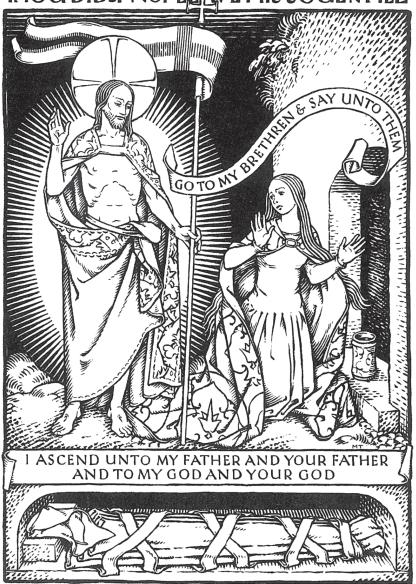
THOU DIDST NOT LETAVE HIS SOUL & HELL



NEITHER DIDST THOU SUFFER THINE HOLY ONE TO SEE CORRUPTION

# THE SOLEMN VIGIL OF EASTER

THE BLESSING OF THE NEW FIRE AND LUCERNARIUM

The Priest addresses the faithful in these or similar words:

Dearly beloved, on this most sacred night in which our Lord Jesus Christ passed over from death unto life, holy Mother Church calls upon her sons and daughters scattered throughout the world to come together and to keep vigil, to watch and to pray. And if we thus devoutly observe the memorial of the Lord's Paschal solemnity after this manner, hearkening to his holy Word and celebrating his Easter mysteries, then shall we have the sure and certain hope of sharing his triumph over death and Satan, and of living with him for ever in God.

Priest: The Lord be with you.

People: And with thy spirit.

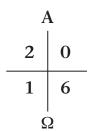
Priest: Let us pray.

GOD, who, through thy Son, hast bestowed upon thy faithful people the fire of thy brightness: we beseech thee that thou wouldest sanctify this new fire to be profitable to our service; and grant unto us, that by this Paschal feast we may be so inflamed with heavenly desires, that we may with pure hearts and minds attain unto the feast of thy eternal brightness; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

After the blessing of the fire, the Deacon or another Minister brings the Paschal Candle to the Priest, who marks the Candle with a cross, the letters Alpha and Omega, and the date, saying:

- 1. Christ yesterday and today, (he traces a vertical line)
- 2. the Beginning and the End, (he traces a horizontal line)
- 3. Alpha (he traces the letter Alpha above the vertical line)
- 4. and Omega (he traces the letter Omega below the vertical line)

- 5. his are all times (he traces the first numeral of the current year in the upper left corner of the Cross)
- 6. and all ages; (he traces the second numeral of the current year in the upper right corner of the Cross)
- 7. to him be glory and dominion, (he traces the third numeral of the current year in the lower left corner of the Cross)
- 8. through all the ages of eternity. Amen. (he traces the fourth numeral of the current year in the lower right corner of the Cross)



The Priest may then fix five grains of incense in the Candle in the form of a cross, saying:

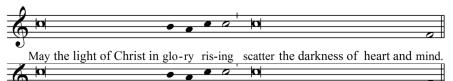
1. By his holy

2. and glorious wounds

3. may Christ our Lord 4 2

4. guard us

5. and preserve us. Amen.



May the light of Christ in glo-ry ris-ing scatter the darkness of heart and mind.

Then he blesses the lighted Candle, saying:

Priest: The Lord be with you.

People: And with thy spirit.

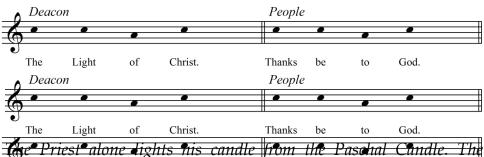
Priest: Let us pray.

ALMIGHTY God, who art thyself unseen and yet renewest all things, shed forth upon this lighted Candle the abundance

of thy blessing,  $\maltese$  and make more splendid still the brightness of this night: may our offering shine more radiantly through the presence of thy hidden glory; and may this light shine in our hearts, to drive out the hidden deeds of darkness and make manifest the power of thy majesty; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

#### The Solemn Procession

The procession forms, led by the Thurifer, followed by the Deacon or other Minister carrying the Paschal Candle, and then, in order, the Priest, other Ministers, Servers, and the People, carrying unlit



procession is resumed, to halt again in the middle of the church. The Deacon, raising the Paschal Candle a second time, sings in a higher tone:

The Light of Christ

### And all respond:

### Thanks be to God

All light their candles from the flame of the Paschal Candle and continue in procession.

