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CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY

Our Father

Hail Mary

Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty,
Creator of heaven and earth,
and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died and was buried;
he descended into hell;
on the third day He rose again from the dead;
he ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of God,
the Father almighty;
from there he will come to judge
the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,

the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting.
Amen.

On the “Our Father” bead before each decade:

Eternal Father, I offer You the Body and Blood,
Soul and Divinity of Your dearly beloved Son,
Our Lord Jesus Christ
in atonement for our sins
and those of the whole world.

On the “Hail Mary” beads of each decade:

For the sake of His sorrowful Passion
have mercy on us and on the whole world.

After five decades, the concluding Doxology:

Holy God, Holy Mighty One,
Holy Immortal One,
have mercy on us and on the whole world.

SOLEMN EUCHARISTIC CELEBRATION
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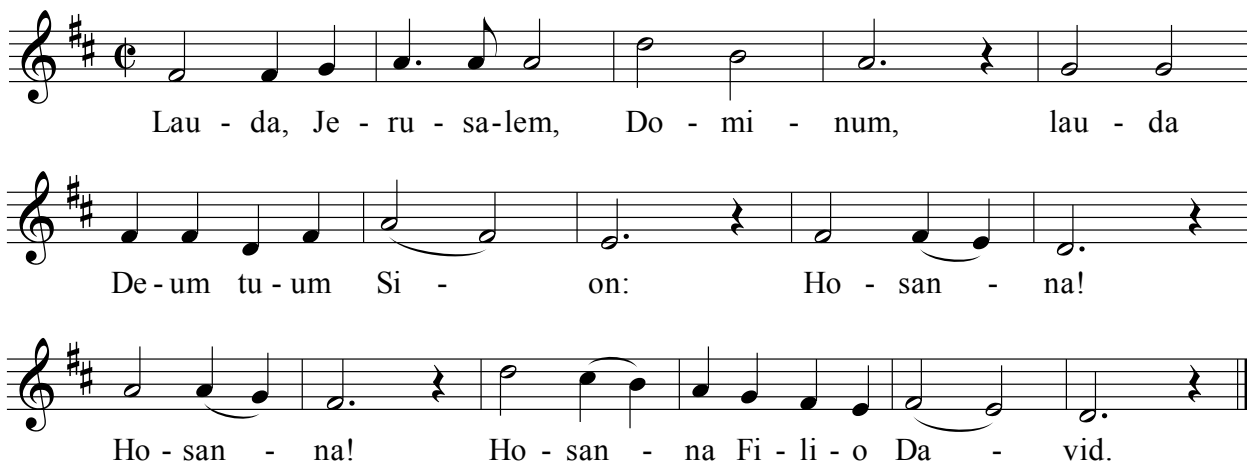
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ATTENDING DEACONS

ORDER OF MASS

INTRODUCTORY RITES

AT THE PROCESSION



Lau - da, Je - ru - sa-lem, Do - mi - num, lau - da

De - um tu - um Si - on: Ho - san - na!

Ho - san - na! Ho - san - na Fi - li - o Da - vid.

He has strengthened the bars of your gates,
he has blessed the children within you.
He established peace on your borders,
he feeds you with finest wheat.

He sends out his word to the earth
and swiftly runs his command.
He showers down snow white as wool,
he scatters hoarfrost like ashes.

He makes his word known to Jacob,
to Israel his laws and decrees.
He has not dealt thus with other nations;
he has not taught them his decrees.

Give praise to the Father Almighty,
to his Son, Jesus Christ, the Lord,
to the Spirit who dwells in our hearts,
both now and for ever. Amen.

PENITENTIAL ACT

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/Choir:

Assembly:

Lord, have mer - cy, Lord, have mer - cy.

Christ, have mer - cy, Christ, have mer - cy.

Lord, have mer - cy, Lord, have mer - cy.

