PALM SUNDAY

THE SECOND SUNDAY IN PASSIONTIDE

The altar party approaches the place of the blessing of the palms. The people stand.

Antiphon

Hosanna filio David (Mt 21:9)

Hosanna to the Son of David; blessed is he that cometh in the Name of the Lord: O King of Israel, hosanna in the highest.

The Priest and People then sign themselves, while the Priest says:

₭ In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Then the Priest shall sing or say:

The Lord be with you.

People: And with thy spirit.

Let us pray.

A SSIST us mercifully with thy help, O Lord God of our salvation: that we may enter with joy upon the contemplation of those mighty acts, whereby thou hast given unto us life and immortality; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE PALM GOSPEL

Mark 11:1-10

Hear the words of the Holy Gospel according to Saint Mark.

When they drew near to Jerusalem, to Beth'phage and Beth'any, at the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two of his disciples, and said to them,

"Go into the village opposite you, and immediately as you enter it you will find a colt tied, on which no one has ever sat; untie it and bring it.

If any one says to you, 'Why are you doing this?' say, 'The Lord has need of it and will send it back here immediately.'"

And they went away, and found a colt tied at the door out in the open street; and they untied it.

And those who stood there said to them, "What are you doing, untying the colt?"

And they told them what Jesus had said; and they let them go. And they brought the colt to Jesus, and threw their garments on it; and he sat upon it.

And many spread their garments on the road, and others spread leafy branches which they had cut from the fields.

And those who went before and those who followed cried out, "Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! Blessed is the kingdom of our father David that is coming!

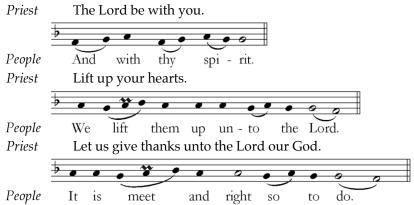
Hosanna in the highest!"

The Gospel of the Lord.

R. Thanks be to God.

THE BLESSING OF THE PALMS

SURSUM CORDA



The Priest continues:

It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, bless thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God, for and with thy whole creation; but especially do we praise thee, at this time, for the mighty acts whereby thou hast redeemed us, through thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord. And we beseech thee, O Lord, send thy blessing upon us who now make our prayer unto thee, and sanctify to our use these branches of palm; that we who bear them in thy Name may ever hail him as our King, the same thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom with thee and the Holy Spirit be all honour and glory, world without end. Amen.

Let us pray.

Increase, O Lord, we pray thee, the faith of them that put their trust in thee, and graciously hear the prayers of thy humble

servants: send down upon us the manifold gifts of thy mercy and vouchsafe to bless these branches; that like as in a figure of thy Church thou didst bless Noah going forth from the ark, and Moses going forth out of Egypt with the children of Israel, so we bearing palms and olive-branches may go forth with all good works to meet Christ our Saviour, and through him enter into everlasting gladness; who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, ever one God, world without end. Amen.

Then shall the Priest sprinkle the branches with holy water.

DISTRIBUTION OF PALMS

After the distribution, the Priest may wash his hands.

Then the Priest may say:

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, who didst ordain that our Lord Jesus Christ should ride upon a colt, the foal of an ass; and didst teach the throngs of people to spread their garments and the branches of trees in the way, and to sing Hosanna in his praise: grant, we beseech thee, that we may follow the example of their innocence, and like them, may render thee a worthy service; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE PROCESSION OF THE BLESSED PALMS IN HONOUR OF CHRIST THE KING

Let us go forth in peace.

People: In the Name of Christ. Amen.

HYMNS IN PROCESSION All glory, laud and honor -- Insert 62 Ride on! Ride on in majesty -- Insert 64

When the priest reaches the chancel, the following is sung:

Ingrediente

When the Lord entered into the holy city: the children of the Hebrews foretold the Resurrection of life. And bearing branches of palms they cried out: Hosanna in the highest.

V. When the people heard that Jesus was coming to Jerusalem, they went forth to meet him. And bearing branches of palm they cried out: Hosanna in the highest.

When the priest enters the sanctuary, he faces the people and sings or says the final prayer of the procession:

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5 To thee before thy passion
They sang their hymns of praise:
To thee, now high exalted,
Our melody we raise.

