ever. <i>℟</i></p> |
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Fourth Reading

Isaiah 54:5-14

With enduring love, the Lord your redeemer takes pity on you.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 30:2, 4, 5-6, 11-12, 13
James Scavone

I will praise you, Lord, for you have rescued me.

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| <p>1. I will extol you, O LORD, for you drew
me clear
and did not let my enemies rejoice
over me.</p> | <p>O LORD, you brought me up from the
netherworld;
you preserved me from among those
going down into the pit. <i>℟</i></p> |
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2. Sing praise to the LORD, you his faithful ones,
and give thanks to his holy name.
For his anger lasts but a moment;
a lifetime, his good will.
At nightfall, weeping enters in,
but with the dawn, rejoicing. **℟**

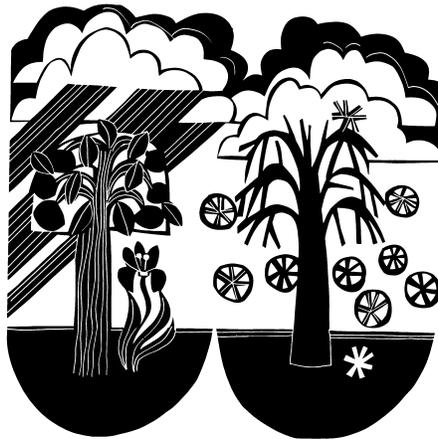
3. Hear, O LORD, and have pity on me;
O LORD, be my helper.
You changed my mourning into dancing;
O LORD, my God, forever will I give
you thanks. **℟**

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Fifth Reading

Isaiah 55:1-11

Come to me that you may have life. I will renew with you an everlasting covenant.



Responsorial Psalm

Isaiah 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6
Columba Kelly, OSB



1. God indeed is my savior;
I am confident and unafraid.
My strength and my courage is the LORD,
and he has been my savior.
With you joy will draw water
at the fountain of salvation. **℟**

his deeds,
proclaim how exalted is his name. **℟**

2. Give thanks to the LORD, acclaim
his name;
among the nations make known

3. Sing praise to the LORD for his glorious
achievement;
let this be known throughout all the
earth.

Shout with exultation, O city of Zion,
for great in your midst
is the Holy One of Israel! **℟**

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Sixth Reading

Baruch 3:9-15, 32--4:4

Walk toward the splendor of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 19:8, 9, 10, 11

Marty Haugen

Lord, you have the words of ev - er - last - ing
 life, the words of ev - er - last - ing life.

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| <p>1. The law of the LORD is perfect,
 refreshing the soul;
 the decree of the LORD is trustworthy,
 giving wisdom to the simple. ℟</p> <p>2. The precepts of the LORD are right,
 rejoicing the heart;
 the command of the LORD is clear,
 enlightening the eye. ℟</p> | <p>3. The fear of the LORD is pure,
 enduring forever;
 the ordinances of the LORD are true.
 all of them just. ℟</p> <p>4. They are more precious than gold,
 than a heap of purest gold;
 sweeter also than syrup
 or honey from the comb. ℟</p> |
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Seventh Reading

Ezekiel 36:16-17a, 18-28

I shall sprinkle clean water upon you and I shall give you a new heart.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 42:3, 5; 43:3, 4

Richard Proulx

Like a deer that longs for run - ning streams, my soul longs for you my God.

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| <p>1. Athirst is my soul for God,
 the living God.
 When shall I go and behold
 the face of God? ℟</p> <p>2. I went with the throng
 and led them in procession to the
 house of God,
 amid loud cries of joy and thanksgiving,
 with the multitude keeping festival. ℟</p> | <p>3. Send forth your light and your fidelity;
 they shall lead me on
 And bring me to your holy mountain,
 to your dwelling-place. ℟</p> <p>4. Then will I go in to the altar of God,
 the God of my gladness and joy;
 then will I give you thanks upon the harp,
 O God, my God! ℟</p> |
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All remain standing after this prayer for the singing of the Gloria. During the singing of the hymn, the altar candles are lit and the other lights in the church are turned on to their brightest level. The church tower bell and the Sanctus (consecration) bells are rung for the first time since the Gloria on Holy Thursday.

Glory to God

Mass of Saint Wendelin

Anthony Gallina

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Glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God in the

high - est, and on earth__ peace__ to peo-ple of good will.

We praise__ you, we bless__ you, we a - dore__ you, we

glo - ri - fy__ you, we give you thanks for your great glo - ry,

Lord God, heav-en - ly King, O God, al-might-y Fa-ther.

