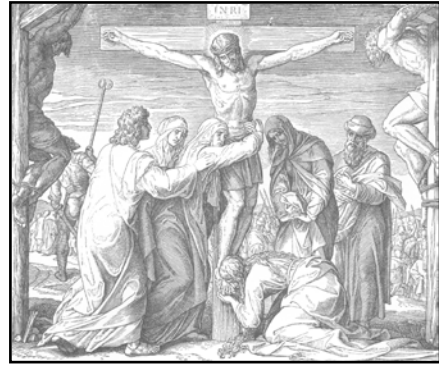


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# **YOUR SINS ARE FORGIVEN**



## **A PENANCE SERVICE FOR LENT 2015**

### **A RITE FOR RECONCILIATION OF SEVERAL PENITENTS WITH INDIVIDUAL CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION**

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## PREPARATION

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- ◆ Hospitality Ministers should be recruited to welcome the assembly as they arrive and to distribute worship aids.
- ◆ At least two readers should be appointed to proclaim the reading(s), to read the Examination of Conscience, and to lead the Litany of Repentance. They are to be seated in the assembly.
- ◆ A musician and cantor(s) should lead the assembly in song. Instrumental music may be played during individual confession.  
(A list of music suggestions are included herein.)
- ◆ A Bible or Lectionary should be readied with the appropriate readings.
- ◆ Lighting may be subdued. Candle(s) should be lit at the ambo.
- ◆ Stations for confessors should be prepared. Priests might stand or sit in isolated areas around the main body of the church to receive penitents. In this way, the communal nature of the rite is maintained. Candles may light these stations.
- ◆ For the sake of simplicity, the presider alone or the presider and preacher could participate in the procession. Other priests could be seated in the sanctuary or in a reserved area before the liturgy begins.

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## INTRODUCTORY RITES

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### OPENING HYMN

See suggestions herein

### GREETING

**Presider: Grace and peace be with you  
from God our Father  
and from the Lord Jesus Christ  
who laid down his life for our sins.**

**All: And with your spirit.**

## INTRODUCTION

*in these or similar words*

**Presider:** In many gospel stories we hear Jesus say simply, “Your sins are forgiven.” He knew what the person did, he understood their situation, and he recognized their contrition. Yet with genuine compassion, with heartfelt mercy, and with the unconditional love that only God can give, he said “Your sins are forgiven.”

**Through the ministry of His Church, we continue to encounter Jesus. He has called each of us to be here tonight [today]. He understands our human weakness and he knows that we sin. But in this sacrament, we hear his saving words and, once again, receive his pardon.**

**Let us seek Christ’s forgiveness and be open to his reconciling embrace.**

## OPENING PRAYER

**Presider:** Brothers and sisters,  
God calls us to conversion,  
let us therefore ask him  
for the grace of sincere repentance.

*Silent prayer*

**Father of mercies  
and God of all consolation,  
you do not wish the sinner to die  
but to be converted and live.  
Come to the aid of your people,  
that they may turn from their sins  
and live for you alone.  
May we be attentive to your word,  
confess our sins, receive your forgiveness,  
and always be grateful for your loving kindness.  
Help us to live the truth in love  
and grow into the fullness of Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns for ever and ever.**

**All:** Amen.

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## CELEBRATION OF THE WORD OF GOD

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*The following are suggested readings. Alternative readings may be selected. The preacher may wish to use one, two, or three readings. If only one is chosen, it is preferable that it be the gospel.*

*The readings are printed elsewhere in this booklet, for ease of rehearsal. A Lectionary or Bible should be used during the liturgy.*

### FIRST READING

#### **Deuteronomy 30:15-20**

*I set before you life and prosperity, death and evil*

### RESPONSORIAL PSALM

#### **Psalm 32: 1-11**

*"Lord, forgive the wrong I have done."*

### SECOND READING

#### **1 Peter 2:20b-25**

*If you suffer doing what is good, this is a grace before God...by his wounds you have been healed.*

### VERSE BEFORE THE GOSPEL

**God was reconciling the world to himself in Christ and entrusting to us the ministry of reconciliation.**

### GOSPEL

#### **Luke 15:3-7**

*A man has one hundred sheep and loses one... rejoicing over one sinner who repents*

### HOMILY



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## ALTERNATIVE SCRIPTURE PASSAGES

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### **First Reading**

Exodus 2:1-3, 7-8, 12-17  
2 Samuel 12:7-10,13  
Joel 2: 12-18  
Wisdom 5:1-16  
Isaiah 55:1-11  
Ezekiel 18:20-32  
Ezekiel 36:23-28

Moses receives the Ten Commandments  
The Lord, on his part, has forgiven you.  
Rend your hearts, not your garments  
The just live forever...the thought of them is with the Most High.  
Turn to the Lord for mercy...our God who is generous and forgiving  
If the wicked man turns away from sin he shall not die.  
I will sprinkle you with clean water...

### **Responsorial Psalm**

Psalm 19  
Psalm 22  
Psalm 27  
Psalm 30  
Psalm 51: 3-4, 18-19, 20-21  
Psalm 85  
Psalm 103:1-8, 11  
Psalm 106  
Psalm 119  
Psalm 130

Lord, you have the words of everlasting life.  
Father, your will be done.  
The Lord is my light and my salvation  
I will praise you, Lord, for you have rescued me  
Have mercy on me, God, in your kindness  
Lord let us see your kindness and grant us your salvation  
The Lord is kind and merciful  
Lord, remember us for the love you bear your people  
Lord, I love your commands.  
With the Lord there is mercy and fullness of redemption.

### **Second Reading**

Romans 5:6-11  
Roman 6:2-14  
2 Corinthians 5:6-10  
2 Corinthians 5:17 - 6:2  
Galatians 2:16, 19-21  
Hebrews 4:14-16  
1 John 1:5 - 2:2  
Ephesians 2:4-10  
Ephesians 5:8-14  
Ephesians 6:10-13, 18

We were reconciled to God through the death of his Son.  
Think of yourselves as being dead to sin, living for God in Christ Jesus  
We aspire to please the Lord  
We are ambassadors for Christ, ministers of reconciliation  
I live, no longer I, but Christ lives in me  
Let us confidently approach the throne of grace  
Jesus is expiation for our sins  
By grace you have been saved  
Live as children of the light  
Draw your strength from the Lord

### **Gospel**

Matthew 9:9-13  
Mark 2:1-12  
Mark 12:28-34  
Luke 5:27-32  
Luke 15:11-32  
John 3:14-21

Jesus eats with tax collectors and sinners  
Curing the paralytic... your sins are forgiven.  
Greatest of all commandments  
Jesus eats with tax collectors and sinners  
Parable of the prodigal son  
God sent his Son so that the world might be saved through him





## **EXAMINATION OF CONSCIENCE**

**Presider: Sisters and brothers,  
our Father knows all our failings,  
but asks us to call them to mind  
so that we may seek out his forgiveness.**

**Minister #1: Am I attentive to God's presence in prayer and worship?**

- **Do I pray daily?**
- **Do I receive the sacraments regularly?**
- **Do I keep Sundays and holy days sacred?**
- **Do I fulfill my commitments as a member of my faith community?**
- **What is my attitude toward the sacrament of reconciliation?**
- **Have I tried to grow in the life of the Spirit through prayer and the reading of the word of God?**
- **Do I trust God's goodness and providence, even in times of crisis and doubt?**

