

5rd Sunday of Easter

MAY 2, 2021

St. Mary of Sorrows Catholic Church, Fairfax, Virginia

Prayer for our Nation:

Almighty Father, source of all our blessings, help us to trust in you.

Please bless our country with your care. Keep safe our men and women in uniform, here and in faraway lands. Help their families, and all of our families, to rely on you and your love for each of your children. Stretch your hand to protect the innocent, here and abroad. Make our country wise and strong, generous and accepting, a symbol of what is best in each of us. We ask this of you through Christ our Lord. Amen.

INTRODUCTORY RITES

ENTRANCE SONG

*Sing With All the Saints in
Glory*



1. Sing with all the saints in glo - ry, Sing the res - ur -
2. O what glo - ry, far ex - ceed - ing All that eye has
3. Life e - ter - nal! heav'n re - joic - es: Je - sus lives who
4. Life e - ter - nal! O what won - ders Crowd on faith; what



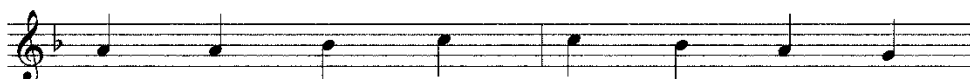
rec - tion song! Death and sor - row, earth's dark sto - ry,
yet per - ceived! Ho - liest hearts for a - ges plead - ing,
once was dead; Shout with joy, O death - less voic - es!
joy un - known, When, a - midst earth's clos - ing thun - ders,



To the for - mer days be - long. All a - round the
Nev - er that full joy con - ceived. God has prom - ised,
Child of God, lift up your head! Pa - tri - archs from
Saints shall stand be - fore the throne! O to en - ter



clouds are break - ing, Soon the storms of time shall cease;
Christ pre - pares it, There on high our wel - come waits;
dis - tant a - ges, Saints all long - ing for their heav'n,
that bright por - tal, See that glow - ing fir - ma - ment,



In God's like - ness, we a - wak - en,
Ev - 'ry hum - ble spir - it shares it,
Proph - ets, psalm - ists, seers, and sag - es,
Know, with you, O God im - mor - tal,



Know - ing ev - er - last - ing peace.
Christ has passed the e - ter - nal gates.
All a - wait the glo - ry giv'n.
Je - sus Christ whom you have sent!

PENITENTIAL ACT

GLORIA



Glo-ry to God in the high - est, and on earth peace to peo-ple
of good will. We praise you, we bless you, we a -
dore you, we glo-ri-fy you, we give you
thanks for your great glo - ry, Lord God, heav-en - ly
King, O God, al-might-y Fa - ther.
Lord Je - sus Christ, On - ly Be - got - ten Son, Lord God,
Lamb of God, Son of the Fa - ther, you take a -
way the sins of the world, have mer - cy on us; you take a -
way the sins of the world, re - ceive our prayer; you are seat - ed
at the right hand of the Fa - ther, have mer -
cy, have mer - cy on us. For you a - lone are the
Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord, you a - lone are the
Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spir - it,
in the glo-ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men, a - men.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

READING I

ACTS 9:26-31

When Saul arrived in Jerusalem he tried to join the disciples, but they were all afraid of him, not believing that he was a disciple. Then Barnabas took charge of him and brought him to the apostles, and he reported to them how he had seen the Lord, and that he had spoken to him, and how in Damascus he had spoken out boldly in the name of Jesus. He moved about freely with them in Jerusalem, and spoke out boldly in the name of the Lord. He also spoke and debated with the Hellenists, but they tried to kill him. And when the brothers learned of this, they took him down to Caesarea and sent him on his way to Tarsus. The church throughout all Judea, Galilee, and Samaria was at peace. It was being built up and walked in the fear of the Lord, and with the consolation of the Holy Spirit it grew in numbers.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

22:26-27, 28, 30, 31-32

"I will praise you, Lord, in the assembly of your people."

