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## A GUIDE TO THE SOLEMN HIGH MASS

prepared for visitors

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### **This do...**

Was ever another command so obeyed? For century after century, spreading slowly to every continent and country and among every race on earth, this action has been done, in every conceivable human circumstance, for every conceivable human need from infancy and before it to extreme old age and after it, from the pinnacles of earthly greatness to the refuge of fugitives in the caves and dens of the earth. Men have found no better thing than this to do for kings at their crowning and for criminals going to the scaffold; for armies in triumph or for a bride and bridegroom in a little country church; for the proclamation of a dogma or for a good crop of wheat; for the wisdom of the Parliament of a mighty nation or for a sick old woman afraid to die; for a schoolboy sitting an examination or for Columbus setting out to discover America; for the famine of whole provinces or for the soul of a dead lover; in thankfulness because my father did not die of pneumonia; for a village headman much tempted to return to fetich because the yams had failed; because the Turk was at the gates of Vienna; for the repentance of Margaret; for the settlement of a strike; for a son for a barren woman; for Captain so-and-so, wounded and prisoner of war; while the lions roared in the nearby amphitheatre; on the beach at Dunkirk; while the hiss of scythes in the thick June grass came faintly through the windows of the church; tremulously, by an old monk on the fiftieth anniversary of his vows; furtively, by an exiled bishop who had hewn timber all day in a prison camp near Murmansk; gorgeously, for the canonisation of S. Joan of Arc. One could fill many pages with the reasons why men have done this, and not tell a hundredth part of them. And best of all, week by week and month by month, on a hundred thousand successive Sundays, faithfully, unfailingly, across all the parishes of christendom, the pastors have done this just to make the plebs sancta Dei—the holy common people of God.

Dom Gregory Dix  
*The Shape of the Liturgy*

PRELUDE

(Be seated)

Concerto for organ & strings, George Frideric Handel (1685-1759)  
op 4, no. 2, HWV 290

A tempo ordinario e staccato • Allegro • Adagio e staccato • Allegro ma non presto

Before the service it is customary to spend the time preparing for participation in the Mass. Conversation is quiet and limited. A sign on a parish Church in England reads: "Before Mass, talk to God. During Mass, let God talk to you. After Mass, come to Coffee Hour and talk to each other."

PROCESSION

(All may stand as the procession enters)

On special occasions, the solemn procession enters and approaches the altar, and the processional greeting below is sung. On most Sundays, the procession enters as the hymn is being sung.

Let us go forth in peace.

Answer. In the name of Christ. Amen.

HYMNS

(Standing)

Hymn 483: The head that once was crowned with thorns St Magnus  
Hymn 544: Jesus shall reign Duke Street

STATION AT THE FOOT OF THE ALTAR

(Standing)

V. The Lord is King, and hath put on glorious apparel.  
Alleluia!

R. The Lord hath put on his apparel, and girded himself with strength. Alleluia!

Let us pray.

**O** CHRIST THE KING OF GLORY, who through the everlasting gates didst ascend to thy Father's throne, and open the Kingdom of heaven to all believers; Grant that, while thou dost reign in heaven, we may not be bowed down to the things of the earth, but that our hearts may be lifted up whither thou, our redemption, art gone before; Who with the Father and the Holy Spirit livest and reignest, ever one God, world without end. **Amen.**

Jesus Christ our Lord

1 The head that once was crowned with thorns is crowned with glo - ry now;  
 2 The high - est place that heaven af - fords is his, is his by right,  
 3 the joy of all who dwell a - bove, the joy of all be - low,  
 4 To them the cross with all its shame, with all its grace is given;  
 5 They suf - fer with their Lord be - low, they reign with him a - bove,

1 a roy - al di - a - dem a - dorns the might - y vic - tor's brow.  
 2 the King of kings, and Lord of lords, and heaven's e - ter - nal Light;  
 3 to whom he man - i - fests his love and grants his Name to know.  
 4 their name, an ev - er - last - ing name; their joy, the joy of heaven.  
 5 their prof - it and their joy to know the mys - tery of his love.