**Minister #2: In my daily living, do I act as a child of God?**

- **Do I respect my own body as a gift from God?**
- **Do I control my vices, including abuses of food and drink?**
- **Have I made good use of the gifts God has given me?**
- **Do I work too hard and too long? Do I neglect my family and health?**
- **Have I been lazy and given too much time to leisure or entertainment?**

**Minister #1: Do I reflect the mercy of God in my relationship with others?**

- **In my household, have I contributed to the well-being and happiness of the rest of my family? Am I patient? Am I loving?**
- **Do I treat my parents with respect?**

- **Am I ever angry with those I love?**
- **Have I been faithful in my relationships?**
- **Have I imposed my will on others without respecting their freedom and rights?**
- **Am I intolerant of other's ideas or needs?**
- **Have I perpetuated racism, prejudices and stereotypes?**
- **Do I treat people with disabilities with respect?**

**Minister #2: Do I bring the love of God to the world?**

- **Do I share my time and my treasure with others in need?**
- **Do I fail to speak out on behalf of the poor or the oppressed?**
- **Have I accepted suffering as a share in the suffering of Christ?**
- **Have I indulged in reading, conversation, or entertainments that are contrary to Christian decency and respect for human life?**
- **Do I use the earth's resources wisely?**
- **Do I purchase a lot of material goods that I don't really need?**

**Minister #1: Will I accept the forgiveness of God and change my way of life?**

- **Am I ever afraid to act in a Christian manner, afraid of what others might think?**
- **Is the hope of eternal life my inspiration for all I do?**
- **Do I sincerely want to be set free from sin, turn again to God, and resolve to begin again?**
- **Do I forgive others who have offended me?**

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## RITE OF RECONCILIATION

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### GENERAL CONFESSION OF SIN

**Presider:** Brothers and sisters,  
let us call to mind the goodness of God our Father,  
and acknowledge our sins,  
so that we may receive his merciful forgiveness.

**All:** 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 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.

**Presider:** Christ our Savior is our advocate with the Father;  
with humble hearts,  
let us ask him to forgive our sins  
and cleanse us from every stain.

### ACT OF REPENTANCE

**Presider:** Christ our Lord was given up to death for our sins  
and rose again for our justification.  
Let us pray to him with confidence in his goodness.

**Presider:** You were sent with good news for the poor  
and healing for the contrite.

**All:** Lord, have mercy.

**Presider:** You came to call sinners, not the just.

**All:** Lord, have mercy.

**Presider:** You forgave the many sins of the woman who showed  
you great love.

**All:** Lord, have mercy.

**Presider: You did not shun the company of outcasts and sinners.**

**All: Lord, have mercy.**

**Presider: You carried back to the fold the sheep that had strayed.**

**All: Lord, have mercy.**

**Presider: You did not condemn the woman taken in adultery,  
but sent her away in peace.**

**All: Lord, have mercy.**

**Presider: You promised Paradise to the repentant thief.**

**All: Lord, have mercy.**

**Presider: You are the atonement for our sins and the sins of the world.**

**All: Lord, have mercy.**

**Presider: You became the source of salvation for all who obey you.**

**All: Lord, have mercy.**

## **LORD'S PRAYER**

**Presider: Let us now pray to God our Father  
in the words our Savior gave us,  
and ask him for forgiveness and protection from all evil.**

**All: Our Father,...**

## **CONCLUDING PRAYER**

**Presider: Deliver us, Father, from every evil  
as we unite ourselves through penance  
with the saving Passion of your Son.  
Grant us a share in the joy of the Resurrection of Jesus  
who is Lord forever and ever.**

**All: Amen.**



## INDIVIDUAL CONFESSION OF SIN AND ABSOLUTION

*The presider or other minister might tell the assembly where the confessors will be located. Some brief words regarding the manner of confessions should be given. The people may be encouraged to accept one of the penances which are found in the worship aid or the confessors may give a penance suited to the individual. The assembly may be advised to remain in church if there is to be a common ending. Quiet instrumental music might be played during this time.*

### PRAYER OF ABSOLUTION

**Confessor:** God the Father of mercies,  
through the death and resurrection of his Son,  
has reconciled the world to himself  
and sent the Holy Spirit among us  
for the forgiveness of sins;  
through the ministry of the Church,  
may God grant you pardon and peace,  
and I absolve you from your sins  
in the name of the Father  
and of the Son, ✠ and of the Holy Spirit.

**Penitent:** Amen.

### PROCLAMATION OF PRAISE FOR GOD'S MERCY

*A psalm, hymn, or lityany may be prayed in acknowledgment of God's power and compassion. See the enclosed music suggestions or use one of the scripture citations below.*

**Psalm 28: 6-7**

**Psalm 32: 1-7, 10-11**

**Psalm 54**

**Psalm 66**

**Psalm 95**

**Psalm 98: 1-9**

**Psalm 100: 1-5**

**Psalm 103: 1-4, 8-18**

**Psalm 119: 1, 10-16, 18, 33, 105, 169-170, 174-175**

**Psalm 136: 1-9, 13-14, 16, 25-29**

**Psalm 145: 1-21**

**Psalm 146:2-10**

**Isaiah 61: 10-11**

**Daniel 3:52-57**

**Luke 1:46-55 (Magnificat)**

**Ephesians 1:3-10**

**Revelation 15: 3-4**

## CONCLUDING PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

**Presider:** Lord God,  
creator and ruler of your kingdom of light,  
in your great love for this world,  
you gave your only Son for our salvation.  
His cross has redeemed us,  
his death has given us life,  
his resurrection has raised us to glory.  
Through him  
we ask you to be always present among your family.  
Teach us to be reverent in the presence of your glory;  
fill our hearts with faith,  
our days with good works,  
our lives with your love;  
may your truth be on our lips  
and your wisdom in all our actions,  
that we may receive the reward of everlasting life.  
We ask this through Christ our Lord.

**All :** Amen.

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## CONCLUDING RITE

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### BLESSING

**Presider:** May the Father bless us  
for we are his children, born to eternal life.

**All:** Amen.

**Presider:** May the Son show us his saving power,  
for he died and rose for us.

**All:** Amen.

**Presider:** May the Spirit give us his gift of holiness  
and lead us by the right path,  
for he dwells in our hearts.

**All:** Amen.

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

### DISMISSAL

**Presider:** The Lord has freed you from your sins. Go in peace.

**All:** Thanks be to God.

## READINGS

### FIRST READING

**Deut 30:15-20**

**A reading from the Book of Deuteronomy**

**Moses said to the people:**

**“Today I have set before you  
life and prosperity, death and doom.  
If you obey the commandments of the LORD, your God,  
which I enjoin on you today,  
loving him, and walking in his ways,  
and keeping his commandments, statutes and decrees,  
you will live and grow numerous,  
and the LORD, your God,  
will bless you in the land you are entering to occupy.  
If, however, you turn away your hearts and will not listen,  
but are led astray and adore and serve other gods,  
I tell you now that you will certainly perish;  
you will not have a long life  
on the land that you are crossing the Jordan to enter and occupy.  
I call heaven and earth today to witness against you:  
I have set before you life and death,  
the blessing and the curse.  
Choose life, then,  
that you and your descendants may live,  
by loving the LORD, your God,  
heeding his voice and holding fast to him.  
For that will mean life for you,  
a long life for you to live on the land that the LORD swore  
he would give to your fathers Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob.”**

**The word of the Lord.**

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM**

**Psalm 32:1-2, 5, 7, 11**

***R. Lord, forgive the wrong I have done.***

**Blessed is the one whose fault is taken away,  
whose sin is covered.  
Blessed the man to whom the LORD imputes not guilt,  
in whose spirit there is no guile.**