In the midst of the Sanctuary before the altar, the Deacon raises the Candle a third time and sings in a still higher tone:

The Light of Christ

# All respond:

### Thanks be to God

### The Solemn Procession

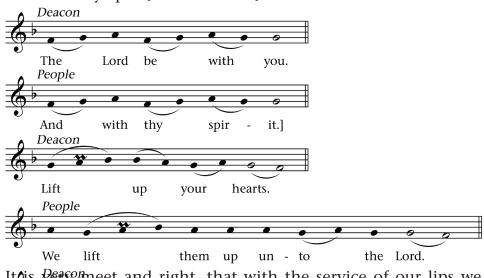
The Easter Proclamation (The Exsultet) is to be chanted or recited in its entirety by a Deacon, by the Priest or a Concelebrant, or in case of necessity by a cantor.



standing and holding lighted candles in their hands.

REJOICE now, all ye heavenly legions of Angels: all high things that pass understanding: for the King that cometh with victory, let the trumpet proclaim salvation! Sing with joy, O earth, illuminated with this celestial radiancy, and enlightened by the eternal God thy glory, believe and know thou hast put away the darkness of all mankind! So likewise let our mother, his holy Church, welcome the bright beams of light shed upon her: and let his holy courts be filled with the praises of his people.

If pray and beseech you therefore, dearly beloved, that all ye who here are present seeking this heavenly brightness, make your supplication with me to the Almighty, that he would show forth his mercy toward me. That he who in my unworthiness numbered me among his Levites and called me to do him service: so also may vouchsafe to lighten my darkness, making me meet to praise this gift of fire with thankfulness; through Jesus Christ, our Mediator and Redeemer, who liveth and reigneth with him and the Holy Spirit, ever one God, world without end.



Itois Versonmeet and right, that with the service of our lips we should glorify and praise with heart and our God the invisible and almighty and likewise his Only Regotten Son Jesus Christ, our Lordand Saviour, who paid for us to the eternal Father the debt of Adam's transgression; and with his dear Blood wiped away the reproach of our former offences. Now therefore we sacrifice

our Passover, wherein for us the very Lamb of God is slain, by whose Blood the doors of his faithful people are made holy.

The night is come, wherein, when our fathers, the children of Israel, were led forth out of Egypt, thou dividest the sea and madest them to pass over as on dry land. Yea, the night is come, that with the fiery pillar hath purged away the darkness of our condemnation. The night is come, whereby all that believe in Christ upon the face of the earth, delivered from this wicked world and out of the shadow of death, are renewed unto grace, and are made partakers of eternal life. The night is come, wherein the bonds of death were loosed, and Christ harrowing hell rose again in triumph.

For wherefore should man be born into this world, save that being born he might be redeemed? How wonderful then, O God, is thy loving-kindness unto us thy children! Behold, what manner of love he hath bestowed upon us: who to redeem a servant delivered up his only Son! O wonderful providence of Adam's transgression, that by such a death sin might be done away! O blessed iniquity, for whose redemption such a price was paid by such a Saviour!

O night verily blessed, to thee alone that time and that hour were made manifest, when our Saviour Christ rose again from death unto life. The night is come whereof David said: Behold the night is as clear as the day: then shall my night be turned into day. The mystery therefore of this most holy night putteth to flight the deeds of darkness, purgeth away sin, restoreth innocence to the fallen, and gladness unto them that mourn, casteth out hatred, bringeth peace to all mankind, and boweth down mighty princes.

Therefore, in this thy favourable time, accept, O holy Father, this our evening sacrifice of incense: which as at this time thy holy Church maketh before thee, and offereth to thee by the hands of thy servants, the work of the bees, thy creatures.

Ye hear, brethren, the meaning of this pillar we have set up, whereunto in God's honour the bright flame of fire doth set light. Which though it be never so much divided, yet knoweth not variableness nor loseth aught of its splendour. For the wax that melteth doth but feed the flame, for thereunto have the creatures

of God's hand brought it forth, that it should give light in darkness.

O night, verily blessed, which did spoil the people of Egypt, and magnified the Hebrews! O night, wherein heaven and earth are joined, and mankind partaketh with the Godhead.