Refrain

6 Thou didst accept their praises; Accept the prayers we bring, Who in all good delightest, Thou good and gracious King. Refrain

ST. THEODULPH, c. 820; Tr. JOHN MASON NEALE, 1854 †The choir may sing the stanzas of this hymn alone, the congregation always joining at the Refrain.



- 4 Ride on! ride on in majesty! Thy last and fiercest strife is nigh; The Father on his sapphire throne Expects his own anointed Son.
- 5 Ride on! ride on in majesty! In lowly pomp ride on to die; Bow thy meek head to mortal pain, Then take, O God, thy power, and reign.

HENRY HART MILMAN, 1827, alt.

Let us pray.

LORD Jesus Christ, our King and Redeemer, in whose honour we have borne these boughs, and sung hymns of solemn praise: mercifully grant that wheresoever these boughs shall be taken, there the grace of thy blessing may come down upon us, and that the wickedness and crafts of all evil spirits being brought to nought, the defence of thy right hand may be over them whom thou hast redeemed; who livest and reignest with God the Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, ever one God, world without end. Amen.

The priest then censes the altar in the usual manner.

Antiphon at the Entrance Domine, ne longe (Ps 22:19,21,1)

O Lord, remove not thy succour afar from me; have respect to my defence, and hear me: deliver me from the mouth of the lion; yea, from the horns of the unicorns hast thou regarded my cry.

(Ps) My God, my God, look upon me; why hast thou forsaken me: and art so far from my health, and from the words of my complaint? O Lord...

The Collect for Purity, Summary of the Law, and Kyrie are omitted.

COLLECT OF THE DAY

Collect

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, who, of thy tender love towards mankind, hast sent thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ, to take upon him our flesh, and to suffer death upon the Cross, that all mankind should follow the example of his great humility: mercifully grant that we may follow the example of his patience, and so be made partakers of his Resurrection; through the same Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, ever one God, world without end. Amen.

FIRST READING

Isaiah 50:4-7

The Lord God has given me the tongue of those who are taught, that I may know how to sustain with a word him that is weary. Morning by morning he wakens, he wakens my ear to hear as those who are taught.

The Lord God has opened my ear, and I was not rebellious,

I turned not backward.

I gave my back to those who struck me, and my cheeks to those who pulled out the beard;

I hid not my face

from shame and spitting.

For the Lord God helps me;

therefore I have not been confounded;

therefore I have set my face like a flint, and I know that I shall not be put to shame.

GRADUAL PSALM Psalm 22:1, 7-8, 16-19, 22-23. Deus, Deus meus



MY God, my God, look upon me; why hast | thou for- | saken me? * and art so far from my health,

and from the | words of | my com- | plaint?

7 All they that see me | laugh me · to | scorn; *

they shoot out their lips, and | shake their | heads, | saying,

8 He trusted in the Lord, that | he would de- | liver him; * let him de- | liver · him, | if he · will | have him.

16 For many dogs are | come a- | bout me, * and the council of the wicked | layeth | siege a- | gainst me.

17 They pierced my hands and my feet: I may tell | all my | bones: * they stand | staring · and | looking · up- | on me.

18 They part my | garments a- | mong them, * and cast | lots up- | on my | vesture.

19 But be not thou far from | me, O | Lord; * thou art my succour, | haste | thee to | help me.

22 I will declare thy Name | unto · my | brethren; * in the midst of the congre- | gation | will I | praise thee.

† 23 O praise the Lord, | ye that | fear him: * magnify him, all ye of the seed of Jacob; and fear him, | all ye | seed of | Israel.

SECOND READING

Philippians 2:6-11

Christ Jesus, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, but emptied himself, taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men.

And being found in human form he humbled himself and became obedient unto death, even death on a cross.

Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name which is above every name,

that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth,

and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Tract

Christus factus est (Phil 2:8,9)

Christ became obedient for our sakes unto death: even the death of the Cross.

V. Wherefore God also hath highly exalted him: and given him the Name which is above every name.

The Gospel is read by the Priest and readers without the usual introduction. Where indicated, the People shout "Crucify him!"

THE PASSION Mark 14:1-15:47

The Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

N. And as soon as it was morning the chief priests, with the elders and scribes, and the whole council held a consultation; and they bound Jesus and led him away and delivered him to Pilate.