***R. Lord, forgive the wrong I have done.***

**I acknowledge my sin to you,  
my guilt I covered not.  
I said, "I confess my faults to the LORD,"  
and you took away the guilt of my sin.**

***R. Lord, forgive the wrong I have done.***

**You are my shelter; from distress you will preserve me;  
with glad cries of freedom you will ring me round.**

***R. Lord, forgive the wrong I have done.***

**Be glad in the LORD and rejoice, you just;  
exult, all you upright of heart.**

***R. Lord, forgive the wrong I have done.***



**A reading from the first Letter of Saint Peter**

**Beloved:**

**If you are patient when you suffer for doing what is good,  
this is a grace before God.**

**For to this you have been called,  
because Christ also suffered for you,  
leaving you an example that you should follow in his footsteps.  
*He committed no sin, and no deceit was found in his mouth.***

**When he was insulted, he returned no insult;  
when he suffered, he did not threaten;  
instead, he handed himself over to the one who judges justly.  
He himself bore our sins in his body upon the cross,  
so that free from sin, we might live for righteousness.  
By his wounds you have been healed.  
For you have gone astray like sheep,  
but you have now returned to the shepherd and guardian of your souls.**

**The word of the Lord.**

## **VERSE BEFORE THE GOSPEL**

**God was reconciling the world to himself in Christ  
and entrusting to us the ministry of reconciliation.**

## **GOSPEL**

**Luke 15:3-7**

**A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke**

**Jesus addressed this parable to the Pharisees and scribes:**

**“What man among you having a hundred sheep and losing one of them,  
would not leave the ninety-nine in the desert  
and go after the lost one until he finds it?**

**And when he does find it,**

**he sets it on his shoulders with great joy**

**and, upon his arrival home,**

**he calls together his friends and neighbors and says to them,**

**‘Rejoice with me because I have found my lost sheep.’**

**I tell you, in just the same way,**

**there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents**

**than over ninety-nine righteous people**

**who have no need of repentance.”**

**The Gospel of the Lord.**



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## **SAMPLE PENANCES**

*Choose one of the following penances to atone for sins and accept God's mercy.*

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### **◆ SUGGESTED PENANCES FOR ADULTS ◆**

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- **Pray Psalm 32, 51, 95, 103, or 130 and reflect on its meaning in your life.**
- **Make a call to someone who is ill or alone. Plan a visit and bring a meal.**
- **During the next week, spend an hour in prayer for all those who are the victims of war.**
- **Make a commitment to bring food to the parish food pantry.**
- **Think of one thing that you are eating or drinking that is bad for your health. Eliminate it for one month and donate that money to a soup kitchen.**
- **Identify a person whom you have offended by your unkind words and pray for them each day for a week.**
- **Reflect on one of the following Lenten readings from Year B:**

<b>1 Peter 3:18-22</b>	<b>Mark 1:12-15</b>
<b>Romans 8:31b-34</b>	<b>Mark 9:2-10</b>
<b>1 Corinthians 1:22-25</b>	<b>John 2:13-25</b>
<b>Ephesians 2:4-10</b>	<b>John 3:14-21</b>

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### **◆ SUGGESTED PENANCES FOR YOUTH ◆**

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- **Eliminate TV for one night. Read from the Bible or your religion text.**
- **Reach out to a lonely person in class and encourage one other person to do the same. Have lunch with that person.**
- **Donate your next babysitting wages to the poor.**
- **For one whole week, do the dishes or set the table without being asked.**
- **Donate the money you would have spent on a fast food meal to your parish outreach ministry. Send it anonymously.**
- **Make an Easter basket for a poor child.**

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**MUSIC SUGGESTIONS FOR THE  
LENTEN PENANCE SERVICE 2015**

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**HYMNODY**

Amazing Grace	Newton	various
Ashes	Conry	GIA
Come, You Sinners, Poor and Needy	Mims	various
Deep Within	Jer 31:33/Haas	GIA
Eternal Lord of Love	Cain/Joncas	GIA
Faith and Truth and Life Bestowing	Jones/Dudley-Smith	GIA-HFG
Forgive our Sins as We Forgive	Herklots	WLP
From Deepest Need We Cry	Delores Dufner	GIA
God is Forgiveness	Taizé Community	GIA
God So Loved the World	Paul Tate	WLP
Grant to Us, O Lord (Ez 26;36)	Lucien Deiss	WLP
He Healed the Darkness of My Mind	Green/Haas	GIA
Healer of Our Every Ill	Haugen	GIA
How Great Thou Art (v. 3)	Stewart Hine	various
I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say	Bonar/KINGSFOLD	various
I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light/God is Love		GIA
Jesus, Lord, Have Mercy	Palmer	WLP
Lead Us to Your Light	Carol Browning	GIA
Let Us Sing to the Lord/ <i>Cantemos al Señor</i>	Alonso/Mahler	GIA, G-6129
Lift High the Cross	Sydney Nicholson	various
Lord of the Dance	Carter/Shaker melody	various
Mercy, O God	F. P. O'Brien	GIA
My Soul in Stillness Waits	Marty Haugen	GIA
No Greater Love	Michael Joncas	GIA
O Christ the Great Healer	Green	GIA
O Christ, Bright Son of Justice	Freeman/ Lewis	OCP
Our Father We Have Wandered	Nichols/ Hassler	various
Out of Darkness	Kendzia	OCP
<i>Parce Domine/Spare Your People, Lord</i>	Joel 2:17/Ps 51	various
<i>Perdón Señor</i>	Traditional Spanish	OCP
<i>Perdóname, Jesús</i>	Rodriguez	OCP
Remember Your Mercy, Lord	Inwood	GIA
Return to God	Haugen	GIA
Softly and Tenderly Jesus is Calling	Will Thompson	GIA
The Call is Clear and Simple	Ruth Duck/PASSION CHORALE	GIA
The Cross of Jesus	O'Brien	GIA
The Glory of These Forty Days	tr. Bell	GIA
The Master Came to Bring Good News	Finn/ Gesangbuch	GIA
The Peace of God	Haas	GIA
The Reign of God	Delores Duffer	GIA
There is a Longing	Quigley	OCP
There's a Wideness in God's Mercy	Faber	various
This is Our Accepted Time	Gannon	WLP
This Season Calls Us	chant	OCP
To You, O Lord, I Lift Up My Soul	Hurd	OCP
Tree of Life	Aaron Thompson	WLP
Turn My Heart, O God	Haugen	GIA
Turn to the Living God	Lori True	GIA

We Are Your People	Wren/Wilson	GIA
We Cannot Measure How You Heal	Bell	GIA
When I Survey the Wondrous Cross	Lowell Mason	various
Where Charity and Love Prevail	Benoit	various

**LITANIES & CHANTS**

Two Litanies for Advent/Lent	Richard Proulx	WLP
Gather us in Mercy, Lord	Alonso	GIA
Hold us in Your Mercy: Penitential Litany	Cooney/Daigle	GIA
Penitential Litany	Prendergast/Sullivan	OCP

