

SAINT
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ALL
ANGELS'
CHURCH

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AFTER
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THE MAY FESTIVAL

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Cover Image: The Annunciation Carving on the left side of the Sanctuary of the Church of St. Michael and All Angels, Denver, Colorado.

The Holy Eucharist: Rite II

Prelude Fuguette sur L'Ave Maris Stella—Abel Decaux, (1869–1943)

At the sound of the bell, the people stand.

The Entrance of the Sanctuary Party and Vidi Aquam

The Celebrant asperses the congregation while the Cantor and Choir chant Vidi Aquam:

I beheld water

Proceeding out of the Temple, from the right side thereof, alleluia: And men, wither-so-ever the waters shall come, Shall be healed and shall say, "Alleluia."

O give thanks unto the Lord, for he is gracious, * because his mercy endureth for ever.

Glory be . . .

Celebrant O Lord, shew thy mercy upon us, alleluia.

People And grant us thy salvation, alleluia.

Celebrant O Lord, hear my prayer.

People And let my cry come unto thee.

Celebrant The Lord be with you. People And with thy spirit.

Celebrant Let us pray

Graciously hear us, O Lord, holy Father, Almighty everlasting God: and vouchsafe to send thy holy Angel from heaven; to guard and cherish, to protect and visit, and to defend all who dwell in this thy holy habitation. Through Jesus Christ our Lord.

People Amen.

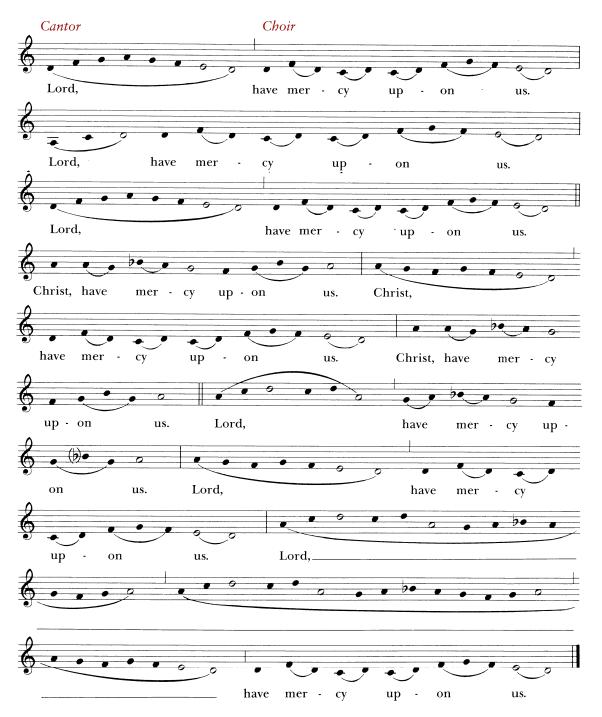
Hymn # 435



The People are invited to sing the parts assigned to the Choir on this and all other Proper Chants.



Kyrie S-92 Cum Iubilo



Gloria in excelsis

S-278 William Mathias (1934–1992)



The Collects of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you. *People* And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

O God, the King of glory, you have exalted your only Son Jesus Christ with great triumph to your kingdom in heaven: Do not leave us comfortless, but send us your Holy Spirit to strengthen us, and exalt us to that place where our Savior Christ has gone before; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, in glory everlasting.

People Amen.

Celebrant Let us pray.

Grant, we pray, O Lord God, that we your servants may enjoy perpetual health of body and soul: and, at the glorious intercession of blessed Mary ever Virgin, be delivered from our present sadness and rejoice in everlasting gladness. Through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

People Amen.

