

Church of the Advent of Christ the King, San Francisco

The Great Vigil and First Mass of Easter

April 19, 2025, 9:00 p.m.

THE GREAT VIGIL

The Lighting of the New Fire

The congregation gathers in the Hardcastle Garden.

In the darkness, the new fire is kindled.

The Celebrant:

Dear friends in Christ: On this most holy night, in which our Lord Jesus passed over from death to life, the Church invites her members, dispersed throughout the world, to gather in vigil and prayer. For this is the Passover of the Lord, in which, by hearing his Word and celebrating his sacraments, we share in his victory over death.

Let us pray.

O God, through your Son you have bestowed upon your people the brightness of your light: Sanctify this new fire, and grant that in the Paschal feast we may so burn with heavenly desires, that with pure minds we may attain to the festival of everlasting light; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

The Paschal Candle is then lit from the newly kindled fire, and the Deacon, bearing the candle, leads the Procession to the church, pausing three times and singing:

DEACON:
The Light of Christ:

PEOPLE:
Thanks be to God.

Collect

Prayer Book, p. 288

Abraham's Sacrifice of Isaac

Genesis 22:1-18

Canticle *Qui confidunt*

Tone VIII

*Qui confidunt in Domino
sicut mons Sion,
non commovebitur
in aeternum.
Qui habitat in Jerusalem,
montes in circuitu eius
et Dominus in circuitu populi sui,
ex hoc nunc et usque in saeculum.*

Those who trust in the Lord
are like Mount Zion,
which cannot be moved,
but stands fast forever.
Those who live in Jerusalem,
the hills stand round about;
and the Lord stands round about his people,
from this time forth and for evermore.

Collect

Prayer Book, p. 289

Israel's Deliverance at the Red Sea

Exodus 14:10-15:1

Canticle *Cantemus Domino*

Tone VIII

*Cantemus Domino
glorioso enim honorificatus est:
equum et ascensorem proiecit in mare:
adiutor et protector factus est mihi in salutem.
Hic Deus est meus, et honorabo eum:
Deus patris mei, et exaltabo eum.
Dominus conterens bella
Dominus nomen est illi.*

Let us sing to the Lord,
for he is lofty and uplifted;
horse and rider has he thrown into the sea.
He is my strength and refuge to salvation.
this is my God and I will praise him,
the God of my people and I will exalt him.
the Lord is a mighty warrior;
the Lord is his Name.

Collect

Prayer Book, p. 289

The Gathering of God's People

Zephaniah 3:12-20

Canticle *Vinea mea*

Tone VIII

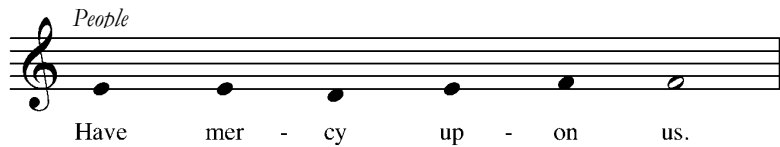
*Vinea mea facta est dilecto
in cornu, in loco uberi.
Et maceriam circumdedit,
et circumfodit.
et plantavit vineam Sorec,
et aedificavit turrim in medio eius.
et torcular fodit in ea:
Vinea enim Domini Sabaoth,
domus Israel est.*

My beloved has a vineyard
on a hill, in a fruitful place.
He made a ditch around it
and fenced it in:
and planted it with the vine of Sorec,
and built a watch tower in the midst of it.
He hewed out a vat of wine in it.
Truly the vineyard of the Lord of Hosts
is the house of Israel.

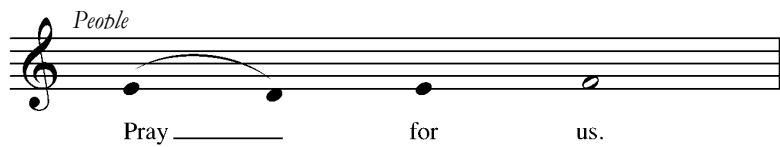
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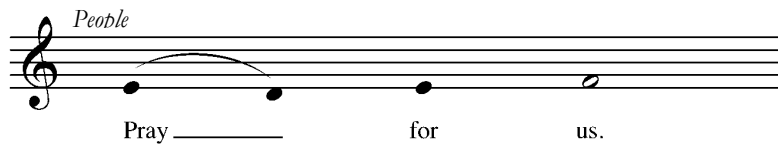
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The First Part of the Litany



