Sunday, April 21st, 2024

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Commonly Called

Good Shepherd Sunday

OPENING HYMN 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...

Priest: O Lord, show thy mercy upon us. (Alleluia.)

People: And grant us thy salvation. (Alleluia.)

Priest: O Lord, hear my prayer.

People: And let my cry come unto thee.

Priest: The Lord be with you.

People: And with thy spirit.

Priest: Let us pray.

LORD, holy Father, Almighty, everlasting God, we beseech thee to hear us; and vouchsafe to send thy holy Angel from heaven, to guard and cherish, protect and visit, and evermore defend all who are assembled in this place; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Introit

Misericordia Domini (Ps 33:5,6,1)

The loving-kindness of the Lord filleth the whole world, alleluia: by the word of the Lord were the heavens stablished. Alleluia. Alleluia.

(Ps) Rejoice in the Lord, O ye righteous: for it becometh well the just to be thankful.

GLORY. The loving-kindness...







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COLLECT OF THE DAY

ALMIGHTY God, who showest to them that be in error the light of thy truth, to the intent that they may return into the way of righteousness: grant unto all them that are admitted into the fellowship of Christ's religion; that they may forsake those things that are contrary to their profession, and follow all such things as are agreeable to the same; 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

Acts 4:8-12

In those days:

Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit, said to them, "Rulers of the people and elders, if we are being examined today concerning a good deed done to a cripple, by what means this man has been healed, be it known to you all, and to all the people of Israel, that by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom you crucified, whom God raised from the dead, by him this man is standing before you well.

This is the stone which was rejected by you builders, but which has become the cornerstone.

And there is salvation in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given among men by which we must be saved."

GRADUAL PSALM Psalm 118:1, 8-9, 21-23, 26, 28-29. Confitemini Domino



- O GIVE thanks unto the Lord, for | he is | gracious; * because his | mercy · en- | dureth · for | ever.
- 8 It is better to | trust · in the | Lord, * than to put | any | confidence · in | man.
- † 9 It is better to | trust in · the | Lord, * than to put | any | confidence · in | princes.
 - 21 I will thank thee; for | thou hast | heard me, * and art be- | **come** | my sal- | vation.
 - 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.
 - 26 Blessed be he that cometh in the | Name · of the | Lord: * we have wished you good luck, we that | are · of the | house of · the | Lord.
 - 28 Thou art my God, and | I will | thank thee; * thou art my | God, and | I will | praise thee.
 - 29 O give thanks unto the Lord; for | he is | gracious, * and his | mercy · en- | dureth · for | ever.

SECOND READING

1 John 3:1-2

Beloved:

See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and so we are. The reason why the world does not know us is that it did not know him.

Beloved, we are God's children now; it does not yet appear what we shall be, but we know that when he appears we shall be like him, for we shall see him as he is.

Alleluia

Redemptionem (Ps 111:9; Jn 10:14)

Alleluia. Alleluia.

The Lord sent redemption unto his people. Alleluia.

I am the good Shepherd: and I know my sheep, and am known of mine. Alleluia.

GOSPEL John 10:11-18

★ A reading from the Holy Gospel according to John.

R. Glory be to thee, O Lord.

At that time:

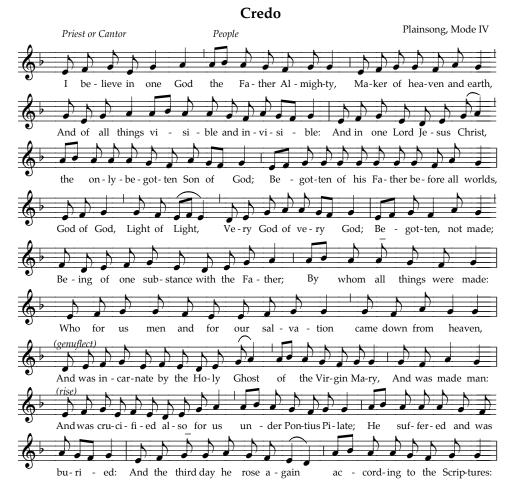
Jesus said, "I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep.

He who is a hireling and not a shepherd, whose own the sheep are not, sees the wolf coming and leaves the sheep and flees; and the wolf snatches them and scatters them.

He flees because he is a hireling and cares nothing for the sheep.

I am the good shepherd; I know my own and my own know me, as the Father knows me and I know the Father; and I lay down my life for the sheep.

HOMILY





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Facing the People, the Priest or Deacon says the exhortation. The People kneel. The Priest, facing the altar, begins the following prayer, and the People join in saying:

Almighty God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, maker of all things, judge of all men:

We acknowledge and bewail our manifold sins and wickedness, which we from time to time most grievously have committed, by thought, word, and deed, against thy divine majesty, provoking most justly thy wrath and indignation against us.