The Lesson

Acts 1:15-17, 21-26

Reader A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

In those days Peter stood up among the believers (together the crowd numbered about one hundred twenty persons) and said, "Friends, the scripture had to be fulfilled, which the Holy Spirit through David foretold concerning Judas, who became a guide for those who arrested Jesus—for he was numbered among us and was allotted his share in this ministry. So one of the men who have accompanied us during all the time that the Lord Jesus went in and out among us, beginning from the baptism of John until the day when he was taken up from us—one of these must become a witness with us to his resurrection." So they proposed two, Joseph called Barsabbas, who was also known as Justus, and Matthias. Then they prayed and said, "Lord, you know everyone's heart. Show us which one of these two you have chosen to take the place in this ministry and apostleship from which Judas turned aside to go to his own place." And they cast lots for them, and the lot fell on Matthias; and he was added to the eleven apostles.

The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

The Gradual

Psalm 1

The men in the choir chant the response, and all repeat it.



Happy are they who have not walked in the counsel of the wicked, * nor lingered in the way of sinners, nor sat in the seats of the scornful! Their delight is in the law of the Lord, * and they meditate on his law day and night.

Response Alleluia

They are like trees planted by streams of water, bearing fruit in due season, with leaves that do not wither; *

everything they do shall prosper.

It is not so with the wicked; *

they are like chaff which the wind blows away.

Response Alleluia

Therefore the wicked shall not stand upright when judgment comes, * nor the sinner in the council of the righteous.

For the Lord knows the way of the righteous, * but the way of the wicked is doomed.

Response Alleluia

The Epistle

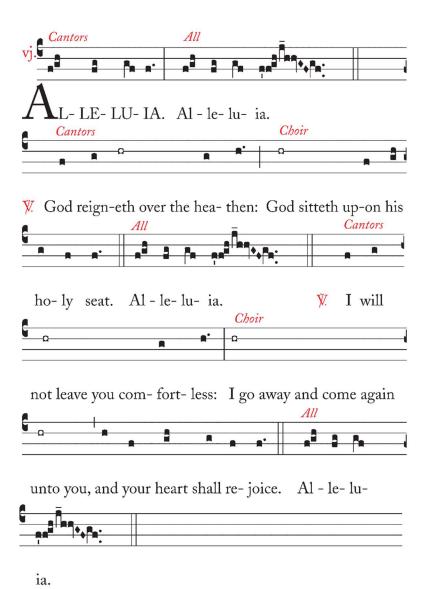
I John 5:9-13

Reader A reading from the First Letter of Blessed John the Apostle

If we receive human testimony, the testimony of God is greater; for this is the testimony of God that he has testified to his Son. Those who believe in the Son of God have the testimony in their hearts. Those who do not believe in God have made him a liar by not believing in the testimony that God has given concerning his Son. And this is the testimony: God gave us eternal life, and this life is in his Son. Whoever has the Son has life; whoever does not have the Son of God does not have life. I write these things to you who believe in the name of the Son of God, so that you may know that you have eternal life.

The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.