God, the Father of heaven, *have mercy upon us.*
God the Son, Redeemer of the world, *have mercy upon us.*
God the Holy Spirit, *have mercy upon us.*
Holy Trinity, one God, *have mercy upon us.*





Holy Mary, *pray for us.*

Holy Mother of God, *pray for us.*

St. Michael, *pray for us.*

St. Gabriel, *pray for us.*

St. Raphael, *pray for us.*

St. Peter and St. Paul, *pray for us.*

St. Andrew, *pray for us.*

St. Thomas, *pray for us.*

St. John, *pray for us.*

St. Matthias, *pray for us.*

St. Mark, *pray for us.*

St. John the Baptist, *pray for us.*

All holy Apostles and Evangelists, *pray for us.*

St. Mary Magdalene, *pray for us.*

St. Mary and St. Martha, *pray for us.*

St. Stephen, *pray for us.*

St. Timothy and St. Titus, *pray for us.*

St. Joseph, *pray for us.*

St. Joachim and St. Anne, *pray for us.*

St. Agnes, *pray for us.*

St. Cecilia, *pray for us.*

St. Gregory, *pray for us.*

St. Augustine, *pray for us.*

St. Athanathius, *pray for us.*

St. Basil, *pray for us.*

St. Martin, *pray for us.*

St. Benedict, *pray for us.*

St. Francis of Assisi, *pray for us.*

All holy men and women, *pray for us.*

The Congregation light their candles.

THE BAPTISMAL LITURGY

The Thanksgiving over the Water

Prayer Book, p. 306

The Renewal of Baptismal Vows

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The Celebrant sprinkles the congregation with Lustral Water.

Canticle at the Sprinkling *Sicut cervus*

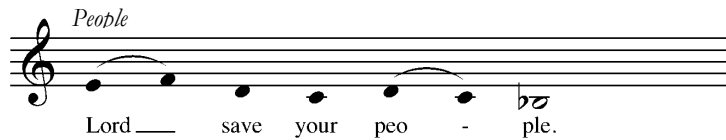
G. P da Palestrina (c. 1525-1594)

*Sicut cervus
desiderat ad fontes aquarum:
ita desiderat anima mea
ad te Deus.*

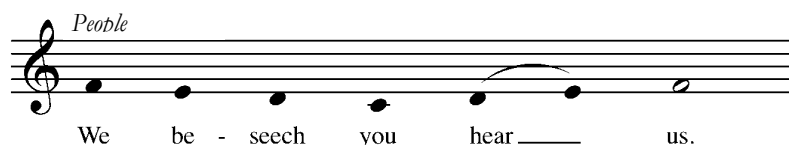
As the hart
longs for the waterbrooks:
so my soul yearns
for you, O God.

The Congregation extinguish their candles and remain standing.

The Second Part of the Litany



Lord, be merciful, *Lord, save your people.*
From all evil, *Lord, save your people.*
From every sin, *Lord, save your people.*
From everlasting death, *Lord, save your people.*
By the mystery of your holy Incarnation, *Lord, save your people.*
By your Advent, *Lord, save your people.*
By your Nativity, *Lord, save your people.*
By your Baptism and holy fasting, *Lord, save your people.*
By your Cross and Passion, *Lord, save your people.*
By your Death and Burial, *Lord, save your people.*
By your holy Resurrection, *Lord, save your people.*
By your wondrous Ascension, *Lord, save your people.*
By the coming of the Holy Spirit, the Comforter, *Lord, save your people.*
In the day of Judgment, *Lord, save your people.*



That it may please You to rule and govern your holy church,
we beseech You hear us.

That it may please You to preserve the household of your apostles
and all Orders in the church in your religion,
we beseech You hear us.

That it may please You to overthrow the enemies of your holy church,
we beseech You hear us.

That it may please You to bestow on all rulers true peace and concord,
we beseech You hear us.

That it may please You to strengthen and preserve us in your true worship,
we beseech You hear us.

That it may please You to bestow on all benefactors Your everlasting benefits,
we beseech You hear us.

That it may please You to give and preserve for our use all the fruits of the earth,
we beseech You hear us.

That it may please You to grant to all the faithful departed eternal rest,
we beseech You hear us.

