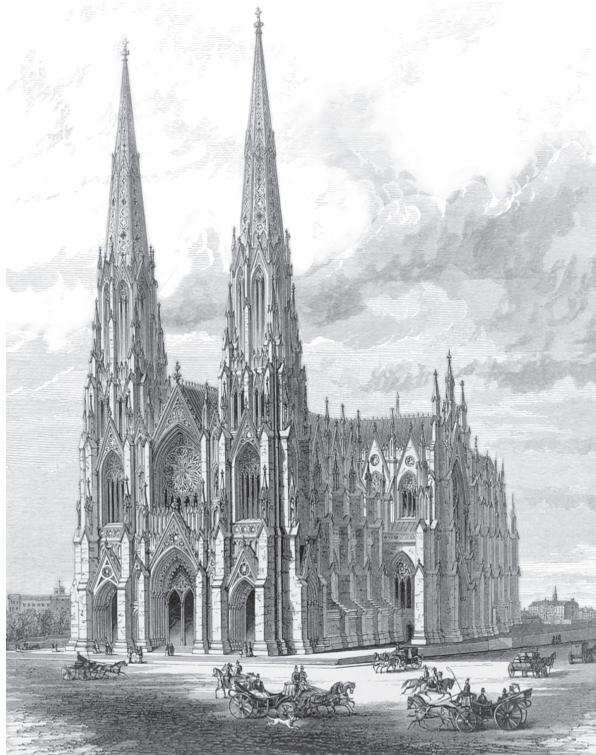


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CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

SAINT JOHN OF DAMASCUS,
PRIEST, RELIGIOUS, DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH
MEMORIAL

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THE ORDER OF MASS

THE INTRODUCTORY RITES

ENTRANCE HYMN

“O Come, O Come, Emmanuel”
VENI EMMANUEL



1. O come, O come, Em - man - u - el, And ran - som
2. O come, thou Wis - dom from - on high, Who or - d'rest
3. O come, O come, thou Lord of might, Who to thy
4. O come, thou Rod of Jes - se's tree, Free them from
5. O come, thou Key of Da - vid, come, And o - pen
6. O come, thou Day - spring from on high, And cheer us
7. O come, De - sire of nat - tions, bind In one the



1. cap - tive Is - ra - el, That mourns in lone - ly
2. all things might - i - ly; To us the path of
3. tribes on Si - nai's height In an - cient times didst
4. Sa - tan's ty - ran - ny That trust thy might - y
5. wide our heav'n - ly home; Make safe the way that
6. by thy draw - ing nigh; Dis - perse the gloom - y
7. hearts of all man - kind; Bid thou our sad di -



1. ex - ile here Un - til the Son of God ap - pear.
2. knowl - edge show, And teach us in her ways to go.
3. give the law, In cloud and maj - es - ty, and awe.
4. pow'r to save, And give them vic - t'ry o'er the grave.
5. leads on high, And close the path to mis - er - y,
6. clouds of night, And death's dark shad - ow put to flight.
7. vi - sions cease, And be thy - self our King of peace.



Re - joice! Re - joice! Em - man - u - el



Shall come to you, O Is - - - ra - el.

KYRIE

adapt. Litany of the Saints



THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING

Isaiah 29:17-24

Thus says the Lord GOD:
But a very little while,
and Lebanon shall be changed into an orchard,
and the orchard be regarded as a forest!
On that day the deaf shall hear
the words of a book;
And out of gloom and darkness,
the eyes of the blind shall see.
The lowly will ever find joy in the LORD,
and the poor rejoice in the Holy One of Israel.
For the tyrant will be no more
and the arrogant will have gone;
All who are alert to do evil will be cut off,
those whose mere word condemns a man,
Who ensnare his defender at the gate,
and leave the just man with an empty claim.
Therefore thus says the LORD,
the God of the house of Jacob,
who redeemed Abraham:
Now Jacob shall have nothing to be ashamed of,
nor shall his face grow pale.
When his children see
the work of my hands in his midst,
They shall keep my name holy;
they shall reverence the Holy One of Jacob,
and be in awe of the God of Israel.
Those who err in spirit shall acquire understanding,
and those who find fault shall receive instruction.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 27:1, 4, 13-14

℟. (1a) **The Lord is my light and my salvation.**

The LORD is my light and my salvation;
whom should I fear?
The LORD is my life's refuge;
of whom should I be afraid? ℟.