I will fulfill my vows before those who fear the LORD. The lowly shall eat their fill; they who seek the LORD shall praise him: "May your hearts live forever!" **R.**

To him alone shall bow down all who sleep in the earth; before him shall bend all who go down into the dust. **R.**

All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the LORD; all the families of the nations shall bow down before him. **R.**

And to him my soul shall live; my descendants shall serve him. Let the coming generation be told of the LORD that they may proclaim to a people yet to be born the justice he has shown. **R.**

READING II

1 Jn 3:18-24

Children, let us love not in word or speech but in deed and truth. Now this is how we shall know that we belong to the truth and reassure our hearts before him in whatever our hearts condemn, for God is greater than our hearts and knows everything. Beloved, if our hearts do not condemn us, we have confidence in God and receive from him whatever we ask, because we keep his commandments and do what pleases him. And his commandment is this: we should believe in the name of his Son, Jesus Christ, and love one another just as he commanded us. Those who keep his commandments remain in him, and he in them, and the way we know that he remains in us is from the Spirit he gave us.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

CANTOR: Alleluia, alleluia.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

Remain in me as I remain in you, says the Lord.

Whoever remains in me will bear much fruit. **R.**

GOSPEL

Jn 15:1-8

Jesus said to his disciples: "I am the true vine, and my Father is the vine grower. He takes away every branch in me that does not bear fruit, and every one that does he prunes so that it bears more fruit. You are already pruned because of the word that I spoke to you. Remain in me, as I remain in you. Just as a branch cannot bear fruit on its own unless it remains on the vine, so neither can you unless you remain in me. I am the vine, you are the branches. Whoever remains in me and I in him will bear much fruit, because without me you can do nothing. Anyone who does not remain in me will be thrown out like a branch and wither; people will gather them and throw them into a fire and they will be burned. If you remain in me and my words remain in you, ask for whatever you want and it will be done for you. By this is my Father glorified, that you bear much fruit and become my disciples."

HOMILY

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

PREPARATION OF GIFTS

*At this time, we invite you to send your guardian angel
to the altar, asking him to present the prayers
that you offer for this Mass.*

I know That My Redeemer Lives

Verses



1. I know that my Re-deem-er lives, the One who
2. I know that I shall one day see the good-ness
3. The last day I shall rise a-gain, shall be re-



1. calls me home. I long to see God face - to - face, to
2. of the Lord, when God will wipe a - way our tears, and
3. made like God. My home shall be by God's own side, the

Refrain



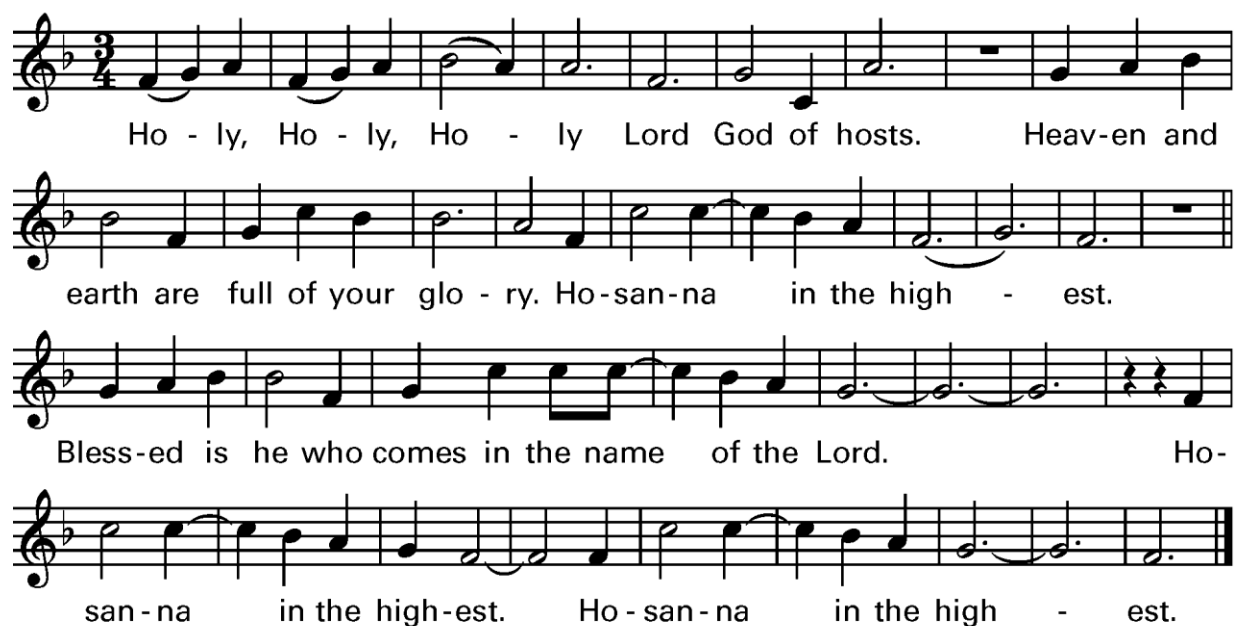
1. see with my own eyes. I know that my Re -
2. death will be no more.
3. dy - ing, ris - ing Lord.