That it may please You to hear our prayer,
we beseech You hear us.



Lamb of ___ God, you take a - way the sins of the world,
Lamb of ___ God, you take a - way the sins of the world,
Lamb of ___ God, you take a - way the sins of the world,



spare ___ us ___ good ___ Lord.
hear ___ us ___ good ___ Lord.
have ___ mer - cy on ___ us.

THE FIRST MASS OF EASTER

Kyrie eleison *Lux et origo*

Mode VIII

<i>Kyrie eleison.</i>	Lord, have mercy.
<i>Kyrie eleison.</i>	Lord, have mercy.
<i>Kyrie eleison.</i>	Lord, have mercy.

<i>Christe eleison.</i>	Christ, have mercy.
<i>Christe eleison.</i>	Christ, have mercy.
<i>Christe eleison.</i>	Christ, have mercy.

<i>Kyrie eleison.</i>	Lord, have mercy.
<i>Kyrie eleison.</i>	Lord, have mercy.
<i>Kyrie eleison.</i>	Lord, have mercy.

The Gloria is intoned, bells are rung, and the organ is played.

Gloria in Excelsis

Franz Schubert (1797-1828)

And peace to his peo-ple on earth. Lord God hea-ven-ly King, al-

migh-ty God and Fa - ther. We wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we

praise you for your glo - ry, we praise you for your glo - ry.

Lord, Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther.

Lord God, Lamb of God you take a-way the sin of the world, have

mer-cy on us, — you are seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther, re-

ceive our pray'r, re - ceive our pray'r. 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 Spi - rit — in the

glo - ry - of God the Fa - ther, A - men. A - men.

Collect

Prayer Book, p. 295

Epistle

Romans 6:3-11

The Great Alleluia

Mode VIII

Sung three times; repeated each time by the People



Psalm 114 *In exitu Israel*

Tonus Peregrinus



CANTORS: *Whēn* Israel came out of E-*gypt*, al-le-lu-ia!
 PEOPLE: The house of Jacob from a people of strange speech, al-*le*-lu-iä!

Judah became God's sanctua-*ry*, al-le-lu-ia!
 and Israel his dominion, al-*le*-lu-iä!

The sea beheld it and *fled*, al-le-lu-ia!
 Jordan was driven back, al-*le*-lu-iä!

The mountains skipped like *rams*, al-le-lu-ia!
 and the little hills like young sheep, al-*le*-lu-iä!

What ailed you O sea that you *fled*, al-le-lu-ia?
 O Jordan that you turned back, al-*le*-lu-iä?

You mountains that you skipped like *rams*, al-le-lu-ia?
 you little hills like young sheep, al-*le*-lu-iä?

Tremble O earth at the presence of the *Lord*, al-le-lu-ia!
 at the presence of the God of Jacob, al-*le*-lu-iä!

Who turned the hard rock into a pool of wa-*ter*, al-le-lu-ia!
 and flint-stone into a flowing spring, al-*le*-lu-iä!

The Peace

CELEBRANT:
The peace of the Lord be al - ways with you:

PEOPLE:
And al - so with you.

THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

Offertory Sentence

Offertory Anthem *This joyful Eastertide*

Arr. Charles Wood (1866-1926)

This joyful Eastertide, away with sin and sorrow!
My Love, the Crucified, hath sprung to life this morrow.

Had Christ, that once was slain, ne'er burst his three-day prison,
our faith had been in vain; but now is Christ arisen.

My flesh in hope shall rest, and for a season slumber.
Till trump from east to west shall wake the dead in number.

Death's flood hath lost its chill, since Jesus crossed the river.
Lover of souls, from ill my passing soul deliver.

