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CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST
THE HOLY GUARDIAN ANGELS MEMORIAL
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ENTRANCE HYMN

"O Worship the King"

HANOVER

1. O worship the King, all glorious above,
   Whose robe is the light, whose aliment of old,
   Our Shield and Defender, the Ancient of Days,
   Pa - vil - ioned in splendor, and girded with praise.

2. O tell of his might! O sing of his grace,
   Whose chariots of wrath the deep thunder-clouds form,
   His dark is his path on the wings of the storm.
   And sweetly dissolves in the dew and the rain.

3. The earth with its store of wonders untold,
   Al - might - y, thy pow'r hath founded of old,
   Hath root - ed it fast by a changeless decree,
   And 'round it hath cast, like a mantle, the sea.

4. Thy bountiful care, what tongue can recite?
   It breathes in the air, it shines in the light,
   Thy mercies, how tender, how firm to the end!
   And sweetly dissolves in the dew and the rain.

5. Frail children of dust, and feeble as frail,
   In thee do we trust, nor find thee to fail;
   Thy ransom - ed cre - a - tion, though feeble their lays,
   Our Maker, Defender, Redeemer, and Friend.

6. O measureless Might, ineffable Love,
   While angels delight to hymn thee above,
   While angels delight to hymn thee above,
   With true ad - o - ra - tion shall sing to thy praise.

KYRIE

adapt. Litany of the Saints

The LORD addressed Job out of the storm and said:

Have you ever in your lifetime commanded the morning
and shown the dawn its place
For taking hold of the ends of the earth,
till the wicked are shaken from its surface?
The earth is changed as is clay by the seal,
and dyed as though it were a garment;
But from the wicked the light is withheld,
and the arm of pride is shattered.

Have you entered into the sources of the sea,
or walked about in the depths of the abyss?
Have the gates of death been shown to you,
or have you seen the gates of darkness?
Have you comprehended the breadth of the earth?
Tell me, if you know all:
Which is the way to the dwelling place of light,
and where is the abode of darkness,
That you may take them to their boundaries
and set them on their homeward paths?
You know, because you were born before them,
and the number of your years is great!

Then Job answered the LORD and said:

Behold, I am of little account; what can I answer you?
I put my hand over my mouth.
Though I have spoken once, I will not do so again;
though twice, I will do so no more.

The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 139:1-3, 7-8, 9-10, 13-14ab

Guide me, Lord, along the everlasting way.

O LORD, you have probed me and you know me;
you know when I sit and when I stand;
you understand my thoughts from afar.
My journeys and my rest you scrutinize,
with all my ways you are familiar. R
Where can I go from your spirit?
From your presence where can I flee?
If I go up to the heavens, you are there;
    if I sink to the nether world, you are present there. 

If I take the wings of the dawn,
    if I settle at the farthest limits of the sea,
Even there your hand shall guide me,
    and your right hand hold me fast. 

Truly you have formed my inmost being;
you knit me in my mother’s womb.
I give you thanks that I am fearfully, wonderfully made;
    wonderful are your works.

**ACCLAMATION BEFORE THE GOSPEL**

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**GOSPEL**

Matthew 18:1-5, 10

The disciples approached Jesus and said,
    “Who is the greatest in the Kingdom of heaven?”
He called a child over, placed it in their midst, and said,
    “Amen, I say to you, unless you turn and become like children,
you will not enter the Kingdom of heaven.
Whoever humbles himself like this child
    is the greatest in the Kingdom of heaven.
And whoever receives one child such as this in my name receives me.

“See that you do not despise one of these little ones,
    for I say to you that their angels in heaven
always look upon the face of my heavenly Father.”

The Gospel of the Lord.
**Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**
THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

THE PREPARATION OF THE GIFTS

SANCTUS

Roman Missal

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts. Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

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MYSTERY OF FAITH

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When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup, we proclaim your Death, O Lord, until you come again.

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GREAT AMEN

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Amen.
THE COMMUNION RITE

THE LORD’S PRAYER

AGNUS DEI

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Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away 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.
1. Soul of my Savior sanctify my breast,
2. Strength and protection may thy Passion be,
3. Hear me, Lord Jesus, listen as I pray;

1. Body of Christ, be thou my saving guest;
2. O blessed Jesus, hear and answer me;
3. "Lead me from night to never ending day.

1. Blood of my Savior bathe me in thy tide;
2. Deep in thy wounds, Lord, hide and shelter me;
3. Fill all the world with love and grace divine,

1. Wash me, ye waters flowing from his side.
2. So shall I never, never part from thee.
3. And glory, laud, and praise be ever thine."
The Concluding Rites

Recessional Hymn

“Now Thank We All Our God”

NUN DANKET

1. Now thank we all our God With hearts and hands and voices,
   Who wondrous things hath done, In whom his world rejoices;
   Hath blessed us on our way With countless gifts of love.

2. O may this gracious God Through all our life be near us,
   With ever joyful hearts And blessed peace to cheer us;
   And guide us in distress, And still is ours to-day.

3. All praise and thanks to God The Father now be given,
   The Son, and him who reigns With them in highest heaven, Eternal, Triune God,
   Whom earth and heav'n adore; For thus it was, is now, And shall be ever more.
GUIDELINES FOR THE RECEIPTION 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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