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Lord Je - sus Christ, On - ly Be - got - ten Son,

Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Fa - ther, you

take a - way the sins of the world, have mer - cy on us; you

take a-way the sins of the world, re - ceive our prayer; you are
 seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa-ther, have mer-cy on_ us.
 For you a-lone are the Ho - ly One,_
 you a - lone are the Lord, you a - lone are the
 Most_ High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly
 Spir - it, in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A -
 men._____ A - men. A - men._____

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Collect of Mass

For the Mass of the Easter Vigil in the Holy Night

Epistle

Romans 6:3-11

Christ, raised from the dead, dies no more.

Alleluia Psalm (*Kindly stand.*)

Psalm 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23
Marty Haugen

Following the reading from Romans, the Alleluia is sung for the first time since the day before Ash Wednesday. It is known as a "triple alleluia" with the pitch being raised a step each refrain.

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

- ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

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| <p>1. Give praise to the LORD, for he is good;
his mercy endures forever.
Let the house of Israel say,
"His mercy endures forever." ❧</p> <p>2. His right hand is exalted.
The LORD's right hand has done
mighty deeds.</p> | <p>I shall not die, I shall live
and recount the deeds of the LORD. ❧</p> <p>3. The stone that the builders rejected
has become the cornerstone.
By the LORD has this been done,
a marvel in our eyes. ❧</p> |
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Gospel

Mark 16:1-7

Jesus of Nazareth, the crucified, has been raised.



Homily

Very Rev. Joseph Poggemeyer

Baptismal Liturgy & Rites of Initiation

The Calling of the Elect

Zoreilis Colon Velez

Koralis Colon Velez

Jadriel Melendez Velez

Litany of the Saints

Cantors All

Lord, have mer - cy. **Lord, have mer - cy.**
 Christ, have mer - cy. **Christ, have mer - cy.**
 Lord, have mer - cy. **Lord, have mer - cy.**

Cantors All

Holy Mary, Mother of Gód, **pray for us.**
 Saint Mích - ael,

Holy Angels of Gód,	Saint Grégory,
Saint John the Báptist,	Saint Augústine,
Saint Jóseph,	Saint Athanásius,
Saint Peter and Saint Pául,	Saint Básil,
Saint Ándrew,	Saint Mártin,
Saint Jóhn,	Saint Bénedict,
Saint Mary Mágdalene,	Saint Francis and Saint Dóminic,
Saint Stéphen,	Saint Francis Xávier,
Saint Ignatius of Ántioch,	Saint John Viánney,
Saint Láwrence,	Saint Catherine of Siéna,
Saint Perpetua and Saint Felícity,	Saint Teresa of Jésus,
Saint Ágnes,	All holy men and women, Saints of Gód,

Cantors All

Lord, be mer - ci - ful, **Lord, de - liv - er us, we pray.**

Cantors All

From àll é - vil, **Lord, de - liv - er us, we pray.**

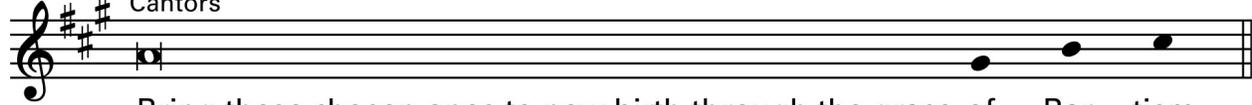
From èvery sin,	By your Death and Rèsurréction,
From everlàsting déath,	By the outpouring of the
By your Ìncarnátion,	Hòly Spírit,

Cantors All

Be merciful to us sin - ners, **Lord, we ask you, hear our prayer.**

If there are candidates to be baptized

Cantors



Bring these chosen ones to new birth through the grace of Bap - tism,

All



Lord, we ask you, hear our prayer.

Cantors



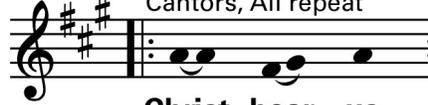
Jesus, Son of the liv - ing God,

All



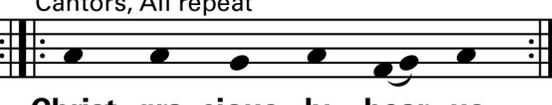
Lord, we ask you, hear our prayer.

Cantors, All repeat



Christ, hear us.

Cantors, All repeat



Christ, gra - cious - ly hear us.