Hymn 174 *At the Lamb's high feast*

Salzburg

Offertory Antiphon *Dextera Domini*

Mode II

*Dextera Domini fecit virtutem,
dextera Domini exultavit me:
Non moriar sed vivam,
et narrabo opera Domini.
Alleluia.*

The right hand of the Lord is pre-eminent,
The right hand of the Lord is exalted.
I shall not die, but shall live,
and will proclaim all the works of the Lord.
Alleluia

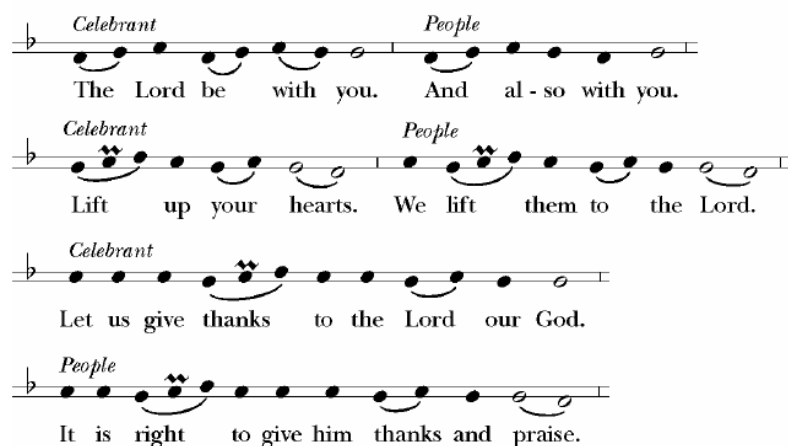
The Great Thanksgiving

Celebrant Pray, brothers and sisters that our sacrifice may be acceptable
to God the Father Almighty.

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

Sursum corda

Prayer Book, p. 361



Celebrant *People*
The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

Celebrant *People*
Lift up your hearts. We 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.

Sanctus **Hymnal S130**

Franz Schubert (1797-1828)


Canon of the Mass (Prayer B)

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Memorial Acclamation

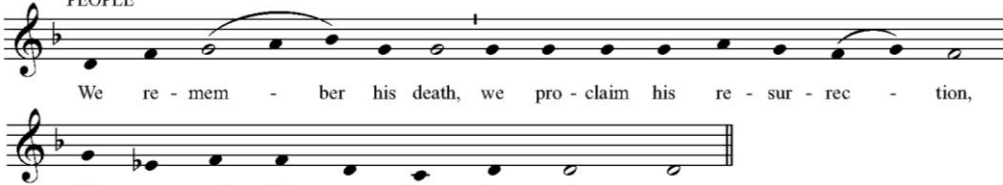
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CELEBRANT



There - fore ac - cord - ing to his com - mand O Fa - ther:

PEOPLE

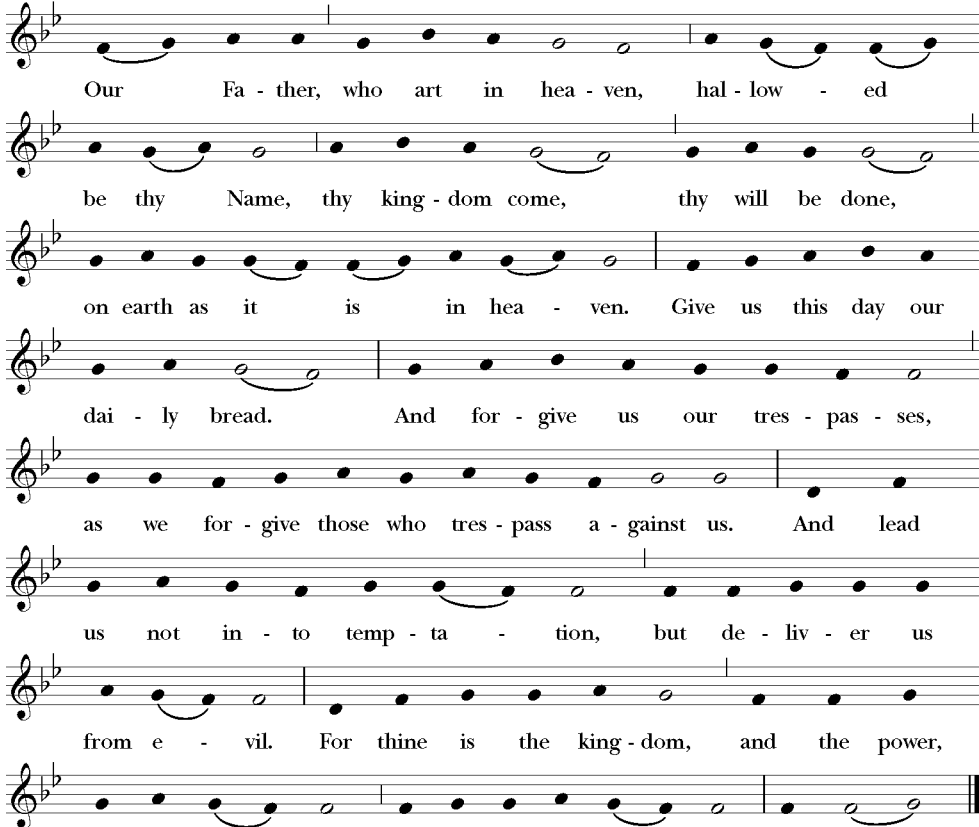


We re - mem - ber his death, we pro - claim his re - sur - rec - tion,

We a - wait his com - ing in glo - ry.