And Pilate asked him,

S. "Are you the King of the Jews?"

N. And he answered him,

★ "You have said so."

N. And the chief priests accused him of many things.

And Pilate again asked him,

S. "Have you no answer to make? See how many charges they bring against you."

N. But Jesus made no further answer, so that Pilate wondered.

Now at the feast he used to release for them one prisoner for whom they asked.

And among the rebels in prison, who had committed murder in the insurrection, there was a man called Barab'bas.

And the crowd came up and began to ask Pilate to do as he

always did for them.

And he answered them,

S. "Do you want me to release for you the King of the Jews?"

N. For he perceived that it was out of envy that the chief priests had delivered him up.

But the chief priests stirred up the crowd to have him release for them Barab'bas instead.

And Pilate again said to them,

S. "Then what shall I do with the man whom you call the King of the Jews?"

N. And they cried out again,

All: "Crucify him."

N. And Pilate said to them,

S. "Why, what evil has he done?"

N. But they shouted all the more,

All: "Crucify him."

N. So Pilate, wishing to satisfy the crowd, released for them Barab'bas; and having scourged Jesus, he delivered him to be crucified.

And the soldiers led him away inside the palace (that is, the praetorium); and they called together the whole battalion.

And they clothed him in a purple cloak, and plaiting a crown of thorns they put it on him.

And they began to salute him,

S. "Hail, King of the Jews!"

N. And they struck his head with a reed, and spat upon him, and they knelt down in homage to him.

And when they had mocked him, they stripped him of the purple cloak, and put his own clothes on him. And they led him out to crucify him.

And they compelled a passer-by, Simon of Cyre'ne, who was coming in from the country, the father of Alexander and Rufus, to carry his cross.

And they brought him to the place called Gol'gotha(which means the place of a skull).

And they offered him wine mingled with myrrh; but he did not take it.

And they crucified him, and divided his garments among them, casting lots for them, to decide what each should take. And it was the third hour, when they crucified him. And the inscription of the charge against him read, "The King of the Jews."

And with him they crucified two robbers, one on his right and one on his left.

And those who passed by derided him, shaking their heads, and saying,

S. "Aha! You who would destroy the temple and build it in three days, save yourself, and come down from the cross!"

N. So also the chief priests mocked him to one another with the scribes, saying,

S. "He saved others; he cannot save himself.

Let the Christ, the King of Israel, come down now from the cross, that we may see and believe."

N. Those who were crucified with him also reviled him.

And when the sixth hour had come, there was darkness over the whole land until the ninth hour.

And at the ninth hour Jesus cried with a loud voice,

★ "E'lo-i, Elo-i, la'ma sabach-tha'ni?"

N. which means,

S. "My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?"

N. And some of the bystanders hearing it said,

S. "Behold, he is calling Eli'jah."

N. And one ran and, filling a sponge full of vinegar, put it on a reed and gave it to him to drink, saying,

S. "Wait, let us see whether Eli'jah will come to take him down."

N. And Jesus uttered a loud cry, and breathed his last.

Here all kneel and pray until the Narrator continues.

N. And the curtain of the temple was torn in two, from top to bottom.

And when the centurion, who stood facing him, saw that he thus breathed his last, he said,

S. "Truly this man was the Son of God!"

HOMILY

NICENE CREED

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible;

And in one Lord (bow) Jesus Christ,

the Only Begotten Son of God,

begotten of his Father before all worlds,

God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father; by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven,

Genuflect

and was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary, and was made man;

Stand

and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate; he suffered and was buried; and the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures, and ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of the Father; and he shall come again, with glory, to judge both the quick and the dead; whose kingdom shall have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Ghost the Lord, the Giver of Life, who proceedeth from the Father and the Son; who with the Father and the Son together is (bow) worshipped and glorified; who spake by the Prophets.

And I believe one holy Catholic and Apostolic Church; I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins; and I look for the resurrection of the dead, ## and the life of the world to come. Amen.

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Offertory Improperium (Ps 69:21,22)

Thy rebuke hath broken my heart, and I am full of heaviness; I looked for some to have pity on me, but there was no man: neither found I any to comfort me; they gave me gall to eat, and when I was thirsty they gave me vinegar to drink.