The Holy Gospel

John 17:6-19

Deacon The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

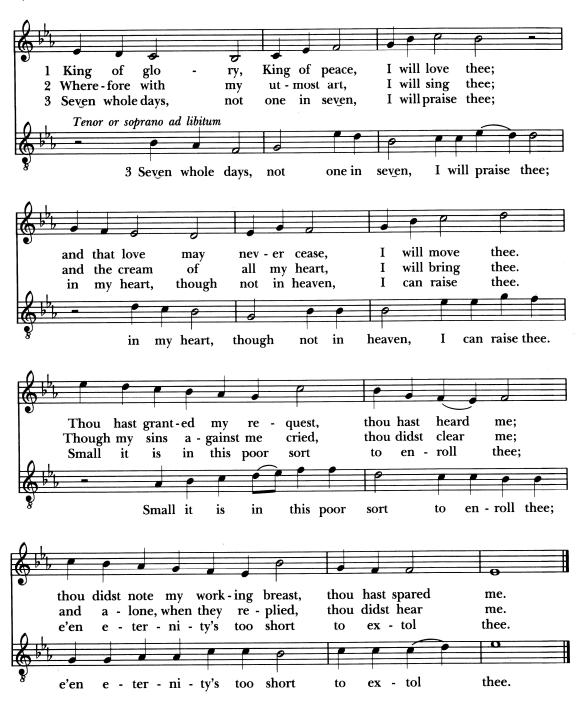
Deacon

Jesus prayed for his disciples saying, "I have made your name known to those whom you gave me from the world. They were yours, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. Now they know that everything you have given me is from you; for the words that you gave to me I have given to them, and they have received them and know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you sent me. I am asking on their behalf; I am not asking on behalf of the world, but on behalf of those whom you gave me, because they are yours. All mine are yours, and yours are mine; and I have been glorified in them. And now I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one, as we are one. While I was with them, I protected them in your name that you have given me. I guarded them, and not one of them was lost except the one destined to be lost, so that the scripture might be fulfilled. But now I am coming to you, and I speak these things in the world so that they may have my joy made complete in themselves. I have given them your word, and the world has hated them because they do not belong to the world, just as I do not belong to the world. I am not asking you to take them out of the world, but I ask you to protect them from the evil one. They do not belong to the world, just as I do not belong to the world. Sanctify them in the truth; your word is truth. As you have sent me into the world, so I have sent them into the world. And for their sakes I sanctify myself, so that they also may be sanctified in truth."

The Gospel of the Lord

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Hymn # 382



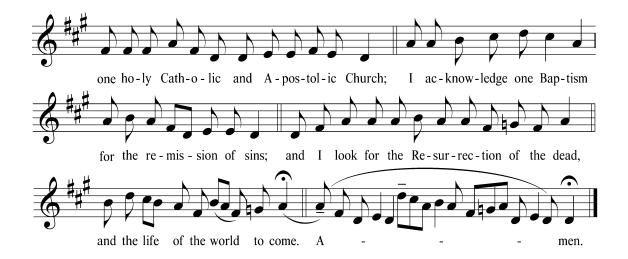
The Sermon Deacon Stoddard

There follows, all standing

The Nicene Creed







The Prayers of the People

The Deacon and People pray responsively

Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church; *That we all may be one.*

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you; *That your Name may be glorified by all people.*

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons; That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world; *That there may be justice and peace on the earth.*

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake; *That our works may find favor in your sight.*

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble; *That they may be delivered from their distress.*

Give to the departed eternal rest; Let light perpetual shine upon them.

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy; May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

The Deacon announces the parish's particular intercessions, and the Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

Confession of Sin

Deacon Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Kneeling, all say together

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

The Celebrant stands and says

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life.

People Amen.

The Peace

Celebrant The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

The Liturgy of the Eucharist

The Celebrant announces the Intention of the Mass.

Celebrant

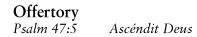
Pray, brethren, that this, my Sacrifice and yours, may be acceptable to God the Father Almighty.

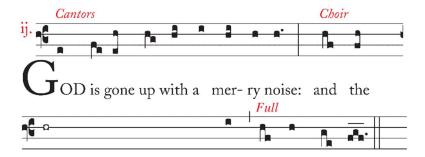
People

May the Lord receive this sacrifice at your hands to the praise and glory of his Name, both to our benefit and that of all His Holy Church.

Celebrant

Amen.





LORD with the sound of the trump, al- le- lu- ia.

Hymn

Tune: The Lincolnshire Poacher, trad. English melody

Text: Alfred Gurney (1843-1898



- 5. How many are the thoughts that throng
 On faithful souls today!
 All year we sing Our Lady's song,
 'Tis still the song of May:
 Magnificat! O may we feel
 That rapture more and more:
 And chiefly, Lord, what time we kneel
 Thine altar-throne before.
- 6. 'Tis then, when at thy feet we pray,
 We share Our Lady's mirth;
 Her joy we know who hail today
 Thy Eucharistic birth;

- That trembling joy to Mary sent, Ah, Christians know it well, With whom in his dear sacrament Their Saviour deigns to dwell.
- 7. Yes, Mary's month has come again,
 The merry month of May;
 And sufferers forget their pain,
 And sorrows flee away,
 And joys return, the hearts whose moan
 Was desolate erewhile
 Are blithe and gay once more, they own
 The charm of Mary's smile.