We pray thee, therefore, O most Merciful: that this Candle which we have lighted and consecrated before thee in thine own Name, may continue to shine forth without ceasing, and may vanquish all the shades of darkness. That being accepted before thee as a sweet savour, it may be numbered with the lights that thou hast kindled. May the daystar find it burning when he dawneth into day. The daystar that riseth and knoweth not his going down. But coming forth from the places of darkness gladly giveth forth light unto all creation.

We beseech thee, therefore, O most Merciful: that thou wouldest direct and guide us thy servants, and the hearts of all thy family: and all those also that minister in thy service: especially N. our Pope and thy servant N. our Bishop (Ordinary), so helping us with continual grace, that we may pass our time in rest and quietness, in the glad solemnity of our Redemption. Through the same Jesus Christ, our Mediator and Redeemer, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, ever one God, world without end. Amen.

### Genesis 1:1-2:2

#### The Creation

"God saw everything that he had made, and behold, it was very good."

# Psalm 33:3-7, 12-13, 19, 21. Cantate Domino



- 3 Sing unto the Lord a | **new** | song; \* sing praises lustily unto him | with a | **good** | courage.
- 4 For the word of the | Lord is | true; \* and | all his | works are | faithful.
- 5 He loveth | righteousness · and | judgment; \* the earth is full of the | goodness | of the | Lord.
- 6 By the word of the Lord were the | heavens | made; \* and all the host of them by the | **breath** | of his | mouth.
- 7 He gathereth the waters of the sea together, as it were up- | on an | heap; \* and layeth up the deep, as | in a | treasure- | house.
- 12 Blessed are the people whose | God · is the | Lord; \* and blessed are the folk that he hath chosen to him, to | **be** | his in- | heritance.
- 13 The Lord looketh down from heaven, and beholdeth all the | children · of | men; \* from the habitation of his dwelling, he considereth all | them that | dwell on · the | earth.
- 19 Our soul hath patiently tarried | for the | Lord; \* for he is our | help | and our | shield.
- † 21 Let thy merciful kindness, O Lord, | be up- | on us, \* like as we do | put our | trust in | thee.

Let us pray. (Deacon: Let us bow the knee ... Arise.)

GOD, who in a wondrous manner didst create the race of man, and still more wondrously hast redeemed the same: grant us, we beseech thee; so steadfastly to withstand all the crafts and devices of sin; that we may be found worthy to attain everlasting felicity; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

# The Sacrifice of Abraham

"The sacrifice of Abraham our father in faith."

# Psalm 16:1, 6, 9-12. Conserva me, Domine



PRESERVE | me, O | God; \*

for in thee  $\mid$  have I  $\mid$  put my  $\mid$  trust.

- 6 The Lord himself is the portion of mine inheritance, and | of my | cup; \* thou | shalt main- | tain my | lot.
- 9 I have set the Lord al- | way be- | fore me; \* for he is on my right hand, | therefore · I | shall not | fall.
- 10 Wherefore my heart is glad, and my | glory · re- | joiceth: \* my flesh | also · shall | rest in | hope.
- 11 For why? thou shalt not leave my | soul in | hell; \* neither shalt thou suffer thy | Holy One · to | see cor- | ruption.
- 12 Thou shalt show me the path of life:
  in thy presence is the | fulness · of | joy, \*
  and at thy right hand there is | pleasure · for | ever- | more.

Let us pray. (Deacon: Let us bow the knee ... Arise.)

GOD, supreme Father of the faithful, who didst increase the children of thy promise by pouring out the grace of adoption throughout the whole world, and through the Paschal Mystery hast made, as thou didst swear, thy servant Abraham the father of nations: grant us, we beseech thee; that thy peoples may enter worthily into the grace to which thou callest them; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

### Israel's Deliverance at the Red Sea

"The sons of Israel walked on dry ground through the sea."