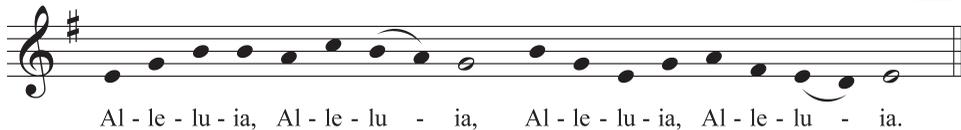
One thing I ask of the LORD;
this I seek:
To dwell in the house of the LORD
all the days of my life,
That I may gaze on the loveliness of the LORD
and contemplate his temple. ℟.

I believe that I shall see the bounty of the LORD
in the land of the living.
Wait for the LORD with courage;
be stouthearted, and wait for the LORD. ℟.

ACCLAMATION BEFORE THE GOSPEL

“Veni Emmanuel Alleluia”

Jennifer Pascual



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GOSPEL

Matthew 9:27-31

As Jesus passed by, two blind men followed him, crying out,
“Son of David, have pity on us!”
When he entered the house,
the blind men approached him and Jesus said to them,
“Do you believe that I can do this?”
“Yes, Lord,” they said to him.
Then he touched their eyes and said,
“Let it be done for you according to your faith.”
And their eyes were opened.
Jesus warned them sternly,
“See that no one knows about this.”
But they went out and spread word of him through all that land.

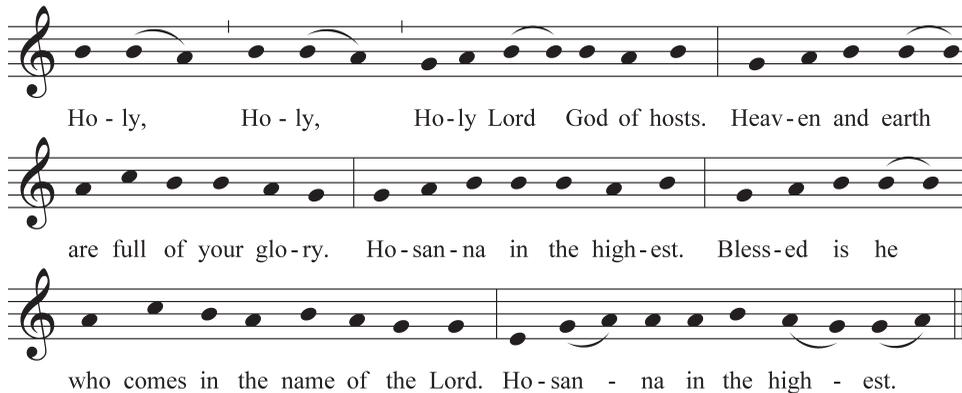
The Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

THE PREPARATION OF THE GIFTS

SANCTUS

Roman Missal

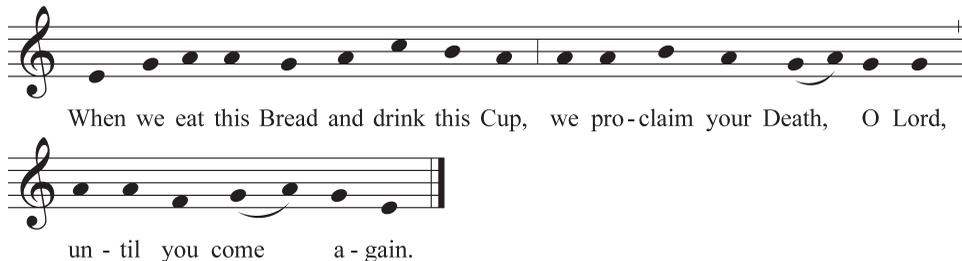


Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly Lord God of hosts. Heav - en and earth
are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he
who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

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MYSTERY OF FAITH

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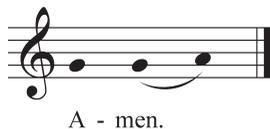


When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup, we pro - claim your Death, O Lord,
un - til you come a - gain.

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GREAT AMEN

Roman Missal



A - men.

THE COMMUNION RITE

THE LORD'S PRAYER

AGNUS DEI

Roman Missal



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sins of the world, have mer - cy on us.



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sins of the world, have mer - cy on us.



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sins of the world, Grant us peace.

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COMMUNION

The reception of Holy Communion is the most sacred act for Catholics. We believe that we are then receiving the Body and Blood of Christ. Catholics who are properly prepared should approach the ministers of Holy Communion.

We ask non-Catholics not to receive. They are encouraged, however, to come forward with arms crossed over their heart to receive a blessing.

