

**BASILICA OF THE NATIONAL SHRINE  
OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION**



**EVENING PRAYER**

**THE SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT**

**1 MARCH 2026**

**4:00 P.M.**



# ORDER OF CEREMONY

## INTRODUCTORY RITE

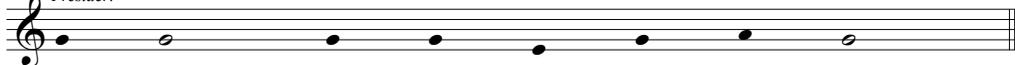
### PROCESSION

*All stand.*

### INTRODUCTORY VERSE

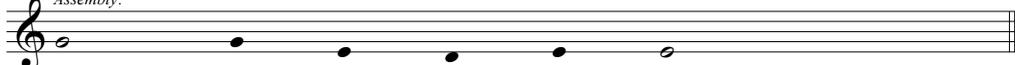
*All sign themselves in the form of the cross.*

*Presider:*



O God, ✠ come to my as - sist - ance.

*Assembly:*



Lord, make haste to help me.

*All:*



Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Ho - ly Spir - it:



as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ev - er. A - men.

HYMN



1. O Christ, our true and on - ly light, Il - lu - mine  
 2. Fill with the ra - diance of thy grace The souls now  
 3. And all who else have strayed from thee, O gent - ly  
 4. O make the deaf to hear thy word, And teach the  
 5. Shine on the dark - ened and the cold, Re - call the  
 6. So they with us may ev - er - more Such grace with



those who sit in night; Let those a - far now  
 lost in er - ror's maze, And all whom in their  
 seek; thy heal - ing be To ev' - ry wound - ed  
 dumb to speak, dear Lord, Who dare not yet the  
 wand' - rers to thy fold, U - nite those now who  
 wond' - ring thanks a - dore, And end - less praise to



hear thy voice, And in thy fold with us re - joice.  
 se - cret minds, Some dark de - lu - sion hurts and blinds.  
 con - science giv'n, And let them al - so share thy heav'n.  
 faith a - vow, Though se - cret - ly they hold it now.  
 walk a - part, Con - firm the weak and doubt - ing heart.  
 thee be giv'n By all thy Church in earth and heav'n.

# PSALMODY

*All sit.*

## PSALM 110:1–5, 7

Antiphon: In holy splendor the Lord will send forth your mighty scepter from Zion.



(Schola) The Lord's revelation to my Master:  
"Sit on my right:  
your foes I will put beneath your feet."

(All) The Lord will wield from Zion  
your scepter of power:  
rule in the midst of all your foes.

(Schola) A prince from the day of your birth  
on the holy mountains;  
from the womb before the dawn I begot you.

(All) The Lord has sworn an oath he will not change.  
"You are a priest for ever,  
a priest like Melchizedek of old."

(Schola) The Master standing at your right hand  
will shatter kings in the day of his great wrath.

(All) He shall drink from the stream by the wayside  
and therefore he shall lift up his head.

(All) Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:  
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

Antiphon: In holy splendor the Lord will send forth your mighty scepter from Zion.



(Schola) The Lord will bless those who fear him,  
the little no less than the great:  
to you may the Lord grant increase,  
to you and all your children.

(All) May you be blessed by the Lord,  
the maker of heaven and earth.  
The heavens belong to the Lord  
but the earth he has given to men.

(Schola) The dead shall not praise the Lord,  
nor those who go down into the silence.  
But we who live bless the Lord  
now and for ever. Amen.

(All) Glory to the Father, and to the Son,  
and to the Holy Spirit:  
as it was in the beginning, is now,  
and will be for ever. Amen.

Antiphon: We worship the one true God who made heaven and earth.

## CANTICLE

I Peter 2:21–24

Antiphon: God did not spare his own Son but gave him up for us all.



(Schola) Christ suffered for you,  
and left you an example  
to have you follow in his footsteps.

(All) He did no wrong;  
no deceit was found in his mouth.  
When he was insulted,  
he returned no insult.

(Schola) When he was made to suffer,  
he did not counterter with threats.  
Instead he delivered himself up  
to the One who judges justly.

(All) In his own body  
he brought your sins to the cross,  
so that all of us, dead to sin,  
could live in accord with God's will.

(Schola) By his wounds you were healed.

(All) Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:  
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

Antiphon: God did not spare his own Son but gave him up for us all.

## READING

I Corinthians 9:24–25

While all the runners in the stadium take part in the race, the award goes to one man.  
In that case, run so as to win! Athletes deny themselves all sorts of things. They do this  
to win a crown of leaves that withers, but we a crown that is imperishable.

## RESPONSORY



Cantor: Listen to us, O Lord, and have mercy, for we have sinned against you.  
**All: Listen to us, O Lord, and have mercy, for we have sinned against you.**

Cantor: Christ Jesus, hear our humble petitions,  
**All: for we have sinned against you.**

Cantor: Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:  
**All: Listen to us, O Lord, and have mercy, for we have sinned against you.**

*All stand.*

Antiphon: Tell no one about the vision you have seen  
until the Son of Man has risen from the dead.