Exodus 15:1-6, 11-13, 17-18. Cantemus Domino **659** J. TURLE



- I WILL sing unto the Lord, for he hath | **triumph'd** | gloriously; \* the horse and his | rider · hath he | thrown in · to the | sea.
- 2 The Lord is my | strength and | song; \* and he is be- | **come** | my sal- | vation:
- 3 He is my God and I will prepare him an | habi- | tation; \* my father's | God and | I will · ex- | alt him.
- 4 The Lord is a | man of | war; \* the | **Lord** | is his | Name.
- 5 Pharaoh's chariots and his host hath he cast in- | to the | sea; \* his chosen captains also are | drown'd · in the | **Red** | Sea.
- 6 The | depths have | cover'd them; \* they sank into the | bottom | as a | stone.
- 7 Thy right hand, O Lord, is become | glorious · in | power: \* thy right hand, O Lord, hath | dashed in | pieces · the | enemy.
- 8 Who is like unto thee, O Lord, a- | mong the | gods? \* who is like thee,

glorious in holiness, fearful in | praises, | doing | wonders?

- 9 Thou stretchedst out thy | **right** | hand; \* the | **earth** | swallow'd | them.
- 10 Thou in thy mercy led forth the people which

| thou hast · re- | deemed; \*

thou hast guided them in thy strength unto thy | holy | habi- | tation.

- 11 Thou shalt bring them | in, and | plant them \* in the | mountain · of | thine in- | heritance,
- 12 In the place, O Lord, which thou hast made for | thee to | dwell in; \* in the sanctuary, O | Lord, · which thy | hands have · es- | tablished.
- † 13 The | Lord shall | reign \* for | ever | and for | ever.

Let us pray. (Deacon: Let us bow the knee ... Arise.)

GOD, who hast ordained that thy mighty works of old should enlighten even this our present generation; who didst by the mighty defence of thy right hand deliver one people from

persecution in the land of Egypt to be a figure of the salvation of all nations by the washing of regeneration: grant, we pray thee; that the fulness of all mankind, being delivered from its present bondage, may be made sons of Abraham and worthy members of thy true Israel; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

### **FOURTH LESSON**

Isaiah 54:5-14

### The New Jerusalem

"With everlasting mercy I will have compassion on you, says the Lord, your redeemer."

Psalm 30:1, 3-5, 11-13. Exaltabo te, Domine



- I WILL magnify thee, O Lord; for thou hast | set me | up, \* and not made my | foes to | triumph | over me.
- 3 Thou, Lord, hast brought my soul | out of | hell: \* thou hast kept my life, that I should not go | **down** | into · the | pit.
- 4 Sing praises unto the Lord, O ye | saints of | his; \* and give thanks unto him, for a re- | membrance | of his | holiness.
- 5 For his wrath endureth but the twinkling of an eye, and in his | pleasure · is | life; \*

heaviness may endure for a night, but joy | cometh | in the | morning.

- 11 Hear, O Lord, and have | mercy · up- | on me; \* Lord, be | **thou** | **my** | helper.
- 12 Thou hast turned my heaviness | into | joy; \* thou hast put off my sackcloth, and | girded | me with | gladness:
- † 13 Therefore shall every good man sing of thy praise with-

out | ceasing. \*

O my God, I will give thanks | unto | thee for | ever.

Let us pray. (Deacon: Let us bow the knee ... Arise.)

GOD, who didst lead thine ancient people by a pillar of cloud by day and a pillar of fire by night: grant, we pray thee; that we who serve thee now on earth, may come to the joy of that heavenly Jerusalem, where every tear shall be wiped away, and where thy Saints for ever sing thy praise; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

### Salvation Freely Offered

"Come to me that your soul may live. I will make with you an everlasting covenant."

Ecce, Deus. Isaiah 12:2-6



BEHOLD, God is | my sal- | vation; \*

I will trust and | **not** | be a- | fraid:

- 2 For the Lord God is my strength | and my | song; \* he also is be- | **come** | my sal- | vation.
- 3 Therefore with joy shall | ye draw | water \* out of the | wells | of sal- | vation.
- 4 And in that day | shall ye | say, \*
  Praise the Lord, | call up- | on his | Name;
- † 5 Declare his doings a- | mong the | people; \* make mention that his | **Name** | is ex- | alted.
  - 6 Sing unto the Lord, for he hath done | excel·lent | things, \* this is | known in | all the | earth.
  - 7 Cry out and shout, thou in- | habitant · of | Zion; \* for great is the Holy One of Israel | in the | midst of | thee.

Let us pray. (Deacon: Let us bow the knee ... Arise.)