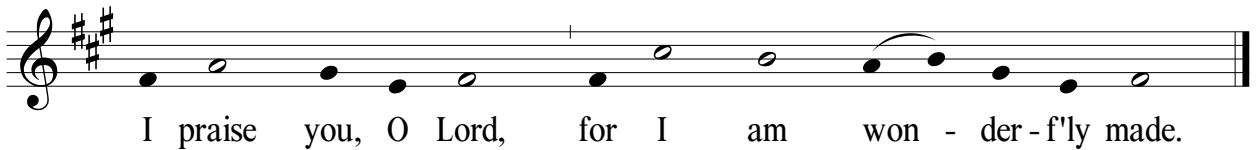
COLLECT

LITURGY OF THE WORD

READING I

Jeremiah 1:1, 4-10

PSALM RESPONSE Psalm 139:1b-3, 13-14ab, 14c-15



READING I

I John 1:1-4

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

John 6:63c, 68c



Your words, Lord, are Spirit and life;
you have the words of everlasting life.

GOSPEL

Luke 1:39-56

HOMILY

Most Reverend William E. Lori

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GENERAL INTERCESSIONS

Response: Lord, hear our prayer.

PRAYER FOR PREGNANT MOTHERS

O Blessed Mother,
you received the good news
of the incarnation of Christ, your Son,
with faith and trust.
Grant your protection
to all pregnant mothers facing difficulties.

Guide us as we strive
to make our parish communities
places of welcome and assistance
for mothers in need.
Help us become instruments
of God's love and compassion.

Mary, Mother of the Church,
graciously help us build a culture of life
and a civilization of love,
together with all people of good will,
to the praise and glory of God,
the Creator and lover of life.* Amen.

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LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

PREPARATION OF THE GIFTS

(Choir) *Look Up and Count the Stars* Peter Latona
(b. 1968)

Look up and count the stars if ye may,
Thus God to Abram did declare
So shall all your descendants be
for now and all eternity.

We are the stars from God's own hand
reflections of his own true love,
the beauty of God's heavn'ly plan,
th'eternal gift from heav'n above.

Now gaze upon the infant child
with Joseph and the Virgin nigh
may all our fam'lies be like them
in peace and joy and unity.

Grant Lord we pray the grace to be
The shining splendor of God's love
His radiant light of truth and hope
from heaven down to earth below.

5. So gaze u - pon the stars on high, sing
6. Praise God the Fa - ther, God on the Son and

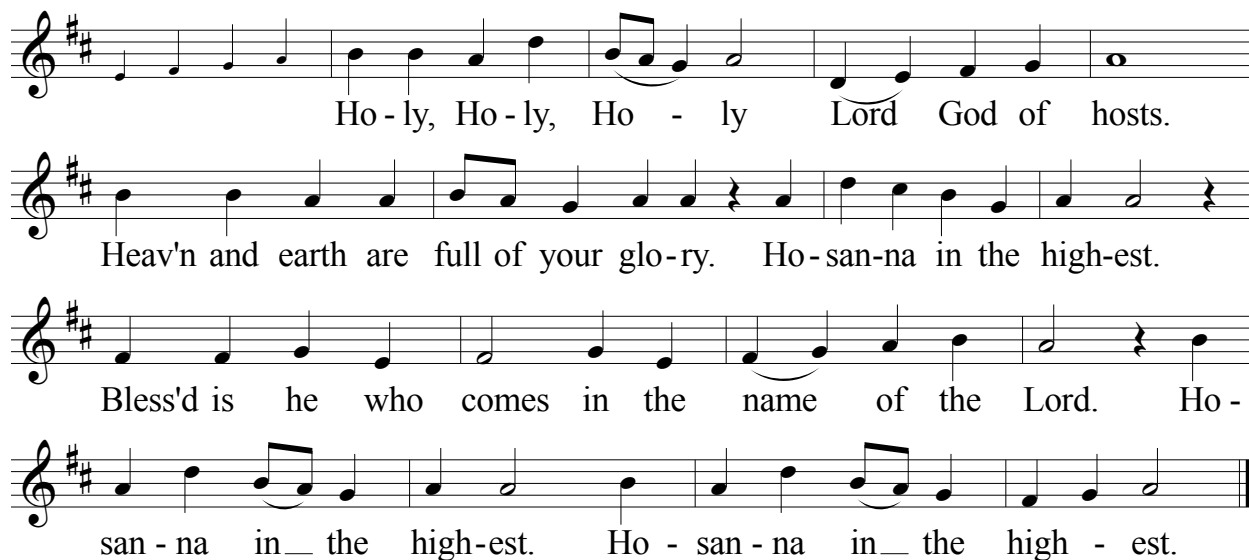
praise to God with sin - gle voice Ac - cept His gift and
Ho - ly Spi - rit with them one. We pray they bless our

