

Saint Thomas's Church
The First Sunday in Advent
Sunday, December 3, 2023
High Mass at 11:00 am



The Last Judgement, Hieronymus Bosch, 1482
The Academy of Fine Arts, Vienna

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Welcome!

On behalf of everyone who claims St. Thomas's as their spiritual home, we are happy you are with us, whether in person or via our livestream. If you are a visitor or newcomer, or even a longtime parishioner, but find it awkward or difficult to stand or kneel at the places indicated, remaining seated is perfectly acceptable. Please assume the posture most conducive to prayer throughout this service, or simply observe.

St. Thomas's has many peculiar ways that we cherish and are happy to share. If there seems to be no rhyme or reason for something, there might not be! But feel free to ask anyone after the service; it usually makes for entertaining conversation.

You are not obliged to engage any of us in conversation, though you should know that pretty much everyone here is happy to do so when we gather. You can always slip away without any judgement, though we hope you will avail yourself of **coffee hour in the parish hall** following this service, if possible. We seem to have a lot of introverts here, so we understand the energy it takes to put yourself out there. Even if you're a raging extrovert, the experience of church can be disorienting. Relax and be yourself. Believe it or not, whether from near or far, God has led you here today. We want to honour what God is up to in your life, and we are here for you as you (re-) discover the joy and the challenge of the saving Gospel of Jesus Christ.

Fr. Nathan Humphrey, Rector

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Celebrant: Fr. Nathan Humphrey
Deacon & Homilist: Fr. James Shire
Reader: James Meade
Organist & Choirmaster: Elizabeth Anderson
Assistant Organist & Choirmaster: Manuel Piazza

MUSIC OF THE MASS

Missa Jesu Redemptor XIV

VOLUNTARY

Es ist ein Ros' entsprungen, Johannes Brahms (1833-1897)

THE LITANY



have mer - cy up - on us.

O God the Father, Creator of heaven and earth : have mercy upon us.

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O God the Son, Redeemer of the world : have mercy upon us.

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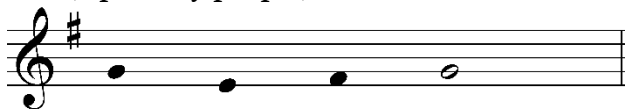
O God the Holy Ghost, Sanctifier of the faithful: have mercy upon us.

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O holy, blessed, and glorious Trinity, three Persons and one God :
have mercy upon us.

**O holy, blessed, and glorious Trinity, three Persons and one God:
have mercy upon us.**

Remember not, Lord, our offences, nor the offences of our forefathers; spare us, good
Lord, spare thy people, whom thou hast redeemed with thy most precious blood.



Spare us, good Lord.

From all evil and mischief; from sin, from the crafts and assaults of the devil;
from thy wrath, and from everlasting condemnation,



Good Lord, de - liv - er us.

From all blindness of heart; from pride, vainglory, and hypocrisy;
from envy, hatred, and malice, and all uncharitableness,

Good Lord, deliver us.

From all uncleanness in thought, word, and deed; and from all the deceits of the
world, the flesh, and the devil,

Good Lord, deliver us.

From lightning and tempest; from earthquake, fire, and flood; from plague,
pestilence, and famine; from battle and murder, and from sudden death,

Good Lord, deliver us.

From all sedition, conspiracy, and rebellion; from all false doctrine, heresy, and
schism; from hardness of heart, and contempt of thy Word and Commandment,

Good Lord, deliver us.

By the mystery of thy holy Incarnation; by thy holy Nativity; by thy Baptism,
Fasting, and Temptation,

Good Lord, deliver us.

By thine Agony and bloody Sweat;
by thy Cross and Passion; by thy precious Death and Burial,

Good Lord, deliver us.

By thy glorious Resurrection and Ascension; by thy sending of the Holy Spirit;
by thy heavenly Intercession; and by thy Coming again in glory,

Good Lord, deliver us.

In all times of tribulation; in all times of prosperity;
in the hour of death, and in the day of judgement,

Good Lord, deliver us.