GOD, who didst create all things by the power of thy Word, and who renewest the earth by the outpouring of thy Spirit: pour forth, we pray thee, the water of life to those who thirst for thee, that they may bring forth abundant fruit in thy glorious kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

### The Fountain of Wisdom

"Walk toward the shining light of the Lord."

### Psalm 19:7-10. Lex Domini



- 7 The law of the Lord is an undefiled law, con- | verting  $\cdot$  the | soul; \* the testimony of the Lord is sure,
  - and giveth | wisdom | unto · the | simple.
- 8 The statutes of the Lord are right, and re- | joice the | heart; \* the commandment of the Lord is pure,
  - and giveth | **light** | unto · the | eyes.
- 9 The fear of the Lord is clean, and en- | dureth · for | ever; \* the judgments of the Lord are true, and | righteous | alto- | gether.
- 10 More to be desired are they than gold,

yea, than | much fine | gold; \*

sweeter also than | honey, | and the | honeycomb.

Let us pray. (Deacon: Let us bow the knee ... Arise.)

GOD, who by the pages of both testaments hast instructed and prepared us to celebrate the Paschal Mystery: grant, we beseech thee, that we may comprehend thy mercy, so that the gifts which we receive from thee this night, may confirm our hope of the gifts to come; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

# A New Heart and a New Spirit

"I shall sprinkle clean water upon you; a new heart I will give you."



- LIKE as the hart de- | sireth · the | water-brooks, \* so longeth my soul | after | thee, O | God.
- 2 My soul is athirst for God, yea, even for the | living | God: \* when shall I come to appear be- | fore the | presence · of | God?
- 4 Now when I think thereupon, I pour out my heart | by my- | self; \* for I went with the multitude,
  - and brought them forth | into · the | house of | God;
- 5 In the voice of | praise and | thanksgiving, \* among | **such** | as keep | holy-day.
- 3 O send out thy light and thy truth, that | they may | lead me, \* and bring me unto thy holy | hill, and | to thy | dwelling;
- 4 And that I may go unto the altar of God, even unto the God of my | joy and | gladness; \* and upon the harp will I give thanks unto | thee, O | God, my | God.

Let us pray. (Deacon: Let us bow the knee ... Arise.)

GOD of unchangeable power and eternal light: look favourably on thy whole Church, that wonderful and sacred mystery; by the effectual working of thy Providence, carry out in tranquillity the plan of salvation; let the whole world see and know that things which were cast down are being raised up, and things which had grown old are being made new, and that all things are being brought to their perfection by him through whom all things were made, thy Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

After the last lesson from the Old Testament, with its Psalm and prayer, the Priest intones the hymn *Gloria in excelsis Deo* (Glory be to God on high), which is taken up by all, while bells are rung. During the Gloria, the candles on the altar are lit.





Setting: From Missa de Sancta Maria Magdalena, Healey Willan (1880-1968)

#### COLLECT OF THE DAY

GOD, who dost illumine this most holy night with the glory of the Resurrection of the Lord: stir up, we pray thee, in thy Church, the spirit of adoption which thou hast given; that we, being regenerate both in body and soul, may render unto thee a pure service; 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.

EPISTLE Romans 6:3-11

Brethren:

All of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death.

We were buried therefore with him by baptism into death, so that as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might walk in newness of life. For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we shall certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his.

We know that our former man was crucified with him so that the sinful body might be destroyed, and we might no longer be enslaved to sin.

For he who has died is freed from sin.

But if we have died with Christ, we believe that we shall also live with him.

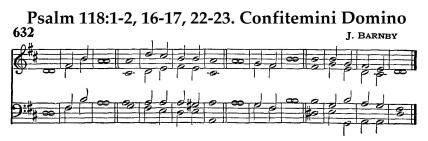
For we know that Christ being raised from the dead will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him.

The death he died he died to sin, once for all, but the life he lives he lives to God.

So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.

At the end of the Epistle, the Priest or Cantor solemnly intones the Alleluia. He sings the chant through thrice, in a pitch a step higher each time, and the choir and people after each time repeats it in the same manner. The choir and people then sing the Psalm verses, repeating the three-fold Alleluia response at the end.