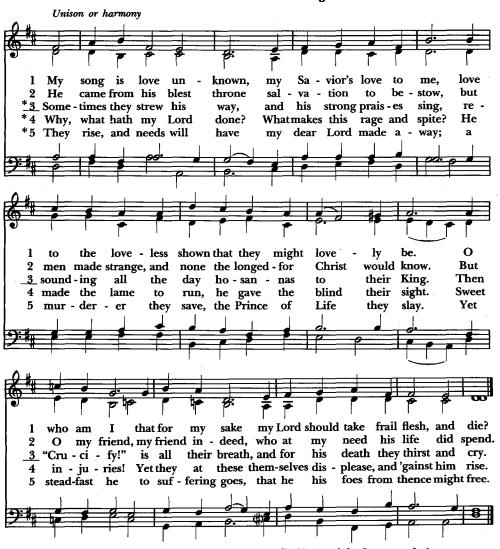
OFFERTORY HYMN My Song is Love Unknown -- Insert 458 ORATE FRATRES

The Priest kisses the altar, turns towards the People, extends and then joins his hands, and says aloud:

Pray, brethren, that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable unto God, the Father Almighty.

The People stand and respond:

May the Lord accept the sacrifice at thy hands, for the praise and glory of his Name, for our good and the good of all his holy Church.



*6 In life no house, no home
my Lord on earth might have;
in death no friendly tomb
but what a stranger gave.
What may I say?
Heaven was his home;
but mine the tomb
wherein he lay.

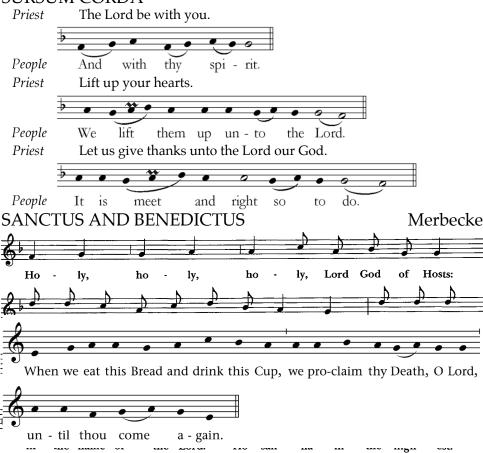
7 Here might I stay and sing,
no story so divine:
never was love, dear King,
never was grief like thine.
This is my friend,
in whose sweet praise
I all my days
could gladly spend.

Words: Samuel Crossman (1624-1683), alt. Music: Love Unknown, John Ireland (1879-1962)

Prayer over the Offerings

RANT, we beseech thee, Almighty God: that these gifts which we offer in the sight of thy divine majesty, may obtain for us grace to serve thee in this life with all godliness, and bring us in the end to everlasting felicity; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.





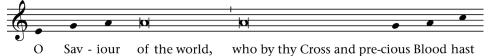
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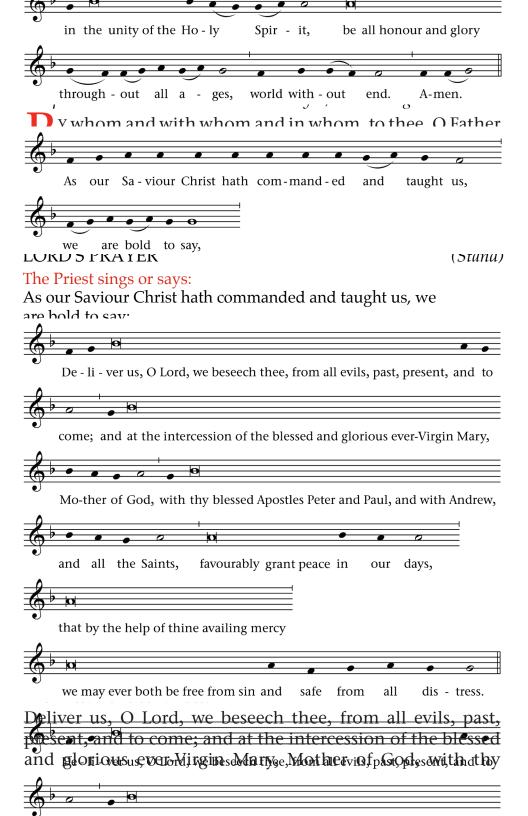
EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

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Priest: The mystery of faith.

