

**BASILICA OF THE NATIONAL SHRINE
OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION**



EVENING PRAYER

PALM SUNDAY OF THE LORD'S PASSION

29 MARCH 2026

4:00 P.M.

ORDER OF CEREMONY

INTRODUCTORY RITE

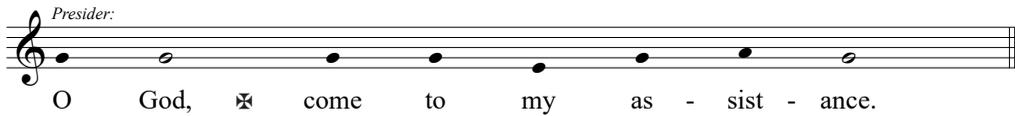
PROCESSION

All stand.

INTRODUCTORY VERSE

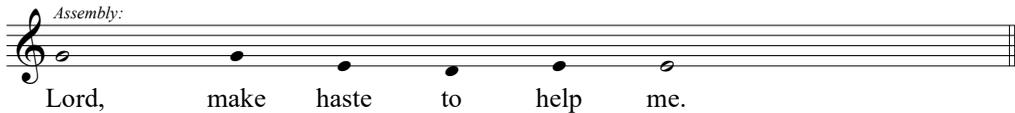
All sign themselves in the form of the cross.

Presider:



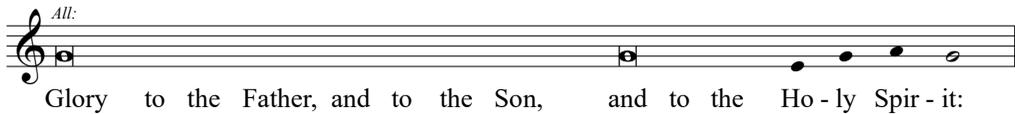
O God, ✠ come to my as - sist - ance.

Assembly:

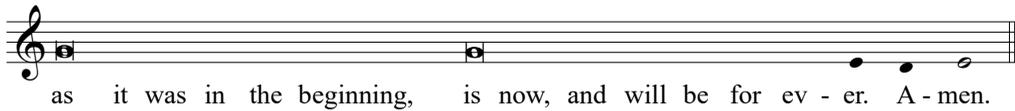


Lord, make haste to help me.

All:



Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Ho - ly Spir - it:



as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ev - er. A - men.

HYMN



1. There is a green hill far a - way, Out - side
2. He died that we might be for-giv'n, he died
3. O dear - ly, dear - ly has he loved, and we



a ci - ty wall, where the dear Lord was cru - ci - fied,
to make us good, that we might go at last to heav'n,
must love him too, and trust in his re - deem - ing blood,



who died to save us all. We may not know, we
saved by his pre - cious blood. There was no oth - er
and try his works to do. Let God the Fa - ther,



can - not tell what pains he had to bear, but we be - lieve
good e - nough to pay the price of sin; he on - ly could
and the Son, and Spi - rit be a - dored, where there are works



it was for us he hung and suf - fered there.
un - lock the gate of heav'n, and let us in.
to make him known or saints to love the Lord.

PSALM 115

Antiphon: The blood of Christ washes away our sins
and makes us worthy to serve the living God.



(Schola) Not to us, Lord, *not* to us,
but to your name give *the* glory
for the sake of your love *and* your truth,
lest the heathen say: “Where is *their* God?”

(All) But our God is *in* the heavens;
he does whatever *he* wills.
Their idols are *silver* and gold,
the work of *human* hands.

(Schola) They have mouths but they *cannot* speak;
they have eyes but they *cannot* see;
they have ears but they *cannot* hear;
They have nostrils but they *cannot* smell.

(All) With their hands they *cannot* feel;
with their feet they *cannot* walk.
No sound comes *from* their throats.
Their makers will come to be like them
and so will all who trust *in* them.

(Schola) Sons of Israel, trust *in* the Lord;
he is their help and *their* shield.
Sons of Aaron, trust *in* the Lord;
he is their help and *their* shield.

(All) You who fear him, trust *in* the Lord;
he is their help and *their* shield.
He remembers us, and *he* will bless us;
he will bless the sons of Israel.
He will bless the sons *of* Aaron.

(Schola) When he was made to suffer,
he did not counterter with threats.
Instead he delivered himself up
to the One who judges justly.

(All) In his own body
he brought your sins to the cross,
so that all of us, dead to sin,
could live in accord with God's will.

(Schola) By his wounds you were healed.

(All) Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

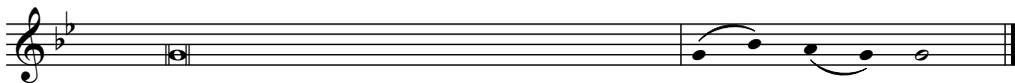
Antiphon: Christ bore our sins in his own body on the cross
so that we might die to sin and be alive to all that is good.

READING

Acts 13:26–30

My brothers, it was to us that this message of salvation was sent forth. The inhabitants of Jerusalem and their rulers failed to recognize him, and in condemning him they fulfilled the words of the prophets which we read sabbath after sabbath. Even though they found no charge against him which deserved death, they begged Pilate to have him executed. Once they had brought about all that had been written of him, they took him down from the tree and laid him in a tomb. Yet God raised him from the dead.