**PROCLAMATION OF PRAISE FOR GOD'S MERCY**

All You Nations	Deiss	WLP
Blest be the Lord (Ps 91)	Schutte	OCP
Canticle of Mary (Magnificat)	Green, Daw, Joncas	various
Father, We Thank Thee Who has Planted	RENZEZ A DIEU	various
God is Here! As We His People	ABBOTT'S LEIGH	GIA
God Whose Giving Knows No Ending	Edwards/ RUSTINGTON	GIA
Great is Thy Faithfulness	Chisholm/Runyan	LMGM
His Love is Everlasting	Roberts	LMGM
I Turn to You	Joe Mattingly	(WLP, 003679)
I Turn to You, Lord	Craig and Kristen Colson	(OCP, 20267 Z2)
I Turn to You, O Lord	Jeremy Young	(GIA, G-2896)
<i>La Alegría en el Perdón</i>	Gabaráin	OCP
Sing, My Tongue, The Song of Triumph	PICARDY	GIA
Thanks be to You	Haugen	GIA
<i>The Psalter – Psalms and Canticles for Singing</i>	Isele	
There's A Wideness in God's Mercy	Faber/ IN BABILONE	OCP
Those Who Seek Your Face	Christopher Walker	OCP, 7150

**PSALM 32**

Roy James Stewart	Ritual Song #64
Michel Guimont	Ritual Song #65
Rory Cooney	GC1
Collegeville Composers Group	Psallité B-111
Isele	The Psalter #29
Hal Hopson	The People's Psalter, p 63

**Alternative Psalmody**

	<b><u>OCP</u></b>	<b><u>GIA</u></b>	<b><u>WLP</u></b>
Psalm 19	Joncas	Proulx, Haas, Alonso*	Haugen
Psalm 27	DeBruyn	Proulx, Haas	Isele, Haas
Psalm 30	Inwood	Guimont, Inwood	
Psalm 51: 3-4, 18-19, 20-21	Willcock	Craig, Haugen	Berrell, Ward Schaefer*
Psalm 85	Cortez*, Hurd	Haugen, Carroll, Dameans	French, Bogdan
Psalm 103:1-8, 11	Cortez*, Dufford	Cotter, Haas, Haugen	Kolar*, Stahl
Psalm 119	Booth	Batastini	
Psalm 130	Hurd	Joncas, Corroll, Haugen	Janco

## FREQUENTLY- ASKED QUESTIONS

### Q. WHAT IS THE PROPER TIME FOR EASTER VIGIL?

A. On Saturday evening, April 4, 2015, the sun will set in your diocese at \_\_\_\_ PM. The end of civil twilight (nightfall) will occur at \_\_\_\_ PM. The Easter Vigil celebration should not begin before \_\_\_\_ PM.

“The entire celebration of the Easter Vigil takes place at night. It should not begin before nightfall; it should end before daybreak on Sunday. This rule is to be taken according to its strictest sense. Reprehensible are those abuses and practices that have crept into many places in violation of this ruling, whereby the Easter Vigil is celebrated at the same time of day that it is customary to celebrate anticipated Sunday Masses” (*Circular Letter Concerning the Preparation and Celebration of the Easter Feasts*, no. 78. Congregation for Divine Worship, January 16, 1988, quoting the Roman Missal).

According to a most ancient tradition, this night is one of vigil for the Lord, and the Vigil celebrated during it, to commemorate that holy night when the Lord rose from the dead, is regarded as the mother of all holy vigils. For in that night, the Church keeps vigil, waiting for the resurrection of the Lord, and celebrates the sacraments of Christian initiation.

*Paschale Solemnitatis*, no. 77

(quoting Exodus 12:42; St. Augustine, Sermon 219; and the *Ceremonial of Bishops*)

### Q. WHERE DOES THE WORD “PASCHAL” COME FROM? WHERE DOES THE WORD “EASTER” COME FROM?

A. “Pascha” is a Greek word which translates the Hebrew word for “Passover.” Many Eastern Christians use it to refer to Easter. It may have two meanings. First, it may refer to “passage” – the passage of the Hebrews fleeing Egypt and the passage of Christ from death to life. Secondly, it has been interpreted as “passion” in the sense of Christ’s suffering. Both meanings are alluded to in the liturgical texts (Solarksi, Dennis, *Liturgical Literacy*, 162).

The word “Easter” may have originally derived from a mythological goddess of fertility. Early Christians often Christianized pagan observances. In the new Roman Missal, you will see titles that reflect the European custom of calling the day “Resurrection Sunday,” though Easter is certainly still used.

### Q. THE WORD “TRIDUUM” MEANS “THREE DAYS.” WHAT ARE THE THREE DAYS OF THE TRIDUUM?

A. The three days of the Sacred Triduum are Sunday, Saturday, and Friday.

This seventy-two hour period is the most important celebration of our entire liturgical calendar; it begins on Holy Thursday evening and concludes with Vespers (Evening Prayer) on Easter Sunday. The Sacred Triduum is actually ONE liturgy over three days. We may go home and come back again, but we do not actually “begin” and “end” our daily celebrations.

### Q. WHEN DOES THE DEACON OR PRIEST USE THE DOUBLE ALLELUIA AT THE DISMISSAL?

A. The “double alleluia” is sung (or recited) on the Easter Vigil, Easter Sunday and all days during the Octave of Easter. It is used again at Pentecost (Vigil, Mass during the Day, and Vespers).

It is not used on the other Sundays and weekdays of the Fifty Days. On these days, a single Alleluia is added to the dismissal rite at Mass and the Liturgy of the Hours.

## LITURGICAL CALENDAR ADVISORY 2015

Day	Date	Liturgical Day	Rank	Comments
Wednesday	Feb 18	Ash Wednesday	2	Lect #219 Funeral Mass not permitted
Sunday	Feb 22	First Sunday of Lent	2	Lect #23
Sunday	March 1	Second Sunday of Lent	2	Lect #26
Sunday	March 8	Third Sunday of Lent	2	Lect #29 (or Year A #28) Scrutiny I - RCIA 150-156
Sunday	March 15	Fourth Sunday of Lent	2	Lect # 32 (or Year A #31) Scrutiny II – RCIA 164-170
Thursday	March 19	St. Joseph, Spouse of the BVM	3	Lect #543, Preface 62; Solemnity; Gloria, Creed; Food – BB, Chapter 53
Sunday	March 22	Fifth Sunday of Lent	2	Lect #35 (or Year A #34) Scrutiny III – RCIA 171-177
Wednesday	March 25	The Annunciation of the Lord	3	Lect #545; Preface 44; Solemnity; Genuflect at “by the power of the Holy Spirit...”
<b>HOLY WEEK</b>				
Sunday	March 29	Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord	2	Procession Lect #37, Preface 19 Mass: Lect # 38
Monday	March 30	Monday of Holy Week	2	Lect #257
Tuesday	March 31	Tuesday of Holy Week	2	Lect #258
Wednesday	April 1	Wednesday of Holy Week	2	Lect #259
Thursday	April 2	Holy Thursday (Day)	2	Chrism Mass #260 Funeral Mass not permitted
<b>THE SACRED PASCHAL TRIDUUM</b>				
Thursday	April 2	Thursday of the Lord’s Supper: At the Evening Mass	1	Lect #39 Funeral Mass not permitted
Friday	April 3	Friday of the Passion of the Lord (Good Friday)	1	Lect #40 Funeral Mass not permitted
Saturday	April 4	Holy Saturday	1	BB, Chapter 54 Funeral Mass not permitted Communion only as Viaticum
Saturday	April 4	Sunday of the Resurrection: The Easter Vigil in the Holy Night	1	Lect #41; Easter Vigil may begin no sooner than nightfall; Funeral Mass not permitted
Sunday	April 5	Sunday of the Resurrection: At the Mass During the Day	1	Lect #42 Funeral Mass not permitted
<b>EASTER TIME**</b>				
Monday	April 6	Monday in the Octave of Easter	2	Lect #261, Preface #21
Tuesday	April 7	Tuesday in the Octave of Easter	2	Lect #262
Wednesday	April 8	Wednesday in the Octave of Easter	2	Lect #263
Thursday	April 9	Thursday in the Octave of Easter	2	Lect #264
Friday	April 10	Friday in the Octave of Easter	2	Lect #265
Saturday	April 11	Saturday in the Octave of Easter	2	Lect #266
Sunday	April 12	Second Sunday of Easter	2	Lect #44

