

BASILICA OF THE NATIONAL SHRINE  
OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION



THE SIXTH SUNDAY  
OF EASTER

25 MAY 2025

# ORDER OF MASS

## PRELUDE

*Vigil*    iii. Cantilène from *Symphonie Romane*, Op. 73  
10:30  
12:00  
9:00    Prelude

Charles-Marie Widor  
(1844–1937)

Samuel Ducommun  
(1914–1987)

## INTRODUCTORY RITES

### PROCESSIONAL HYMN



1. That East - er day with joy was bright, The sun shone  
2. His ris - en flesh with ra - diance glowed; His wound - ed  
3. Now Christ our Pass - o - ver was slain, The Lamb of  
4. O Je - sus, King of gen - tle - ness, Who with thy  
5. O all - suf - fi - cient Sac - ri - fice, Be - neath thee  
6. O Lord of all, with us a - bide In this our  
7. All praise be thine, O ris - en Lord, From death to



out with fair - er light, When to their long - ing  
hands and feet he showed; Those scars their sol - emn  
God with - out a stain; His flesh, the true un -  
grace our hearts pos - sess That we may give thee  
hell de - feat - ed lies; Thy cap - tive peo - ple  
joy - ful East - er - tide; From ev - 'ry wea - pon  
end - less life re - stored; All praise to God the



eyes re - stored, The a - pos - tles saw their ris - en Lord.  
wit - ness gave That Christ was ris - en from the grave.  
leav - ened bread, Was free - ly of - fered in our stead.  
all our days The will - ing tri - bute of our praise.  
are set free, And end - less life re - stored in thee.  
death can wield Thine own re - deemed for ev - er shield.  
Fa - ther be And Ho - ly Ghost e - ter - nal - ly.

### GREETING

### 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:*                      *Assembly:*

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.

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) *Communion Service in A Minor*  
Gloria in excelsis

Harold Darke  
(1888–1976)

## COLLECT

# LITURGY OF THE WORD

## READING I

Acts 15:1–2, 22–29

## PSALM RESPONSE

Psalm 67:2–3, 5, 6, 8



## READING II

Revelation 21:10–14, 22–23

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

John 14:23



Whoever loves me will keep my word, says the Lord,  
and my Father will love him and we will come to him.

## GOSPEL

John 14:23–29

## 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.

#### THE JUBILEE PRAYER

Father in heaven,  
may the *faith* you have given us  
in your son, Jesus Christ, our brother,  
and the flame of *charity* enkindled  
in our hearts by the Holy Spirit,  
reawaken in us the blessed *hope*  
for the coming of your Kingdom.

May your grace transform us  
into tireless cultivators of the seeds of the Gospel.  
May those seeds transform from within  
both humanity and the whole cosmos  
in the sure expectation  
of a new heaven and a new earth,  
when, with the powers of Evil vanquished,  
your glory will shine eternally.

May the grace of the Jubilee  
reawaken in us, *Pilgrims of Hope*,  
a yearning for the treasures of heaven.  
May that same grace spread  
the joy and peace of our Redeemer  
throughout the earth.  
To you our God, eternally blessed,  
be glory and praise for ever.

Amen.

# LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

## PREPARATION OF THE GIFTS



1. Come down, O Love di - vine, Seek now this soul of  
2. O let it free - ly burn, Till earth - ly pas - sions  
3. Let ho - ly char - i - ty My out - ward ves - ture  
4. And so the yearn - ing strong, With which the soul will

mine, And vis - it it with your own ar - dor glow - ing;  
turn To dust and ash - es in its heat con - sum - ing;  
be, And low - li - ness be - come my in - ner cloth - ing;  
long, Shall far out - pass the power of hu - man tell - ing;

O Com - fort - er, draw near, With - in my heart ap -  
And let your glo - rious light Shine ev - er on my  
True low - li - ness of heart Which takes the hum - bler  
For none can guess its grace, Till love cre - ates the

pear, And kin - dle it, your ho - ly flame be - stow - ing.  
sight, And clothe me round, the while my path il - lum - ing.  
part, And for its own short - com - ings weeps with loath - ing.  
place Where - in the Ho - ly Spir - it makes its dwell - ing.