6 The cross he bore is life and health,  
though shame and death to him:  
his people's hope, his people's wealth,  
their everlasting theme.

Words: Thomas Kelly (1769-1855)  
Music: St. Magnus, melody Divine Companion, 1707; harm. William Henry Monk (1823-1889),  
after John Pyke Hullah (19th cent.)

1 Je - sus shall reign wher - e'er the sun doth his suc -  
 2 To him shall end - less prayer be made, and prais - es  
 3 Peo - ple and realms of ev - ery tongue dwell on his  
 4 Bless - ings a - bound where - e'er he reigns: the pris - oners  
 5 Let ev - ery crea - ture rise and bring pe - cu - liar

1 ces - sive jour - neys run; his king - dom stretch from  
 2 throng to crown his head; his Name like sweet per -  
 3 love with sweet - est song; and in - fant voic - es  
 4 leap to lose their chains, the wea - ry find e -  
 5 hon - ors to our King; an - gels de - scend with

1 shore to shore, till moons shall wax and wane no more.  
 2 fume shall rise with ev - ery morn - ing sac - ri - fice.  
 3 shall pro - claim their ear - ly bless - ings on his Name.  
 4 ter - nal rest, and all who suf - fer want are blest.  
 5 songs a - gain, and earth re - peat the loud a - men.

Words: Isaac Watts (1674-1748), alt.  
 Music: *Duke Street*, John Hatton (d. 1793)

LM

## THE ORDINARY OF THE MASS

*Missae Brevis "Sancti Joannis de Deo"* Franz Joseph Haydn (1732-1809)  
 Hob. XXI:7, for soprano solo, chorus & orchestra

Classical Mass compositions usually consist of a setting for the *Kyrie*, the *Gloria in Excelsis*, the *Credo*, the *Sanctus and Benedictus*, and the *Agnus Dei*. On most Sundays the choir sings masterworks of the Renaissance or more recent works. The Congregation usually sings a plainsong setting of the *Credo* except when the choir has prepared the *Credo* as part of an orchestral mass. During the summer and on a few Sundays during the year, the Congregation sings traditional settings of the Mass from the Hymnal or supplied as bulletin inserts.

## KYRIE ELEISON

(Standing)

**K**YRIE eleison.  
 Christe eleison.  
 Kyrie eleison.

**L**ORD, have mercy upon  
 us.  
 Christ, have mercy upon us.  
 Lord, have mercy upon us.

## GLORIA IN EXCELSIS (Omitted in Advent and Lent) (Standing)

**G**LORIA in excelsis  
 Deo. Et in terra pax  
 hominibus bonæ  
 voluntatis. Laudamus te.  
 Benedicimus te.  
 Adoramus te. Glorificamus  
 te. Gratias agimus tibi  
 propter magnam gloriam  
 tuam. Domine Deus, Rex  
 cælestis, Deus Pater omni-  
 potens. Domine Fili  
 unigenite Jesu Christe,  
 Domine Deus, Agnus Dei,  
 Filius Patris. Qui tollis  
 peccata mundi, miserere  
 nobis. Qui tollis peccata  
 mundi, suscipe  
 deprecationem nostram.  
 Qui sedes ad dexteram  
 Patris, miserere nobis.

**G**LORY be to God on  
 high, and on earth  
 peace, good will towards  
 men. We praise thee, we  
 bless thee, we worship  
 thee, we glorify thee, we  
 give thanks to thee for thy  
 great glory, O Lord God,  
 heavenly King, God the  
 Father Almighty. O Lord,  
 the only-begotten Son,  
 Jesus Christ; O Lord God,  
 Lamb of God, Son of the  
 Father, that takest away  
 the sins of the world, have  
 mercy upon us. Thou that  
 takest away the sins of the  
 world, receive our prayer.  
 Thou that sittest at the  
 right hand of God the  
 Father, have mercy upon  
 us.

