

The Great Easter Vigil

Night-Watch of the Resurrection

This is the high point of the Christian year, the celebration of the Paschal Mystery in the great Easter Eucharist, summit and source of the liturgical action and life of God's People. This "holy night" is the "mother of all holy vigils" that begins the "queen of feasts." The full meaning of the Easter Vigil is waiting for the Lord. He who took our human flesh, who suffered and died for us in that flesh, now rises in that same human body, glorified and immortal, as befits the new life of Resurrection. With the joyous "alleluias" of her new Passover, Mother Church celebrates a unique event, at once historical and cosmic. At the broken tomb, the Incarnation reaches its fulfillment, and the ultimate purpose of our Redemption is revealed in the frailty of human flesh - nothing less than a literal sharing in the glory of his bodily Resurrection. For this we were washed by the waters of Baptism; for this we were sealed with the Spirit's fragrant Chrism; for this we feast on the Body and Blood of the One who leads us into eternal life.

Ceremonies of the Liturgical Year, No. 255

The Service of Light

Blessing of the Fire

Blessing and Lighting of the Paschal Candle

Procession

Priest: Lumen Christi.

R/. 
De-o grá-ti-as.

The Easter Proclamation (Exsultet)

V/. Exult, let them exult, ...


(V. The Lord be with you. R. And with your spir-it.)


V. Lift up your hearts. R. We lift them up to the Lord.


V. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. R. It is right and just.

V/. It is truly ...
... for ever and ever.

All: *Amen*

Liturgy of the Word

Invitation to Prayer

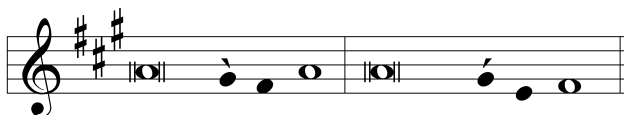
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Reading

Genesis 1:1—2:2

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 104:1-2, 5-6, 10, 12, 13-14, 24, 35



Antiphon (Cantor intones, then Congregation repeats)

Lord, send **out** your Spirit,
And renew the face **of** the earth.

Right: Bless the **Lord**, my soul!
O Lord, my God, you are **great** indeed!
You are clothed with majes-**ty** and glory,
robed in light as **with** a cloak.

Left: You fixed the earth upon **its** foundation,
not to be moved **for**-ever,
with the ocean, as with a garment, you **cov**-ered it;
above the mountains the **wa**-ters stood.

Right: You send forth springs into the **wa**-ter-courses;
that wind a-**mong** the mountains.
Beside them the birds of **hea**-ven dwell;
from among the branches they send **forth** their song.

Left: You water the mountains from **your** palace;
the earth is replete with the fruit **of** your works.
You raise grass for the cattle, and vegetation **for** man's use,
producing bread **from** the earth.

All: How manifold are your **works**, O Lord!
In wisdom you have **wrought** them all --
the earth is full **of** your creatures.
Bless the Lord, **O** my soul!

Antiphon (All Congregation)

Lord, send **out** your Spirit,
And renew the face **of** the earth.

please stand

Prayer

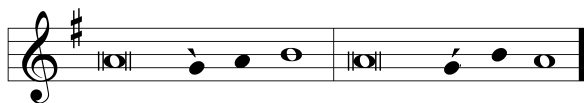
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Reading

Exodus 14:15—15:1

Responsorial Psalm

Exodus 15:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 17-18



Antiphon (Cantor intones, then Congregation repeats)

Let us sing **to** the Lord;
He has covered him-**self** in glory.

Right: I will sing to the Lord, for he is gloriously **tri**-umphant;
Horse and chariot he has cast in-**to** the sea.
My strength and my courage **is** the Lord,
and he has been **my** savior.
He is my God, and **I** praise him
the God of my father, I **ex**-tol him.

Left: The Lord is a **war**-rior,
Lord **is** his name!
Pharaoh's chariots and army he hurled in-**to** the sea;
The elite of his officers were submerged in **the** Red Sea.

Right: The flood waters **cov**-ered them,
they sank into the depths **like** a stone.
Your right hand, O Lord, magnifi-**cent** in power,
your right hand, O Lord, has shattered the **en**-emy.

Left: You brought in the people **you** redeemed
and planted them on the mountain of **your** inheritance --
the place were you made your **seat**, O Lord,
the sanctuary, Lord, which your hands established.
The Lord shall reign forever **and** ever.