- 8. Thy Son our Brother is, and we,
 Whatever may betide,
 A Mother, Mary, have in thee;
 A guardian and a guide,
 Thy smiles a tale of gladness tell,
 No words can ever say;
 If but like th3e we love him well,
 The year will be all May.
- All hail! An angel spake the words
 We lovingly repeat,
 The song-notes of the singing birds,
 They are not half so sweet:
 This is a music that endures,
 It cannot pass away,
 For Mary's children it ensures
 A never-ending May.

The Great Thanksgiving

CelebrantThe Lord be with you.PeopleAnd also with you.CelebrantLift up your hearts.PeopleWe lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. People It is right to give him thanks and praise.

Celebrant

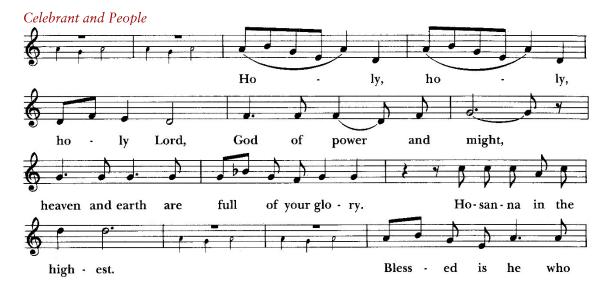
It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Through your dearly beloved Son Jesus Christ our Lord. After his glorious resurrection he openly appeared to his disciples, and in their sight ascended into heaven, to prepare a place for us; that where he is, there we might also be, and reign with him in glory.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Sanctus

S-128: William Mathias





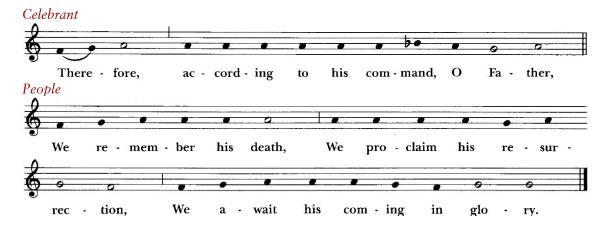
The people kneel.

Celebrant

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."



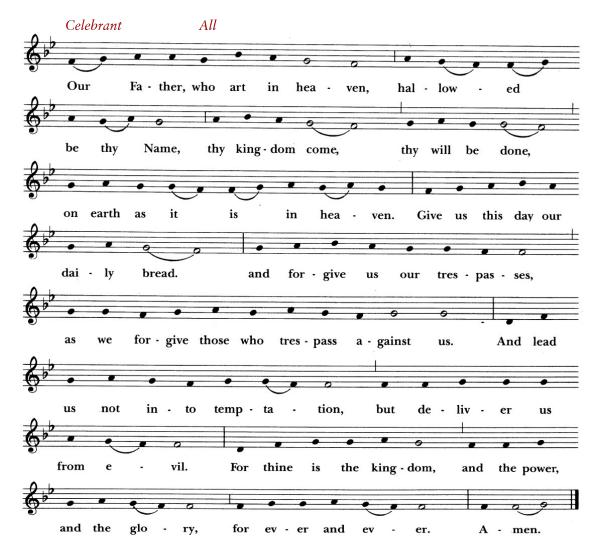
The Celebrant continues

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with Blessed Mary, Ever Virgin, Blessed Michael and All Angels, patrons of this parish, and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

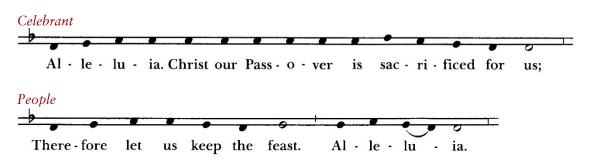
By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. *AMEN*.