		(Sunday of the Divine Mercy)		
Sunday	April 19	Third Sunday of Easter	2	Lect #47
Saturday	April 25	St. Mark, Evangelist	7	Lect #555
Sunday	April 26	Fourth Sunday of Easter	2	Lect #50
Sunday	May 3	Fifth Sunday of Easter	2	Lect #53
Sunday	May 10	Sixth Sunday of Easter	2	Lect #56; may use second reading and gospel from Seventh Sunday of Easter
Thursday	May 14	St. Matthias, Apostle (in those dioceses which celebrate the Ascension on May 17)	7	Lect #564
Thursday	May 14	The Ascension of the Lord (in some Dioceses of the USA) see May 17	3	Lect # 58B
Sunday	May 17	The Ascension of the Lord (in many dioceses of the USA)	3	Lect #58 B
Sunday	May 17	Seventh Sunday of Easter (in those dioceses which celebrated the Ascension of the Lord on May 14)	2	Lect #60B
Sunday	May 24	Pentecost Sunday	2	Vigil: Lect #62B; may use an extended set of readings for the Vigil Day: Lect #63B

\*\* Liturgically, Easter Time also includes the Sunday of the Resurrection—its Vigil and its Mass during the Day

IN THE SACRED TRIDUUM, THE CHURCH SOLEMNLY CELEBRATES THE GREATEST MYSTERIES OF OUR REDEMPTION, KEEPING BY MEANS OF SPECIAL CELEBRATIONS THE MEMORIAL OF HER LORD, CRUCIFIED, BURIED AND RISEN.

THE PASCHAL FAST SHOULD ALSO BE KEPT SACRED. IT IS TO BE CELEBRATED EVERYWHERE ON THE FRIDAY OF THE LORD'S PASSION AND, WHERE APPROPRIATE, PROLONGED ALSO THROUGH HOLY SATURDAY AS A WAY OF COMING WITH SPIRIT UPLIFTED TO THE JOYS OF THE LORD'S RESURRECTION.

~ THE ROMAN MISSAL





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## LECTIONARY READINGS: YEAR B

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### **Ash Wednesday, February 18**

Joel 2:12-18

Psalm 51:3-4, 6ab, 12-13, 14, 17

2 Corinthians 5:20 - 6:2

Matthew 6:1-6, 16-18

Rend your hearts, not your garments.

Be merciful, O Lord, for we have sinned.

Be reconciled to God. Behold, now is the acceptable time.

Your Father who sees in secret will repay you.

### **First Sunday of Lent, February 22**

Genesis 9:8-15

Psalm 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9

1 Peter 3:18-22

Mark 1:12-15

God's covenant with Noah when he was delivered from the flood.

Your ways, O Lord, are love and truth to those who keep your covenant.

The water of the flood prefigured baptism, which saves you now.

Jesus was tempted by Satan, and the angels ministered to him.

### **Second Sunday of Lent, March 1**

Genesis 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18

Psalm 116:10, 15, 16-17

Romans 8:31b-34

Mark 9:2-10

The sacrifice of Abraham, our father in faith.

I will walk before the Lord, in the land of the living.

God did not spare his own Son.

This is my beloved Son.

### **Third Sunday of Lent, March 8**

Exodus 20:1-17 or 20:1-3, 7-8, 12-17

Psalm 19:8, 9, 10, 11

1 Corinthians 1:22-25

John 2:13-25

#### ***(or First Scrutiny -- Year A, Lectionary 28)***

The law was given through Moses.

Lord, you have the words of everlasting life.

We proclaim Christ crucified, a stumbling block to many, but to those who are called, the wisdom of God.

Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up.

### **Fourth Sunday of Lent, March 15**

2 Chronicles 36:14-16, 19-23

Psalm 137:1-2, 3, 4-5

Ephesians 2:4-10

John 3:14-21

#### ***(or Second Scrutiny—Year A, Lectionary 31)***

The wrath and the mercy of the Lord are revealed in the exile and liberation of his people.

Let my tongue be silenced, if I ever forget you!

Though dead in your transgressions, by grace you have been saved.

God sent his Son so that the world might be saved through him.

### **Solemnity of Joseph, Husband of the Virgin Mary, March 19**

2 Samuel 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16

Psalm 89:2-3, 4-5, 27, 29

Romans 4:13, 16-18, 22

Matthew 1:16, 18-21, 24a

OR

Luke 2:41-51a

The Lord God will give him the throne of David, his father.

The son of David will live for ever.

Abraham believed, hoping against hope.

Joseph did as the angel of the Lord had commanded him.

Your father and I have been looking for you with great anxiety.

### **Fifth Sunday of Lent, March 22**

Jeremiah 31:31-34

Psalm 51:3-4, 12-13, 14-15

Hebrews 5:7-9

John 12:20-33

#### ***(or Third Scrutiny—Year A, Lectionary 34)***

I will make a new covenant and remember their sin no more.

Create a clean heart in me, O God.

Christ learned obedience and became the source of eternal salvation.

If a grain of wheat falls to the ground and dies, it produces much fruit.

### **Solemnity of the Annunciation of the Lord, Wednesday, March 25**

Isaiah 7:10-14; 8:10

Psalm 40: 7-11

Hebrews 10:4-10

Luke 1:26-38

The virgin shall bear a son and shall name him Emmanuel.

Here I am, Lord, I come to do your will.

As it is written of me in the scrolls...I come to do your will, O God.

Behold, you will conceive in your womb and bear a son.

## HOLY WEEK READINGS

### **Psalm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord, March 29**

Mark 11:1-10

Isaiah 50:4-7

Psalm 22:8-9, 17-18, 19-20, 23-24

Philippians 2:6-11

Mark 14:1—15:47 or 15:1-39

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

My face I did not shield from buffets and spitting, knowing that I shall not be put to shame.

My God, my God, why have you abandoned me?

Christ humbled himself. Because of this God greatly exalted him.

The passion of our Lord Jesus Christ.

### **Monday of Holy Week, March 30**

Isaiah 42:1-7

Psalm 27:1, 2, 3, 13-14

John 12:1-11

He will not cry out, nor make his voice heard in the street.

(First oracle of the servant of the Lord.)

The Lord is my light and my salvation.

Let her keep this for the day of my burial.

### **Tuesday of Holy Week, March 31**

Isaiah 49:1-6

Psalm 71:1-2, 3-4a, 5ab-6ab, 15, 17

John 13:21-33, 36-38

I will make you a light to the nations, that my salvation may reach to the ends of the earth. (Second oracle of the servant of the Lord.)

I will sing of your salvation.

One of you will betray me; the cock will not crow before you deny me three times.

### **Wednesday of Holy Week, April 1**

Isaiah 50:4-9a

Psalm 69:9-10, 21-22, 31, 33-34

Matthew 26:14-25

My face I did not shield from buffets and spitting.

(Third oracle of the servant of the Lord.)

Lord, in your great love, answer me.

The Son of Man indeed goes, as it is written of him, but woe to that man by whom the son of man is betrayed.

### **Thursday of Holy Week – Chrism Mass, April 2**

Isaiah 61:1-3a, 6a, 8b-9

Psalm 89:21-22, 25, 27

Revelation 1:5-8

Luke 4:16-21

The Lord anointed me and sent me to bring glad tidings to the lowly, and to give them oil of gladness.