guard it well and let his will be our hearts' choice.
fam - 'lies now and through-out all e - ter - ni - ty.

Text: Peter Latona

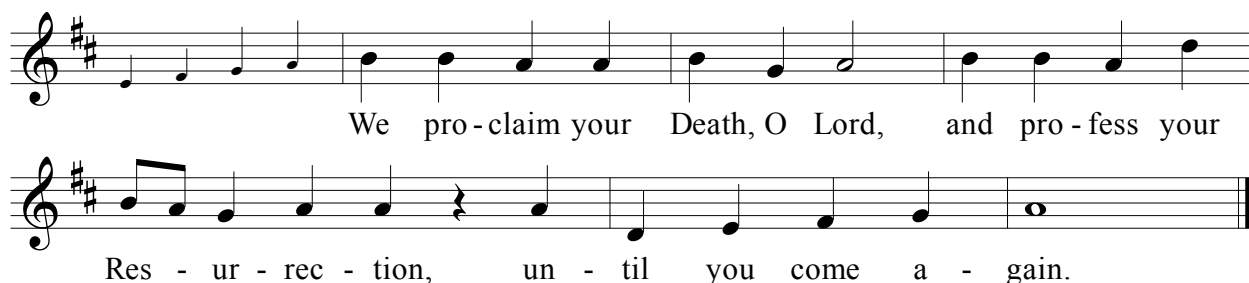
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PREFACE ACCLAMATION



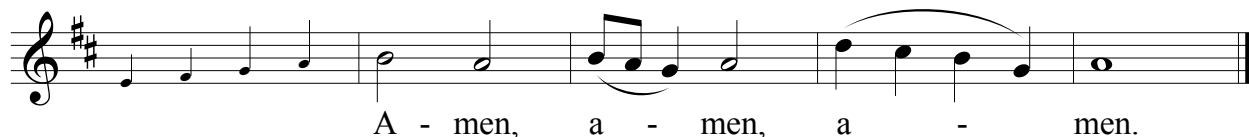
Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly Lord God of hosts.
Heav'n and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho-san-na in the high-est.
Bless'd is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -
san - na in the high-est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

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.

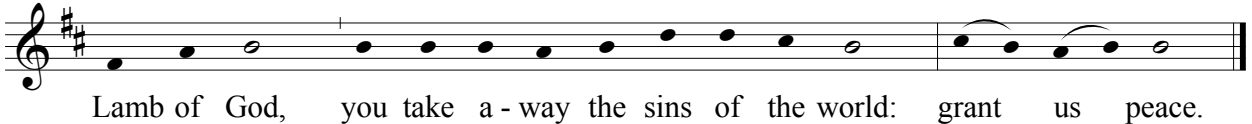
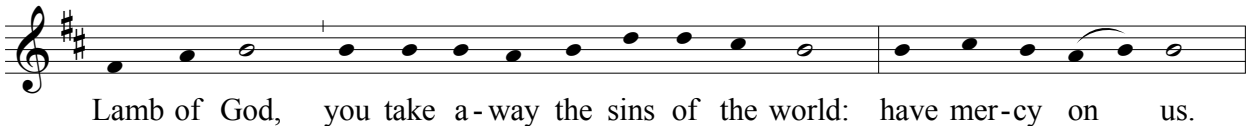
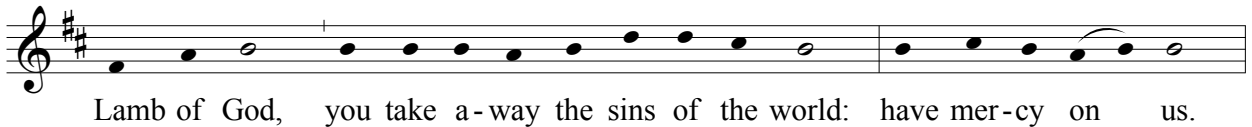
COMMUNION RITE