Blessing of the Font

Acclamation as the Candle is Lifted from the Water

Springs of Water
Tony Alonso

Cantor, then all:



Springs of wa - ter, bless the Lord;

Cantor, then all:



praise and ex - alt him a - bove all for ev - er,

All:



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



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

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Renunciation of Sin and Profession of Faith by the Elect

Acclamation

You Have Put on Christ

Howard Hughes

*The cantor will intone the acclamation after the first baptism, then all repeat.
After the second and third baptisms, all sing together one time.*

You have put on Christ, in him you have been bap - tized.
Al - le - lú - ia, al - le - lú - ia.

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Clothing with a Baptismal Garment

Presentation of a Lighted Candle

The Renewal of Baptismal Promises

Kindly stand and relight your candles.

Sprinkling Rite

Sprinkling Rite

Tony Alonso

Cantor, then all:

1. I saw wa - ter, flow - ing clear,
2. All who came and drank were saved.
3. Springs of wa - ter, bless the Lord;

Cantor, then all:

from the right side of God's ho - ly tem - ple,
Let all cre - a - tion sing al - le - lu - ia.
praise and ex - alt him a - bove all for ev - er,

All:

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

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

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Celebration of Reception into Full Communion

The Calling of the Candidates

Aaron Michael Sheets

Deborah Sue Sheets

Profession of Faith and Act of Reception

Rite of Confirmation

Laying on of Hands

Anointing with Sacred Chrism

Veni Sancte Spiritus

Tony Alonso

Cantor, then all:

1. Ve - ni San - cte Spí - ri - tus,
 2. Ve - ni San - cte Spí - ri - tus,
 3. Ve - ni San - cte Spí - ri - tus,

Cantor, then all:

Come fill the hearts and the minds of these cho - sen.
 Strength-en these lives with the gifts of your Spir - it.
 Fill them with won - der and awe in your pres - ence.

All:

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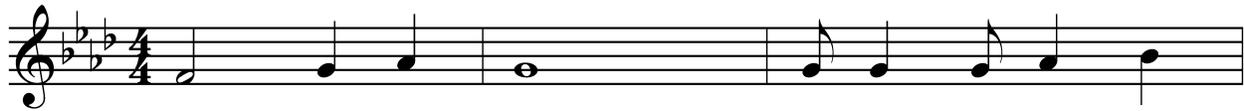
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Prayer of the Faithful

Trilingual Intercessions

Mike Hay



Lord, hear our prayer; De - us, ex - au - di
Pa - nie, wy - słu - chaj -



nos; Se - ñor, es - cú - cha - nos.
nas;

Mike Hay, 1953-1999
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The Liturgy of the Eucharist

Offertory Chant

Alleluia! Christ is Risen

Tony Alonso



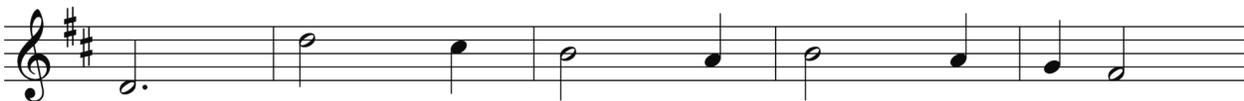
1. Al - le - lu - ia, Christ is ris-en, now the
2. Al - le - lu - ia, Christ is ris-en from his
3. Al - le - lu - ia, Christ is ris-en, truth and



stone is cast a - way! Dark - ness gone and
death up - on a cross. Now all share a
jus - tice from the grave, and brought forth for



sin for - giv - en, on this joy - ful day of
com - mon vi - sion, love now reigns and hate is
all who lis - ten: new life from the life he



days. Songs of hope and love e - ter - nal
lost. In this feast we share the sto - ry:
gave. Now with joy - ful hearts and voic - es

from our hearts to you we raise.
love's new birth for all to see.
joined as one we share your love.

In your death and life's re - new - al
From our God's al - might - y glo - ry,
Here in Christ the world re - joic - es,

we pour forth our joy - ful praise!
sign of things to ev - er be.
sight now turned to God a - bove.

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After receiving the Offerings, the Priest raises them above the altar and prays the Berakah Prayer which comes from the Jewish tradition. There are many forms of the Berakah, but they all start with: "Barukh Attah Adonai Eloheinu Melekh ha-Olam" which means "Blessed art Thou, O Lord our God, King of the Universe," and then state that the gifts which we have to offer are only able to be offered because of God's goodness to us.

This is said at every Mass, however, it is usually said by the priest alone due to the Offertory Chant being sung. If there is no music, he may say it aloud and the congregation makes a response.

After he prays a prayer quietly asking that God receive our sacrifice, he incenses the gifts, the altar, and the altar cross. Incense is seen as a symbol of prayer as read in Psalm 141:2:

"Let my prayer rise like incense and the lifting of my hands as an evening offering."