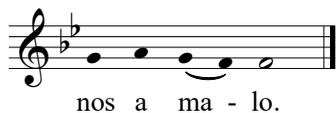
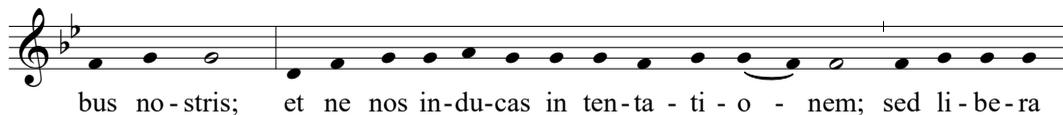
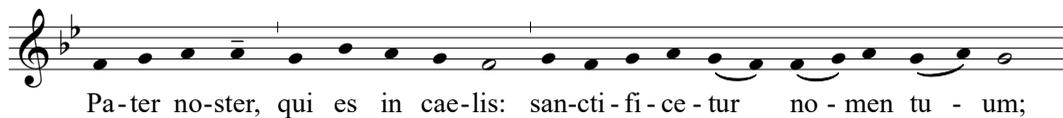
## INTERCESSIONS

*All remain standing.*

- Presider: Let us give thanks continually to Christ, our teacher and our head, who came to serve and to do good to all. In humility and confidence let us ask him:  
**All: Come, Lord, to visit your family.**
- Lector: Lord, be present to the bishops and priests of your Church, who share your role as head and shepherd,  
**All: may they lead your people to the Father under your guidance.**
- Lector: May your angel be with all who travel,  
**All: to keep them safe in soul and body.**
- Lector: Teach us to serve the needs of others,  
**All: and to be like you, who came to serve, not to be served.**
- Lector: Grant that in the human family, brother may always help brother,  
**All: so that, with your assistance, it may be a city compact and strong.**
- Lector: Have mercy on all the dead,  
**All: bring them to the vision of your glory.**

## LORD'S PRAYER

Presider: Præceptis salutaribus moniti, et divina institutione formati, audemus dicere:



## PRAYER

Presider: O God, who have commanded us  
to listen to your beloved Son,  
be pleased, we pray,  
to nourish us inwardly by your word,  
that, with spiritual sight made pure,  
we may rejoice to behold your glory.

Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
God, for ever and ever.

**All: Amen.**

Presider: The Lord be with you.

**All: And with your spirit.**

Presider: May almighty God bless you,  
the Father, and the Son, ✠ and the Holy Spirit.

**All: Amen.**

Presider: Go in peace.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

## MARIAN ANTIPHON

A - ve Re - gi - na cae - lo - rum, A - ve Do - mi - na An - ge - lo - rum:  
Sal - ve ra - dix, sal - ve por - ta, Ex qua mun - do lux est or - ta:  
Gau - de Vir - go glo - ri - o - sa, Su - per om - nes spe - ci - o - sa:  
Va - le, O val - de de - co - ra, Et pro no - bis Chri - stum ex - o - ra.

*Hail, O Queen of Heaven, Hail, O Lady of Angels:*

*Hail, thou root, Hail, thou gate from whom unto the world, a light has arisen:*

*Rejoice, O glorious Virgin, Lovely beyond all others:*

*Farewell, most beautiful maiden, And pray for us to Christ.*

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS**  
Saturdays in Lent following the 12:10 P.M. Mass  
Crypt Church



**SUNG VESPERS AT THE BASILICA**  
Sundays in Lent at 4:00 P.M.  
4:30 P.M. Mass following  
March 8, 15, 22, 29 ♦ Great Upper Church



**LENTEN REFLECTION SERIES**  
**“LIVING WITH THE END IN MIND”**

Thursday, March 5, 2026  
Reverend Ismael N. Ayala  
*Director of Liturgy*

Wednesday, March 18, 2026 *and* Wednesday, March 25, 2026  
Cheryl Guidry Tyiska  
*Manager of Outreach and Education*  
*Catholic Cemeteries of the Archdiocese of Washington*

5:15 P.M. Mass ♦ Crypt Church  
Lecture to follow

For more information on these events in the Lenten Reflection Series,  
please visit: [www.nationalshrine.com/lent-and-easter](http://www.nationalshrine.com/lent-and-easter)

## 40 HOURS DEVOTION

### **Solemn Exposition of the Holy Eucharist**

March 12–14, 2026 ♦ Blessed Sacrament Chapel

#### **Opening Mass**

Most Reverend Timothy P. Broglio  
Archbishop for the Military Services, USA  
*Principal Celebrant and Homilist*

March 12, 2026 ♦ Great Upper Church

5:15 P.M. Mass

*Broadcast by the Eternal Word Television Network*

#### **Closing Mass & Eucharistic Procession**

Seán Cardinal O'Malley, OFM Cap.  
Archbishop Emeritus of Boston  
*Principal Celebrant and Homilist*

March 14, 2026 ♦ Great Upper Church

4:30 P.M. Mass

*Broadcast by the Eternal Word Television Network*



## DEDICATION OF THE OUTDOOR WAY OF THE CROSS

March 15, 2026 ♦ Great Upper Church

12:00 P.M. Mass

Christophe Cardinal Pierre  
Apostolic Nuncio to the United States  
*Principal Celebrant and Homilist*

Dedication of the Outdoor Way of the Cross  
located on the North Grounds of the Basilica  
immediately follows the 12:00 P.M. Mass

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