

BASILICA OF THE NATIONAL SHRINE
OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION



THE FIFTH SUNDAY
OF EASTER

3 MAY 2026

ORDER OF MASS

PRELUDE

Vigil Toccata in F Major, BWV 540/1

Johann Sebastian Bach

10:30

(1685–1750)

12:00

9:00 Two Appalachian Hymns

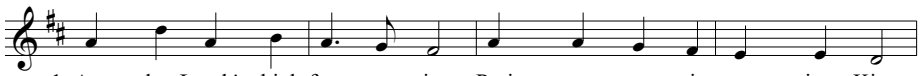
Gladys Jameson

I. O Jesus My Savior; II. Christ Dying, Rising and Reigning

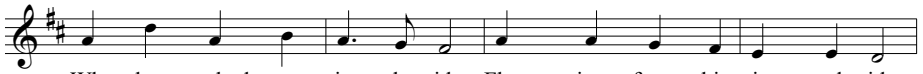
(1889–1973)

INTRODUCTORY RITES

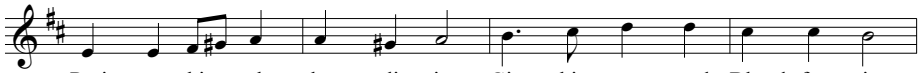
PROCESSIONAL HYMN



1. At the Lamb's high feast we sing Praise to our vic - to - rious King.
2. Where the Pas - chal blood is poured, Death's dark an - gel sheathes his sword;
3. Might - y vic - tim from the sky, Hell's fierce powers be - neath you lie;
4. East - er tri - umph, East - er joy, This a - lone can sin de - stroy;



Who has washed us in the tide Flow - ing from his pierc - ed side;
Is - rael's hosts tri - umph - ant go Through the wave that drowns the foe.
You have con - quered in the fight, You have brought us life and light:
From sin's power, Lord, set us free New - born souls in you to be.



Praise we him, whose love di - vine Gives his sa - cred Blood for wine,
Praise we Christ, whose blood was shed, Pas - chal vic - tim, Pas - chal bread;
Now no more can death ap - pall, Now no more the grave en - thrall;
Fa - ther, who the crown shall give, Sa - vior, by whose death we live,



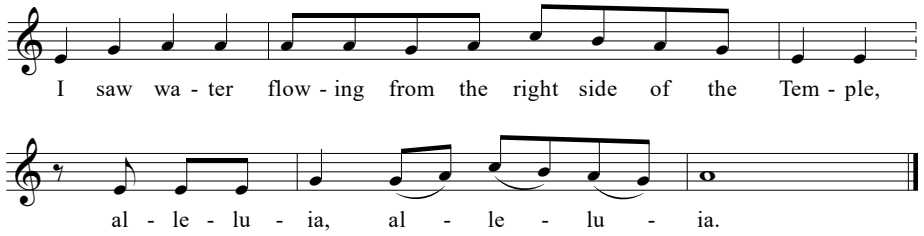
Gives his Bod - y for the feast, Christ the vic - tim, Christ the priest.
With sin - cer - i - ty and love Eat we man - na from a - bove.
You have o - pened par - a - dise, And in you your saints shall rise.
Spir - it, guide through all our days, Three in One, your name we praise.

GREETING

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.


Assembly: And with your spirit.

RITE OF SPRINKLING



I saw wa - ter flow - ing from the right side of the Tem - ple,
al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

GLORIA



Celebrant: Glo - ry to God in the high - est and on earth peace to peo - ple of good will.
Assembly: 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.
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.

(Choir) *Missa in D major*
Gloria in excelsis Deo

Johann Georg Albrechtsberger
(1736–1809)

COLLECT

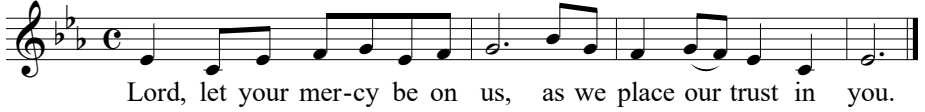
LITURGY OF THE WORD

READING I

Acts 6:1–7

PSALM RESPONSE

Psalm 33:1–2, 4–5, 18–19



READING II

I Peter 2:4–9

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

John 14:6



I am the way, the truth and the life, says the Lord;
no one comes to the Father, except through me.

GOSPEL

John 14:1–12

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. Come, my Way, my Truth, my Life:
2. Come, my Light, my Feast, my Strength:
3. Come, my Joy, my Love, my Heart:

Such a way as gives us breath;
Such a light as shows a feast;
Such a joy as none can move;

Such a truth as ends all strife;
Such a feast as mends in length;
Such a love as none can part;

Such a life as kill - - - eth death.
Such a strength as makes his guest.
Such a heart as joys in love.

(Choir) *The Call*

Ralph Vaughan Williams
(1872–1958)

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.