LORD'S PRAYER

DOXOLOGY

SIGN OF PEACE

LITANY AT THE BREAKING OF BREAD



COMMUNION ANTIPHON

With you, O Lord, is the fountain of life,
and in your light, we see light.

(Ps. 36:10)

AN ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

My Jesus,

I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.

I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul.

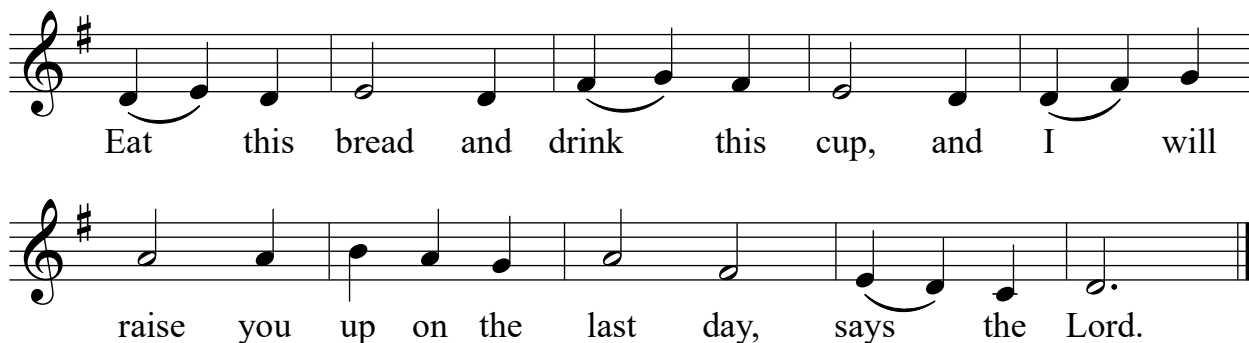
Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart.

I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You.

Never permit me to be separated from You.

Amen.

COMMUNION PROCESSION



The musical notation consists of two staves, both in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The melody is simple and hymn-like. The lyrics are written below the notes, with some words spanning across bar lines. The first staff ends with a double bar line, and the second staff also ends with a double bar line.

Eat this bread and drink this cup, and I will
raise you up on the last day, says the Lord.

(Choir) *Ave verum corpus*

Colin Mawby
(b. 1936)

*Ave verum corpus
natum de Maria virgine:
vere passum immolatum
in cruce pro homine,
cuius latus perforatum
unda fluxit et sanguine,
esto nobis prægustatum
in mortis examine.
O dulcis, O pie,
O Jesu, fili Mariæ.*

Hail, True body,
born of the Virgin Mary:
having truly suffered,
sacrificed on the cross for man,
whose pierced side
flowed water and blood,
be for us a foretaste
in the test of death.
O sweet, O loving,
O Jesus, Son of Mary.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

CONCLUDING RITES

FINAL BLESSING AND DISMISSAL

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

Assembly: And with your spirit.

Celebrant: May almighty God bless you,
the ☩ Father, the ☩ Son,
and the ☩ Holy Spirit.

Assembly: Amen.

Deacon: Go forth, the Mass is ended.

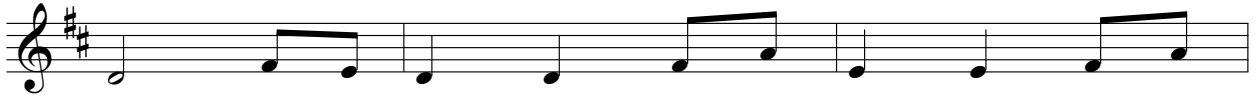
Assembly: Thanks be to God.