We sinners do beseech thee to hear us, O Lord God: and that it may please thee to rule and govern thy holy Church universal in the right way.



We be - seech thee, good Lord.

To keep and strengthen in the true worshipping of thee, in holiness of life, and in devotion to his people, thy servant Charles, our most gracious King and Governor,
We beseech thee, good Lord.

To be his defender and keeper, giving him the victory over all his enemies,
We beseech thee, good Lord.

To bless and preserve Queen Camilla, William, Prince of Wales, the Princess of Wales, and all the Royal Family,
We beseech thee, good Lord.

To give to Andrew our bishop, to Kevin and Riscylla his suffragans, and all Bishops, Priests, and Deacons, true knowledge and understanding of thy Word; and that both by their preaching and living they may set it forth and show it accordingly,
We beseech thee, good Lord.

To send forth labourers into thy harvest; to prosper their work by thy Holy Spirit; to make thy saving health known unto all nations; and to hasten thy kingdom,
We beseech thee, good Lord.

To bless the people of our Country and the Commonwealth, and to endue those set in authority with grace, wisdom, and understanding,
We beseech thee, good Lord.

To bless and guide the Judges and Magistrates, giving them grace to execute justice, and to maintain truth,
We beseech thee, good Lord.

To bless and keep the King's forces by sea, and land, and air, and to shield them in all dangers and adversities,
We beseech thee, good Lord.

To give to all nations unity, peace, and concord, that they may serve thee without fear,
We beseech thee, good Lord.

To bless and protect all who serve mankind by their labour and learning,
We beseech thee, good Lord.

To preserve all that travel, all women labouring of child, all sick persons and young children; and to show thy pity upon all prisoners and captives,

We beseech thee, good Lord.

To defend, and provide for, all widows and orphans, and all who are desolate and oppressed,

We beseech thee, good Lord.

To bless and keep all thy people,

We beseech thee, good Lord.

To give to all thy people increase of grace, to hear meekly thy Word, and to receive it with pure affection, and to bring forth the fruit of the Spirit,

We beseech thee, good Lord.

To bring into the way of truth all who have erred and are deceived,

We beseech thee, good Lord.

To strengthen such as do stand; to encourage the faint-hearted; to raise up those who fall; and finally to beat down Satan under our feet,

We beseech thee, good Lord.

To succour, help, and comfort all that are in danger, necessity, and tribulation,

We beseech thee, good Lord.

To have mercy upon all men,

We beseech thee, good Lord.

To give and preserve to our use the kindly fruits of the earth, so that in due time we may enjoy them,

We beseech thee, good Lord.

To forgive our enemies, persecutors, and slanderers, and to turn their hearts,

We beseech thee, good Lord.

To give us true repentance; to forgive us all our sins, negligences, and ignorances; and to endue us with the grace of thy Holy Spirit, to amend our lives according to thy holy Word,

We beseech thee, good Lord.

Son of God, we beseech thee to hear us.



The People kneel. The Choir alone sings the Kyrie.

KYRIE ELEISON

Lord, have mercy upon us.
Christ, have mercy upon us.
Lord, have mercy upon us.

Kyrie Eleison.
Christe Eleison.
Kyrie Eleison.

The People remain kneeling for the Collect.

COLLECT OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you.
And with thy spirit.
Let us pray.

Almighty God, give us grace that we may cast away the works of darkness, and put upon us the armour of light, now in the time of this mortal life, in which thy Son Jesus Christ came to visit us in great humility; that in the last day, when he shall come again in his glorious Majesty, to judge both the quick and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal; through him who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, now and ever. **Amen.**

The People sit.

FIRST LESSON

Isaiah 64.1-9

The First Lesson is written in the sixty-fourth chapter of the book of the prophet Isaiah, beginning at the first verse.