- O GIVE thanks unto the Lord, for | he is | gracious; \* because his | mercy · en- | dureth · for | ever.
- 2 Let Israel now confess that | he is | gracious, \* and that his | mercy · en- | dureth · for | ever.
- 16 The right hand of the Lord | hath the · pre- | eminence; \* the right hand of the Lord bringeth | mighty | things to | pass.
- 17 I shall not | die, but | live, \* and de- | clare the | works of · the | Lord.
- 22 The same stone which the | builders · re- | fused, \* is become the | head-stone | in the | corner.
- 23 This is the | **Lord's** | doing, \* and it is | marvel · lous | in our | eyes.

The Alleluia is sung again, three times with rising pitch.



GOSPEL Mark 16:1-7

★ A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Mark.

# R. Glory be to thee, O Lord.

When the sabbath was past, Mary Mag'dalene, and Mary the mother of James, and Salo'me, bought spices, so that they might go and anoint him.

And very early on the first day of the week they went to the tomb when the sun had risen.

And they were saying to one another, "Who will roll away the stone for us from the door of the tomb?"

And looking up, they saw that the stone was rolled back; for it was very large.

And entering the tomb, they saw a young man sitting on the right side, dressed in a white robe; and they were amazed. And he said to them, "Do not be amazed; you seek Jesus of

And he said to them, "Do not be amazed; you seek Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He has risen, he is not here; see the place where they laid him.

But go, tell his disciples and Peter that he is going before you to Galilee; there you will see him, as he told you."

The Gospel of the Lord.

R. Praise be to thee, O Christ.

**HOMILY** 

# The Blessing of the Font

After the homily, the Priest and Ministers go to the Baptismal Font, led by a Minister carrying the Paschal Candle.

**Tract** 

*Sicut cervus* (Ps 42:1,2,3)

Like as the hart desireth the water-brooks: so longeth my soul after thee, O God.

- V. My soul is athirst for God, yea, even for the living God: when shall I come to appear before the presence of God?
- V. My tears have been my meat day and night, while all day long they say unto me: Where is now thy God?

The Priest says:

Dearly beloved, let us humbly invoke upon this font the grace of God, the almighty Father, that those who from it are born anew, and we who around it renew our baptismal profession, may be numbered among the children of adoption in Christ.

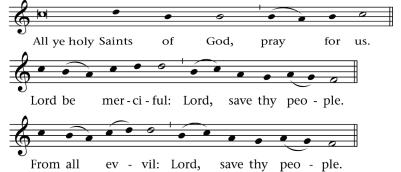
# The Litany of the Saints

The Litany is chanted by the Choir with the People responding. During the Litany, the Priest and Ministers proceed to the font.

Choir: People: Choir:



Holy Paul, pray for us. Holy Andrew, pray for us. Holy James, pray for us. Holy John, pray for us. All ye holy Apostles and Evangelists, pray for us. All ye holy Disciples of the Lord, pray for us. Holy Stephen, pray for us. Holy Lawrence, pray for us. Holy Vincent, pray for us. All ye holy Martyrs, pray for us. Holy Sylvester, pray for us. Holy Gregory, pray for us. Holy Augustine, pray for us. All ye holy Bishops and Confessors, pray for us. All ye holy Doctors, pray for us. Holy Anthony, pray for us. Holy Benedict, pray for us. Holy Bernard, pray for us. Holy Dominic, pray for us. Holy Francis, pray for us. All ye holy Priests and Levites, pray for us. All ye holy Monks and Hermits, pray for us. Holy Mary Magdalene, pray for us. Holy Perpetua and Holy Felicitas, pray for us. Holy Agnes, pray for us. Holy Cecilia, pray for us. Holy Catherine, pray for us. Holy Theresa, pray for us. All ye holy Virgins and Widows, pray for us.





#### Choir:



O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world:

# People:



have mer - cy up - on us.

Choir:

# People:

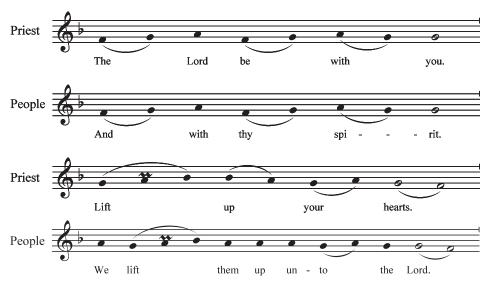


O Christ, hear us. O Christ, gra-cious-ly hear us

# The Blessing of Water

### The Priest blesses the water, saying:

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, assist, we pray thee, this mystery and Sacrament of thine infinite loving-kindness: and, for the regeneration of these persons now (those persons) seeking to be born again in the waters of Baptism, send forth upon them the spirit of adoption; that this office and ministry of us thy unworthy servants may effectually be fulfilled in them by thy mighty power; through 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.