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

RECESSIONAL HYMN



1. God, we praise you! Lord, we bless you! God, we name you sov - 'reign
 2. True a - pos - tles, faith - ful proph - ets, Saints who set their world a -
 3. Je - sus Christ, the king of glo - ry, Ev - er - last - ing Son of
 4. Christ, at God's right hand vic - to - rious, You will judge the world you



Lord! Might - y King whom an - gels wor - ship, Fa - ther,
 blaze, Mar - tyrs, once un - known, un - heed - ed, Join the
 God, Hum - ble was your vir - gin moth - er, Hard the
 made; Lord, in mer - cy help your ser - vants For whose



by your church a - dored: All cre - a - tion shows your
 grow - ing song of praise, While your church on earth con -
 lone - ly path you trod: By your cross is sin de -
 free - dom you have paid: Raise us up from dust to



glo - ry, Heav'n and earth draw near your throne, Sing - ing
 fess - es One ma - jes - tic Trin - i - ty: Fa - ther,
 feat - ed, Hell con - front - ed face to face, Heav - en
 glo - ry, Guard us from all sin to - day; King en -



"Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, Lord of hosts, and God a - lone!"
 Son, and Ho - ly Spi - rit, God, our hope e - ter - nal - ly.
 o - pened to be - liev - ers, Sin - ners jus - ti - fied by grace.
 throned a - bove all prais - es, Save your peo - ple, God, we pray.

EXPOSITION OF THE MOST BLESSED SACRAMENT

(Choir) *O salutaris hostia*

Herbert Howells
(1892-1983)

*O salutaris hostia,
quae coeli pandis ostium:
Bella premunt hostilia,
Da robur, fer auxilium.*

*Uni trinoque Domino
sit sempiterna gloria:
qui vitam sine termino
Nobis donet in patria. Amen.*

O Saving Victim, opening wide
The gate of heaven to us below!
Our foes press on from every side:
Your aid supply, your strength bestow.

To your great name be endless praise,
Immortal Godhead, One in Three;
O grant us endless length of days
When our true native land we see. Amen.

*(Text: Thomas Aquinas, 1227-1274;
translated by Rev. Edward Caswall, 1814-1878, alt.)*

NATIONAL ROSARY FOR LIFE

INTRODUCTION

Sister Agnes Mary Holtz, C.F.R.

ROSARY

Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, Creator of
heaven and earth,
and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died and was buried;
he descended into hell;
on the third day He rose again from the dead;
he ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of God,
the Father almighty;
from there he will come to judge
the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting.
Amen.

Our Father

Hail Mary *(recite 3 Hail Marys for an increase
of faith, hope and charity)*

Glory be to the Father

Fatima Prayer

THE LUMINOUS MYSTERIES

*Recite One Our Father, 10 Hail Marys and
1 Glory Be and the Fatima Prayer*

First Luminous Mystery:

The Baptism of Jesus in the River Jordan

That all baptized Christians will be open to the Holy Spirit and bear witness to the sanctity of life.

Second Luminous Mystery:

The Wedding Feast at Cana

For all husbands and wives,
that they treasure the priceless gift of
married love by generously accepting children
through procreation and adoption.

Third Luminous Mystery: **The Proclamation of the Kingdom of God**

That those who pray and work
for greater respect for human life
will be guided by the Beatitudes
and reveal the face of Christ to others.

Fourth Luminous Mystery: **The Transfiguration**

That our world will be transfigured
by the witness of faithful Christians
so that all may understand the priceless value
of every human being.

Fifth Luminous Mystery: **The Institution of the Eucharist**

That through our worthy reception
of the Eucharist and frequent Eucharistic Adoration,
Jesus will teach us to love
sacrificially the least and neediest among us.