O that you would tear open the heavens and come down, so that the mountains would quake at your presence - as when fire kindles brushwood and the fire causes water to boil - to make your name known to your adversaries, so that the nations might tremble at your presence! When you did awesome deeds that we did not expect, you came down, the mountains quaked at your presence. From ages past no one has heard, no ear has perceived, no eye has seen any God besides you, who works for those who wait for him. You meet those who gladly do right, those who remember you in your ways. But you were angry, and we sinned; because you hid yourself we transgressed. We have all become like one who is unclean, and all our righteous deeds are like a filthy cloth. We all fade like a leaf, and our iniquities, like the wind, take us away. There is no one who calls on your name, or attempts to take hold of you; for you have hidden your face from us, and have delivered us into the hand of our iniquity. Yet, O Lord, you are our Father; we are the clay, and you are our potter; we are all the work of your hand. Do not be exceedingly angry, O Lord, and do not remember iniquity for ever. Now consider, we are all your people.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

The People remain seated for the Psalm.

PSALM 80.1-7, 17-19

Qui regis Israel

IV. 4.



- Cantor* 1 HEAR, O thou Shepherd of Israel,
thou that leadest Joseph **like** a flock :
- People* show thyself also, thou that sittest **up-on** the cher-u²bim.
- 2 Before Ephraim, Benjamin, **and** Man-as-seh :
stir up thy strength, **and** come and help us.
- Cantor* 3 Turn us a-**gain**, O God :
show the light of thy countenance, **and** we shall be whole.
- People* 4 O Lord **God** of hosts :
how long wilt thou be angry with thy **peo-ple** that pray-eth?
- Cantor* 5 Thou hast fed them with the **bread** of tears :
and hast given them plen-**teous-ness** of tears to[^]drink.
- People* 6 Thou makest us a very strife un-**to** our neigh-bours :
and our ene-**mies** laugh us to scorn.
- Cantor* 7 Turn us again, O **God** of hosts :
show the light of thy countenance, **and** we shall be whole.
- People* 17 Let thy hand be upon the man **of** thy right hand :
and upon the son of man, whom thou madest so **strong**
for thine own self.
- Cantor* 18 And so shall we not go **back** from thee :
O let us live, and we will **call** up-on thy Name.
- People* 19 Turn us again, O Lord **God** of hosts :
show the light of thy countenance, **and** we shall be whole.

THE EPISTLE

1 Corinthians 1.3-9

The Epistle is written in in the first chapter of St Paul's first epistle to the Corinthians, beginning at the third verse.

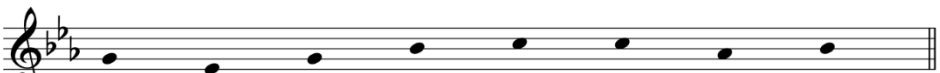
Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that has been given you in Christ Jesus, for in every way you have been enriched in him, in speech and knowledge of every kind - just as the testimony of Christ has been strengthened among you - so that you are not lacking in any spiritual gift as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ. He will also strengthen you to the end, so that you may be blameless on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. God is faithful; by him you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.


The People stand.