For ever I will sing the goodness of the Lord.

Christ has made us into a kingdom, priests for his God and Father.

The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because of which he has anointed me.

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## READINGS FOR THE SACRED PASCHAL TRIDUUM

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### **Thursday of the Lord's Supper: At the Evening Mass, April 2**

Exodus 12:1-8, 11-14

Psalm 116:12-13, 15-16bc, 17-18

1 Corinthians 11:23-26

John 13:1-15

The law regarding the Passover meal.

Our blessing-cup is a communion with the Blood of Christ.

For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the death of the Lord.

Jesus loved them to the end.

### **Friday of the Passion of the Lord [Good Friday], April 3**

Isaiah 54:13 -- 53:12	He himself was wounded for our sins. (Fourth oracle of the servant of the Lord.)
Psalms 31:2, 6, 12-13, 15-16, 17, 25 Hebrews 4:14-16; 5:7-9	Father, into your hands I commend my spirit. Jesus learned obedience and became the source of salvation for all who obey him.
John 18:1 B 19:42	The passion of our Lord Jesus Christ.

### **Sunday of the Resurrection: The Easter Vigil in the Holy Night, April 4**

Genesis 1:1 -- 2:2 <i>or</i> 1:1, 26-31a Psalm 104:1-2, 5-6, 10, 12, 13-14, 24, 35 OR Psalm 33:4-5, 6-7, 12-13, 20-22	God looked at everything he had made, and he found it very good. Lord, send out your Spirit, and renew the face of the earth.  The earth is full of the goodness of the Lord.
Genesis 22:1-18 <i>or</i> Genesis 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18 Psalm 16:5, 8-9, 11	The sacrifice of Abraham, our father in faith.  You are my inheritance, O Lord.
Exodus 14:15 -- 15:1 Exodus 15:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 17-18	The Israelites marched on dry land through the midst of the sea. Let us sing to the Lord; he has covered himself in glory.
Isaiah 54:5-14 Psalm 30:2, 4, 5-6, 11-12, 13	With enduring love, the Lord your redeemer takes pity on you. I will praise you, Lord, for you have rescued me.
Isaiah 55:1-11	Come to me that you may have life. I will renew with you an everlasting covenant.
Isaiah 12:2-3, 4, 5-6	You will draw water joyfully from the springs of salvation.
Baruch 3:9-15, 32 - 4:4 Psalm 19:8, 9, 10, 11	Walk toward the splendor of the Lord. Lord, you have the words of everlasting life.
Ezekiel 36:16-17a, 18-28 Psalm 42:3, 5; 43:3, 4 OR Isaiah 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6 OR Psalm 51:12-13, 14-15, 18-19	I shall sprinkle clean water upon you and I shall give you a new heart. Like a deer that longs for running streams, my soul longs for you, my God. You will draw water joyfully from the springs of salvation  Create in me a clean heart, O God.
Romans 6:3-11 Psalm 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23	Christ, raised from the dead, dies no more. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.
Mark 16:1-7	Jesus of Nazareth, the crucified, has been raised

### **Sunday of the Resurrection: At the Mass During the Day, April 5**

Acts 10:34a, 37-43 Psalm 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23	We ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad. (OR Alleluia)
Colossians 3:1-4 OR 1 Corinthians 5:6b-8 Sequence John 20:1-9 OR Luke 24:13-35 OR Mark 16:1-7	Seek what is above, where Christ is.  Clear out the old yeast, so that you may become a fresh batch of dough <i>Victimae paschali laudes</i> He had to rise from the dead. Stay with us for it is almost evening ( <i>at afternoon or evening Mass</i> ) Jesus of Nazareth, the crucified, has been raised ( <i>from Easter Vigil</i> )

## THE EASTER SEASON & THE PERIOD OF MYSTAGOGIA

Since the distinctive spirit and power of the period of post-baptismal catechesis or mystagogy derive from the new, personal experience of the sacraments and of the community, its main setting is the so-called Masses for Neophytes, that is, the Sunday Masses of the Easter Season. Besides being occasions for the newly baptized to gather with the community and share in the mysteries, these celebrations include particularly suitable readings from the Lectionary... (RCIA 247).

### YEAR B

#### Second Sunday of Easter

Acts 4:32-35  
Psalm 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24  
1 John 5:1-6  
John 20:19-31

They were of one heart and mind.  
Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, his love is everlasting. (OR Alleluia)  
Whoever is begotten by God conquers the world.  
Eight days later Jesus came and stood in their midst.

#### Third Sunday of Easter

Acts 3:13-15, 17-19  
Psalm 4:2, 4, 7-8, 9  
1 John 2:1-5a  
Luke 24:35-48

The author of life you put to death, but God raised him from the dead.  
Lord, let your face shine on us. (OR Alleluia)  
Jesus Christ is expiation not for our sins only but for those of the whole world.  
Thus it was written that the Christ would suffer and rise from the dead on the third day.

#### Fourth Sunday of Easter

Acts 4:8-12  
Psalm 118:1, 8-9, 21-23, 26, 28, 29  
1 John 3:1-2  
John 10:11-18

There is no salvation through anyone else.  
The stone rejected by the builders has become the cornerstone.  
(OR Alleluia)  
We shall see God as he really is.  
The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep.

#### Fifth Sunday of Easter

Acts 9:26-31  
Psalm 22:26-27, 28, 30, 31-32  
1 John 3:18-24  
John 15:1-8

Barnabas reported to the apostles how Saul had seen the Lord on the way.  
I will praise you, Lord, in the assembly of your people. (OR Alleluia)  
This is his commandment: that we may believe and love.  
Whoever remains in me and I in him will bear much fruit.

#### Sixth Sunday of Easter

Acts 10:25-26-34-35, 44-48  
Psalm 98:1, 2-3, 3-4  
1 John 4:7-10  
John 15:9-17

The gift of the Holy Spirit was poured out on the Gentiles also.  
The Lord has revealed to the nations his saving power. (OR Alleluia)  
God is love.  
No one has greater love than this: to lay down one's life for one's friends.

#### The Ascension of the Lord

Acts 1:1-11  
Psalm 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9  
Ephesians 4:1-3  
Mark 16:15-20

As the apostles were looking on, Jesus was lifted up.  
God mounts his throne to shouts of joy: a blare of trumpets for the Lord.  
(OR Alleluia)  
To the extent of the full stature of Christ  
The Lord Jesus was taken up into heaven and took his seat at the right hand of God.

#### Seventh Sunday of Easter

Acts 1: 15-17, 20a, 20c-26  
Psalm 103:1-2, 11-12, 19-20  
1 John 4:11-16  
John 17:11b-19

*(in those dioceses where the Ascension is celebrated on Thursday)*  
It is necessary that one of the men who accompanied us become with us a witness to the resurrection  
The Lord has set his throne in heaven.  
Whoever remains in love, remains in God and God in him.  
That they may be one just as we are one.

## **Pentecost (Vigil)**

Genesis 11:1-9  
or Exodus 19:3-8a, 16-20b  
or Ezekiel 37:1-14  
or Joel 3:1-5

It was called Babel because there the Lord confused the speech of all the world.  
The Lord came down upon Mount Sinai before all the people.  
Dry bones of Israel, I will bring spirit into you, that you may come to life.  
I will pour out my spirit upon the servants and handmaids.

