

BASILICA OF THE NATIONAL SHRINE
OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION



THE FOURTH SUNDAY
OF EASTER

26 APRIL 2026

ORDER OF MASS

PRELUDE

Vigil Pastorale from Six Pièces, Op. 19, No. 4
10:30
12:00
9:00 Pastorale

César Franck
(1822–1890)

Louis Vierne
(1870–1937)

INTRODUCTORY RITES

PROCESSIONAL HYMN



1. Christ the Lord is ris'n to - day; Chris-tians, haste your
2. For the sheep the Lamb has bled, Sin - less in the
3. Christ, the Vic - tim un - de - filed, God and sin - ners
4. Chris - tians, on this hap - py day, Raise your hearts with
5. Let the peo - ple praise you, Lord, Be, by all that
6. Hymns of glo - ry, songs of praise, God on high, to



vows to pay; Make your joy and prais - es known;
sin - ner's stead; Christ the Lord is ris'n on high;
re - con - ciled, When in fierce and blood - y strife
joy and say: Christ the Lord is ris'n on high;
is a - dored: Let the na - tions shout and sing;
you we raise: Ris - en Lord, we now a - dore,



At the Pas - chal Vic - tim's throne. Al - le - lu - ia.
Now he lives no more to die.
met to - geth - er death and life.
Now he lives no more to die.
Glo - ry to their Pas - chal King.
With the Spi - rit ev - er - more.



Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

GREETING

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

Assembly: And with your spirit.

PENITENTIAL ACT

(12:00) Assembly: 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,
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.

Celebrant: May almighty God have mercy on us,
forgive us our sins,
and bring us to everlasting life.

Assembly: Amen.

Cantor: Lord Jesus, you chose priests to shepherd your flock:

Musical notation for the Kyrie eleison response. The notation is on a single staff in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It consists of two phrases. The first phrase is labeled 'Cantor/Choir:' and the second is labeled 'Assembly:'. Both phrases are identical: Ky - ri - e e - lei - son. The melody is a simple, flowing line with a final note on a half rest.

Cantor: Christ Jesus, you are the Lamb worthy of all praise:

Musical notation for the Christe eleison response. The notation is on a single staff in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It consists of two phrases: Chri - ste e - lei - son. Chri - ste e - lei - son. The melody is a simple, flowing line with a final note on a half rest.

Cantor: Lord Jesus, you are the Eternal Shepherd who guards his sheep:

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GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

John 10:14



I am the good shepherd, says the Lord;
I know my sheep, and mine know me.

GOSPEL

John 10:1–10

HOMILY

PROFESSION OF FAITH

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,

(All bow 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.

GENERAL INTERCESSIONS

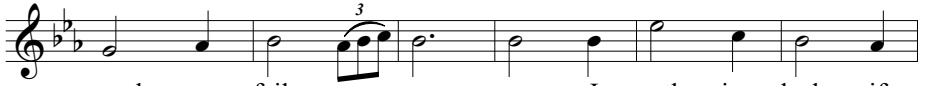
Response: Lord, hear our prayer.

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

PREPARATION OF THE GIFTS



1. The King of love my shep - herd is, Whose
2. Where streams of liv - ing wa - ter flow My
3. You spread a ta - ble in my sight; Your
4. And so through all the length of days Your



good - ness fails me nev - er; I noth - ing lack if
ran - somed soul he's lead - ing, And where the ver - dant
sa - ving grace be - stow - ing; And, O, what trans - port
good - ness fails me ne - ver; Good Shep - herd, may I



I am his, And he is mine for ev - er.
pas - tures grow With food ce - les - tial feed - ing.
of de - light From your pure chal - ice flow - ing!
sing your praise With - in your house for ev - er.

(Choir) *Surrexit a mortuis*

Charles-Marie Widor
(1844–1937)

Surrexit a mortuis
Christus Dei Filius
Pastor bonus
Pastor qui animam
Pro grege suo posuit.

He rose from the dead,
Christ, the Son of God,
the Good Shepherd,
the shepherd who,
for his flock, laid down his life.

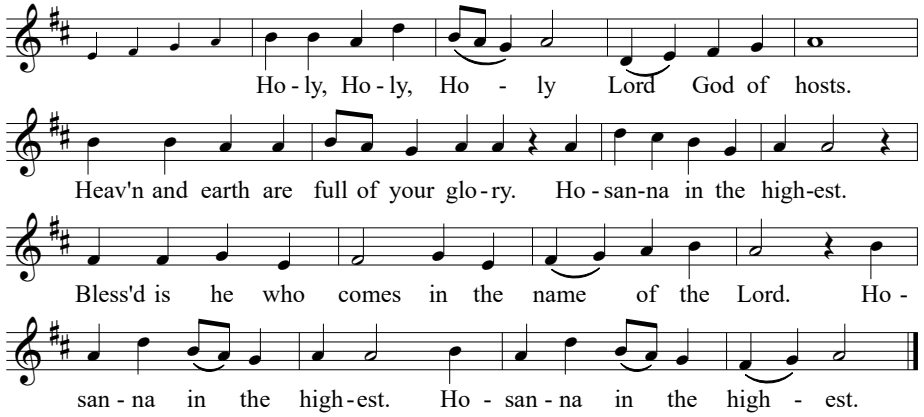
Pascha nostrum immolatus est
Christus
Pascha nostrum
Surrexit a mortuis.
Alleluia.