Antiphon (All Congregation)

Let us sing **to** the Lord;
He has covered him-**self** in glory.

please stand

Prayer

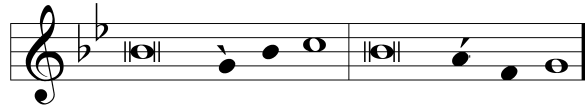
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Reading

Isaiah 55:1-11

Responsorial Psalm

Isaiah 12:2-3, 4, 5-6



Antiphon (Cantor intones, then Congregation repeats)

You will draw water **joy**-fully
from the springs **of** salvation.

Right: God indeed is **my** savior;
I am confident and **un**-afraid.
My strength and my courage **is** the Lord,
and he has been **my** savior.

Left: With joy you will **draw** water
At the fountain **of** salvation.
Give thanks to the Lord, ac-**claim** his name;
among the nations make known his deeds,
proclaim how exalted **is** his name.

All: Sing praise to the Lord for his glorious **a**-chievement;
let this be known throughout **all** the earth.
Shout with exultation, O city **of** Zion,
for great in your midst is the Holy of **Is**-rael!

Antiphon (All Congregation)

You will draw water **joy**-fully
from the springs **of** salvation.

please stand

Prayer

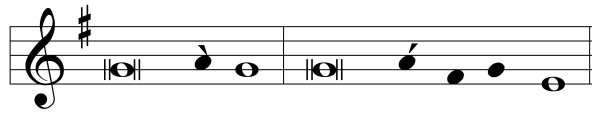
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Reading

Ezekiel 36:16-17a, 18-28

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 42:3, 5; 43:3, 4



Antiphon (Cantor intones, then Congregation repeats)

Like a deer that longs for run-**ning** streams,
my soul longs **for**, you my God.

Right: Athirst is my soul **for** God,
my Lord, **the** living God.
When shall I go and **be**-hold
the face of **the** living God?

Left: I went with **the** throng
and led them in procession to **the** house of God.
Amid loud cries of joy and thanks-**giv**-ing,
with the multitude **keep**-ing the festival.

Right: Send forth your light and your fi-**del**-ity,
they **shall** lead me on
And bring me to your holy **moun**-tain,
to **your** dwelling place.

Left: Then will I go to the altar **of** God,
the God of my **glad**-ness and joy.
Then will I give thanks upon **the** harp;
O **my** God, my God!

Antiphon (All Congregation)

Like a deer that longs for run-**ning** streams,
my soul longs **for**, you my God.

please stand

Prayer

Gloria

A CONGREGATIONAL MASS

Cantor *Congregation*

Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and on earth peace to peo-ple of good will.

We praise you, we bless you, we a-dore you, we glo-ri-fy you,

we give you thanks for your great glo-ry, Lord God, heav'n-ly King,

O God, al-might-y Fa-ther. Lord Je-sus Christ,

On-ly Be-got-ten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Fa-ther,

you take a-way the sins of the world, have mer-cy on us;

you take a-way the sins of the world, re-ceive our prayer;

you are seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa-ther,

have mer-cy on us. 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 Spir-it, in the glo-ry of God the Fa-ther. A-men.

Slower

Collect

please be seated

Epistle

Romans 6:3-11

please stand

Gospel Acclamation

*Repeat after Cantor
(3x)*

VIII



A L-le- lú- ia.

VICTORY



Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia!

Dialogue at the Gospel

Priest: The Lord be with you.

R/. And with your spirit.

Priest: A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Mark.

R/. Glory to you, O Lord.

Gospel

Mark 16:1-7

please be seated

Homily

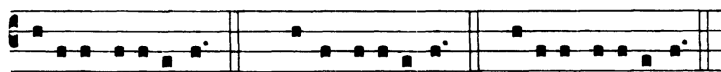


Baptismal Liturgy

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Invitation to Prayer

Litany of the Saints

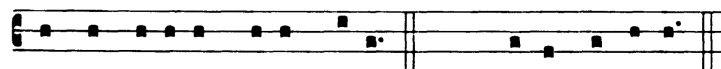


Ký-ri-e, e-lé-i-son. *ii.* Christe, e-lé-i-son. *ii.* Ký-ri-e, e-lé-i-son. *ii.*

Lord, have mercy (twice).

Christ, have mercy (twice).

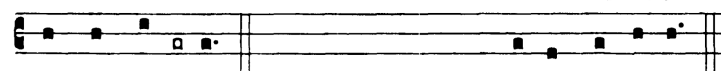
Lord, have mercy (twice).



