

Eve of the Third Sunday in Lent

5:00 p.m., Saturday, March 22, 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 *Psalm 25: 14, 15 and 1*

Oculi mei semper ad Dominum, quia ipse evellet de laqueo pedes meus: respice in me, et miserere mei, quoniam unicus et pauper sum ego. *Ps.* Ad te Domine levavi animam meam: Deus meus in te confido, non erubescam.

My eyes are ever looking to the LORD, for he shall pluck my feet out of the net. Turn to me and have pity on me, for I am left alone and in misery. *V.* To you, O LORD, I lift up my soul; my God, I put my trust in you; let me not be humiliated.

(2) Collecta

Deus, qui conspicias omni nos virtute destitui, interius exteriusque custodi, ut ab omnibus adversitatibus muniamur in corpore, et a pravis cogitationibus mundemur in mente; per Iesum Christum Dominum nostrum, qui tecum vivit et regnat in unitate Spiritus Sancti, Deus, per omnia saecula saeculorum. *Amen.*

Almighty God, you know that we have no power in ourselves to help ourselves: Keep us both outwardly in our bodies and inwardly in our souls, that we may be defended from all adversities which may happen to the body, and from all evil thoughts which may assault and hurt the soul; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

Epistola (*Epistle Reading*): 1 Corinthians 10:1-13

(3) Graduale *Psalm 9: 19, 4*

Exsurge Domine, non praevaleret homo: iudicentur gentes in conspectu tuo.

Rise up, O LORD, let not the ungodly have the upper hand; let them be judged before you.

Evangelium (*Gospel Reading*): Luke 13:1-9

(4) Offertorium *Psalm 19: 8, 10, 11*

Iustitiae Domini rectae, laetificantes corda, et dulciora super mel et favum: nam et servus tuus custodiet ea.

The statutes of the LORD are just and rejoice the heart, sweeter far than honey, than honey in the comb; therefore your servant will observe them.

(5) Praefatio

Per Christum Dominum nostrum: Quia fidelibus tuis dignanter impendis quotannis paschalia sacramenta in gaudio purificatis mentibus exspectare: ut, pietatis officia et

opera caritatis propensius exsequentes, frequentatione mysteriorum, quibus renati sunt, ad gratiae filiorum plenitudinem perducantur.

You bid your faithful people cleanse their hearts, and prepare with joy for the Paschal feast; that, fervent in prayer and in works of mercy, and renewed by your Word and Sacraments, they may come to the fullness of grace which you have prepared for those who love you.

(6) *Communio* Psalm 84: 2, 3

Passer invenit sibi domum, et turtur nidum, ubi reponat pullos suos: altaria tua Domine virtutem, Rex meus, et Deus meus: beati qui habitant in domo tua, in saeculum saeculi laudabunt te.

The sparrow has found her a house and the swallow a nest where she may lay her young; by the side of your altars, O LORD of hosts, my King and my God. Happy are they who dwell in your house! they will always be praising you.

(7) *Postcommunio*

Sumentes pignus caelestis arcani, et in terra positi iam superno pane satiati, te, Domine, supplices deprecamur, ut, quod in nobis mysterio geritur, opere impleatur; per Christum Dominum nostrum. *Amen.*

Almighty and everlasting God, you have fed us here on earth with the bread of heaven and given us a pledge of joys that surpass our understanding: grant that we who have received these holy mysteries may show forth your praise in virtuous and godly living and by your grace may attain to your heavenly kingdom; through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

The Last Gospel: John 1:1-18

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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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