The rising smoke is a symbol of the gifts being offered to God.

The priest celebrant himself and the people are then incensed as a sign of respect that they are temples of the Holy Spirit. The incensing also shows that we are united with the gifts upon the sacred altar.

Priest: Pray, brothers and sisters, that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.

All: **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

The Eucharistic Prayer

Preface

The Paschal Mystery

*It is in the Preface where the priest acclaim that it is truly right and just for us to give God the Almighty Father, praise and thanksgiving for the gift of his Son, Jesus Christ. By his death, he has destroyed our death and by his rising he has restored our life.
The preface concludes with the singing of the Sanctus--the Holy, Holy, Holy.*

Holy, Holy, Holy

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Anthony Gallina

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Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly Lord God of hosts.
Heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry. *(Fine)*
Ho - san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.
Bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

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Following the Holy, Holy, Holy, kindly kneel for the remainder of the Eucharistic Prayer.

Mystery of Faith

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We pro-claim your Death, O Lord, and pro - fess your
Res - ur - rec - tion un - til you come a - gain.

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Doxology and Great Amen

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

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

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Following the Amen, kindly stand.

The Communion Rite

The Lord's Prayer

The Rite of Peace

Lamb of God

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Lamb of God, you take a - way the

sins of the world, have mer - cy on us.

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the

world, grant us peace, grant us peace.

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Ecce, Agnus Dei (Behold the Lamb of God)

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.

All: **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

1 Corinthians 5:7-8
Columba Kelly, OSB

Christ our Passover has been sacrificed; therefore let us keep the feast with the unleavened bread of purity and truth, alleluia.

Guidelines for the Reception of Holy Communion

For Catholics

As Catholics, we fully participate in the celebration of the Eucharist when we receive Holy Communion. We are encouraged to receive Communion devoutly and frequently. In order to be properly disposed to receive Communion, participants should not be conscious of grave sin and normally should have fasted for one hour. A person who is conscious of grave sin is not to receive the Body and Blood of the Lord without prior sacramental confession except for a grave reason where there is no opportunity for confession. In this case, the person is to be mindful of the obligation to make an act of perfect contrition, including the intention of confessing as soon as possible (canon 916). A frequent reception of the Sacrament of Penance is encouraged for all.

For Our Fellow Christians

We welcome our fellow Christians to this celebration of the Eucharist as our brothers and sisters. We pray that our common baptism and the action of the Holy Spirit in this Eucharist will draw us closer to one another and begin to dispel the sad divisions which separate us. We pray that these will lessen and finally disappear, in keeping with Christ's prayer for us "that they may all be one" (Jn 17:21). Because Catholics believe that the celebration of the Eucharist is a sign of the reality of the oneness of faith, life, and worship, members of those churches with whom we are not yet fully united are ordinarily not admitted to Holy Communion. Eucharistic sharing in exceptional circumstances by other Christians requires permission according to the directives of the diocesan bishop and the provisions of canon law (canon 844 §4). Members of the Orthodox Churches, the Assyrian Church of the East, and the Polish National Catholic Church are urged to respect the discipline of their own Churches. According to Roman Catholic discipline, the Code of Canon Law does not object to the reception of Communion by Christians of these Churches (canon 844 §3).

For Those Not Receiving Holy Communion

All who are not receiving Holy Communion are encouraged to express in their hearts a prayerful desire for unity with the Lord Jesus and with one another.

For Non-Christians

We also welcome to this celebration those who do not share our faith in Jesus Christ. While we cannot admit them to Holy Communion, we ask them to offer their prayers for the peace and the unity of the human family.

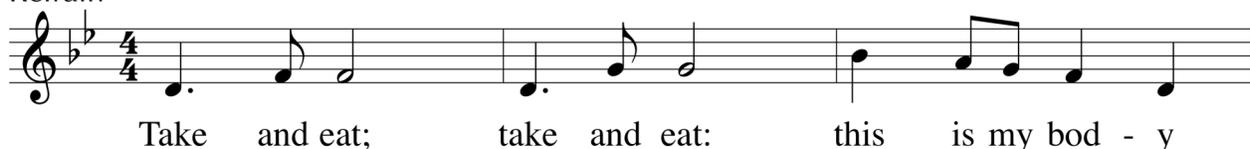
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Communion Chant

Take and Eat

James Quinn, SJ & Michael Joncas

Refrain



The musical notation is a single staff in treble clef with a key signature of one flat (B-flat) and a time signature of 4/4. The melody consists of three measures. The first measure contains a quarter note on G4, a quarter note on A4, and a half note on B4. The second measure contains a quarter note on G4, a quarter note on A4, and a half note on B4. The third measure contains a quarter note on G4, a quarter note on A4, a quarter note on B4, and a quarter note on A4. The lyrics are: "Take and eat; take and eat: this is my bod - y".

giv-en up for you. Take and drink; take and drink:

this is my blood giv - en up for you.