Quoniam tu solus  
sanctus. Tu solus Dominus.  
Tu solus Altissimus, Jesu  
Christe. Cum Sancto  
Spiritu, ✱ in gloria Dei  
Patris. Amen.

For thou only art holy;  
thou only art the Lord;  
thou only, O Christ, with  
the Holy Ghost, ✱ art most  
high in the glory of God  
the Father. Amen.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY *(Please remain standing)*

The Lord be with you.  
*Answer.* **And with thy spirit.**  
*Priest.* Let us pray.

**A**LMIGHTY AND EVERLASTING GOD, whose will it is to  
restore all things in thy well-beloved Son, the King of  
kings and Lord of lords: Mercifully grant that the peoples  
of the earth, divided and enslaved by sin, may be freed  
and brought together under his most gracious rule; who  
liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one  
God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING *(Please sit)*

Jeremiah 23:1-6 *Lectionary, page 219*  
*The first reading proper to the day is usually taken from the Old  
Testament. During the Sundays following Easter, it is taken from the  
Book of the Acts of the Apostles. The three-year lectionary cycle covers  
much of the bible. If you wish, you may follow the reading using the  
lectionary books provided in the pews. At the end, the reader says:*

The Word of the Lord.  
*Answer.* **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM *(Remain sitting)*

*The Choir sings a classical English setting of the Psalm proper to the day.  
The text is printed in the bulletin. During the summer, the psalm is said  
responsively by the Celebrant and the Congregation.*

Psalm 46: *Deus noster refugium*, adapted from Martin Luther  
(1483-1546)

**G**OD IS OUR HOPE AND STRENGTH, ✱ a very present help in  
trouble. 2 Therefore will we not fear, though the  
earth be moved, ✱ and though the hills be carried into the  
midst of the sea; 3 Though the waters thereof rage and  
swell, ✱ and though the mountains shake at the tempest of  
the same. 4 There is a river, the streams whereof make glad  
the city of God; ✱ the holy place of the tabernacle of the Most  
Highest. 5 God is in the midst of her, therefore shall she not  
be removed; ✱ God shall help her, and that right early. 6 The  
nations make much ado, and the kingdoms are moved; ✱ but  
God hath showed his voice, and the earth shall melt away. 7  
The LORD of hosts is with us; ✱ the God of Jacob is our  
refuge. 8 O come hither, and behold the works of the  
LORD, ✱ what destruction he hath brought upon the earth. 9  
He maketh wars to cease in all the world; ✱ he breaketh the  
bow, and knappeth the spear in sunder, and burneth the  
chariots in the fire. 10 Be still then, and know that I am God:  
✱ I will be exalted among the nations, and I will be exalted in  
the earth. 11 The LORD of hosts is with us; ✱ the God of  
Jacob is our refuge. GLORY BE TO THE FATHER, AND TO THE SON,  
✱ AND TO THE HOLY GHOST; As it was in the beginning, is now  
and ever shall be, ✱ world without end. Amen.

SECOND READING *(Remain sitting)*

Colossians 1:11-20 *Lectionary, page 219*

*The second reading proper to the day is taken from the New Testament. It  
is usually from the letters to the Churches but can also be from the  
Revelation of St. John the Divine. It is available in the lectionary books  
provided in the pews. At the end, the reader says:*

The Word of the Lord.  
*Answer.* **Thanks be to God.**

GRADUAL: *Dominabitur Mode V (Please stand)*

**H**IS DOMINION SHALL BE FROM THE ONE SEA TO THE OTHER  
and from the flood unto the world's end. V. All kings  
shall fall down also before him: all nations shall do him  
service.

The Choir sings the plainsong Gradual proper to the day as the Deacon of the Mass makes his preparation for reading the Holy Gospel.

