

BASILICA OF THE NATIONAL SHRINE
OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION



EVENING PRAYER

THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

17 MAY 2026

4:00 P.M.

ORDER OF CEREMONY

His Excellency

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Presider

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.

Al - le - lu - ia.

HYMN



1. O Lord most high, e - ter - nal king, By thee re -
2. A - scend - ing to the Fa - ther's throne Thou claim'st the
3. In awe and won - der an - gels see How changed is
4. Be thou our joy, O might - y Lord, As thou wilt
5. All praise from ev - 'ry heart and tongue To thee, a -



deemed thy praise we sing. The bonds of death are burst by
king - dom as thine own; Thy days of mor - tal weak - ness
man's e - state by thee, How flesh makes pure as flesh did
be our great re - ward; Let all our glo - ry be in
scend - ed Lord, be sung; All praise to God the Fa - ther



thee, And grace has won the vic - to - ry.
o'er All pow'r is thine for - ev - er - more.
stain, And thou, true God, in flesh dost reign.
thee Both now and through e - ter - ni - ty.
be And Ho - ly Ghost e - ter - nal - ly.

PSALMODY

All sit.

PSALM 110:1–5, 7

Antiphon: He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father, alleluia.



(Schola) The Lord's revelation to my Master:
"Sit on my right:
your foes I will put beneath your feet."

(All) The Lord will wield from Zion
your scepter of power:
rule in the midst of all your foes.

(Schola) A prince from the day of your birth
on the holy mountains;
from the womb before the dawn I begot you.

(All) The Lord has sworn an oath he will not change.
"You are a priest for ever,
a priest like Melchizedek of old."

(Schola) The Master standing at your right hand
will shatter kings in the day of his great wrath.

(All) He shall drink from the stream by the wayside
and therefore he shall lift up his head.

(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: He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father, alleluia.

PSALM 47

Antiphon: God ascends to shouts of joy, the Lord to the blast of trumpets, alleluia.



(Schola) All peoples, clap your hands,
cry to God with shouts of joy!
For the Lord, the Most High, we must fear,
great king over all the earth.

(All) He subdues peoples under us
and nations under our feet.
Our inheritance, our glory, is from him,
given to Jacob out of love.

(Schola) God goes up with shouts of joy;
the Lord goes up with trumpet blast.
Sing praise for God, sing praise,
sing praise to our king, sing praise.

(All) God is king of all the earth,
sing praise with all your skill.
God is king over the nations;
God reigns on his holy throne.

(Schola) The princes of the people are assembled
with the people of Abraham's God.
The rulers of the earth belong to God,
to God who reigns over all.

(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: God ascends to shouts of joy, the Lord to the blast of trumpets, alleluia.

CANTICLE

Revelation 11:17–18; 12:10b–12a

Antiphon: Now the Son of Man has been glorified
and God has been glorified in him, alleluia.



(Schola) We praise you, the Lord God Almighty,
who is and who was.
You have assumed your great power,
you have begun your reign.

(All) The nations have raged in anger,
but then came your day of wrath
and the moment to judge the dead:
The time to reward your servants the prophets
and the holy ones who revere you,
the great and the small alike.

(Schola) Now have salvation and power come,
the reign of our God and the authority
of his Anointed One.
For the accuser of our brothers is cast out,
who night and day accused them before God.

(All) They defeated him by the blood of the Lamb
and by the word of their testimony;
love for life did not deter them from death.
So rejoice, you heavens,
and you that dwell therein!

(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.

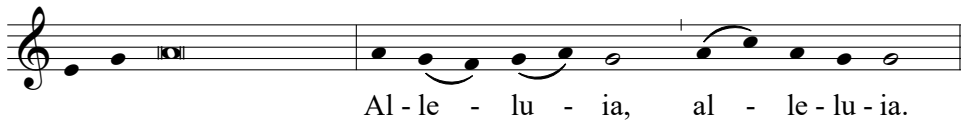
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READING

I Peter 3:18, 22

The reason why Christ died for sins once for all, the just man for the sake of the unjust, was that he might lead you to God. He was put to death insofar as fleshly existence goes, but was given life in the realm of the spirit. He went to heaven and is at God's right hand, with angelic rulers and powers subjected to him.

RESPONSORY



- Cantor: I am ascending to my Father and your Father, alleluia, alleluia.
- All: I am ascending to my Father and your Father, alleluia, alleluia.**

- Cantor: To my God and your God,
- All: alleluia, alleluia.**

- Cantor: Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:
- All: I am ascending to my Father and your Father, alleluia, alleluia.**

MAGNIFICAT

Luke 1:46–55

All stand.

Antiphon: O Victor King, Lord of power and might,
today you have ascended in glory above the heavens.
Do not leave us orphans, but send us the Father's promised gift,
the Spirit of truth, alleluia.



- (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 Spiritu Sancto.
Sicut erat in principio, et nunc, et semper,
et in sæcula, sæculorum. Amen.

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today you have ascended in glory above the heavens.
Do not leave us orphans, but send us the Father's promised gift,
the Spirit of truth, alleluia.

INTERCESSIONS

All remain standing.

Archbishop: In joy of spirit let us acclaim Christ, who sits at the right hand of the Father:
All: Lord Jesus, you are the King of glory.

Lector: King of glory, you took with you our frail humanity to be glorified in heaven;
remove the sins of the world,
All: and restore us to the innocence which was ours before the Fall.

Lector: You came down from heaven on a pilgrimage of love,
All: grant that we may take the same path to your presence.

Lector: You promised to draw all things to yourself,
All: do not allow any one of us to be separated from your body.

Lector: Where you have gone before us in glory,
All: may we follow you in mind and heart.

Lector: True God, we await your coming as our judge,
**All: may we see the vision of your glory and your mercy
in company with all the dead.**

LORD'S PRAYER

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

Pa-ter no-ster, qui es in cae-lis: san-cti-fi-ce-tur no-men tu - um;

ad-ve-ni-at re-gnum tu-um; fi-at vo-lun-tas tu-a, si-cut in cae-lo et

in ter - ra. Pa-nem no-strum co-ti-di-a-num da no-bis ho-di-e;

et di-mit-te no-bis de-bi-ta no-stra, si-cut et nos di-mit-ti-mus de-bi-to-ri-

bus no-stris; et ne nos in-du-cas in ten-ta-ti-o-nem; sed li-be-ra

nos a ma - lo.

PRAYER

Archbishop: Grant, we pray, almighty God,
that we, who believe that your Only Begotten Son,
our Redeemer,
ascended this day to the heavens,
may in spirit dwell already in heavenly realms.

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

All: Amen.

Archbishop: The Lord be with you.

All: And with your spirit.

Archbishop: Blessed be the name of the Lord.

All: Now and for ever.

Archbishop: Our help is in the name of the Lord.

All: Who made heaven and earth.

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

All: Amen.

Deacon: Go in peace.

All: Thanks be to God.

MARIAN ANTIPHON



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.*



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