ST. PATRICK’S CATHEDRAL
“America’s Parish Church”
NEW YORK CITY

CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST
SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER
(OR OF DIVINE MERCY)
APRIL 11, 2021
**P R E L U D E**

Sat. 5:30pm

“Victimae Paschali Laudes”
Sister Theophane Hytrek

Sun. 10:15am

“Improvisation sur le ‘Victimae Paschali’” from *Cinq Improvisations*
Charles Tournemire

Sun. 1:00pm

“Menuet” from *Suite gothique*
Léon Boëllmann
The Order of Mass
The Introductory Rites

Entrance Hymn

“Christ the Lord Is Risen Today”
Victimae Paschali

Kyrie

adapt. Litany of the Saints
Gloria to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will. We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory,

Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father.

Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us; you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer; you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us.
The community of believers was of one heart and mind, and no one claimed that any of his possessions was his own, but they had everything in common. With great power the apostles bore witness to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus, and great favor was accorded them all. There was no needy person among them, for those who owned property or houses would sell them, bring the proceeds of the sale, and put them at the feet of the apostles, and they were distributed to each according to need.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24

Chrysogonus Waddell, OCSO

Verses: Joseph Gelineau, SJ
Let the house of Israel say,  
“His mercy endures forever.”
Let the house of Aaron say,  
“His mercy endures forever.”
Let those who fear the LORD say,  
“His mercy endures forever.”

I was thrust down, thrust down and falling,  
but the LORD was my helper.
The LORD is my strength and my song;  
he was my savior.
There are shouts of joy and salvation  
in the tents of the just.

SECOND READING  
1 John 5:1-6

Beloved:  
Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ is begotten by God,  
and everyone who loves the Father loves also the one begotten by him.
In this way we know that we love the children of God when we love God and obey his commandments.
For the love of God is this, that we keep his commandments.
And his commandments are not burdensome, for whoever is begotten by God conquers the world.
And the victory that conquers the world is our faith.
Who indeed is the victor over the world but the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God?

This is the one who came through water and blood, Jesus Christ, not by water alone, but by water and blood.
The Spirit is the one that testifies, and the Spirit is truth.

The word of the Lord.  
Thanks be to God.

ACCLAMATION BEFORE THE GOSPEL

You believe in me, Thomas, because you have seen me, says the Lord;  
Blessed are those who have not seen me, but still believe!
On the evening of that first day of the week, when the doors were locked, where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood in their midst and said to them, “Peace be with you.”

When he had said this, he showed them his hands and his side.
The disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord.
Jesus said to them again, “Peace be with you.
As the Father has sent me, so I send you.”
And when he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, “Receive the Holy Spirit.
Whose sins you forgive are forgiven them, and whose sins you retain are retained.”

Thomas, called Didymus, one of the Twelve, was not with them when Jesus came.
So the other disciples said to him, “We have seen the Lord.”
But he said to them, “Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands and put my finger into the nailmarks and put my hand into his side, I will not believe.”

Now a week later his disciples were again inside and Thomas was with them.
Jesus came, although the doors were locked, and stood in their midst and said, “Peace be with you.”
Then he said to Thomas, “Put your finger here and see my hands, and bring your hand and put it into my side, and do not be unbelieving, but believe.”
Thomas answered and said to him, “My Lord and my God!”
Jesus said to him, “Have you come to believe because you have seen me?
Blessed are those who have not seen and have believed.”

Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples that are not written in this book.
But these are written that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that through this belief you may have life in his name.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.
PROFESSION OF FAITH

I believe in one God,
the Father almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all things visible and invisible.

I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the Only Begotten Son of God,
born of the Father before all ages.
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father;
through him all things were made.
For us men and for our salvation
he came down from heaven,

At the words that follow, up to and including “and became man,” all bow:

and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary,
and became man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate,
he suffered death and was buried,
and rose again on the third day
in accordance with the Scriptures.
He ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory
to judge the living and the dead
and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church.
I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins
and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead
and the life of the world to come. Amen.
The Liturgy of the Eucharist

The Preparation of the Gifts

Hymn

“We Walk by Faith”

DUNLAP’S CREEK

1., 5. We walk by faith, and not by sight; No gracious words we hear From him who spoke as
2. We may not touch his hands and side, Nor follow where he trod; Yet in his promise
3. Help then, O Lord, our unbelief; And may our faith abound, To call on you when
4. That, when our life of faith is done, In realms of clearer light We may behold you

1. none e’er spoke; But we believe him near.
2. we rejoice, And cry, "My Lord and God!"
3. you are near, And seek where you are found:
4. as you are, With full and endless sight.
**SANCTUS**

A Community Mass  
Richard Proulx

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of hosts. Heav'n and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest.

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**MYSTERY OF FAITH**

A Community Mass  
Richard Proulx

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**

A Community Mass  
Richard Proulx

Amen, amen, amen.

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THE COMMUNION RITE

THE LORD’S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name;
thy kingdom come; thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

DOXOLOGY

For the kingdom, the pow’r, and the glory are yours,
now and for ever.
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.

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.
"Ye Sons and Daughters"

O FILII ET FILIAE

1. Ye sons and daughters, let us sing!
2. That Easter morn, at break of day,
3. An angel clad in white they see,
4. That night the apostles met in fear;
5. When Thomas first the tidings heard,
6. "My pierced side, O Thomas, see;
7. No longer Thomas as then denied;
8. How blest are they who have not seen,
9. On this my holy day of days,

1. The King of heav'n, the glorious King.
2. The faithful women went their way
3. Who sat and spoke unto the three:
4. Amidst them came their Lord most dear,
5. How they had seen the risen Lord,
6. My hands, my feet, I show to thee;
7. He saw the feet, the hands, the side.
8. And yet those faith has constant been,
9. To god your hearts and voices raise,

1. O'er death today rose triumphing.
2. To seek the tomb where Jesus lay.
3. "Your Lord doth go to Galilee."
4. And said, "My peace be on all here."
5. He doubted the disciples' word. Alleluia!
6. Not faithless, but believe in be.
8. For they eternal life shall win.
9. In laud and jubilee and praise.
Deacon: Go in peace, alleluia, alleluia.
All: Thanks be to God, alleluia, alleluia.

Recessional Hymn

“O Day of Peace”
JERUSALEM

1. O day of peace that dimly shines
Through all our hopes and prayers and dreams,
Nor shall the fierce devour the small;
As beasts and justice, truth and love;
Delivered from our selfish cattle calmly graze,
A little child shall lead them schemes,
May sword of hate fall from our hands,
Our hearts from all. Then enemies shall learn to love,
All creatures envy find release,
Till by God’s grace our warring find their true accord;
The hope of peace shall be fulfilled,
World filled, for all the earth shall know the peace.

2. Then shall the wolf dwell with the lamb
Guide us to
As beasts and
Deceived from our selfish
cattle calmly graze,
A little child shall lead them
tschemes,
May sword of hate fall from our hands,
Our hearts from all. Then enemies shall learn to love,
All creatures envy find release,
Till by God’s grace our warring find their true accord;
The hope of peace shall be fulfilled,
World filled, for all the earth shall know the peace.
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 (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” (Jn 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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