As a victim for us he was sacrificed,
the Christ,
as a victim for us
he rose from the dead.
Alleluia.

PREFACE

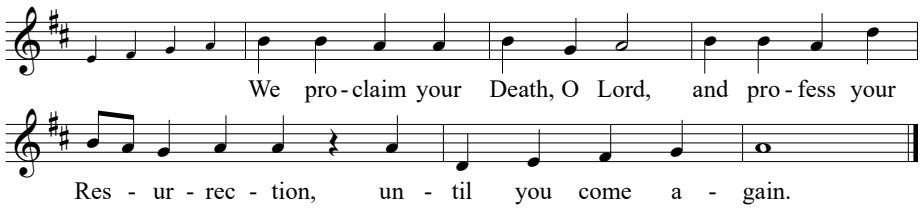
PREFACE DIALOGUE

PREFACE ACCLAMATION



Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly Lord God of hosts.
Heav'n and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho - san-na in the high-est.
Bless'd is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -
san - na in the high-est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION



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

GREAT AMEN



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

COMMUNION RITE

LORD'S PRAYER

DOXOLOGY

SIGN OF PEACE

GUIDELINES FOR THE RECEPTION OF 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" (John 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 Non-Christians

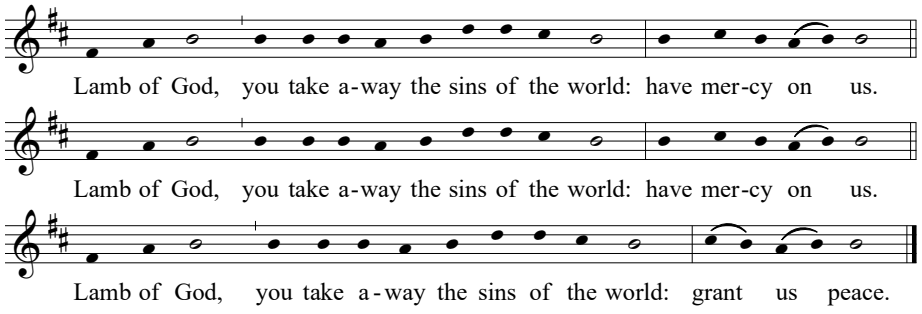
We also welcome to this celebration those who do not share our faith in Jesus Christ. While we cannot admit them to Holy Communion, we ask them to offer their prayers for the peace and the unity of the human family.

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.

United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, 1996

LITANY AT THE BREAKING OF BREAD



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: have mer-cy on us.

Lamb of God, you take a-way the sins of the world: grant us peace.


(Choir) *Communion Service in G*
Agnus Dei

Francis Jackson
(1917–2022)

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

The Good Shepherd has risen,
who laid down his life for his sheep
and willingly died for his flock, alleluia.

COMMUNION PROCESSION



I am the Good Shep - herd, says the Lord.

(Choir) *Ego sum pastor bonus*

Guy de Lioncourt
(1885–1961)

Ego sum pastor bonus.
Alleluia.

I am the good shepherd.
Alleluia.

Et cognosco oves meas,
et cognoscunt me meæ.
Alleluia.

I know my sheep
and mine know me.
Alleluia.

(John 10:14)

O be joyful in the Lord, all ye lands:
Serve the Lord with gladness and
come before his presence with a song.
Be ye sure that the Lord he is God:
it is he that hath made us and not we ourselves;
We are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.
O go your way into his gates with thanksgiving,
and into his courts with praise;
be thankful unto him, and speak good of his name.
For the Lord is gracious, his mercy is everlasting:
and his truth endureth from generation to generation.
Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost.
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be:
World without end. Amen.

(Psalm 100)

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

BLESSING AND DISMISSAL

MARIAN ANTIPHON (*at Noon Mass*)

Re - gi - na cæ - li, læ - ta - re, al - le - lu - ia.

Qui - a quem me - ru - i - sti por - ta - re, al - le - lu - ia.

Re - sur - re - xit si - cut di - xit, al - le - lu - ia.

O - ra pro no - bis De - um, al - le - lu - ia.

*Queen of heaven, rejoice, alleluia.
The Son you merited to bear, alleluia,
Has risen as he said, alleluia.
Pray to God for us, alleluia.*

RECESSIONAL HYMN

*We ask you to respect our custom of standing in place
and singing the complete Recessional Hymn.*



1. Christ is the King! O friends, re-joice: Broth-ers and sis-ters,
2. O mag-ni-fy the Lord, and raise An-thems of joy and
3. O Chris-tian wom-en, Chris-tian men, All the world o-ver,
4. Christ through all a-ges is the same: Place the same hope in



with one voice Let the world know he is your choice.
ho-ly praise For Christ's brave saints of an-cient days.
seek a-gain The Way dis-ci-ples fol-lowed then.
his great name, With the same faith his word pro-claim.



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

POSTLUDE

Vigil Fugue from Sonata No. 2, Op. 65

Felix Mendelssohn

10:30

(1809–1847)

9:00 Trumpet Tune in D

David Johnson

(1922–1987)

12:00 Toccata

Georgi Mushel

4:30

(1909–1989)



SUNG VESPERS AT THE BASILICA

We invite you to join us in celebrating Sung Vespers

Sundays in Easter at 4:00 P.M.

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26 April

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