(Choir) *Exultate Deo*

Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina  
(1525–1594)

*Exultate Deo adjutori nostro:*

*Jubilare Deo Jacob.*

*Sumite psalmum et date tympanum:*

*Psalterium jucundum cum cithara.*

*Buccinate in neomenia tuba*

*In signi die solemnitatis vestrae.*

Sing aloud to God our strength;

Shout for joy to the God of Jacob.

Raise a song, sound the timbrel

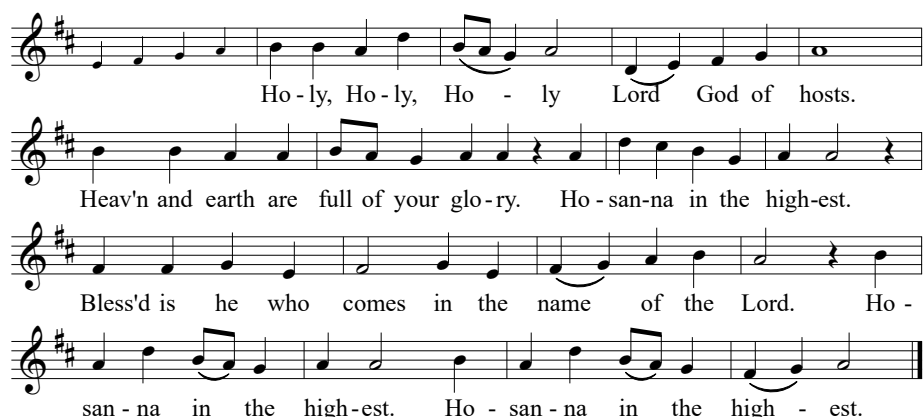
The sweet lyre with the harp.

Blow the trumpet in the new moon

On this your great feast day.

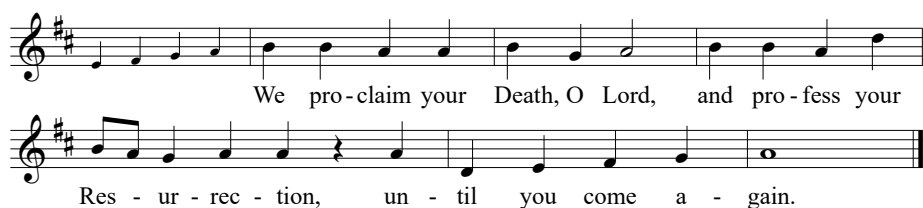
(Psalm 80:1–4)

## 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.

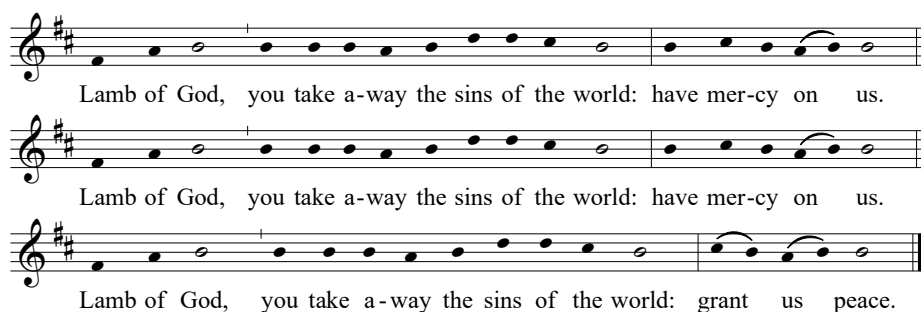
### **For Those Not Receiving Holy Communion**

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 A Minor*  
Agnus Dei

Harold Darke  
(1888–1976)

## COMMUNION ANTIPHON

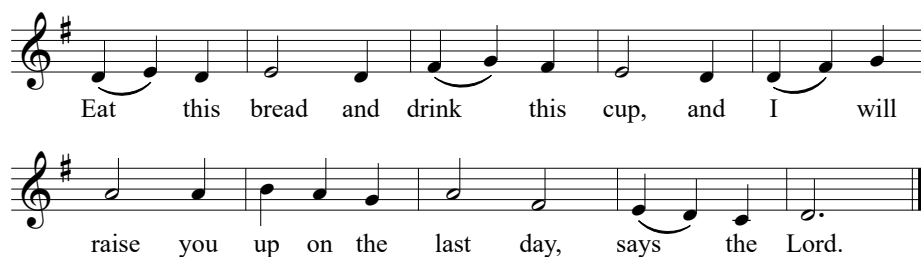
(Choir) *If Ye Love Me*

Thomas Tallis  
(c. 1505–1585)

If ye love me, keep my commandments,  
and I will pray the Father,  
and he shall give you another comforter,  
that he may bide with you forever  
e'en the Spirit of truth.