Closing Prayer

Hail, holy Queen, Mother of mercy, our life, our sweetness and our hope. To thee do we cry, poor banished children of Eve; to thee do we send up our sighs, mourning and weeping in this valley of tears. Turn then, O most gracious Advocate, your eyes of mercy toward us, and after this our exile, show unto us the blessed fruit of thy womb, Jesus:

O Clement, O loving, O sweet Virgin Mary.

V. Pray for us, O holy Mother of God

R. That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

Let us pray.

O God, whose only-begotten Son, by his life, death, and resurrection, has purchased for us the rewards of eternal life, grant, we beseech Thee, that meditating upon these mysteries of the Most Holy Rosary of the Blessed Virgin Mary, we may imitate what they contain and obtain what they promise, through the same Christ our Lord.

Amen.

(Choir) *I Sat Down*

Edward C. Bairstow
(1874-1946)

I sat down under his shadow with great delight
And his fruit was sweet to my taste.

He brought me to the banqueting house
And his banner over me was love.

(Song of Songs 2:3b-4)

REFLECTION

BENEDICTION OF THE MOST BLESSED SACRAMENT

HYMN

(Choir) *Tantum ergo*

Fernand Laloux
(1901-1970)

*Tantum ergo Sacraméntum
Venerémur cernui:
Et antiquum documéntum
Novo cedat rítui:
Praestet fides suppleméntum
Sénsuum deféctui.*

*Genitóri, Genitóque
Laus et jubilátio,
Salus, honor, virtus quoque
Sit et benedíctio:
Procedénti ab utróque
Compar sit laudátio. Amen.*

Come, adore this wondrous presence;
Bow to Christ, the source of grace!
Here is kept the ancient promise
Of God's earthly dwelling place!
Sight is blind before God's glory,
Faith alone may see his face.

Glory be to God the Father,
Praise to his coequal Son,
Adoration to the Spirit,
Bond of love, in Godhead one!
Blest be God by all creation
Joyously while ages run! Amen.

Celebrant: You have given them bread
from heaven.

Assembly: **Containing all sweetness within it.**

Celebrant: Let us pray.

O God, who in this wonderful Sacrament
have left us a memorial of your Passion,
grant us, we pray,
so to revere the sacred mysteries
of your Body and Blood
that we may always experience in ourselves
the fruits of your redemption.

Who live and reign with God the Father
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
God, for ever and ever.

Assembly: **Amen.**

THE DIVINE PRAISES

Blessed be God.

Blessed be his holy Name.

Blessed be Jesus Christ, true God and true Man.

Blessed be the name of Jesus.

Blessed be his most Sacred Heart.

Blessed be his most Precious Blood.

Blessed be Jesus in the most holy Sacrament of the altar.

Blessed be the Holy Spirit, the Paraclete.

Blessed be the great Mother of God, Mary most holy.

Blessed be her holy and Immaculate Conception.

Blessed be her glorious Assumption.

Blessed be the name of Mary, Virgin and Mother.

Blessed be Saint Joseph, her most chaste spouse.

Blessed be God in his angels and in his saints.

May the heart of Jesus, in the Most Blessed Sacrament, be praised, adored, and loved with grateful affection, at every moment, in all the tabernacles of the world, even to the end of time.

Amen.



1. Ho - ly God we praise thy Name, Lord of all, we
2. Ho - ly Fath - er, Ho - ly Son, Ho - ly Spi - rit,



bow be - fore thee; all on earth thy scepter claim,
Three, we name thee, while in essence on - ly One,



all in heaven a - bove a - dore thee; in - fi - nite thy
un - div - i - ded God we claim thee; then, a - dor - ing,



vast do - main, ev - er - last - ing is thy reign.
bend the knee and confess the my - ster - y.