SEQUENCE HYMN 66

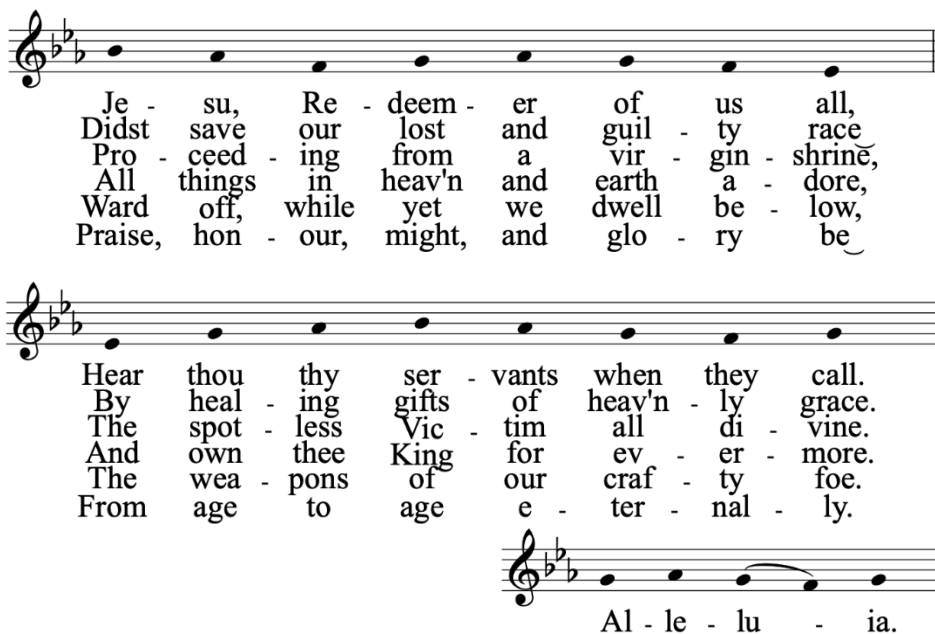
Creator of the starry height



All 1. Cre - a - tor of the star - ry height,
Lower Voices 2. Thou, sorr'w - ing at the help - less cry
Upper Voices 3. Thou cam'st, the Bride - groom of the bride,
Lower Voices 4. At thy great Name, ex - alt - ed now,
Upper Voices 5. To thee, O Ho - ly One, we pray,
All 6. To God the Fa - ther, God the Son,



Thy peo - ple's ev - er - last - ing Light,
Of all cre - a - tion doomed to die,
As drew the world to ev - en - tide;
All knees in low - ly hom - age bow;
Our Judge in that tre - men - dous day,
and God the Spi - rit, Three in One,



Je - su, Re - deem - er of us all,
 Didst save our lost and guilty race,
 Pro - ceed - ing from a vir - gin - shrine,
 All things in heav'n and earth a - dore,
 Ward off, while yet we dwell be - low,
 Praise, hon - our, might, and glo - ry be -

Hear thou thy ser - vants when they call.
 By heal - ing gifts of heav'n - ly grace.
 The spot - less Vic - tim all di - vine.
 And own thee King for ev - er - more.
 The wea - pons of our craf - ty foe.
 From age to age e - ter - nal - ly.

Al - le - lu - ia.

*CONDITOR ALME SIDERUM
 Sarum Plainsong, 7th cent.*

*From the Latin (c 6th cent.)
 Tr. Rev. J.M. Neale 1818-66*

THE HOLY GOSPEL

Mark 13.24-37

The Lord be with you.

And with thy spirit.

The Holy Gospel is written in the thirteenth chapter of the Gospel according to Saint Mark, beginning at the twenty-fourth verse.

Glory be to thee Q Lord.

Jesus said, 'But in those days, after that suffering, the sun will be darkened, and the moon will not give its light, and the stars will be falling from heaven, and the powers in the heavens will be shaken. Then they will see "the Son of Man coming in clouds" with great power and glory. Then he will send out the angels, and gather his elect from the four winds, from the ends of the earth to the ends of heaven.

'From the fig tree learn its lesson: as soon as its branch becomes tender and puts forth its leaves, you know that summer is near. So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that he is near, at the very gates. Truly I tell you, this

generation will not pass away until all these things have taken place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.

‘But about that day or hour no one knows, neither the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. Beware, keep alert; for you do not know when the time will come. It is like a man going on a journey, when he leaves home and puts his slaves in charge, each with his work, and commands the doorkeeper to be on the watch. Therefore, keep awake - for you do not know when the master of the house will come, in the evening, or at midnight, or at cockcrow, or at dawn, or else he may find you asleep when he comes suddenly. And what I say to you I say to all: Keep awake.’

The Gospel of Christ.

Praise be to thee, O Christ.

The People sit at the invitation of the Preacher.