The third reading of the Mass is invariably a portion of one of the four New Testament Gospels, and thus proclaims some word or act of Christ. The Gospel is sung by the Deacon of the Mass, and its singing is accompanied by a procession with lights and incense. Christ himself, the Eternal Word of God, enters the assembly, and the Gospel is the great climax of the Liturgy of the Word.

**ALLELUIA** (Remain standing)

As the Gospel procession moves towards the nave of the church, the Choir sings:

Alleluia. (Alleluia is omitted in Lent.)

Answer. **Alleluia.**

V. His dominion is an everlasting dominion, which shall not pass away; and his kingdom that which shall not be destroyed.

Answer. **Alleluia.**

**THE HOLY GOSPEL** (Remain standing)

The Lord be with you.

Answer. **And with thy spirit.**

¶ Then, all the People standing, the Deacon or a Priest shall read the Gospel, first saying, The Holy \* Gospel of our Lord \* Jesus Christ according to \* \_\_\_\_\_.

**Glory be to thee, O Lord.**

Luke 23:35-43                      Lectionary, page 220

¶ After the Gospel, the Reader says The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise be to thee, O Christ.**

**HYMN** (Remain standing)

Let all the world in ev'ry corner sing                      Universal Praise  
(From the 1940 Hymnal, Hymn 240, printed in the bulletin)

**SERMON** (Be seated)

UNIVERSAL PRAISE                      W. G. WHINFIELD, 1906

*Fast*

1 Let all the world in ev-'ry cor-ner sing, My God and King!  
2 Let all the world in ev-'ry cor-ner sing, My God and King!

The heav'ns are not too high, His praise may thith - er fly;  
The Church with psalms must shout, No door can keep them out;

The earth is not too low, His prais - es there may grow.  
But, a - bove all, the heart Must bear the long - est part.

Let all the world in ev-'ry cor-ner sing, My God and King!  
Let all the world in ev-'ry cor-ner sing, My God and King!

GEORGE HERBERT

THE NICENE CREED

**C**REDO in unum  
Deum, Patrem  
omnipotentem, factorem  
cæli et terræ, visibillum  
omnium, et invisibillum.

**E**T in unum Dominum  
Jesum Christum,  
Filius Dei unigenitum. Et  
ex Patre natum ante omnia  
sæcula. Deum de Deo,  
lumen de lumine, Deum  
verum de Deo vero.  
Genitum, non factum,  
consubstantialem Patri:  
per quem omnia facta  
sunt. Qui propter nos  
homines, et propter  
nostram salutem descendit  
de cælis.

*(please genuflect)*

Et incarnatus est de Spiritu  
Sancto ex Maria Virgine:  
Et homo factus est.

*(rise)*

Crucifixus etiam pro nobis:  
sub Pontio Pilato: passus,  
et sepultus est. Et  
resurrexit tertia die,  
secundum Scripturas. Et  
ascendit in cælum: sedet ad  
dexteram Patris. Et iterum  
venturus est  
cum gloria, iudicare vivos  
et mortuos: cujus regni  
non erit finis.

*(Please stand)*

**I**BELIEVE in one God, the  
Father Almighty,  
Maker of heaven and  
earth, And of all things  
visible and invisible:

**A**ND in one Lord Jesus  
Christ, the only-  
begotten Son of God;  
Begotten of his Father  
before all worlds, God of  
God, Light of Light, Very  
God of very God;  
Begotten, not made; Being  
of one substance with the  
Father; By whom all things  
were made: Who for us  
men and for our salvation  
came down from  
heaven,

*(please genuflect)*

And was incarnate by the  
Holy Ghost of the Virgin  
Mary, And was made  
man:

*(rise)*

And was crucified also for  
us under Pontius Pilate; He  
suffered and was buried:  
And the third day he rose  
again according to the  
Scriptures: And ascended  
into heaven, And sitteth  
on the right hand of the  
Father: And he shall come  
again, with glory, to judge  
both the quick and the  
dead; Whose kingdom  
shall have no end.

