

Eve of the Second Sunday of Easter

5:00 p.m., Saturday, April 26, 2025 (Year C)

The texts found below are those of the chants and prayers which change each week and are sung by the choir and celebrant alone.

Members of the congregation are invited to join the choir in the chants that are printed with music in the Mass booklet (“Sancta Eucharistia”).

(1) *Introitus* 1 Peter 2:2

Quasimodo geniti infantes, alleluia: rationabiles, sine dolo lac concupiscite, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. Ps. Exsultate Deo adiutori nostro: iubilate Deo Iacob.

As newborn babes, alleluia, long for pure spiritual milk, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.
V. Rejoice in honor of God our helper; shout for joy to the God of Jacob.

(2) *Collecta*

Omnipotens sempiternus Deus, qui Paschale sacramentum in reconciliationis humanae foedere contulisti: da mentibus nostris; ut, quod professione celebramus, imitemur effectum; per Dominum nostrum Iesum Christum, qui tecum vivit et regnat in unitate Spiritus Sancti, Deus, per omnia saecula saeculorum. *Amen.*

Almighty and everlasting God, who in the Paschal mystery established the new covenant of reconciliation: Grant that all who have been reborn into the fellowship of Christ's Body may show forth in their lives what they profess by their faith; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.
Amen.

Lectio Prima (First Reading): Acts 5:27-32

(3) *Alleluia* John 20:26

Alleluia. Post dies octo, ianuis clausis, stetit Iesus in medio discipulorum suorum, et dixit: Pax vobis.

Alleluia. Eight days later, while all the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood in the midst of his disciples and said: “Peace be with you.”

Sequentia

Victimae paschali laudes immolent
Christiani.
Agnus redemit oves:
Christus innocens Patri reconciliavit
peccatores.

Sequence hymn

Christians, to the Paschal victim
offer your thankful praises!
A lamb the sheep redeemeth:
Christ, who only is sinless,
reconcileth sinners to the Father.

Mors et vita duello
confluxere mirando:
dux vitae mortuus,
regnat vivus.
Dic nobis, Maria,
quid vidisti in via?
Sepulcrum Christi viventis,
et gloriam vidi resurgentis:
Angelicos testes,
sudarium et vestes.
Surrexit Christus spes mea:
praecedet suos in Galilaeam.
Scimus Christum surrexisse
a mortuis vere:
tu nobis, victor Rex, miserere.
Amen. Alleluia.

Death and life have contended
in that combat stupendous:
the Prince of life, who died,
reigns immortal.
Speak, Mary, declaring
what thou sawest, wayfaring:
"The tomb of Christ, who is living,
the glory of Jesus' resurrection;
"Bright angels attesting,
the shroud and napkin resting.
"Yea, Christ my hope is arisen;
to Galilee he will go before you."
Christ indeed from death is risen,
our new life obtaining;
have mercy, victor King, ever reigning!
Amen. Alleluia.

Evangelium (*Gospel Reading*): John 20:19-31

(4) Offertorium *Matthew 28: 2, 5, 6*

Angelus Domini descendit de caelo, et dixit mulieribus: Quem quaeritis, surrexit, sicut dixit, alleluia.

The angel of the Lord came down from heaven and said to the women, "The one whom you seek has arisen, as he said, alleluia.

(5) Praefatio

Et te quidem omni tempore, sed in hoc potissimum gloriosius praedicare, cum Pascha nostrum immolatus est Christus. Ipse enim est vere Agnus, qui abstulit peccata mundi: qui mortem nostram moriendo destruxit, et vitam resurgendo reparavit.

But chiefly are we bound to praise you for the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is the true Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us, and has taken away the sin of the world. By his death he has destroyed death, and by his rising to life again he has won for us everlasting life.

(6) Communio *John 20:27*

Mitte manum tuam, et cognosce loca clavorum, alleluia: et noli esse incredulus, sed fidelis, alleluia, alleluia.

Stretch forth your hand, and feel the place where the nails were, alleluia; and be not doubtful but believing, alleluia, alleluia.

(7) Postcommunio

Concede, quaesumus, omnipotens Deus, ut paschalis perceptio sacramenti continua in nostris mentibus perseveret; per Christum Dominum nostrum. *Amen.*

Grant, we pray, almighty God, that in our hearts and minds we may devoutly revere this Paschal sacrament which we have received; and that it may bring forth in us the fruits of godly living; through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

The Last Gospel: John 1:1-18

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Cantors ***Jack Barben, Paul Ellison***
Server ***John Tennant***
Thurifer ***Alexis Reed***

The Latin Minor Propers are drawn from *The Gregorian Missal for Sundays: Notated in Gregorian Chant by the Monks of Solesmes*.

The English translation of the Postcommunion is by Bruce Ford, Grace Church, Newark

We believe in the Real Presence of Christ in the consecrated Bread and Wine. All persons baptized with water in the name of the Trinity are welcome to receive Holy Communion. Those who do not wish to take Communion may come forward to receive a blessing, with arms crossed over their chest. The blessed Sacrament is given to the communicants with these words: *Corpus Christi*. [Amen.] *Sanguis Christi*. [Amen.]

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