Psalms 104:1-2, 24, 35, 27-28, 29, 30

Lord, send out your Spirit, and renew the face of the earth. (OR Alleluia)

Romans 8:22-27

The Spirit intercedes with inexpressible groanings.

John 7:37-39

Rivers of living water will flow.

## **[Pentecost – Extended Vigil]**

## **[optional]**

Genesis 11:1-9

It was called Babel because there the Lord confused the speech of all the world.

Psalms 33:10-15

Blessed the people the Lord has chosen to be his own. [cf. Lect #339]

Exodus 19:3-8a, 16-20b

The Lord came down upon Mount Sinai before all the people.

Daniel 3:52-56

Glory and praise forever! [cf. Lect #164]

Ezekiel 37:1-14

Dry bones of Israel, I will bring spirit into you, that you may come to life.

Psalms 107:2-9

Give thanks to the Lord; his love is everlasting. [cf. Lect #423, Year II]

Joel 3:1-5

I will pour out my spirit upon the servants and handmaids.

Psalms 104:1-2, 24, 35, 27-28, 29, 30

Lord, send out your Spirit, and renew the face of the earth. (OR Alleluia)

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*\*Prayers following the readings may be chosen from among the Collects (Opening Prayers) of the ferial days of the Seventh Week of Easter.*

## **Pentecost (Day)**

Acts 2:1-11

They were filled with the Holy Spirit, and began to speak.

Psalms 104:1, 24, 29-30, 31, 34

Lord, send out your Spirit, and renew the face of the earth. (OR Alleluia)

1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13  
OR Galatians 5:16-25

In the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body.  
The fruit of the Spirit.

Sequence

*Veni, Sancte Spiritus*

John 20:19-23  
OR John 15:26-27; 16:12-15

As the Father sent me, so I send you; Receive the Holy Spirit.  
The Spirit of truth will guide you to all the truth.





**THURSDAY OF THE LORD'S SUPPER: AT THE EVENING MASS**

**INTRODUCTORY RITE**

Entrance Procession/ Hymn  
Greeting  
Presentation of the Oils  
Glory to God  
Collect

\_\_\_\_\_  
  
sung

**LITURGY OF THE WORD**

First Reading

Exodus 12: 1-8, 11-14  
*Laws regarding the Passover Meal*

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 116: 12-13, 15-16, 17-18  
*Our blessing-cup is a communion with the Blood of Christ.*

Second Reading

1 Corinthians 11: 23-26  
*For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup,  
you proclaim the death of the Lord.*

Chant before the Gospel

John 13:34  
*... Love one another as I have loved you*

Gospel

John 13: 1-15  
*Jesus washes the feet of his disciples*

Homily

Washing of the Feet  
Antiphons or Hymn

*optional*  
Antiphons: *Missal provides seven options*

Profession of Faith  
General Intercessions

Hymn: \_\_\_\_\_  
Omitted

**LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST**

Presentation of the Offerings  
Presentation Hymn

*gifts for the poor, bread and wine*  
\_\_\_\_\_

Prayer over the Offerings

Eucharistic Prayer

Preface  
Holy, holy, holy  
Eucharistic Prayer  
Memorial Acclamation  
Great Amen

Preface: "The Sacrifice and Sacrament of Christ"  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Eucharistic Prayer I with embolisms  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Communion Rite

Lord's Prayer  
Sign of Peace  
Breaking of the Bread  
Distribution of Holy Communion  
Hymn(s)  
Prayer After Communion

Lamb of God: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Transfer of the Most Blessed Sacrament  
Incensation  
Acclamation or Hymn  
Procession to Place of Reposition  
[Stripping of the Altar]

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Pange Lingua* or other hymn  
"at an appropriate time"



## **FRIDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD [GOOD FRIDAY]**

Entrance of the Ministers	in silence; red vestments, reverence altar ministers lie prostrate or kneel for a time
Prayer	“Let us pray” is omitted
<b><u>LITURGY OF THE WORD</u></b>	
First Reading	Isaiah 52:13 - 53:12 <i>(Fourth Servant Song) He was wounded for our sins</i>
Responsorial Psalm	Psalm 31:2, 6, 12-13, 15-16, 17, 25 <i>Father, into your hands I commend my spirit.</i>
Second Reading	Hebrews 4:14-16; 5:7-9 <i>Jesus learned obedience and became the source of salvation for all who obey him.</i>
Chant Before the Gospel	Phil 2:8-9 <i>Christ became obedient unto death...</i>
Gospel	John 18:1 - 19:42 <i>The passion of our Lord Jesus Christ</i>
Homily	
Silent Prayer	
The Solemn Intercessions	For the Church, Pope, all orders and degrees of the faithful, catechumens, unity of Christians, the Jewish people, those who do not believe in Christ, those who do not believe in God, those in public office, those in tribulation. Introduction Kneel/Silent Prayer Prayer
<b><u>THE ADORATION OF THE HOLY CROSS</u></b>	
The Showing of the Holy Cross	
First Form	The deacon carries the Cross through the church to the sanctuary; the priest unveils it gradually
Second Form	The priest or deacon goes to the door of church, receives the unveiled Cross
Invitation	Priest: “Behold the wood of the Cross on which is hung the salvation of the world.” All: “Come, let us adore.”
Procession	Antiphon or Hymn
Adoration of the Holy Cross	a single Cross; candles on right and left; options for chants or music
<b><u>HOLY COMMUNION</u></b>	
[Covering of the Altar]	
Ciborium to Altar	by priest or deacon, wearing a humeral veil, accompanied by candles
Lord’s Prayer	
Invitation to Communion	“Behold the Lamb of God...”
Distribution of Communion	Hymn(s) _____
Prayer After Communion	
Prayer Over the People	
Departure	<i>All depart in silence after genuflecting to the Cross</i>



**EASTER SUNDAY, THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD:  
THE EASTER VIGIL IN THE HOLY NIGHT**

A blazing fire is prepared in a suitable place outside the church. The priest approaches with the ministers, one of whom carries the paschal candle. The processional cross and candles are not carried.

**THE SOLEMN BEGINNING OF THE VIGIL OR LUCERNARIUM**

The Blessing of the Fire and Preparation of the Candle

Sign of the Cross [new]

Greeting

Instruction

Blessing of the Fire

Preparation of the Candle

Lighting of the Paschal Candle

cross, Alpha and Omega, current year; grains of incense from the Easter Fire

Procession

Chant

Priest lights his candle

Lighting of Assembly's Candles

thurifer leads people with unlit candles  
"Light of Christ" "Thanks be to God"  
from the Paschal Candle  
(those persons already baptized)

The Easter Proclamation/Exsultet

Long Form or Short Form

by a deacon, priest, or other person

**THE LITURGY OF THE WORD**

*see Lectionary #41 all should be read, at least three from OT, Exodus 14 is never omitted*

Introduction

Reading I

Responsorial Psalm

Genesis 1:1 - 2:2 OR Genesis 1:1, 26-31a *Creation*

Psalm 104: 1-2, 5-6, 10,12,13-14,24,35

OR Psalm 33: 4-5, 6-7, 12-13, 20-22

Prayer

Reading II

Responsorial Psalm

Prayer

Genesis 2: 1-18 OR Gen 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18 *Abraham and Isaac*