Through Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord:



who shall come to judge the quick and the dead, and the world by fire



A-men.

#### The Priest continues:

Fire very meet, right and our bounden duty, that we should at pall times and in all places, give thanks unto thee: G Lord, froly Father, almightymenter lasting and out hoo by they invisible power dost wondrously give effect to the work of thy Sacraments. And the Priest continues the prayer over the font through ... a Through Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord: who shall come to judge that we should at all times and in all places, give thanks un to thee: the quick and the dead, and the world by fire. Amen.

The Priest or Deacon returns the Paschal Candle Joits Stand.

O Lord, holy falten elwighty fe Batatising a Garorhises thy invisible

The Priest, standing in the middle of the choir, or else from a pulpit or leave or while still at the Font, begins as follows:

Dearly wellowed under the sive of fertito the work of night stay); a our holy Mother the Church, calling to mind the death and burial of our love less. Christ, rendereth unto him fove for love, and hath kept vigil, awaiting his glarious, Resurrections, new rejoiceth with, great gladness.

the since, as the Apostle teacheth us, we have been buried with Christebyt Baptism into his deathe souligeness Christebyagaraised up from the dead, we too should walk in newness of life: knowing this, that our old nature is crucified with him, that henceform we should walk apasses we have sives reckonhows allows the refore to be dead indeed unto sin, but alive unto God through Jesus Christ our Lord.

wherefore, dearly beloved brethren, now that our Lenten exercises are over, let us reasynthe promises made in Holy Baptism whereby we once renounced Satan and all his works, and likewise the world watch is the enemy of God, and promised to serve God faithfully

his holy Catholic Church. Therefore I ask you: yet thou dost not leave us destitute of the gifts of

Do you renounce the devil and all his works, the vain pomp and

glory of the world, with all covetous desires of the same, and the sinful desires of the flesh, so that you will not follow nor be led by them?

All respond: I do.

Priest: Let us recite the articles of our belief:

All:

BELIEVE in God the Father Almighty, **I**maker of heaven and earth; And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried: he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit; the holy Catholic Church; the Communion of Saints; the forgiveness of sins: the resurrection of the body; \*\* and the life everlasting. Amen.

Priest: Will you endeavour to keep God's holy will and commandments, and walk in the same all the days of your life?

All respond: I will, God being my helper.

The Priest shall conclude with the following:

And may Almighty God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who hath regenerated us by water and the Holy Spirit, and hath given unto us forgiveness of all our sins, himself guard us by his grace unto everlasting life, in the same Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Taking some of the blessed water, the Priest goes throughout the church sprinkling the People. During this procession the baptismal canticle "Vidi Aquam" is sung.

### From Easter Sunday until Pentecost:

Vidi aquam

Ant. I beheld water issuing out from the temple, on the right-hand side, alleluia: and all to whom that water came were saved, and they shall say: Alleluia. Alleluia.

(Ps 118) O give thanks unto the Lord, for he is gracious, because his mercy endureth for ever. Let Israel now confess that he is gracious, and that his mercy endureth for ever.

#### GLORY, Ant. I beheld...

After the "Vidi Aquam", the Priest and Ministers return to their appointed places and the candles of the clergy and People are extinguished. The Mass continues with the Offertory.

# Offertory

Dextera Domini (Ps 118:16,17)

The right hand of the Lord hath the pre-eminence; the right hand of the Lord bringeth mighty things to pass: I shall not die, but live, and declare the works of the Lord. Alleluia.

### **OFFERTORY HYMN**

He is risen -- Hymnal 90

### **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:

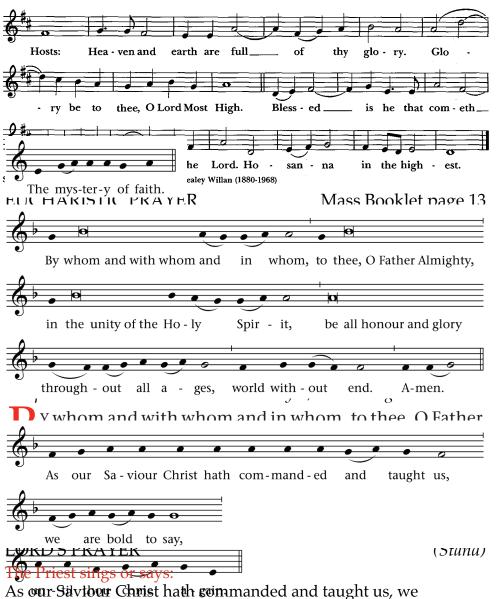
May the Lord accept the sacrifice at thy hands, for the praise and glory of his Name, for our good and the good of all his holy Church.

