

**BASILICA OF THE NATIONAL SHRINE  
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**PALM SUNDAY  
OF THE LORD'S PASSION**

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# ORDER OF MASS

*His Eminence*

**CHRISTOPHE CARDINAL PIERRE**

Apostolic Nuncio to the United States of America

*Principal Celebrant and Homilist at Noon*



## PRELUDE TO THE EUCHARIST

*Vigil* Prélude from Suite, Op. 5

10:30

12:00

9:00

Prelude in A Minor, BWV 543

Maurice Durufé

(1902–1986)

Johann Sebastian Bach

(1685–1750)

## THE COMMEMORATION OF THE LORD'S ENTRANCE INTO JERUSALEM

### THE PROCESSION



1. To Je - sus Christ, our sov - 'reign King, Who  
2. Your reign ex - tend, O King be - nign, To  
3. To you, and to your church, great King, We



is the world's sal - va - tion, All praise and hom - age  
ev - 'ry land and na - tion; For in your King - dom,  
pledge our heart's ob - la - tion; Un - til be - fore your



do we bring And thanks and ad - o - ra - tion.  
Lord di - vine, A - lone we find sal - va - tion. Christ Je - sus, Vic - tor!  
throne we sing In end - less ju - bi - la - tion.



Christ Je - sus, Ru - ler! Christ Je - sus, Lord and Re - deem - er!

## ANTIPHON

Peter Latona  
*(b. 1968)*

Hosanna to the Son of David;  
blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord,  
the King of Israel.  
Hosanna in the highest.

## GREETING

## BLESSING OF PALMS

## GOSPEL

Luke 19:28–40

Deacon: The Lord be with you.  
Assembly: And with your spirit.

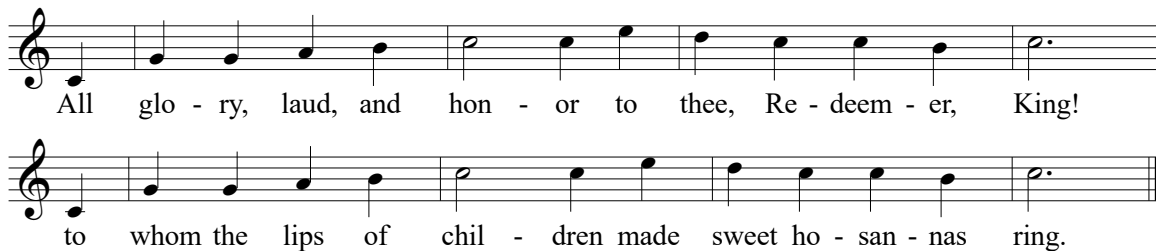
Deacon: A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke.  
Assembly: Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus proceeded on his journey up to Jerusalem. As he drew near to Bethphage and Bethany at the place called the Mount of Olives, he sent two of his disciples. He said, “Go into the village opposite you, and as you enter it you will find a colt tethered on which no one has ever sat. Untie it and bring it here. And if anyone should ask you, ‘Why are you untying it?’ you will answer, ‘The Master has need of it.’” So those who had been sent went off and found everything just as he had told them. And as they were untying the colt, its owners said to them, “Why are you untying this colt?” They answered, “The Master has need of it.” So they brought it to Jesus, threw their cloaks over the colt, and helped Jesus to mount. As he rode along, the people were spreading their cloaks on the road; and now as he was approaching the slope of the Mount of Olives, the whole multitude of his disciples began to praise God aloud with joy for all the mighty deeds they had seen. They proclaimed: “Blessed is the king who comes in the name of the Lord. Peace in heaven and glory in the highest.” Some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to him, “Teacher, rebuke your disciples.” He said in reply, “I tell you, if they keep silent, the stones will cry out!”

Deacon: The Gospel of the Lord.  
Assembly: Praise to you Lord, Jesus Christ.

Deacon: Dear brothers and sisters,  
like the crowds who acclaimed Jesus in Jerusalem,  
let us go forth in peace.