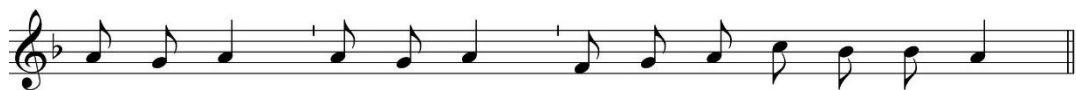
SERMON

The People stand to sing the Creed. All who are able to kneel, please do so at “and was incarnate,” rising after “and was made man.”

THE NICENE CREED

Merbecke

I be-lieve in one God: The Fa-ther Al-migh-ty, Ma-ker of hea-ven and earth,
and of all things vi - si - ble and in - vi - si - ble:
And in one Lord Je - sus Christ, the on - ly be - got - ten Son of God,
Be - got - ten of the Fa - ther be - fore all worlds;



God of God, Light of Light, Ve - ry God of ve - ry God;



Be - got - ten, not made; Be - ing of one sub - stance with the Fa - ther;



Through whom all things were made. Who for us men and for our sal - va - tion



came down from Heaven,



And was in - car - nate by the Ho - ly Ghost of the Vir - gin Ma - ry, And was made man.



And was cru - ci - fi - ed al - so for us un - der Pon - tius Pi - late.



He suf - fer - red and was bu - ri - ed, And the third day he rose a - gain



ac - cord - ing to the Scrip - tures, And as - cend - ed in - to heaven,



And sit - teth on the right hand of the Fa - ther,



And he shall come a - gain with glo - ry to judge both the quick and the dead:



Whose king - dom shall have no end. And I be - lieve in the Ho - ly Ghost, the Lord,




the Giv - er of life, Who pro - ceed - eth from the Fa - ther and the Son,



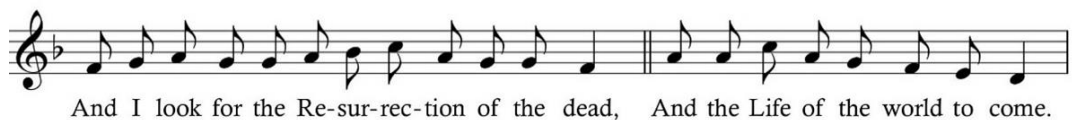
Who with the Fa - ther and the Son to - geth - er is wor - ship - ped and glo - ri - fied,



Who spake by the Pro - phets. And I be - lieve One, Ho - ly, Ca - tho - lic, and A - pos - to - lic Church.



I ac - know - ledge one Bap - tism for the re - mis - sion of sins.



And I look for the Re - sur - rec - tion of the dead, And the Life of the world to come.



A - men.

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

As we have opportunity, let us do good unto all men; and especially unto them that are of the household of faith.

The People remain standing for the hymn.

OFFERTORY HYMN 60

Lo! he comes with clouds descending



1. Lo! he comes with clouds des - cen - ding,
2. Ev - ery eye shall now be - hold him
3. Those dear to - kens of his Pas - sion
4. Now re - demp - tion, long ex - pec - ted.
5. Yea, a - men, let all a - dore thee.



Once for fa - voured sin - ners slain;
Robed in dread - ful ma - je - sty:
Still his daz - zling bo - dy bears,
See in so - lemn pomp ap - pear;
High on thine e - ter - nal throne;



Thou - sand thou - sand saints at - ten - ding
Those who set at nought and sold him,
Cause of end - less ex - ul - ta - tion
All his saints, by man re - jec - ted,
Sa - viour, take the pow'r and glo - ry,



Swell the tri - umph of his train:
Pierced and nailed him to the tree,
To his ran - somed wor - ship - pers:
Now shall meet him in the air:
Claim the king - dom for thine own:



Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!
Deep - ly wail - ing, Deep - ly wail - ing,
With what rap - ture, With what rap - ture,
Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!
Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

Music continues. . . Turn page!



Al - le - lu - ia! Christ ap - pears on earth a - gain.
Deep - ly wail - ing, Shall the true Mes - si - ah see.
With what rap - ture Gaze we on those glo - rious scars!
Al - le - lu - ia! See the day of God ap - pear.
Al - le - lu - ia! Thou shalt reign, and thou a - lone!