Sancta Ma-ri-a, Ma-ter De-i, R/. O-ra pro no-bis.

Holy Mary, Mother of God,

pray for us.

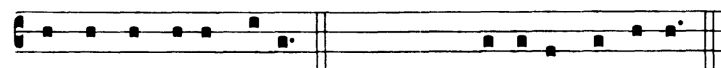


Sancte Mícha-el,

Saint Michael,

R/. O-ra pro no-bis.

pray for us



Sancti Ange-li De-i,

Holy angels of God,

R/. O-rá-te pro no-bis.

pray for us.

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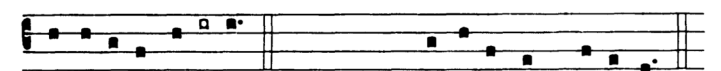
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Omnes Sancti et Sanctæ Dei,

All holy men and women,

R/. orá-te pro nobis.

pray for us.



Pro-pí-ti-us e- sto,

Lord, be merciful,

Ab omni malo,

From all evil,

Ab omni peccáto,

From every sin,

A morte perpétua,

From everlasting death,

Per incarnatió-nem tuam,

By your coming as man,

Per mortem et resurrecti-ó-nem tuam

By your death and rising to new life,

Per effusi-ó-nem Spíritus Sancti,

By your gift of the Holy Spirit,

R/. Lí-be-ra nos, Dó-mi-ne.

Lord, save your people.

libera nos, Dómine.

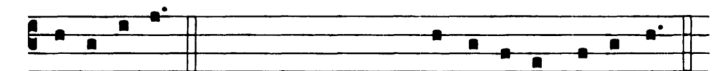
libera nos, Dómine.

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Pecca-tó-res,

Be merciful to us sinners,

Ut hos eléctos per grátiam Baptísmi

regenerá-re dignéris,

Give new life to these chosen ones by the grace of baptism,

Iesu, Fili Dei vivi,

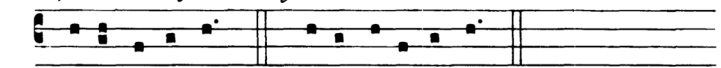
Jesus, Son of the living God,

R/. Te ro-gá-mus, audi nos.

Lord, hear our prayer.

te ro-gá-mus, audi nos.

te ro-gá-mus, audi nos.



Christe, audi nos. *ii.* Christe, exáudi nos. *ii.*

Christ, hear us (twice).

Lord Jesus, hear our prayer (twice).

Prayer

Blessing of Baptismal Water

Celebration of Baptism

please be seated

Renunciation of Sin

Anointing of the Elect with the Oil of Catechumens

Profession of Faith

Baptism

Anointing after Baptism

Clothing with Baptismal Garment

Presentation of a Lighted Candle

Renewal of Baptismal Promises

please stand

Invitation

Congregation's Renunciation of Sin

Congregation's Profession of Faith

Concluding Prayer

Sprinkling

Sicut cervus

Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina

please be seated

Celebration of Reception

Invitation to Prayer

Profession by the Candidates

Act of Reception

Celebration of Confirmation

Invitation to Prayer

Laying on of Hands

Anointing with Chrism

Sign of Welcome

Anthem

Cantate Domino

Giuseppe Ottavio Pitoni

please stand

Universal Prayer

Liturgy of the Eucharist

Offertory Proper

Dextera Domini (cum alleluia)

Psalm 118:16, 17

The right hand of the LORD has done valiantly,
the right hand of the LORD has exalted me;
I shall not die, but I shall live,
and recount the deeds of the LORD, alleluia.

Offertory Anthem

Haec Dies

Vijay Singh

Offertory Hymn

At the Lamb's High Feast We Sing

SALZBURG



1. At the Lamb's high feast we sing Praise to our vic -
2. Where the pas - chal blood is poured, Death's dark an - gel
3. Might - y Vic - tim from on high, Hell's fierce pow'rs be -
4. Eas - ter tri - umph, Eas - ter joy, These a - lone do



1. to - rious King, Who hath washed us in the tide
2. sheathes his sword; Is - rael's hosts tri - um - phant go
3. neath thee lie; Thou hast con - quered in the fight,
4. sin de - stroy. From sin's pow'r do thou set free



1. Flow - ing from his pierc - ed side; Praise we him whose
2. Through the wave that drowns the foe. Praise we Christ, whose
3. Thou hast brought us life and light: Now no more can
4. Souls new - born, O Lord, in thee. Hymns of glo - ry,



1. love di - vine Gives his sa - cred blood for wine,
2. Blood was shed, Pas - chal vic - tim, pas - chal bread;
3. death ap - pall, Now no more the grave en - thrall;
4. songs of praise, Fa - ther, un - to thee we raise:



1. Gives his Bod - y for the feast, Christ the vic - tim, Christ the priest.
2. With sin - cer - i - ty and love Eat we man - na from a - bove.
3. Thou hast o - pened Par - a - dise, And in thee thy saints shall rise.
4. Ris - en Lord, all praise to thee With the Spir - it ev - er be.