The Lord's Prayer

Plainsong, arr. Charles Winfred Douglas (1867-1944)



Our Fa - ther, who art in hea - ven, hal - low - ed
be thy Name, thy king - dom come, thy will be done,
on earth as it is in hea - ven. Give us this day our
dai - ly bread. And for - give us our tres - pas - ses,
as we for - give those who tres - pass a - gainst us. And lead
us not in - to temp - ta - tion, but de - liv - er us
from e - vil. For thine is the king - dom, and the power,
and the glo - ry, for ev - er and ev - er. A - men.

Celebrant and People then repeat

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia,

a - le - lu - ia.

Celebrant

Christ our pas - so - ver is sa - cri - ficed for us:

People

there - fore let us keep the feast.

Celebrant and People then repeat

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia,

a - le - lu - ia.

The Communion of the People

Celebrant: Behold, the Lamb of God + who takes away the sins of the world.

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

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 not receiving the Sacrament may come to the altar rail to receive a blessing, with arms crossed over their chest. Communion in one kind is complete. Those who do not wish to share the common cup should cross their arms over their chest. Receiving by intinction is not permitted.

Communion Motet *Regina caeli*

Gregor Aichinger (1565-1628)

*Regina caeli laetare, alleluia.
Quia quem meruisti portare, alleluia.
Resurrexit sicut dixit, alleluia.
Ora pro nobis Deum, alleluia.*

O Queen of heaven, be joyful, alleluia,
because he who was born of your body, alleluia,
has arisen as he promised, alleluia:
pray for us to the Father, alleluia.

Communion Antiphon *Pascha nostrum*

Mode VI

*Pascha nostrum
immolatus est Christus, alleluia:
itaque epulemur
in azymis
sinceritatis et veritatis,
alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.*

Christ, our Passover,
has been sacrificed for us, alleluia:
therefore, let us keep the feast
with the unleavened bread
of sincerity and truth,
alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Hymn 194 *Jesus lives!*
(kneeling, as able)

St. Albinus

THE CLOSING RITE

Postcommunion Thanksgiving

Prayer Book, p. 366

Postcommunion Collect

The Congregation shall rise and stand, as able, for the Easter Sermon.

The Easter Sermon of Saint John Chrysostom

The Reader:

Are there any who are devout lovers of God?
Let them enjoy this beautiful bright festival!

Are there any who are grateful servants?
Let them rejoice and enter into the joy of their Lord!

Are there any weary with fasting?
Let them now receive their wages!

If any have toiled from the first hour,
let them receive their due reward;
If any have come after the third hour,
let him with gratitude join in the Feast!
And he that arrived after the sixth hour,
let him not doubt; for he too shall sustain no loss.
And if any delayed until the ninth hour,
let him not hesitate; but let him come too.
And he who arrived only at the eleventh hour,
let him not be afraid by reason of his delay.
For the Lord is gracious and receives the last even as the first.
He gives rest to him that comes at the eleventh hour,
as well as to him that toiled from the first.

To this one He gives, and upon another He bestows.
He accepts the works as He greets the endeavor.
The deed He honors and the intention He commends.
Let us all enter into the joy of the Lord!

First and last alike receive your reward;
rich and poor, rejoice together!

Sober and slothful, celebrate the day!

You that have kept the fast, and you that have not,
rejoice today for the Table is richly laden!

Feast royally on it, the calf is a fatted one.
Let no one go away hungry. Partake, all, of the cup of faith.
Enjoy all the riches of His goodness!
Let no one grieve at his poverty,
for the universal kingdom has been revealed.

Let no one mourn that he has fallen again and again;
for forgiveness has risen from the grave.
Let no one fear death, for the Death of our Savior has set us free.
He has destroyed it by enduring it.
He destroyed Hell when He descended into it.
He put it into an uproar even as it tasted of His flesh.