(John 14:15–17)

## COMMUNION PROCESSION



Eat this bread and drink this cup, and I will

raise you up on the last day, says the Lord.

(Choir) *Non vos relinquam orphanos*

William Byrd  
(1543–1623)

*Non vos relinquam orphanos. Alleluia.*  
*Vado, et venio ad vos, ad vos. Alleluia.*  
*Et gaudebit cor vestrum. Alleluia.*

I will not leave you comfortless. Alleluia.  
I go, I go away and come again to you. Alleluia.  
And your heart then, shall rejoice. Alleluia.

(John 14:18, 16:22b)

(Choir) *Sing Joyfully*

William Byrd  
(1543–1623)

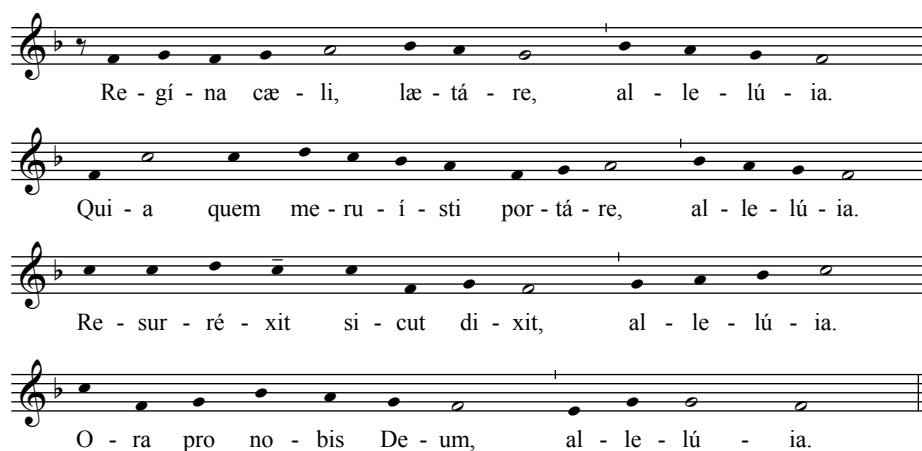
Sing joyfully to God our strength;  
sing loud unto the God of Jacob!  
Take the song, bring forth the timbrel,  
the pleasant harp, and the viol.  
Blow the trumpet in the new moon,  
even in the time appointed, and at our feast day.  
For this is a statute for Israel,  
and a law of the God of Jacob.

(Psalm 81:1–4)

## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

## BLESSING AND DISMISSAL

### MARIAN ANTIPHON (*at Noon Mass*)



Re - gí - na cæ - li, læ - tá - re, al - le - lú - ia.

Qui - a quem me - ru - í - sti por - tá - re, al - le - lú - ia.

Re - sur - ré - xit si - cut di - xit, al - le - lú - ia.

O - ra pro no - bis De - um, al - le - lú - 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. Re - joice, an - ge - lic choirs, re - joice! Re -  
2. O earth, ex - ult in ra - diance bright, Il -  
3. Let all who gath - er round this flame, The

joice now, all cre - a - tion! Let trum - pets loud - ly  
lu - mined by Christ's splen - dor! Your dark - ness now is  
sign of Christ's a - ris - ing, The death-less light of

raise their voice To hail the Lord's sal - va - tion;  
put to flight; To him due prais - es ren - der!  
Christ ac - claim, His sav - ing mer - cy priz - ing;

Let all Christ's ho - ly peo - ple sing The tri - umph of their  
Be glad, O Church! Sing out your sons! Your tem - ples fill with  
That all may live by faith in him Who con - quered death, de -

might - y king In fes - tal cel - e - bra - tion!  
shout - ing throngs To hail the glo - rious vic - tor!  
spair, and sin To make us his for - ev - er.

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June 1, 8

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