HELMSLEY

T. Olivers, 1765, and M. Madan, 1769

Rev. John Cennick and Rev. Charles Wesley, altd. Rev M. Madan, 1760

The People remain standing as the thurifer approaches for the censuring.

PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

Blessed be thou, Lord God of Israel, for ever and ever. All that is in the heaven and in the earth is thine. All things come of thee, and of thine own have we given thee. **Amen.**

INTENTIONS OF THE MASS

The Deacon reads the Intentions and bids the People's additions, silently or aloud.

INVITATION, CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Ye that do truly and earnestly repent you of your sins, and are in love and charity with your neighbours, and intend to lead the new life, following the commandments of God, and walking from henceforth in his holy ways: Draw near with faith, and take this holy Sacrament to your comfort; and make your humble confession to Almighty God, meekly kneeling upon your knees.

Almighty God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, Maker of all things, Judge of all men: We acknowledge and confess our manifold sins and wickedness, Which we from time to time most grievously have committed, By thought, word, and deed, Against thy Divine Majesty. We do earnestly repent, And are heartily sorry for these our misdoings. Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; For thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, Forgive us all that is past; And grant that we may ever hereafter Serve and please thee In newness of life, To the honour and glory of thy Name; Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Celebrant alone stands to impart the Absolution.

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all them that with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto him: Have mercy upon you; pardon and deliver you from all your sins; confirm and strengthen you in all goodness; and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The People remain kneeling.

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

The musical notation consists of three staves, each with a treble clef and a key signature of two flats (B-flat and E-flat). The first staff is divided into two parts: the left part is labeled 'Celebrant' and the right part is labeled 'People'. The lyrics are: 'The Lord be with you; And with thy spirit.' The second staff is also divided into two parts: 'Celebrant' and 'People'. The lyrics are: 'Lift up your hearts; We lift them up unto the Lord.' The third staff is divided into two parts: 'Celebrant' and 'People'. The lyrics are: 'Let us give thanks unto our Lord God; It is meet and right so to do.'

It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, Holy Father, Almighty, Everlasting God, Creator and Preserver of all things through Jesus Christ our Lord, who in the fullness of time came among us in our flesh and opened to us the way of salvation. Now we watch for the day when he will come again in power and great triumph to judge this world; that we, without shame or fear, may rejoice to behold his appearing.

Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee and saying:

The Choir alone sings:

SANCTUS & BENEDICTUS

Holy, Holy, Holy,
Lord God of Hosts:
Heaven and earth are full of thy glory.
Glory be to thee, O Lord Most High.
✠ Blessed is he that cometh
in the Name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.

Sanctus, Sanctus, Sanctus,
Dominus Deus Sabaoth:
Pleni sunt caeli et terra gloria tua.
Hosanna in excelsis.
✠ Benedictus qui venit
in nomine Domini.
Hosanna in excelsis.

The Celebrant continues,

Blessing and glory and thanksgiving be unto thee Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of thy tender mercy didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to take our nature upon him, and to suffer death upon the Cross for our redemption; who made there, by his one oblation of himself once offered, a full, perfect, and sufficient sacrifice, oblation, and satisfaction, for the sins of the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memorial of that his precious death, until his coming again.

Hear us, O merciful Father, we most humbly beseech thee; and grant that we receiving these thy creatures of bread and wine, according to thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ's holy institution, in remembrance of his death and passion, may be partakers of his most blessed Body and Blood; who, in the same night that he was betrayed, took Bread; and, when he had given thanks, he brake it; and gave it to his disciples, saying, Take, eat; this is my Body which is given for you: Do this in remembrance of me.

Likewise after supper he took the Cup; and, when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, Drink ye all, of this; for this is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the remission of sins: Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me.