Isaiah foretold this when he said,
"You, O Hell, have been troubled by encountering Him below."
Hell was in an uproar because it was done away with.
It was in an uproar because it is mocked.
It was in an uproar, for it is destroyed.
It is in an uproar, for it is annihilated.
It is in an uproar, for it is now made captive.

Hell took a body, and discovered God.
It took earth, and encountered Heaven.
It took what it saw, and was overcome by what it did not see.

O death, where is thy sting?
O Hell, where is thy victory?

Christ is Risen, and you, o death, are annihilated!
Christ is Risen, and the evil ones are cast down!
Christ is Risen, and the angels rejoice!
Christ is Risen, and life is liberated!

Christ is Risen, and the tomb is emptied of its dead;

for Christ having risen from the dead,
is become the first-fruits of those who have fallen asleep.

To Him be Glory and Power forever and ever. Amen!

The Reader shall cry out:

Christ is Risen!

The People answer:

He is risen indeed!

The Reader, in a louder voice:

Christ is Risen!

The People, also louder:

He is risen indeed!

The Reader, in a still louder voice:

Christ is Risen!

The People, also still louder:

He is risen indeed!

The Easter Blessing

Celebrant:

May Almighty God, who has redeemed us and made us his children through the resurrection of his Son our Lord, bestow upon you the riches of his blessing. **Amen.**

May God, who through the water of baptism has raised us from sin into newness of life, make you holy and worthy to be united with Christ for ever. **Amen.**

May God, who has brought us out of bondage to sin into true and lasting freedom in the Redeemer, bring you to your eternal inheritance. **Amen.**

And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever. **Amen.**

The Easter Dismissal

Deacon

Let us go forth in the name of Christ, al - le - lu - ia,

al - le - lu - ia.

People

Thanks be to God, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

The musical notation consists of three staves in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The first staff is for the Deacon, the second for the Deacon's continuation, and the third for the People. The lyrics are: "Let us go forth in the name of Christ, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia." and "Thanks be to God, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia."

Hymn 207 *Jesus Christ is risen today*

Easter Hymn

Prelude in C Major, S. 545

J. S. Bach (1685-1750)

The Sacred Triduum

This most solemn period of the liturgical year—the “Sacred Triduum” (Three Holy Days) — begins on Maundy Thursday evening with a feast: the celebration of the Institution of the Mass at the Last Supper by our Lord Jesus Christ, ending in darkness after the solemn Stripping of the Altar. The only light and moment of hope is found in the Reserved Sacrament remaining in the tabernacle on the Altar of Repose in the Walsingham Chapel. The Sacred Triduum continues on Good Friday with the solemn commemoration of Christ’s Passion followed by Communion from the pre-consecrated Sacrament. The Sacred Triduum concludes on Holy Saturday with the lighting of the Paschal Candle, reading of the Prophecies, and Baptismal Liturgy at The Great Vigil, followed by the First Mass of Easter, celebrating Jesus’ triumphal Resurrection on Easter Day.

While chronologically observed over three days, these services form a liturgical continuum from the Acclamation at the beginning of High Mass on Maundy Thursday to the Easter Dismissal at the end of the First Mass of Easter on Saturday night. Hence there is no formal greeting on Good Friday or Holy Saturday, and no blessing on either Maundy Thursday or Good Friday. Rather, we rest in between and resume our sacred journey where we left off.

Celebrant	Fr. Paul Allick
Deacon	Deacon Andrew Schule
Sub-Deacon	John Tennant
MC	Viliani Dauwe
Crucifer	Ro Morsby
Thurifer	William Bonnell
Acolyte I	Aaron Conner
Acolyte II	Robert Ayala
Lector I	Stephen Rucker
Lector II	Pamela Vaughn
Lector III	Lër Nelson
Lector IV	Suzanne Thompson
Schola Adventus	David Alban, Jennifer Ashworth, Lauren Carley, James Monios
Director of Music	Paul Ellison
Ushers	Courtney DiBiase-Dock, Holly McKinzie

SERVICES

Tomorrow, Easter Day, The Sunday of the Resurrection, April 20: Confessions, 10:15am; Procession & High Mass, 11am. The online calendar on our website provides a list of all daily services.

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