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,



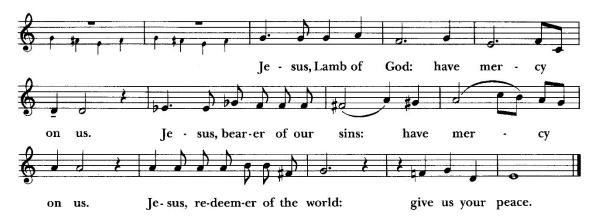
The Breaking of the Host

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Host



Agnus dei

S-165 William Mathias (1934–1992)



The Celebrant issues the following Invitation

The Gifts of God for the People of God. Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who takes away the sins of the world. Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.

People

Lord, I am not worthy that you should come under my roof, but speak the world only, and my soul shall be healed.

The ministers receive the Sacrament in both kinds, and then immediately deliver it to the people.



to thee. I pray thee not that thou shouldest take



them out of the world; but that thou shouldest keep them



from the evil, al-le-lu- ia, al-le-lu- ia.

Anthem "Rise up, my love, my fair one"—Healey Willan (1880–1968) The Choir

Rise up, my love, my fair one, and come away; For lo, the winter is past, the rain is over and gone; The flowers appear upon the earth; The time of the singing of birds is come.

Hymn

tune: Victoria Docks; John Bacchus Dykes, 1823-1876

text: Henry Williams Baker, 1821-1877



Celebrant

Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Celebrant

The Peace of God, which passes 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 Spirit, be amongst you and remain with you always.

People Amen.

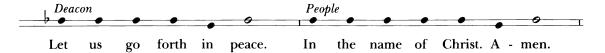
The Dismissal

Deacon Let us go forth in the Name of Christ.

People Thanks be to God.

The Marian Procession

The Sanctuary Party prepares for the outdoor procession. Incense is put on. When all is ready, the Deacon turns to the People and sings



Join us as you are able and weather permitting in processing outside around the Church.

Hymn

Tune: Queenstown. Mary E. Walsh, 1847-1884; harmonized by John Rush Text: Mary E. Walsh 1847-1884





Hymn

Tune: Lourdes Hymn; Traditional Pyrenean Folk Melody (Grenoble 1882); Harm. David Enlow Text: Anonymous



- 5. For poor, sick, afflicted,
 Thy mercy we crave:
 And comfort the dying
 Thou light of the grave.
- Refrain

6. There is no need, Mary,
Nor ever has been,
Which thou canst not succour,
Immaculate Queen.

Refrain

7. In grief and temptation,
In joy or in pain,
We'll ask thee, our Mother,
Nor seek thee in vain.

Refrain

8. O bless us, dear Lady,
With blessings from heav'n,
And to our petitions
Let answer be giv'n.

Refrain

9. In death's solemn moment,
Our Mother be nigh,
As children of Mary,
O teach us to die.

Refrain

To behold soon in heaven
God's ravishing face.

Refrain

11. Now to God be glory

10. And crown thy sweet mercy,

With this special grace,

11. Now to God be glory
And worship for aye,
And to God's Virgin Mother,
An endless "Ave!"

Refrain

The People reenter the Church and assemble in the pews. Then is sung

Regina Cæli

Sung to Easter Hymn

Joy to thee, O Queen of Heaven. Alleluia. He whom thou wast meet to be bear. Alleluia. As he promised hath arisen. Alleluia. Pour for us to God thy prayer. Alleluia.

Celebrant Rejoice and be glad, O Virgin Mary, alleluia.

People For the Lord is risen indeed, alleluia.

Celebrant Let us pray.

O God, who by the Resurrection of thy Son, Our Lord Jesus Christ, didst vouchsafe to give joy to the whole world: grant, we beseech thee, that through his Mother, the Virgin Mary, we may obtain the joys of everlasting life. Through the same Christ our Lord.

People Amen.

Departure of the Sanctuary Party

Hymn

Tune: Fatima Ave; Traditional Portuguese melody; harm. David Enlow Text: Portuguese; trans. traditional



Postlude Offertoire, Sur L'Alme Redemptoris Mater—Joseph Jongen (1873-1953)