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Decree

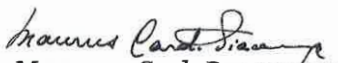
By virtue of the faculties given by the Supreme Pontiff, Francis, the Pope by Divine Providence, and in response to the request of His Eminence Wilton Daniel Cardinal Gregory, Metropolitan Archbishop of Washington, and for the sake of fostering devotion of the faithful and salvation of souls, the Apostolic Penitentiary freely imparts a plenary Indulgence from the heavenly treasures of the Church, to be obtained under the usual conditions (sacramental Confession, eucharistic Communion, and prayer for the intentions of the Supreme Pontiff) by the Christian faithful who are truly penitential and compelled by charity, which indeed they can also apply to the souls of the faithful held in Purgatory, by way of suffrage, if they take part in the sacred celebrations among the great assembly of people during the course of the annual event that is called “March for Life,” which will be carried out on the 20th and 21st days of January 2022 throughout the Archdiocese of Washington (especially in the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary and in the Arena called “Capital One”).

The aged, sick, and all those who due to grave reason are not able to leave home will be equally able to obtain the plenary Indulgence, having the disposition of detachment from any kind of sin, with the intention of fulfilling the three customary conditions as soon as one is able, if they spiritually join themselves to the sacred ceremonies, especially as they are made available by means of television, radio, or the new means of social media, and also offer prayers and their sufferings or the ailments of their own life to the merciful God.

Therefore, to allow easier access to acquiring this divine indulgence through the keys of the Church, for the sake of pastoral charity, this Penitentiary earnestly requests that Pastors and priests, those provided with suitable faculties to hear confessions, with a willing and generous spirit might make themselves available for the celebration of Penance.

The present Decree will be valid for this event only. Anything whatsoever to the contrary notwithstanding.

Given in Rome, from the offices of the Apostolic Penitentiary, on the 11th day of the month of December, in the 2021st year of the Lord’s Incarnation.


MAURUS Card. PIACENZA
Paenitentiarius Maior


CHRISTOPHORUS NYKIEL
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HISTORY OF THE NATIONAL PRAYER VIGIL FOR LIFE

What is today the National Prayer Vigil for Life began in 1979 as the National Rosary for Life and all-night vigil from the inspiration of Maryknoll Brother Goretti Zilli from New York. Fifty people attended the first vigil Mass celebrated by Father John Gabin of Philadelphia in the lower level Crypt Church. Eucharistic adoration and other devotions continued through the night, with Father John Randall of Providence offering Mass at midnight. Brother Michael Cerrone, (who later became Army Chaplain Father Michael Cerrone) coordinated and led prayers through the night for an end to abortion, and then led the group in the March for Life the following morning.

Key organizers of the first Vigil also include Mrs. Sally Reynolds and the Mothers of Mary of the Archdiocese of Detroit, Miss Virginia Murphy and the Immaculate Heart Reparation Society of D.C., as well as groups from Michigan and Rhode Island. At their request the following year, Cardinal John Carberry asked the Bishops' conference to co-sponsor the event. With every passing year, thousands of Catholics from all over the country have responded enthusiastically and in ever greater numbers by taking part in the National Prayer Vigil for Life.

Today, the founders' dream of a program of prayer for life exceeds anything they could have envisioned. The Great Upper Church of the Basilica fills to overflowing for the opening liturgy, which is concelebrated by hundreds of clergy, including Bishops, Cardinals, and the Apostolic Nuncio, the Holy Father's personal representative in the United States. With the assistance of the Eternal Word Television Network, the Opening and Closing Masses of the National Prayer Vigil for Life are televised live worldwide.

After the Opening Mass, programs of prayer and adoration continue throughout the night beginning with the National Rosary for Life and ending with Morning Prayer and Benediction. On the following morning, thousands more gather in the Great Upper Church for the Closing Mass of the Vigil before taking part in the March for Life on the Mall in Washington, D.C.

The Church and the Pro-Life movement are deeply indebted to the visionaries who began this event decades ago. May this great prayer for life continue as their lasting legacy for years to come.

NATIONAL PRAYER VIGIL FOR LIFE 2023

Opening Mass of the National Prayer Vigil for Life

Thursday, January 19, 2023 at 5:30 pm

Closing Mass of the National Prayer Vigil for Life

Friday, January 20, 2023 at 7:30 am

Help women in your community to choose life.
Learn about “Walking with Moms in Need: A Year of
Service” at walkingwithmoms.com.



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