Psalm 16: 5, 8, 9-10, 11

Reading III

Responsorial Psalm

Prayer

Exodus 14:15 - 15:1 *Parting of the Sea*

Exodus 15: 1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 17-18

Reading IV

Responsorial Psalm

Prayer

Isaiah 54: 5-14 *Enduring love of the Lord*

Psalm 30: 2, 4, 5-6,11-12,13

Reading V

Responsorial Psalm

Prayer

Isaiah 55: 1-11 *Come to me that you may have life*

Isaiah 12: 2-3, 4, 5-6

Reading VI

Responsorial Psalm

Prayer

Baruch 3:9-15, 32-4:4 *Walk by the light*

Psalm 19:8, 9, 10, 11

Reading VII

Responsorial Psalm

Prayer

Ezekiel 36: 16-28 *I shall sprinkle water on you and give you a clean heart*

Psalm 42:3, 5; 43: 3,4 OR Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6 OR Ps 51:12-13, 14-15, 18-19

Gloria

Collect

Epistle

Romans 6: 3-11 *Christ, raised from the dead, dies no more.*

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 118: 1-2, 16, 17, 22-23



Gospel

Mark 16:1-7

*Jesus of Nazareth, the crucified, has been raised.*

Homily

**BAPTISMAL LITURGY**

Presentation of the Candidates for Baptism

Invitation to Prayer

Litany of the Saints

Blessing of Baptismal Water

Prayer

Acclamation

Renunciation of Sin

Profession of Faith

Baptism

Clothing with a White Garment

Presentation of a Lighted Candle

Setting: \_\_\_\_\_

with hands extended... lowering paschal candle into water

Setting: \_\_\_\_\_

*see Roman Ritual [RCIA]*

The Renewal of Baptismal Promises

Sprinkling with Baptismal Water

Celebration of Reception into Full Communion

Invitation

Profession of Faith

Act of Reception

By Assembly; [new] may also be done with the Elect (above)

Celebration of Confirmation

Invitation

Laying on of Hands

Anointing with Chrism

Universal Prayer

**THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST**

Presentation of the Offerings

*by the neophytes*

[Presentation Hymn]

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Prayer over the Offerings

Eucharistic Prayer

Preface

Holy, holy, holy

Eucharistic Prayer

Memorial Acclamation

Great Amen

Preface I of Easter

Eucharistic Prayer with embolisms [cf. Roman Missal and Roman Ritual]

Communion Rite

Lord's Prayer

Sign of Peace

Breaking of the Bread

Invitation to Communion

Distribution of Communion

Lamb of God: \_\_\_\_\_

"Behold the Lamb of God..."

Hymns: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Silence or Hymn of Thanksgiving

Prayer After Communion

**CONCLUDING RITE**

[Announcements]

Greeting

Solemn Blessing

Dismissal

see RM #68

see RM #69; Alleluia, alleluia

*Note: The "double alleluia" is sung at the dismissal on Easter Sunday (the Vigil and Mass of Easter Day), during the Octave of Easter, and on Pentecost (Vigil and Day). It is not used on the other days of the Easter season.*



**THE SACRED TRIDUUM: EASTER SUNDAY  
THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD: THE MASS OF EASTER DAY**

**INTRODUCTORY RITES**

Opening Hymn \_\_\_\_\_

Greeting

[Sprinkling Rite]

Glory to God

Collect

Setting: \_\_\_\_\_

**LITURGY OF THE WORD**

First Reading

Responsorial Psalm

Acts 10: 34a, 37-43

Psalm 118: 1-2, 16-17, 22-23 (24)

Setting: \_\_\_\_\_

Second Reading

Sequence

Gospel Acclamation

Colossians 3:1-4 or 1 Corinthians 5:6b-8

*Victimae Paschali Laudes*

Alleluia; Christ, our paschal lamb, has been sacrificed; ...

Setting: \_\_\_\_\_

Gospel

Homily

Renewal of Baptismal Promises

Sprinkling with Blessed Water

Creed

Prayers of the Faithful/Universal Prayer

John 20:1-9

see Easter Vigil #55

Song \_\_\_\_\_

Omitted

**LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST**

Preparation of the Altar

Presentation Hymn

Prayer over the Offerings

\_\_\_\_\_

Eucharistic Prayer

Preface

Eucharistic Prayer

Holy, holy, holy

Acclamations

I II III IV

Preface I of Easter: "The Paschal Mystery"

proper forms of *Communicantes* and *hanc igitur* if EP I is used

Lord's Prayer

Sign of Peace

Breaking of the Bread

Invitation to Holy Communion

Communion Hymn(s)

Lamb of God: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Prayer After Communion

**CONCLUDING RITE**

[Announcements]

Greeting

Solemn Blessing

Dismissal

Closing Hymn

see Easter Vigil #68

Alleluia, alleluia

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**THE SACRED TRIDUUM  
EASTER SUNDAY: THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD  
EVENING PRAYER**

*The Paschal Candle is lit and placed near the ambo.*

**INTRODUCTORY RITE**

Introductory Verse

Presider: O God, ✠ come to my assistance.  
All: Lord, make haste to help me.

Doxology

Presider: Glory to the Father, and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit  
All: As it was in the beginning is now and will be forever. Amen. Alleluia

Hymn

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**PSALMODY**

Antiphon I Mary Magdalene and the other Mary came to see the Lord's tomb, alleluia.

Psalm Psalm 110:1-5, 7

Antiphon I Mary Magdalene and the other Mary came to see the Lord's tomb, alleluia.

Antiphon II Come and see the place where the Lord was buried, alleluia.

Psalm Psalm 114

Antiphon II Come and see the place where the Lord was buried, alleluia.

Antiphon III Jesus said: Do not be afraid. Go and tell my brothers to set out for Galilee; there they will see me, alleluia.

NT Canticle Revelation 19:1-17

Antiphon III Jesus said: Do not be afraid. Go and tell my brothers to set out for Galilee; there they will see me, alleluia.

**THE WORD OF GOD**

Reading Hebrews 10:12-14

Silence

Antiphon This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad, alleluia.

**GOSPEL CANTICLE**

Antiphon On the evening of the first day of the week, the disciples were gathered together behind locked doors; suddenly, Jesus stood among them and said: Peace be with you, alleluia.

Canticle of Mary Luke 1: 46-55

Antiphon On the evening of the first day of the week, the disciples were gathered together behind locked doors; suddenly, Jesus stood among them and said: Peace be with you, alleluia.

## **INTERCESSORY PRAYER**

### Invitation

Presider: With joy in our hearts, let us call upon Christ the Lord, who died and rose again, and lives always to intercede for us:  
All: Victorious King, hear our prayer.

### Intercessions

Presider: Light and salvation for all peoples,  
All: send into our hearts the fire of your Spirit as we proclaim your resurrection.

Presider: Let Israel recognize in you her longed-for Messiah,  
All: and the whole earth be filled with the knowledge of your glory.

Presider: Keep us in the communion of your saints,  
All: and grant us rest from our labors in their company.

Presider: You have triumphed over death, your enemy;  
All: destroy in us the power of death, that we may live only for you, victorious and immortal Lord.

Presider: Savior Christ, you were obedient even to accepting death,  
All: and were raised up to the right hand of the Father, in your goodness, welcome your brothers and sisters into the kingdom of your glory.

### Lord's Prayer

Presider: Gathering our prayers and praises into one,  
All: let us pray in the words our Savior gave us.  
Our Father,...

### Collect

*(first option)*

Presider: God our Father,  
by raising Christ your Son  
you conquered the power of death  
and opened for us the way to eternal life.  
Let our celebration today raise us up  
and renew our lives  
by the Spirit that is within us.  
Grant this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,  
one God, forever and ever.  
All: Amen.

## **CONCLUDING RITE**

### Dismissal

Presider: Go in peace, alleluia, alleluia.  
All: Thanks be to God, alleluia, alleluia.

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