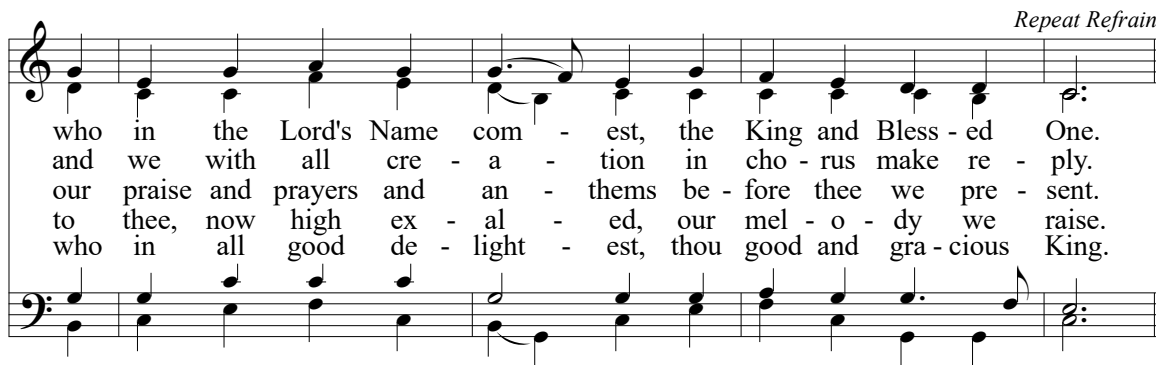
# HYMN TO CHRIST THE KING



All glo - ry, laud, and hon - or to thee, Re - deem - er, King!  
to whom the lips of chil - dren made sweet ho - san - nas ring.



1. Thou art the King of Is - ra - el, thou Da - vid's roy - al Son,  
2. The com - pa - ny of an - gels is prais - ing thee on high;  
3. The peo - ple of the He - brews with palms be - fore thee went;  
4. To thee be - fore thy pas - sion they sang their hymns of praise;  
5. Thou didst ac - cept their prais - es; ac - cept the prayers we bring,



*Repeat Refrain*  
who in the Lord's Name com - est, the King and Bless - ed One.  
and we with all cre - a - tion in cho - rus make re - ply.  
our praise and prayers and an - thems be - fore thee we pre - sent.  
to thee, now high ex - al - ed, our mel - o - dy we raise.  
who in all good de - light - est, thou good and gra - cious King.

## COLLECT

# LITURGY OF THE WORD

READING I

Isaiah 50:4–7

PSALM RESPONSE

Psalm 22:8–9, 17–18a, 19–20, 23–24



My God, my God, why have you a-ban-doned me?


The musical notation is a single line of music on a five-line staff. It begins with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The melody consists of quarter and eighth notes with rests, corresponding to the lyrics below. The piece ends with a double bar line.

READING II

Philippians 2:6–11

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Philippians 2:8–9



Praise to you, Lord Je-sus Christ, king of end-less glo - ry!

The musical notation is a single line of music on a five-line staff. It begins with a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp (F#). The melody consists of quarter and eighth notes with rests, corresponding to the lyrics below. The piece ends with a double bar line.

Christ became obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross.  
Because of this, God greatly exalted him  
and bestowed on him the name which is above every name.

THE PASSION OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST

Luke 23:1–49

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. O Sa - cred Head sur - round - ed By crown of pierc - ing  
2. I see your strength and vi - gor All fad - ing in the  
3. In this, your bit - ter pas - sion, Good Shep - herd, think of



thorn! O bleed - ing Head, so wound - ed, Re - viled and put to  
strife, And death with cru - el ri - gor, Be - reav - ing you of  
me With your most sweet com - pas - sion, Un - worth - y though I



scorn! Our sins have marred the glo - ry Of your most ho - ly  
life; O ag - o - ny and dy - ing! O love to sin - ners  
be: Be - neath your cross a - bid - ing For e - ver would I



face, Yet an - gel hosts a - dore you and trem - ble as they gaze.  
free! Je - sus, all grace sup - ply - ing, O turn your face on me.  
rest, In your dear love con - fid - ing, And with your pres - ence blest.

(Choir) *Christus factus est pro nobis obediens*

Felice Anerio  
(1560–1614)

*Christus factus est pro nobis obediens  
usque ad mortem,  
mortem autem crucis.  
Propter quod et Deus exaltavit illum,  
et dedit illi nomen  
quod est super omne nomen.*