RESPONSORY



We worship you, O Christ / and we praise you.

Cantor: We worship you, O Christ, and we praise you.

All: We worship you, O Christ, and we praise you.

Cantor: Because by your cross you have redeemed the world,

All: We praise you.

Cantor: Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:

All: We worship you, O Christ, and we praise you.

MAGNIFICAT

Luke 1:46–55

All stand.

Antiphon: It is written: I will strike the shepherd and his flock shall be scattered. But when I have risen, I will go before you into Galilee. There you shall see me, says the Lord.



- (Cantor) Magnificat ✠
 (All) anima mea Dominum:
- (Schola) et exsultavit spiritus meus
 in Deo salutari meo.
- (All) Quia respexit humilitatem ancillæ suæ:
 Ecce enim ex hoc beatam me dicent omnes generationes.
- (Schola) Quia fecit mihi magna qui potens est:
 et sanctum nomen eius.
- (All) Et misericordia eius a progenie in progenies
 timentibus eum.
- (Schola) Fecit potentiam in brachio suo:
 dispersit superbos mente cordis sui.
- (All) Deposuit potentes de sede
 et exaltavit humiles.
- (Schola) Esurientes implevit bonis:
 et divites dimisit inanes.
- (All) Suscepit, Israel puerum suum,
 recordatus misericordiae suæ.
- (Schola) Sicut locutus est ad patres nostros,
 Abraham, et semini eius in sæcula.
- (All) Gloria Patri et Filio,
 et Spiritui Sancto.
 Sicut erat in principio, et nunc, et semper,
 et in sæcula, sæculorum. Amen.

Antiphon: It is written: I will strike the shepherd and his flock shall be scattered. But when I have risen, I will go before you into Galilee. There you shall see me, says the Lord.

INTERCESSIONS

All remain standing.

Presider: The Savior of mankind by dying destroyed death
and by rising again restored life.
Let us humbly ask him:

All: Sanctify your people, redeemed by your blood.

Lector: Redeemer of the world, give us a greater share of your passion
through a deeper spirit of repentance,

All: so that we may share the glory of your resurrection.

Lector: May your Mother, comfort of the afflicted, protect us,

All: may we console others as you console us.

Lector: Look with love on those who suffer because of our indifference,

All: come to their aid, and turn our uncaring hearts to works of justice and charity.

Lector: You humbled yourself by being obedient even to accepting death,
death on a cross,

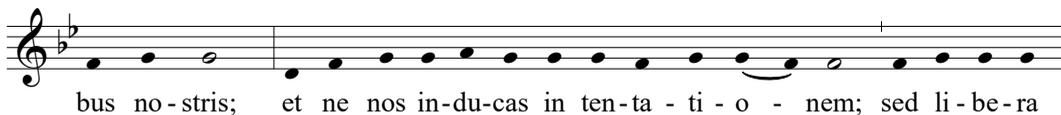
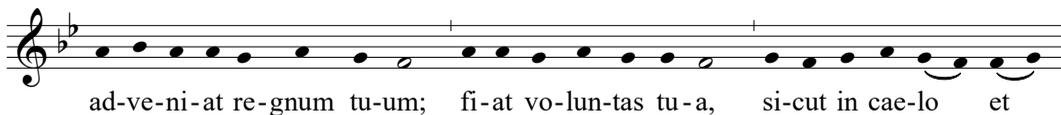
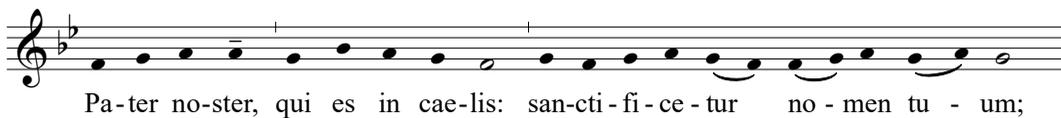
All: give all who serve you the gifts of obedience and patient endurance.

Lector: Transform the bodies of the dead to be like your own in glory,

All: and bring us at last into their fellowship.

LORD'S PRAYER

Presider: Præceptis salutaribus moniti, et divina institutione formati, audemus dicere:



PRAYER

Presider: Almighty ever-living God,
who as an example of humility for the human race to follow
caused our Savior to take flesh and submit to the Cross,
graciously grant that we may heed his lesson of patient suffering
and so merit a share in his Resurrection.

Who lives and reigns with you
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
God, for ever and ever.

All: Amen.

Presider: The Lord be with you.

All: And with your spirit.

