

BASILICA OF THE NATIONAL SHRINE  
OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION



EVENING PRAYER

THE THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

23 MARCH 2025

4:00 P.M.



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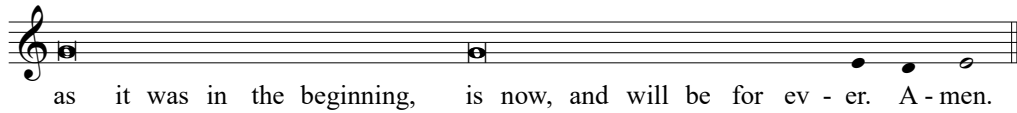
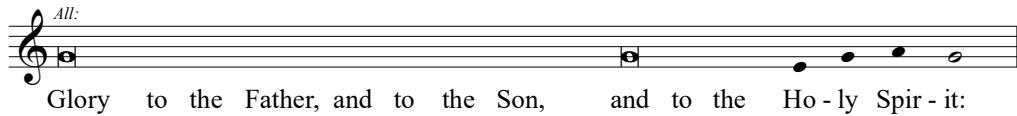
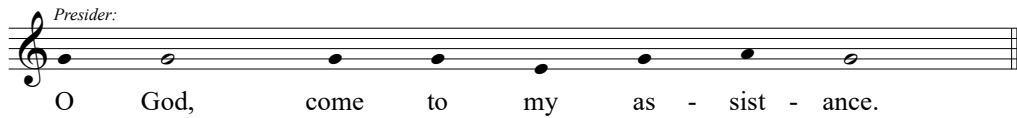
## INTRODUCTORY RITE

### PROCESSION

*All stand.*

### INTRODUCTORY VERSE

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



# HYMN



1. For - ty days and for - ty nights You were fast - ing in the wild;
2. Shall not we your sor - row share And from world - ly joys ab - stain,
3. Then if Sa - tan on us press, Flesh or spir - it to as - sail,
4. So shall we have peace di - vine: Ho - lier glad - ness ours shall be;
5. Keep, O keep us, Sav - ior dear, Ev - er con - stant by your side;



For - ty days and for - ty nights Tempt - ed and yet un - de - filed.  
 Fast - ing with un - ceas - ing prayer, Strong with you to suf - fer pain?  
 Vic - tor in the wil - der - ness, Grant we may not faint nor fail!  
 Round us, too, shall an - gels shine, Such as served you faith - ful - ly.  
 That with you we may ap - pear At the e - ter - nal East - er - tide.

# PSALMODY

*All sit.*

## PSALM 110:1-5, 7

Antiphon: Lord, all-powerful King, free us for the sake of your name.  
Give us time to turn from our sins.



(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: Lord, all-powerful King, free us for the sake of your name.  
Give us time to turn from our sins.

## PSALM 111

Antiphon: We have been redeemed by the precious blood of Christ,  
the lamb without blemish.



(Schola) I will thank the Lord with all my heart  
in the meeting of the just and their assembly.  
Great are the works of the Lord;  
to be pondered by all who love them.

(All) Majestic and glorious his work,  
his justice stands firm for ever.  
He makes us remember his wonders.  
The Lord is compassion and love.

(Schola) He gives food to those who fear him;  
keeps his covenant ever in mind.  
He has shown his might to his people  
by giving them the lands of the nations.

(All) His works are justice and truth:  
his precepts are all of them sure,  
standing firm for ever and ever:  
they are made in uprightness and truth.

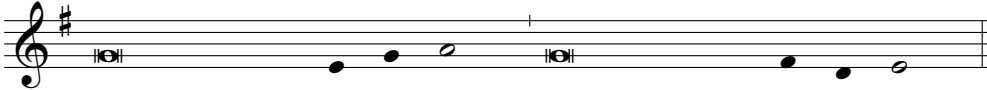
(Schola) He has sent deliverance to his people  
and established his covenant for ever.  
Holy his name, to be feared.

(All) To fear the Lord is the first stage of wisdom;  
all who do so, prove themselves wise.  
His praise shall last for ever!

(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 have been redeemed by the precious blood of Christ,  
the lamb without blemish.

Antiphon: Ours were the sufferings he bore; ours the torments he endured.



(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 counter 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: Ours were the sufferings he bore; ours the torments he endured.

## 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.

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

Cantor: Christ Jesus, hear our humble petitions,

Assembly: for we have sinned against you.