**E**T in Spiritum  
Sanctum, Dominum,  
et vivificantem: qui ex  
Patre Filioque procedit.  
Qui cum Patre et Filio  
simul adoratur, et  
conglorificatur: qui locutus  
est per Prophetas. Et unam  
sanctam catholicam et  
apostolicam Ecclesiam.  
Confiteor unum baptisma  
in remissionem  
peccatorum. Et exspecto  
resurrectionem  
mortuorum.  
✠ Et vitam venturi sæculi.  
Amen.

**A**ND I believe in the  
Holy Ghost, The  
Lord, and Giver of  
Life, Who proceedeth  
from the Father  
and the Son; Who with the  
Father and the Son  
together is worshipped  
and glorified; Who spake  
by the Prophets:  
And I believe one Holy  
Catholic and Apostolic  
Church: I acknowledge  
one Baptism for the  
remission of sins: And I  
look for the Resurrection  
of the dead:  
✠ And the Life of the  
world to come.  
Amen.

## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

*(Remain standing)*

*Intercession is offered for the needy, for the sick, for peace, and for other matters of importance. If intercession is offered for the departed, the Deacon may say, Rest eternal grant unto them, O Lord, to which the response is **And let light perpetual shine upon them.***

¶ *The Deacon or other person appointed says*

Let us pray for the whole state of Christ's Church and the world.

**A** LMIGHTY and everliving God, who in thy holy Word hast taught us to make prayers, and supplications, and to give thanks for all men: Receive these our prayers which we offer unto thy divine Majesty, beseeching thee to inspire continually the Universal Church with the spirit of truth, unity, and concord; and grant that all those who do confess thy holy Name may agree in the truth of thy holy Word, and live in unity and godly love.

Give grace, O heavenly Father, to all bishops and other ministers, that they may, both by their life and doctrine, set forth thy true and lively Word, and rightly and duly administer thy holy Sacraments.

And to all thy people give thy heavenly grace, and especially to this congregation here present; that, with meek heart and due reverence, they may hear and receive thy holy Word, truly serving thee in holiness and righteousness all the days of their life.

We beseech thee also so to rule the hearts of those who bear the authority of government in this and every land, that they may be led to wise decisions and right actions for the welfare and peace of the world.

Open, O Lord, the eyes of all people to behold thy gracious hand in all thy works, that, rejoicing in thy whole creation, they may honor thee with their substance, and be faithful stewards of thy bounty.

And we most humbly beseech thee, of thy goodness, O Lord, to comfort and succor all those who, in this transitory life, are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity.

And we also ✠ bless thy holy Name for all thy servants departed this life in thy faith and fear, beseeching thee to grant them continual growth in thy love and service; and to grant us grace so to follow the good examples of the Blessed Virgin Mary [, \_\_\_\_ ,] and of all thy saints, that with them we may be partakers of thy heavenly kingdom.

Grant these our prayers, O Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our only Mediator and Advocate. **Amen.**

## CONFESSION OF SIN

*(Kneel after exhortation)*

¶ *The Deacon says the following*

**Y**E who do truly and earnestly repent you of your sins, and are in love and charity with your neighbors, and intend to lead a new life, following the commandments of God, and walking from henceforth in his holy ways: Draw near with faith, [and take this holy Sacrament to your comfort;] and make your humble confession to Almighty God, devoutly kneeling.

¶ *Priest and People*

**A** LMIGHTY 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 honor and glory of thy Name;  
 through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

¶ *The Bishop when present, or the Priest, stands and says*

**A**LMIGHTY God, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all those who with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto him, have mercy upon you, ✱ pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE PEACE (Please stand)

¶ *The Celebrant says to the people*

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

*Answer.* **And with thy spirit.**

¶ *Then the Ministers and People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.*

### THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

ANTHEM (Please be seated)

*Mememto mei* *Pawel Lukaszewski (born 1968)*

MEMENTO MEI, DOMINE, *dum veneris in regnum tuum.*

REMEMBER ME O LORD, when thou comest into thy kingdom.