# Prayer over the Offerings

E beseech thee, O Lord, mercifully to accept the prayers and oblations of thy people: that this beginning of thy Paschal Mysteries may by the operation of thy grace be unto us a wholesome medicine unto everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

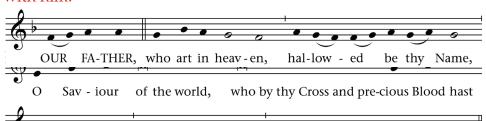
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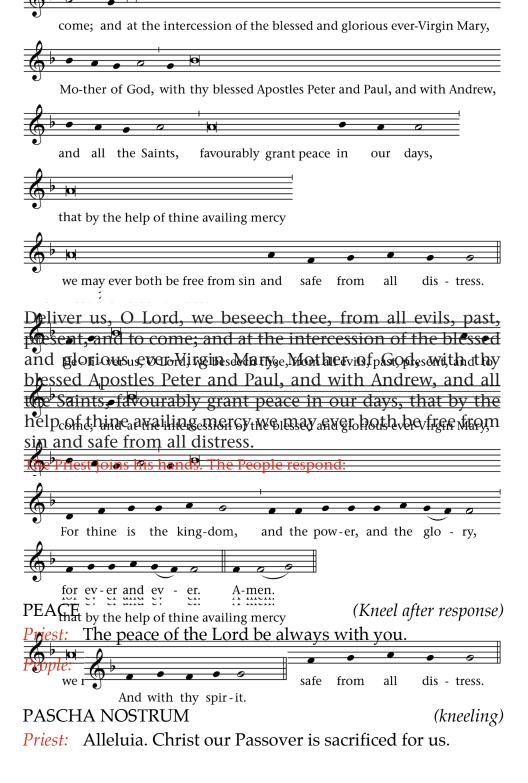




As our Salvibour Christ hath commanded and taught us, we are bold to say:

And here he begins the Lord's Prayer, as the People continue with him:







Setting: From Missa de Sancta Maria Magdalena, Healey Willan (1880-1968)

### 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

Pascha nostrum (1 Cor 5:6,7)

Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us. Alleluia: therefore let us keep the feast with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth. Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.

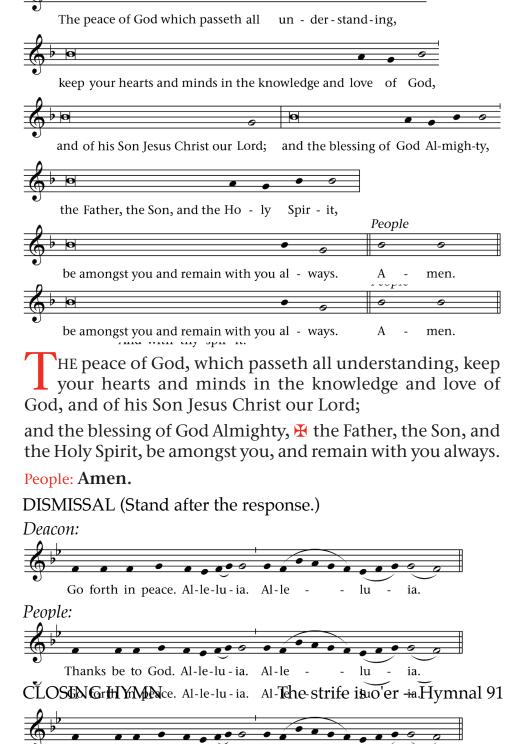
### DISTRIBUTION OF HOLY COMMUNION

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.

POSTCOMMUNION HYMN At the Lamb's high feast we sing -- Hymnal 89 THANKSGIVING AFTER COMMUNION (kneeling)

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 incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom, by the merits of the most precious death and Passion of thy dear Son.



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