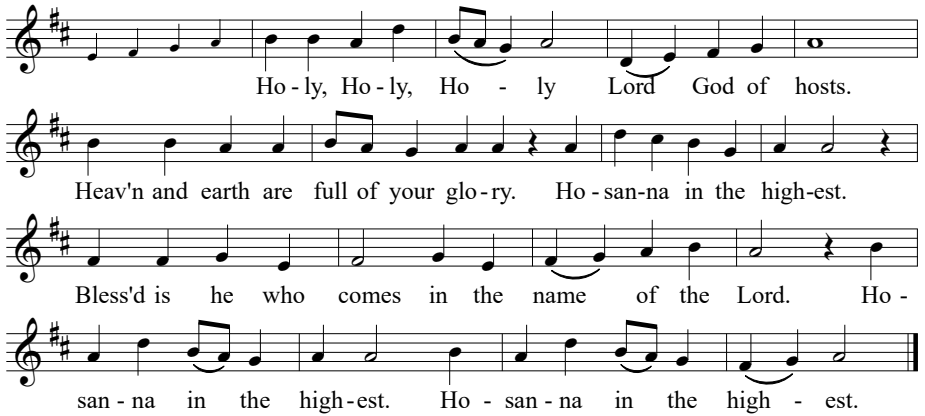
Come, my Light, my Feast, my strength:
Such a Light, as shows a Feast:
Such a Feast, as mends in length:
Such a strength, as makes his guest.

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.

(George Herbert, 1593–1632)

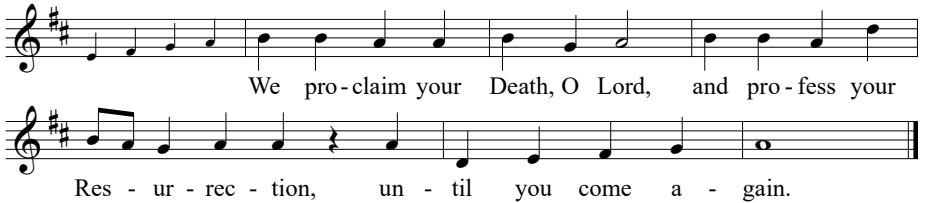
PREFACE DIALOGUE

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.

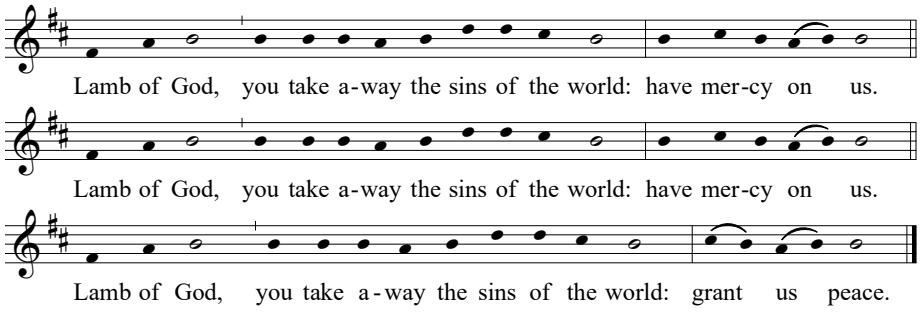
COMMUNION RITE

LORD'S PRAYER

DOXOLOGY

SIGN OF PEACE

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.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

I am the true vine and you are the branches, says the Lord.
Whoever remains in me, and I in him, bears fruit in plenty, alleluia.

(John 15:1, 5)

COMMUNION PROCESSION



I am the liv - ing bread come down from hea-ven.

(Choir) *Ego sum panis vivus*

Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina
(1525–1594)

*Ego sum panis vivus, qui de caelo descendi.
Si quis manducaverit ex hoc pane, vivet in aeternum:
et panis quem ego dabo,
caro mea est pro mundi vita.
Alleluia.*

I am the living bread which came down from heaven:
if any man eat of this bread, he shall live for ever:
and the bread that I will give is my flesh,
which I will give for the life of the world.
Alleluia.

(John 6:51–52)

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

*Cantate Domino canticum novum
et benedicite nomine ejus
Quia mirabilia fecit:
Cantate et exultate,
et psallite in cithara et voce psalmi.*

O sing unto the Lord a new song,
for his Name most blessed forever shall prevail.
Who hath done great wonders for all creation.
O sing ye in exultation,
sing with psaltery and harp and voices.

(*Psalm 149:1–3*)

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. Je - sus lives! thy ter - rors now can no long - er,
2. Je - sus lives! hence-forth is death but the gate of
3. Je - sus lives! for us he died; then, a - lone to
4. Je - sus lives! our hearts know well naught from us his
5. Je - sus lives! to him the throne ov - er all the



death, ap - pall us; Je - sus lives! by this we know
life im - mor - tal; this shall calm our tremb - ling breath,
Je - sus liv - ing, pure in heart may we a - bide,
love shall sev - er; life, nor death, nor pow'rs of hell
world is giv - en: may we go where he has gone,



thou, O grave, canst not en - thrall us. Al - le - lu - ia!
when we pass its gloo - my por - tal. Al - le - lu - ia!
glo - ry to our Sav - ior giv - ing. Al - le - lu - ia!
tear us from his keep - ing ev - er. Al - le - lu - ia!
rest and reign with him in heav - en. Al - le - lu - ia!

POSTLUDE

Vigil Toccata in F Major, BWV 540/1

Johann Sebastian Bach
(1685–1750)

10:30

12:00

4:30

9:00 ii. Menuet Gothique from Suite Gothique, Op. 25

Léon Boëllmann
(1862–1897)



SUNG VESPERS AT THE BASILICA

We invite you to join us in celebrating Sung Vespers

Sundays in Easter at 4:00 P.M.

4:30 P.M. Mass following

3, 10, 17, 24 May
Great Upper Church

*All are welcome to this special celebration
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