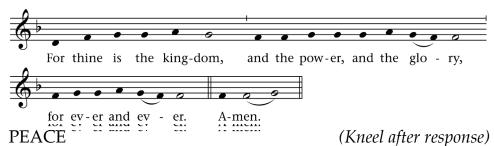
People:



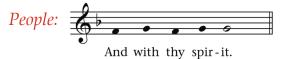


blessed Apostles Peter and Paul, and with Andrew, and all the Saints, favourably grant peace in our days, that by the help of thine availing mercy we may ever both be free from sin and safe from all distress.

The Priest joins his hands. The People respond:



Priest: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

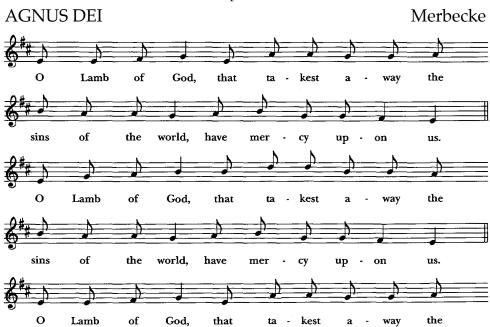


PASCHA NOSTRUM

(kneeling)

Priest: Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.







Setting: John Merbecke (1518?-1585?)

PRAYER OF HUMBLE ACCESS

The Priest says with all who shall receive Communion:

We do not presume to come to this thy Table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies.

We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy Table. But thou art the same Lord whose property is always to have mercy. Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his Blood, that our sinful bodies may be made clean by his Body, and our souls washed through his most precious Blood, and that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us.

Amen.

ECCE AGNUS DEI

(said by the Priest)

Behold the Lamb of God, behold him that taketh away the sins of the world. Blessed are those who are called to the Supper of the Lamb.

DOMINE NON SUM DIGNUS

(said three times)

Lord, I am not worthy that thou shouldest come under my roof, but speak the word only, and my soul shall be healed.

Communion

Pater, si non potest (Mt 26:42)

O my Father, if this cup may not pass away from me, except I drink it: thy will be done.

DISTRIBUTION OF HOLY COMMUNION

Those in full communion with the Catholic Church are welcome to receive Holy Communion. We encourage communion on the tongue as the most traditional and reverent manner of receiving the Sacrament. The Priest will administer the Blessed Sacrament in both kinds by moistening the Host in the Precious Blood (intinction). If you wish to receive only the Host, please indicate "one kind" by placing "one hand" on your breast.

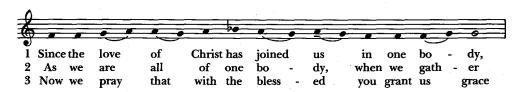
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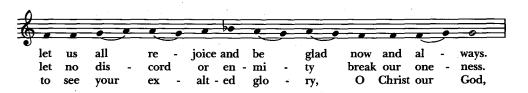
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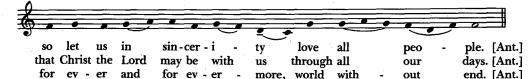
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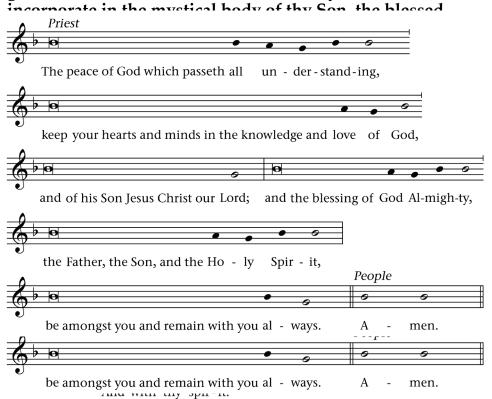






Words: Latin; tr. Joyce MacDonald Glover (b. 1923) Music: *Ubi caritas*, plainsong, Mode 6 Almighty and everliving God,

we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favour and goodness towards us; and that we are very members



THE peace of God, which passeth 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, \maltese the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be amongst you, and remain with you always.

People: Amen.

DISMISSAL (Stand after the response.)

Deacon: People:



CLOSING HYMN Ah, holy Jesus - Hymnal 71 First Tune

The last verse is sung a capella.

There is no coffee hour.

Please leave in silence, and join us Thursday for the Triduum.





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