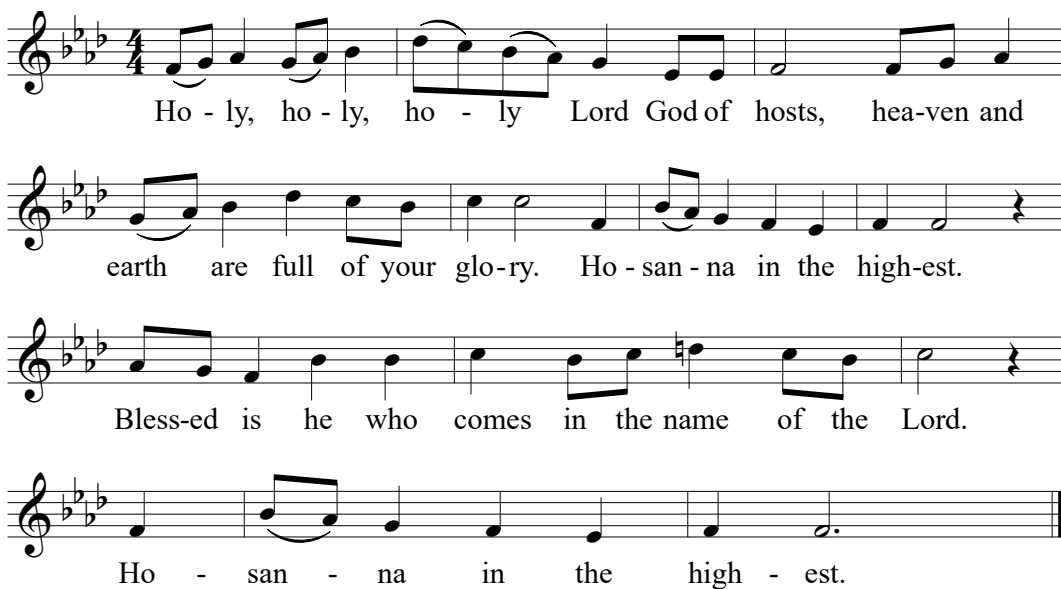
Christ became obedient for us  
unto death,  
even to death on a cross.  
Because of this, God highly exalted him,  
and bestowed upon him the name  
which is above every other name.

(Psalm 69:21–22)

## PREFACE

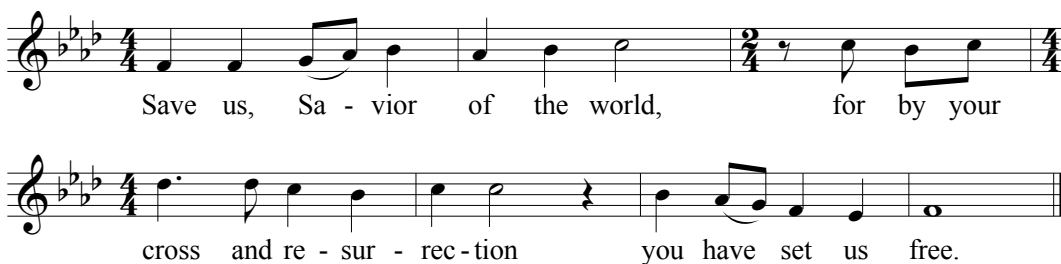
## PREFACE DIALOGUE

## PREFACE ACCLAMATION



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of hosts, hea-ven and  
earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho - san - na in the high-est.  
Bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Ho - san - na in the high - est.

## MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION



Save us, Sa - vior of the world, for by your  
cross and re - sur - rec - tion you have set us free.

## 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: grant us peace.

(Choir) *Missa in honorem Sancti Dominici*  
Agnus Dei

Edmund Rubbra  
(1901–1986)

## 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.

## COMMUNION ANTIPHON



Fa-ther, if this cup may not pass, but I must drink it,  
your will be done, your will be done.

“Sit here, while I go yonder to pray.”  
Then he began to feel sorrow and distress.

“My soul is saddened, even unto death.  
Stay here and keep vigil with me.

“Could you not keep vigil with me for one hour?  
Watch and pray that you may not be tempted.

“The Spirit indeed is willing,  
but the flesh is weak.

“Sleep on now, take your rest.  
Behold, the hour is at hand when the Son of Man  
will be betrayed and handed over to sinners.

“Arise, let us go.  
Look and behold: my betrayer is at hand.”

(Choir) *By the Cross of Jesus*

Herbert Sumsion  
(1899–1995)

Now there stood by the cross of Jesus his mother,  
and his mother’s sister Mary, the wife of Cleophas, and Mary Magdalene.  
When Jesus therefore saw his mother and the disciple standing by whom  
he loved he saith unto his mother: “Woman, behold thy Son.”  
Then said he to the disciple: “Behold thy Mother.”  
And from that hour the disciple took her unto his own home.

## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

### BLESSING AND DISMISSAL

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

Assembly: And with your spirit.

Deacon: Bow down for the blessing.

Celebrant: Look, we pray, O Lord, on this your family,  
for whom our Lord Jesus Christ  
did not hesitate to be delivered  
into the hands of the wicked  
and submit to the agony of the Cross.

Who lives and reigns forever and ever.

Assembly: Amen.

Celebrant: And may the blessing of almighty God,  
the Father, and the Son, ✠ and the Holy Spirit,  
come down on you and remain with you for ever.

Assembly: Amen.

Deacon: Go forth, the Mass is ended.

Assembly: Thanks be to God.

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

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.