1. deem-er lives, that I shall rise a - gain. gain.
2. gain.

EUCCHARISTIC ACCLAMATIONS

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY



Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly Lord God of hosts. Heav-en and
earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho-san-na in the high - est.
Bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-
san-na in the high-est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION



When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup, we pro -
claim your Death, O Lord, un - til you come a - gain.


GREAT AMEN



A - men, a - men, a - men.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

LAMB OF GOD



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sins of the world, have mer - cy,
have mer - cy on us. world, grant us, grant us peace.

COMMUNION

How Great Thou Art



1. O Lord my God, when I in awe - some
 2. When thru the woods and for - est glades I
 3. And when I think that God, His Son not
 4. When Christ shall come with shout of ac - cla -



won - der Con - sid - er all the worlds Thy hands have
 wan - der And hear the birds sing sweet - ly in the
 spar - ing, Sent Him to die, I scarce can take it
 ma - tion And take me home, what joy shall fill my



made, I see the stars, I hear the roll - ing
 trees, When I look down from loft - y moun - tain
 in That on the cross, my bur - den glad - ly
 heart! Then I shall bow in hum - ble ad - o -



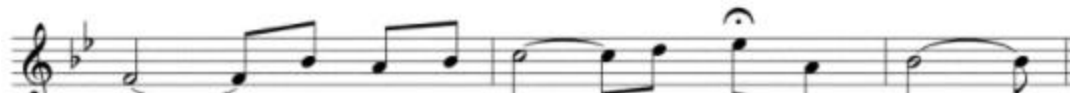
thun - der, Thy pow'r thru - out the un - i - verse dis - played!
 gran - deur And hear the brook and feel the gen - tle breeze.
 bear - ing, He bled and died to take a - way my sin!
 ra - tion And there pro-claim, my God, how great Thou art!



Then sings my soul, my Sav-ior God, to Thee; How great Thou



art, how great Thou art! Then sings my soul, my Sav-ior God, to



Thee; How great Thou art, How great Thou art!

I, The Lord

The image displays a musical score for a hymn, featuring a Refrain and two Verses. The music is written on a single staff in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The lyrics are in English.

Refrain:

I, the Lord, am with you, al - ways by your side.
 Come and take my hand, for I will lead you home. Fol - low
 me, fol - low me.

Final:

Fol - low me, fol - low me.

Verse 1:

1. I am the res - ur - rec - tion, and I am the life; if
 1. you be - lieve in me, you shall live for - ev - er.

Verse 2:

2. You shall have new life and live it to the full.
 2. Turn your sor - row in - to joy, for life has just be - gun.

Spiritual Communion Prayer:

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION


CONCLUDING RITE

FINAL BLESSING AND DISMISSAL

RECESSIONAL


Hail Holy Queen

Verses

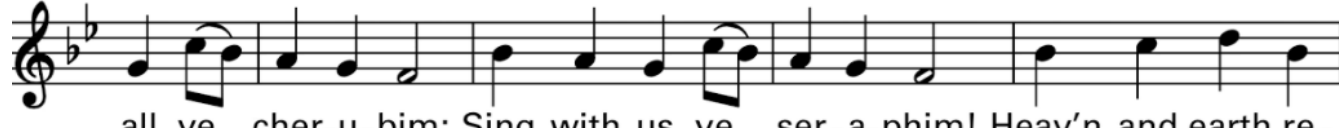


1. Hail, ho - ly Queen en - throned a - bove; O Ma - ri - a! Hail,
2. Our life, our sweet - ness here be - low, O Ma - ri - a! Our
3. And when our life - breath leaves __ us, O Ma - ri - a! Show


Refrain



1. moth - er of mer - cy and of love.
2. hope __ in sor - row and in woe. } O Ma - ri - a! Tri - umph,
3. us __ thy Son, Christ Je - sus.



all ye cher - u - bim; Sing with us, ye ser - a - phim! Heav' n and earth re -



sound the hymn: Sal - ve, sal - ve, sal - ve, Re - gi - na!

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