(*cf Luke 23:42*)

OFFERTORY SENTENCE: *Postula a me* Mode II (Please stand)

DESIRE OF ME, and I shall give thee the heathen for thine inheritance and the utmost parts of the earth for thy possession.¶

*Representatives of the congregation bring the people's offerings of bread and wine, and money or other gifts, to the deacon or celebrant. The people stand while the offerings are presented and placed on the Altar.*

1 Hail to the Lord's A - noint - ed, great Da - vid's great - er Son!  
 2 He comes with suc - cor speed - y to those who suf - fer wrong,  
 3 He shall come down like show - ers up - on the fruit - ful earth,  
 4 Kings shall bow down be - fore him, and gold and in - cense bring;  
 5 O'er ev - ery foe vic - to - rious, he on his throne shall rest;

1 Hail, in the time ap - point - ed, his reign on earth be - gun!  
 2 to help the poor and need - y, and bid the weak be strong;  
 3 and love, joy, hope, like flow - ers, spring in his path to birth:  
 4 all na - tions shall a - dore him, his praise all peo - ple sing;  
 5 from age to age more glo - rious, all bless - ing and all blest:

1 He comes to break op - pres - sion, to set the cap - tive free;  
 2 to give them songs for sigh - ing, their dark - ness turn to light,  
 3 be - fore him on the moun - tains shall peace, the her - ald, go;  
 4 to him shall prayer un - ceas - ing and dai - ly vows a - scend;  
 5 the tide of time shall nev - er his cov - e - nant re - move;

1 to take a - way trans - gres - sion, and rule in eq - ui - ty.  
 2 whose souls, con - demned and dy - ing, were pre - cious in his sight.  
 3 and right - eous - ness in foun - tains from hill to val - ley flow.  
 4 his king - dom still in - creas - ing, a king - dom with - out end.  
 5 his Name shall stand for ev - er, his change - less Name of Love.

Words: James Montgomery (1771-1854); para. of Psalm 72  
 Music: *Es flog ein kleins Waldvögelein*, German folk song; adapt. and harm.  
*A Student's Hymnal*, 1923, after Henry Walford Davies (1869-1941)



## OFFERTORY HYMN

*(Remain standing)*Hymn 616: *Hail to the Lord's Anointed* *Es flog ein kleins Waldvögelein*

## THE SURSUM CORDA

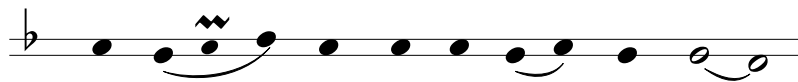
*(Remain standing)*

The Lord be with you.



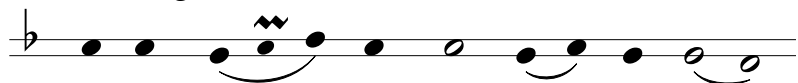
And with thy spi - rit.

Lift up your hearts.



We lift them up un - to the Lord.

Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.



It is meet and right so to do.

**I**T is very meet, right and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, Holy Father, Almighty, Everlasting God.

**B**ECAUSE thou hast anointed thine only-begotten Son Jesus Christ our Lord with the oil of gladness, to be a Priest for ever, and to be King over all mankind; that when he had rendered himself a spotless sacrifice of peace upon the Altar of the Cross, he might fulfil the mystery of our redemption; and having brought all creatures under his governance, might present unto thine infinite majesty, a kingdom universal and everlasting; a kingdom of truth and life; a kingdom of sanctity and grace; a kingdom of justice, love, and peace.

**T**HEREFORE with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying,

## SANCTUS AND BENEDICTUS

*(Remain standing)*

**S**ANCTUS, Sanctus,  
Sanctus Dominus  
Deus Sabaoth. Pleni sunt  
cæli et terra gloria tua.  
Hosanna in excelsis.  
✧ Benedictus qui venit in  
nomine Domini. Hosanna  
in excelsis.