Cantor: Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:

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

## MAGNIFICAT

Luke 1:46-55

*All stand.*

Antiphon: Whoever drinks the water that I shall give  
will never be thirsty again, says the Lord.



(Cantor) Magnificat \*

(All) anima mea Dominum:

(Schola) et exsultavit spiritus meus  
in Deo salutari meo.

(All) Quia respexit humilitatem ancillae suæ:  
Ecce enim ex hoc beatam me dicent omnes generationes



(Schola) Quia fecit mihi magna qui potens est:  
et sanctum nomen eius.

(All) Et misericordia eius a progenie in progenies  
timentibus eum.

(Schola) Fecit potentiam in brachio suo:  
dispersit superbos mente cordis sui.

(All) Deposuit potentes de sede  
et exaltavit humiles.

(Schola) Esurientes implevit bonis:  
et divites dimisit inanes.

(All) Suscepit, Israel puerum suum,  
recordatus misericordiæ suæ.

(Schola) Sicut locutus est ad patres nostros,  
Abraham, et semini eis in sæcula.

(All) Gloria Patri et Filio,  
et Spiritui Sancto.

Sicut erat in principio, et nunc, et semper,  
et in sæcula, sæculorum. Amen.

Antiphon: Whoever drinks the water that I shall give  
will never be thirsty again, says the Lord.

## INTERCESSIONS

*All remain standing.*

Presider: All praise to God the Father who brought his chosen people to rebirth from imperishable seed through his eternal Word. Let us ask him as his children:

**All: Lord, be gracious to your people.**

Lector: God of mercy, hear the prayers we offer for all your people,

**All: may they hunger for your word more than for bodily food.**

Lector: Give us a sincere and active love for our own nation and for all mankind,

**All: may we work always to build a world of peace and goodness.**

Lector: Look with love on all to be reborn in baptism,

**All: that they may be living stones in your temple of the Spirit.**

Lector: You moved Nineveh to repentance by the preaching of Jonah,

**All: in your mercy touch the hearts of sinners by the preaching of your word.**

Lector: May the dying go in hope to meet Christ their judge,

**All: may they rejoice for ever in the vision of your glory.**

## LORD'S PRAYER

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



Pa-ter no-ster, qui es in cae-lis: san-cti-fi-ce-tur no-men tu-um;

ad-ve-ni-at re-gnum tu-um; fi-at vo-lun-tas tu-a, si-cut in cae-lo et

in ter-ra. Pa-nem no-strum co-ti-di-a-num da no-bis ho-di-e;

et di-mit-te no-bis de-bi-ta no-stra, si-cut et nos di-mit-ti-mus de-bi-to-ri-

bus no-stris; et ne nos in-du-cas in ten-ta-ti-o-nem; sed li-be-ra

nos a ma-lo.

## PRAYER

Presider: O God, author of every mercy and of all goodness,  
who in fasting, prayer and almsgiving  
have shown us a remedy for sin,  
look graciously on this confession of our lowliness,  
that we, who are bowed down by our conscience,  
may always be lifted up by your mercy.

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.*

## LENT AT THE **BASILICA OF THE NATIONAL SHRINE**

### **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 30, April 6, 13 ♦ Great Upper Church

## **24 HOURS FOR THE LORD: 40 HOURS DEVOTION**

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

March 27–29, 2025 ♦ Blessed Sacrament Chapel

### **Opening Mass**

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

March 27, 2025 ♦ Great Upper Church  
5:15 P.M. Mass

*Broadcast by the Eternal Word Television Network*

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

Robert Cardinal McElroy  
Archbishop of Washington  
*Celebrant & Homilist*

March 29, 2025 ♦ Great Upper Church  
4:30 P.M. Mass

*Broadcast by the Eternal Word Television Network*

## LENTEN REFLECTION SERIES

“Loved by Jesus, Loving like Jesus”

Reverend Sebastian White, O.P.

*Director of Resident Students, Dominican House of Studies*

April 1, 2025

“Father, Forgive Them”

The Grace to Forgive as Jesus Forgives

April 10, 2025

“Give Them Some Food Yourselves”

The Power of God in Our Weaknesses

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](http://www.nationalshrine.com/lent)



## IN CONCERT:

**THE CHOIR OF WESTMINSTER CATHEDRAL**

London, United Kingdom

*Simon Johnson, Director*

*Daniel Greenway, Organist*

*Including Marian works for the Solemnity of the Annunciation*

March 25, 2025 at 7:00 P.M.

Great Upper Church

*Free and open to the public*

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