Wherefore, O Father, Lord of heaven and earth, we thy humble servants, with all thy holy Church, remembering the precious death of thy beloved Son, his mighty resurrection, and glorious ascension, and looking for his coming again in glory, do make before thee, in this sacrament of the holy Bread of eternal life and the Cup of everlasting salvation, the memorial which he hath commanded; And we entirely desire thy fatherly goodness mercifully to accept this our sacrifice of praise and

thanksgiving, most humbly beseeching thee to grant, that by the merits and death of thy Son Jesus Christ, and through faith in his blood, we and all thy whole Church may obtain remission of our sins, and all other benefits of his passion; And we pray that by the power of thy Holy Spirit, all we who are partakers of this holy Communion may be fulfilled with thy grace and heavenly benediction; through Jesus Christ our Lord, by whom and with whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory be unto thee,

Celebrant *People*

O Fa - ther al - might - ty, world with - out end. A - men.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Music by John Merbecke

Celebrant

And now, as our Sa-viour Christ hath com-mand-ed and taught us, we are bold to say:

People

Our Fa-ther, who art in heav'n, Hal-low-ed be thy Name, Thy king-dom come,

Thy will be done, on earth, as it is in heav'n. Give us this day our dai - ly bread;

and for - give us our tres - pass - es, As we for - give them that tres - pass a - gainst us;

And lead us not in - to temp - ta - tion, But de - li - ver us from ev - il.

For thine is the king - dom, the pow - er and the glo - ry, For ev - er and ev - er. A - men.

FRACTION & PEACE

A period of silence is kept. The consecrated Bread is broken.



The musical notation is on a single staff with a treble clef and a key signature of two flats (B-flat and E-flat). The melody consists of quarter notes for the first part and a half note for the second part. The lyrics are: "The peace of the Lord be al-ways with you. And with thy spi - rit."

PRAYER OF HUMBLE ACCESS

All who intend to receive Holy Communion pray together:

We do not presume

to come to this thy Table, O merciful Lord, Trusting in our own righteousness, But in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy So much as to gather up the crumbs under thy Table. But thou art the same Lord, Whose property is always to have mercy: Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, So to eat the Flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, And to drink his Blood, That our sinful bodies may be made clean by his Body, And our souls washed through his most precious Blood, And that we may evermore dwell in him, And he in us. Amen.

The Choir alone sings:

AGNUS DEI

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, grant us thy peace.

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, miserere nobis.

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, miserere nobis.

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, dona nobis pacem.

The Celebrant turns to face the People and says,

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Behold the Lamb of God; behold him that taketh away the sin of the world.

Lord, I am not worthy that thou shouldest come under my roof, but speak the word only, and my soul shall be healed.

COMMUNION INSTRUCTIONS

All baptized Christians are warmly invited to receive Communion as directed by the Sidespeople. Please receive the host (bread) on the right palm of the hand (supported underneath by the left palm). To receive the cup, gently guide with your hand the base of the chalice. Please refrain from intinction (dipping the host into the cup), as diocesan policy does not allow us to do so.

Low gluten communion hosts are available upon request. When you approach for communion indicate to the priest that you require a low gluten host.

If you have not been baptized or are not receiving communion, please cross your arms over your chest in the shape of an X to receive a blessing.

If you wish to inquire about baptism for yourself or your child, we would love to speak with you!

COMMUNION DEVOTIONS

An Act of Spiritual Communion, which may be prayed silently by those not receiving:

My Jesus, I believe that thou art truly present in the Holy Sacrament. And since I cannot now receive thee sacramentally, I beseech thee to come spiritually into my heart. I unite myself unto thee, and embrace thee with all the affections of my soul. Let me never be separated from thee. Let me live and die in thy love. Amen.

ANIMA CHRISTI

The following devotion may be prayed silently by communicants and non-communicants.

Soul of Christ, sanctify me.
Body of Christ, save me.
Blood of Christ, inebriate me.
Water from the side of Christ, wash me.
Passion of Christ, strengthen me.
O good Jesu, hear me.
Within thy wounds hide me.
Suffer me not to be separated from thee.
From the malicious enemy defend me.
In the hour of my death call me.
And bid me come to thee,
That with thy saints I may praise thee,
For ever and ever. Amen.