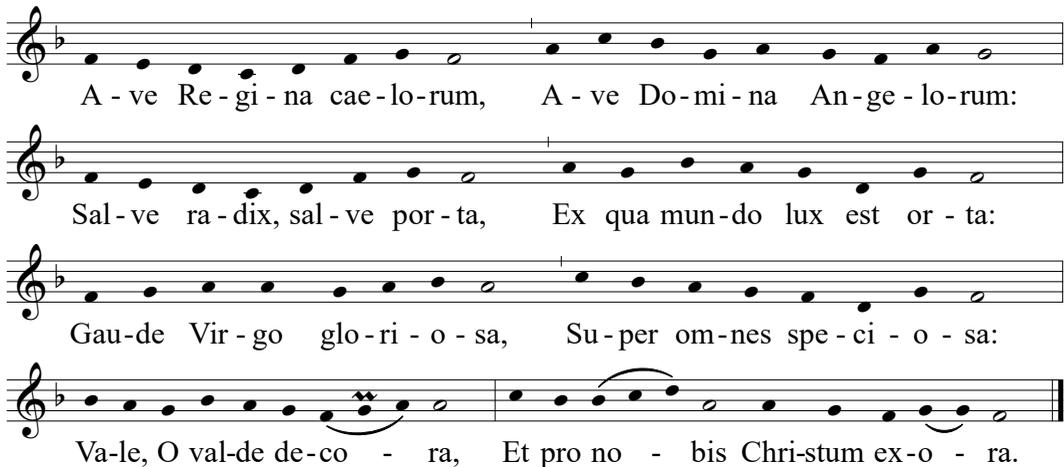
Presider: May almighty God bless you,
the Father, and the Son, ✠ and the Holy Spirit.

All: Amen.

Presider: Go in peace.

All: Thanks be to God.

MARIAN ANTIPHON



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.

*Hail, O Queen of Heaven, Hail, O Lady of Angels:
Hail, thou root, Hail, thou gate from whom unto the world, a light has arisen:
Rejoice, O glorious Virgin, Lovely beyond all others:
Farewell, most beautiful maiden, And pray for us to Christ.*

HOLY WEEK
AT THE BASILICA OF THE NATIONAL SHRINE

WEEKDAY MASSES

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 A.M. to 12 P.M. and 3 P.M. to 5 P.M.

Wednesday through Saturday: 9 A.M. to 12 P.M. and 1 P.M. to 5 P.M.



HOLY THURSDAY

2 April 2026

The Great Upper Church

CHORAL PRELUDE

5:30 P.M.

Choir of the Basilica of the National Shrine

Peter Latona, *conductor*

Adam Chlebek, *organist*

SOLEMN MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

6:00 P.M.

His Eminence

CHRISTOPHE CARDINAL PIERRE

Apostolic Nuncio to the United States of America

Principal Celebrant and Homilist

Broadcast live by the Eternal Word Television Network

GOOD FRIDAY

3 April 2026

The Crypt Church

12:00 P.M.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

REVEREND MONSIGNOR VITO A. BUONANNO

Director of Pilgrimages

Presider

1:00 P.M. to 5:30 P.M.

EXPOSITION OF THE RELICS OF THE PASSION OF OUR LORD

The Great Upper Church

2:00 P.M.

AN ORGAN MEDITATION ON THE PASSION

Benjamin LaPrairie and Adam Chlebek, *organists*

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

4 April 2026

The Great Upper Church

8:00 P.M.

THE EASTER VIGIL

His Eminence

CHRISTOPHE CARDINAL PIERRE

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EASTER SUNDAY

5 April 2026

The Great Upper Church

Masses for the Day

7:30 A.M. (Crypt Church), 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

Broadcast live by the Eternal Word Television Network

MISA SOLEMNE (EN ESPAÑOL)

2:30 P.M.

Su Excelencia

REVERENDÍSIMO TIMOTHY P. BROGLIO

Arzobispo para los Servicios Militares de los Estados Unidos

Celebrante Principal y Homilista

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THE SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

12 April 2026

The Great Upper Church

4:30 P.M. (Vigil)

7:30 A.M. (Crypt Church), 9:00 A.M., 10:30 A.M., 4:30 P.M.

DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET

11:45 A.M.

SOLEMN MASS

12:00 NOON

His Eminence

DONALD CARDINAL WUERL

Archbishop Emeritus of Washington

Principal Celebrant and Homilist

CORONILLA DE LA DIVINA MISERICORDIA (EN ESPAÑOL)

2:00 P.M.

MISA SOLEMNE (EN ESPAÑOL)

2:30 P.M.

Su Excelencia

REVERENDÍSIMO EVELIO MENJIVAR-AYALA

Obispo Auxiliar de Washington

Celebrante Principal y Homilista

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SOLEMN VESPERS

4:00 P.M.

SUNG VESPERS AT THE BASILICA

We invite you to join us in celebrating Sung Vespers

Sundays in 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 Season of Easter*

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Rev. Msgr. Walter R. Rossi
Rector of the Basilica

Rev. Msgr. Vito A. Buonanno
Rev. Ismael N. Ayala
Rev. Andrew Knop, O.M.I.
Priests of the Basilica

Deacon Joseph Pak
Deacon Timothy Wolfkill
Deacon Yannick Allepot
Deacons

Peter Latona, D.M.A., *Director of Music*
Benjamin J. LaPrairie, M.M., *Associate Director of Music*
Adam S. Chlebek, M.M., *Assistant Director of Music*
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Liturgical Ministers of the Basilica of the National Shrine
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