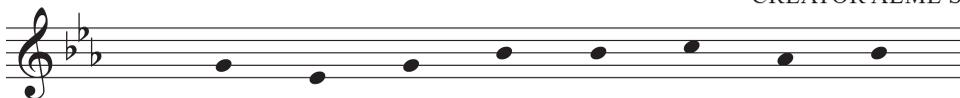
AN ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

**My Jesus,
I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.
I love You above all things,
and I desire to receive You into my soul.
Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally,
come at least spiritually into my heart.
I embrace You as if You were already there
and unite myself wholly to You.
Never permit me to be separated from You.
Amen.**

H Y M N

“Creator of the Stars of Night”

CREATOR ALME SIDERUM



1. Cre - a - tor of the stars of night,
 2. In sor - row that the an - cient curse
 3. When this old world drew on toward night,
 4. At your great Name, O Je - sus, now
 5. Come in your ho - ly might, we pray,
 6. To God Cre - a - tor, God the Son,



1. Your peo - ple's ev - er - last - ing light,
 2. Should doom to death a un - i - verse,
 3. You came; but not in splen - dor bright,
 4. All knees must bend, all hearts must bow;
 5. Re - deem us for e - ter - nal day;
 6. and God the Spir - it, Three in One,



1. O Christ, Re - deem - er of us all,
 2. You came, O Sav - ior, to set free
 3. Not as a mon - arch, but the child
 4. All things on earth with one ac - cord,
 5. De - fend us while we dwell be - low
 6. Praise, hon - or, might, and glo - ry be



1. We pray you hear us when we call.
 2. Your own in glo - rious lib - er - ty.
 3. Of Ma - ry, blame - less moth - er mild.
 4. Like those in heav'n, shall call you Lord.
 5. From all as - saults of our dread foe.
 6. From age to age e - ter - nal - ly.

THE CONCLUDING RITES

RECESSIONAL HYMN

“Lift Up Your Heads”

TRURO



1. Lift up your heads, ye might - y gates;
2. O blest the land, the cit - y blest,
3. Fling wide the por - tals of your heart;
4. So come, my Sov - 'reign; en - ter in!



1. Be - hold the King of glo - ry waits!
2. Where Christ the rul - er is con - fessed!
3. Make it a tem - ple, set a - part
4. Let new and no - bler life be - gin;



1. The King of kings is draw - ing near;
2. O hap - py hearts and hap - py homes
3. From earth - ly use for heav'n's em - ploy,
4. Thy Ho - ly Spir - it guide us on,



1. The Sav - ior of the world is here.
2. To whom this King of tri - umph comes!
3. A - dorned with prayer and love and joy.
4. Un - til the glo - rious crown be won.

GUIDELINES FOR THE RECEPTION OF COMMUNION

FOR CATHOLICS

As Catholics, we fully participate in the celebration of the Eucharist when we receive Holy Communion. We are encouraged to receive Communion devoutly and frequently. In order to be properly disposed to receive Communion, participants should not be conscious of grave sin and normally should have fasted for one hour. A person who is conscious of grave sin is not to receive the Body and Blood of the Lord without prior sacramental confession except for a grave reason where there is no opportunity for confession. In this case, the person is to be mindful of the obligation to make an act of perfect contrition, including the intention of confessing as soon as possible (*Code of Canon Law*, canon 916). A frequent reception of the Sacrament of Penance is encouraged for all.

FOR OUR FELLOW CHRISTIANS

We welcome our fellow Christians to this celebration of the Eucharist as our brothers and sisters. We pray that our common baptism and the action of the Holy Spirit in this Eucharist will draw us closer to one another and begin to dispel the sad divisions which separate us. We pray that these will lessen and finally disappear, in keeping with Christ's prayer for us "that they may all be one" (John 17:21).

Because Catholics believe that the celebration of the Eucharist is a sign of the reality of the oneness of faith, life, and worship, members of those churches with whom we are not yet fully united are ordinarily not admitted to Holy Communion. Eucharistic sharing in exceptional circumstances by other Christians requires permission according to the directives of the diocesan bishop and the provisions of canon law (canon 844 §4). Members of Orthodox Churches, the Assyrian Church of the East, and the Polish National Catholic Church are urged to respect the discipline of their own Churches. According to Roman Catholic Discipline, the *Code of Canon Law* does not object to the reception of Communion by Christians of these Churches (canon 844 §3).

FOR THOSE NOT RECEIVING HOLY COMMUNION

All who are not receiving Holy Communion are encouraged to express in their hearts a prayerful desire for unity with the Lord Jesus and with one another.

FOR NON-CHRISTIANS

We also welcome to this celebration those who do not share our faith in Jesus Christ. While we cannot admit them to Holy Communion, we ask them to offer their prayers for the peace and the unity of the human family.

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