MOTET

‘Rorate coeli,’ William Byrd (1543-1623)

Rorate caeli desuper, et nubes pluant justum: aperiatur terra, et germinet salvatorem. Benedixisti, Domine, terram tuam: avertisti captivitatem Jacob. Gloria Patri, et Filio, et Spiritui Sancto. Sicut erat in principio, et nunc, et semper, et in saecula saeculorum. Amen.

Drop down ye heavens, from above, and let the skies pour down righteousness: Let the earth open and bring forth a Saviour. Lord, thou hast blessed thy land: Thou hast turned away the captivity of Jacob. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

The People may sit or kneel for the hymn.

COMMUNION HYMN 238

O God, unseen, yet ever near

- 1 O God, unseen, yet ever near
Thy presence may we feel;
And thus, inspired with holy fear,
Before thine altar kneel.
- 2 Here may thy faithful people know
The blessings of thy love;
The streams that through the desert flow,
The Manna from above.
- 3 We come, obedient to thy word,
To feast on heavenly Food;
Our meat, the Body of the Lord;
Our drink, his precious Blood.
- 4 Thus may we all thy word obey,
For we, O God, are thine;
And go rejoicing on our way,
Renewed with strength divine.

*LINCOLN
Ravenscroft's Psalms, 1621*

Edward Osler, 1836

The People kneel.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray.

Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee that thou dost graciously feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ; assuring us thereby of thy favour and goodness towards us; and that we are living members of his mystical body, which is the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs through hope of thy everlasting kingdom. And here we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, ourselves, our souls and bodies, to be a reasonable, holy, and living sacrifice unto thee. And although we are unworthy, yet we beseech thee to accept this our bounden duty and service, not weighing our merits, but pardoning our offences; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honour and glory, world without end. **Amen.**

BLESSING

The peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord: And the blessing of God Almighty, the ☩ Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be amongst you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

The People stand.

DISMISSAL

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

CONCLUDING HYMN 64

The Lord will come and be not slow

- 1 The Lord will come and be not slow,
His footsteps cannot err;
Before him righteousness shall go,
His royal harbinger.
Truth from the earth, like to a flower,
Shall bud and blossom then;
And justice, from her heavenly bower,
Look down on mortal men.
- 2 Surely to such as do him fear
Salvation is at hand!
And glory shall ere long appear
To dwell within our land.
Rise, God, judge thou the earth in might,
This wicked earth redress;
For thou art he who shall by right
The nations all possess.
- 3 The nations all whom thou hast made
Shall come, and all shall frame
To bow them low before thee, Lord,
And glorify thy Name.
For great thou art, and wonders great
By thy strong hand are done:
Thou in thy everlasting seat
Remainest God alone.

OLD 107TH
Composed or arranged by Louis Bourgeois, 1543

John Milton (cento), 1648

VOLUNTARY

Overture to 'St Paul,' (based on Wachtet auf),
Felix Mendelssohn (1809-1847)

The People may be seated for the Postlude. Please maintain an atmosphere of reverent silence in the church during and after the Postlude.

Coffee Hour follows this service in the Parish Hall.

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DAILY OFFICE SCHEDULE

*Morning Prayer and Evening Prayer services generally last 15-25 minutes
and are a great way to begin and/or end the day!*

MORNING PRAYER

8:30 AM, MONDAY-FRIDAY

9:30 AM, SATURDAY

7:30 AM, SUNDAY

EVENING PRAYER

5:00 PM, MONDAY-FRIDAY

5:00 PM SUNDAY (CHORAL EVENSONG)

Choral Evensong on Sundays is followed by Eucharistic devotions.

DAILY MASS SCHEDULE

SUNDAY

LOW MASS 8:00 AM

SUNG MASS 9:30 AM

HIGH MASS 11:00 AM

WEEKDAY LOW MASS

12:15 PM, MONDAY, WEDNESDAY, FRIDAY

5:30 PM TUESDAY, THURSDAY

10:00 AM SATURDAY

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