## RECESSIONAL HYMN

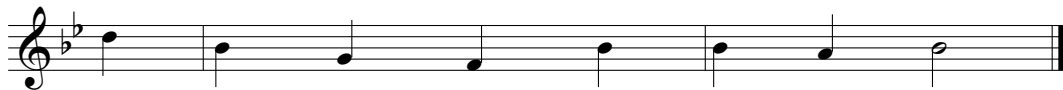
*We ask you to respect our custom of standing in place  
and singing the complete Recessional Hymn.*



1. Ride on, ride on in maj - est - y! Hark, all the tribes  
2. Ride on, ride on in maj - est - y! In low - ly pomp  
3. Ride on, ride on in maj - est - y! The spir - it arm -  
4. Ride on, ride on in maj - est - y! Thy last and fierc -  
5. Ride on, ride on in maj - est - y! In low - ly pomp



ho - san - na cry! Thy hum - ble beast pur - sues his road  
ride on to die: O Christ, Thy tri - umphs now be - gin  
ies of the sky Look down with awed and won-d'ring eyes  
est strife is nigh; The Fa - ther on His sap - phire throne  
ride on to die: Bow no - ble head to mor - tal pain,



With palms and scat - ter'd gar - ments strowed.  
O'er cap - tive death and con - quered sin.  
To see theap - proach - ing sac - ri - fice.  
Ex - pects His own a - noint - ed Son.  
Then take, O God, Thy pow'r and reign.

## POSTLUDE

*Vigil* vi. Finale from Symphonie No. 7, Op. 42

10:30

12:00

9:00

Fugue in A Minor, BWV 543/2

4:30

Wir gläuben all an einen Gott, BWV 680

Charles-Marie Widor

(1844–1937)

Johann Sebastian Bach

(1685–1750)

J.S. Bach

# HOLY WEEK AT THE BASILICA OF THE NATIONAL SHRINE

## WEEKDAY MASSES

*The Crypt Church*

Monday through Wednesday

7:00 A.M., 8:00 A.M., 12:10 P.M. and 5:15 P.M.



## SACRAMENT OF PENANCE

*Confessional Chapel*

Monday and Tuesday

9:00 A.M. to 12:00 P.M. and 3:00 to 5:00 P.M.

Wednesday through Saturday

9:00 A.M. to 12:00 P.M. and 1:00 to 5:00 P.M.



## HOLY THURSDAY

17 April 2025

*The Great Upper Church*

### CHORAL PRELUDE

5:30 P.M.

Choir of the Basilica of the National Shrine

Peter Latona, conductor

Benjamin LaPrairie, organist

### SOLEMN MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

6:00 P.M.

*His Eminence*

**CHRISTOPHE CARDINAL PIERRE**

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# GOOD FRIDAY

18 April 2025

*The Crypt Church*

7:00 A.M. to 6:00 P.M.

**EXPOSITION OF THE RELICS OF THE PASSION OF OUR LORD**

Paused for Stations of the Cross

from 11:45 A.M. to 1:00 P.M.

12:00 NOON

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS**

**REVEREND RAYMOND A. LEBRUN, O.M.I.**

Spiritual Director of the Basilica

*Presider*

*The Great Upper Church*

2:00 P.M.

**AN ORGAN MEDITATION ON THE PASSION**

Benjamin LaPrairie, organist

2:30 P.M.

**A CHORAL MEDITATION ON THE PASSION**

Choir of the Basilica of the National Shrine

Peter Latona, conductor

3:00 P.M.

**SOLEMN LITURGY OF THE LORD'S PASSION**

*His Eminence*

**CHRISTOPHE CARDINAL PIERRE**

Apostolic Nuncio to the United States of America

*Presider*

**REVEREND MONSIGNOR WALTER R. ROSSI**

Rector of the Basilica

*Celebrant and Homilist*

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# EASTER AT THE BASILICA OF THE NATIONAL SHRINE

## HOLY SATURDAY

19 April 2025

*The Great Upper Church*

8:00 P.M.

### THE EASTER VIGIL

*His Eminence*

**CHRISTOPHE CARDINAL PIERRE**

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## EASTER SUNDAY

20 April 2025

*The Great Upper Church*

Masses for the Day

7:30 A.M., 9:00 A.M., 10:30 A.M., 4:30 P.M.

### SOLEMN MASS

12:00 NOON

*His Eminence*

**ROBERT CARDINAL MCELROY**

Archbishop of Washington

*Principal Celebrant and Homilist*

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### SOLEMN MASS IN SPANISH

2:30 PM

*His Excellency*

**MOST REVEREND TIMOTHY P. BROGLIO**

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*We invite you to join us in celebrating Sung Vespers*  
**Sundays in Lent and Easter at 4:00 P.M.**  
(excluding Easter Sunday)  
4:30 P.M. Mass following  
Great Upper Church  
*All are welcome to this special celebration of*  
*Evening Prayer during the Seasons of Lent and Easter*



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