Verses

1. I am the Word that spoke and light was made;
2. I am the way that leads the ex - ile home;
3. I am the Lamb that takes a - way your sin;
4. I am the cor - ner - stone that God has laid;
5. I am the light that came in - to the world;
6. I am the first and last, the Liv - ing One;

I am the seed that died to be re - born;
 I am the truth that sets the cap - tive free;
 I am the gate that guards you night and day;
 A cho - sen stone and pre - cious in his eyes;
 I am the light that dark - ness can - not hide;
 I am the Lord who died that you might live;

I am the bread that comes from heav'n a - bove;
 I am the life that rais - es up the dead;
 You are my flock: you know the shep-herd's voice;
 You are God's dwell - ing place, on me you rest;
 I am the morn - ing star that nev - er sets;
 I am the bride-groom, this my wed - ding song;

I am the vine that fills your cup with joy.
 I am your peace, true peace my gift to you.
 You are my own: your ran - som is my blood.
 Like liv - ing stones, a tem - ple for God's praise.
 Lift up your face, in you my light will shine.
 You are my bride, come to the mar - riage feast.

D.C.

The Concluding Rites

Solemn Blessing

Kindly bow your head.

After each invocation, please acclaim: "Amen."

Solemn Easter Dismissal

Deacon/Priest

Go in peace, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

All

Thanks be to God, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Saint Michael the Archangel Prayer

Saint Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle,
 be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the devil.
 May God rebuke him, we humbly pray;
 and do thou, O Prince of the heavenly host, 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.

Sending Forth

Jesus Christ is Risen Today
EASTER HYMN; arr. Cynthia Dobrinski

1. Je - sus Christ is ris'n to - day,
 2. Hymns of praise then let us sing,
 3. But the pains which he en-dured,
 4. Sing we to our God a - bove, } Al - le - lu - ia!

1. Our tri - um-phant ho - ly day,
 2. Un - to Christ, our heav'n-ly King,
 3. Our sal - va - tion have pro-cured;
 4. Praise e - ter - nal as his love, } Al - le - lu - ia!

1. Who did once up - on the cross,
 2. Who en-dured the cross and grave,
 3. Now he reigns a - bove as King,
 4. Praise him, all ye heav'n-ly host, } Al - le - lu - ia!

1. Suf - fer to re - deem our loss.
 2. Sin - ners to re - deem and save.
 3. Where the an - gels ev - er sing.
 4. Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. } Al - le - lu - ia!

Text: 77 77 with alleluias; verse 1, Latin, 14th cent.; para. in *Lyra Davidica*, 1708, alt.;
 verses 2-3, *The Compleat Psalmist*, ca. 1750, alt.; verse 4, Charles Wesley, 1707-1788, alt.
 Music: Later form of melody fr. *Lyra Davidica*, 1708.



All are invited to come to the Parish Hall following Mass to rejoice and welcome our neophytes as full members of the Catholic Church. Refreshments are available.

*May God bless you this Easter Day
 and this entire Easter Season!*

~The Saint Wendelin Parish Staff~



A Blessing for Your Easter Meal

All make the Sign of the Cross to begin.

Leader: Christ is risen, alleluia!
All: **He is risen indeed, alleluia!**

Scripture Reading

Any of the following passages of Scripture may be read
(use a Bible, USCCB website or a bible app):

Deuteronomy 16:1-8	Isaiah 55:1-11
Luke 24:13-35	John 6:1-14

Intercessions

As a family, offer all your intercessions and intentions to God.

The response to each intention may be:

“Lord, hear our prayer,” or, “Lord, prepare us for the feast of life.”

The Lord’s Prayer

All join in praying the prayer Christ himself taught us.

Prayer of Blessing

Leader: God of glory, the eyes of all turn to you
as we celebrate Christ’s victory over sin and death.
Bless us and this food of our first Easter meal.
May we who gather at the Lord’s table
continue to celebrate the joy of his resurrection
and be admitted finally to his heavenly banquet.
Grant this through Christ our Lord.

All: **Amen.**

Concluding Rite

All make the Sign of the Cross over themselves as the leader says:

Leader: May Christ nourish us and strengthen us in faith and love,
now and for ever.

All: **Amen.**

The blessing may be concluded by a suitable Easter song.

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