**H**OLY, Holy, Holy,  
Lord God of hosts,  
Heaven and earth are full  
of thy glory: Glory be to  
thee, O Lord Most High.  
✧ Blessed is he that cometh  
in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest.

## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

*(Please kneel)*

The Prayer of Consecration

**A**LL glory be to thee, Almighty God, our heavenly Father, for that thou, of thy tender mercy, didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption; who made there (by his one oblation of himself once offered) a full, perfect, and sufficient sacrifice, oblation, and satisfaction, for the sins of the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death and sacrifice, until his coming again: For in the night in which he was betrayed, he took bread; and when he had given thanks, he brake it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, Take, eat,

THIS IS MY BODY,  
WHICH IS GIVEN FOR YOU;  
Do this in remembrance of me.

✧

Likewise, after supper, he took the cup; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, Drink ye all of this;

FOR THIS IS MY BLOOD

OF THE NEW TESTAMENT, WHICH IS SHED FOR YOU, AND FOR MANY,  
FOR THE REMISSION OF SINS.

Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it,  
in remembrance of me.

✧

The Oblation

WHEREFORE, O Lord and heavenly Father, according to the institution of thy dearly beloved Son our Saviour Jesus Christ, we, thy humble servants, do celebrate and make here before thy Divine Majesty, with these thy holy gifts, which we now offer unto thee, the memorial thy Son hath commanded us to make; having in remembrance his blessed passion and precious death, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; rendering unto thee most hearty thanks for the innumerable benefits procured unto us by the same.

The Invocation

AND we most humbly beseech thee, O merciful Father, to hear us; and, of thy almighty goodness, vouchsafe to bless and sanctify, with thy Word and Holy Spirit, these thy gifts and creatures of bread and wine; that we, receiving them according to thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ's holy institution, in remembrance of his death and passion, may be partakers of his most blessed Body and Blood.

Prayer for the Benefits of the Offering

AND we earnestly desire thy fatherly goodness mercifully to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving; most humbly beseeching thee to grant that, by the merits and death of thy Son Jesus Christ, and through faith in his blood, we, and all thy whole Church, may obtain remission of our sins, and all other benefits of his passion.

Prayer for Communicants

AND here we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, our selves, our souls and bodies, to be a reasonable, holy, and living sacrifice unto thee; humbly beseeching thee that we, and all others who shall be partakers of this Holy Communion, may worthily receive the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son Jesus Christ, be filled with thy \* grace and heavenly benediction, and made one body with him, that he may dwell in us, and we in him.

Prayer for the Acceptance of the Offering

AND although we are unworthy, through our manifold sins, to offer unto thee any sacrifice, yet we beseech thee to accept this our bounden duty and service, not weighing our merits, but pardoning our offences, through Jesus Christ our Lord;

The Concluding Doxology

BY whom, and with whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost, all honour and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end.

AMEN.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

(please remain kneeling)

And now, as our Saviour Christ hath taught us, we are bold to say,

The musical notation for the Lord's Prayer is presented on ten staves. The first staff is labeled 'Priest' and the second 'People'. The lyrics are: 'Our Fa - ther, who art in hea - ven, hal - low - ed be thy Name, thy king - dom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in hea - ven. Give us this day our dai - ly bread. And for - give us our tres - pas - ses, as we for - give those who tres - pass a - gainst us. And lead us not in - to temp - ta - tion, but de - liv - er us from e - vil. For thine is the king - dom, and the power, and the glo - ry, for ev - er and ev - er. A - men.'

## THE FRACTION

[Alleluia.] Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;  
**Therefore let us keep the feast. [Alleluia.]**

## PRAYER OF HUMBLE ACCESS

**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 we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.

## AGNUS DEI

**A** GNUS Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi: miserere nobis.  
Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi: miserere nobis.  
Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi: dona nobis pacem.

**O** Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world: have mercy upon us.  
O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world: have mercy upon us.  
O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world: grant us thy peace.