We do earnestly repent, and are heartily sorry for these our misdoings; the remembrance of them is grievous unto us, the burden of them is intolerable.

Have mercy upon us, have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; for thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, forgive us all that is past; and grant that we may ever hereafter serve and please thee in newness of life, to the honour and glory of thy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Priest concludes with a prayer asking for God's mercy and pardon.

Offertory

Deus, Deus meus (Ps 63:1,5b)

O God, thou art my God, early will I seek thee: and lift up my hands in thy Name. Alleluia.

OFFERTORY HYMN

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.

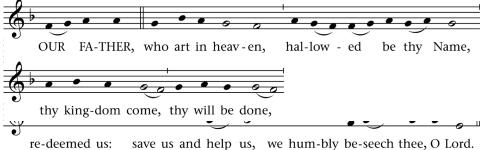
Prayer over the Offerings

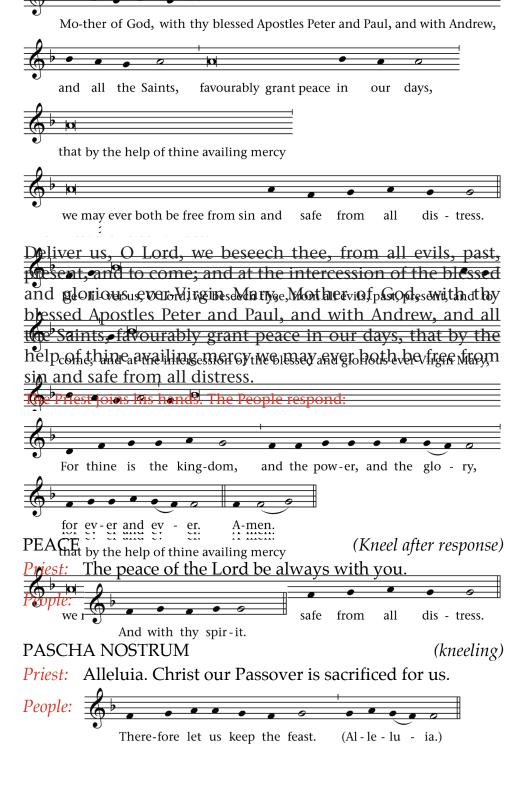
LORD, we pray thee, that from these mysteries we may obtain such succour of thy grace: that refraining ourselves from the desire of all things earthly, we may learn to love all such things as are heavenly; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

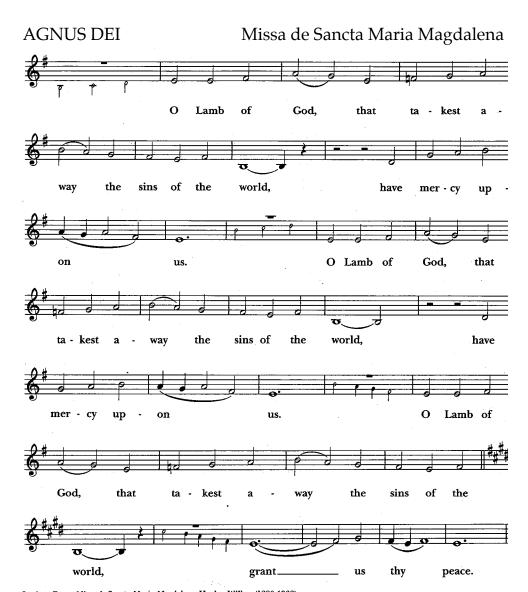
SANCTUS AND BENEDICTUS Missa de Sancta Maria Magdalena











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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 Antiphon

Ego sum pastor bonus (Jn 10:14)

I am the good Shepherd, alleluia: and know my sheep, and am known of mine. 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

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.

And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord,



be amongst you and remain with you al - ways. HE 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;

men.

and the blessing of God Almighty, ₹ the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be amongst you, and remain with you always.

People: Amen.

DISMISSAL (Stand after the response.)



CLOSING HYMN

REGINA CÆLI

The Regina Cæli is the seasonal anthem prayed in Eastertide until before First Evensong of Trinity Sunday.







- V. Rejoice and be glad, O Virgin Mary, alleluia.
- R. For the Lord is risen indeed, alleluia.

Let us pray.

GOD, who, by the Resurrection of thy Son Jesus Christ didst vouchsafe to give gladness unto the world: grant we beseech thee, that we, being holpen by the Virgin Mary, his