Invitation to Prayer

***R/. May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands
for the praise and glory of his name,
for our good, and the good of all his holy Church.***

Preface Dialogue

Priest: The Lord be with you.

R/. And with your spirit.

Priest: Lift up your hearts.

R/. We lift them up to the Lord.

Priest: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

R/. It is right and just.

Sanctus

A COMMUNITY MASS

All: f

Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly
 Lord God of hosts. Heav'n and
 earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -
 san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the
 high - est. Blessed is he who comes in the
 name of the Lord. *Soprano Descant:* Ho -
 san - na,
 high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est. *non rit.*

Eucharistic Prayer

The Mystery of Faith

A COMMUNITY MASS

All:

When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup, we pro-
 claim your Death, O Lord, un - til you come a - gain.

Great Amen

A COMMUNITY MASS

All:

A - men, a - men, a - men.

Lord's Prayer

Rite of Peace

R/. And with your spirit.

Agnus Dei

SON OF GOD MASS

Celebration of First Holy Communion

Invitation to Communion

Priest: Behold the Lamb of God,
 behold him who takes away the sins of the world.
Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.

***R/. Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof,
but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.***

Communion Proper

Pascha nostrum

1 Corinthians 5:7, 8

*Pascha nostrum immolates est Christus, alleluia!
Ita que epulemur in azymis sinceritatis et veritatis,
 alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.*

TRANSLATION

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

- - - please wait while our Neophytes and Confirmandi receive Communion - - -

Choral Anthems

Alleluia

Adoro Te Devote

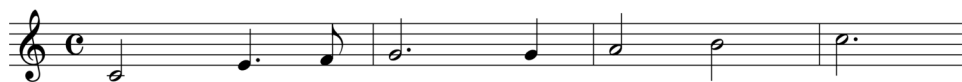
Randall Thompson

Stephen Caracciolo

Communion Hymn

Christ Is Alive!

TRURO



1. Christ is a - live! Let Chris - tians sing,
2. Christ is a - live! No long - er bound
3. In ev - 'ry in - sult, rift, and war,
4. Wom - en and men, in age and youth,
5. Christ is a - live, and comes to bring



The cross stands emp - ty to the sky.
To dis - tant years in Pal - es - tine,
Where col - or, scorn, or wealth di - vide,
Can feel the Spir - it, hear the call,
Good news to this and ev - 'ry age,



Let streets and homes with prais - es ring.
But sav - ing, heal - ing here and now,
Christ suf - fers still, yet loves the more,
And find the way, the life, the truth,
Till earth and sky and o - cean ring



Love, drowned in death, shall nev - er die.
And touch - ing ev - 'ry place and time.
And lives, where e - ven hope has died.
Re - vealed in Je - sus, freed for all.
With joy, with jus - tice, love, and praise.

Prayer After Communion



Concluding Rite

Prayer Over the People

R/. And with your spirit.

Solemn Blessing

Dismissal

R/.



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

Recessional Hymn

Jesus Christ is Risen Today

EASTER HYMN



1. Je - sus Christ is ris'n to - day,
2. Hymns of praise then let us sing,
3. But the pains which he en - dured, Al - le - lu - ia!
4. Sing we to our God a - bove,



1. Sons of men and an - gels say
2. Un - to Christ our heav'n'ly King
3. Our sal - va - tion have pro - cured; Al - le - lu - ia!
4. Praise e - ter - nal as his love;



1. Who did once up - on the cross,
2. Who en - dured the cross and grave,
3. Now he reigns a - bove as King, Al - le - lu - ia!
4. Praise him, all ye heav'n - ly host,



1. Suf - fer to re - deem our loss.
2. Sin - ners to re - deem and save.
3. Where the an - gels ev - er sing. Al - le - lu - ia!
4. Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost.

Postlude

Improvisation on EASTER HYMN