## INVITATION TO COMMUNION

\* Behold the Lamb of God; behold him that taketh away the sins of the world.

**Lord, I am not worthy that thou shouldest come under my roof, but speak the word only and my soul shall be healed.**

*(All persons baptized in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost are invited to come forward and receive the Sacrament of the Body and Blood of Christ.)*

## COMMUNION SENTENCE: *Sedebit Dominus Rex Mode I*

THE LORD REMAINETH A KING FOR EVER: the Lord shall give his people the blessing of peace.

*The Choir sings the Communion Sentence proper to the day, after which the People come forward to receive Communion. To keep the line short, the ushers will indicate when each row of pews should go forward.*

*If you prefer not to receive Holy Communion, you may make an act of spiritual communion by saying the following prayer privately:*

**O** most loving Jesus, O most blessed Saviour, come to me, I beseech thee, and unite me to thyself. Though I do not now receive thee sacramentally, yet I believe that thou art able, even when received by faith and desire only, to heal, enrich, and sanctify me. Come thou spiritually into my heart. I desire to unite myself to thee, with all the affections of my soul. Possess me wholly; let the consuming fire of thy love absorb me, and thy presence abide so intimately in me, that it will be no longer I that live, but thou who livest in me. Amen.

## MOTET: *O clap your hands together* Orlando Gibbons (1583-1625)

**O** CLAP your hands together, all ye peoples: O sing unto God with the voice of melody. For the LORD is high, and to be feared: he is the great King upon all the earth. He shall subdue the peoples under us, and the nations under our feet. He shall choose out an heritage for us, even the excellency of Jacob, whom he loved. God is gone up with a merry noise, and the LORD with the sound of the trump. O sing praises, sing praises unto our God: O sing praises, sing praises unto our King. For God is the King of all the earth: sing ye praises with understanding. God reigneth over the nations: God sitteth upon his holy seat: for God, which is very high exalted, doth defend the earth, as it were with a shield. *GLORY BE ... AS IT WAS...&C (Ps 47:1-8,9b)*

## THE POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER *(please kneel)*

*Priest.* Let us pray.

**A** LMIGHTY 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 favor 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. 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, to whom with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.

BLESSING AND DISMISSAL *(please remain kneeling)*

¶ *The Bishop when present, or the Priest, gives the blessing*

THE 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; and the ✠ blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be amongst you, and remain with you always. Amen.

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.  
*Answer* **And with thy spirit.**

¶ *The Deacon, or the Celebrant, may dismiss the people with these or similar words*

*Deacon* Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.  
*People* **Thanks be to God.**

¶ *From the Easter Vigil through the Day of Pentecost "Alleluia, alleluia" may be added to any of the dismissals. The People respond, "Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia."*

SOLEMN TE DEUM: *Te Deum in C Major Benjamin Britten (1913-1976)*

WE praise thee, O God; we acknowledge thee to be the Lord.

All the earth doth worship thee, the Father everlasting.  
To thee all Angels cry aloud; the Heavens, and all the Powers therein;

To thee Cherubim and Seraphim continually do cry,  
Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God of Sabaoth;  
Heaven and earth are full of the Majesty of thy glory.

The glorious company of the Apostles praise thee.  
The goodly fellowship of the Prophets praise thee.  
The noble army of Martyrs praise thee.  
The holy Church throughout all the world doth acknowledge thee;  
The Father of an infinite Majesty;  
Thine adorable, true and only Son;  
Also the Holy Ghost the Comforter.

THOU art the King of Glory, O Christ.

Thou art the everlasting Son of the Father.

When thou tookest upon thee to deliver man, thou didst humble thyself to be born of a Virgin.

When thou hadst overcome the sharpness of death, thou didst open the Kingdom of Heaven to all believers.

Thou sittest at the right hand of God, in the glory of the Father.

We believe that thou shalt come to be our Judge.

We therefore pray thee, help thy servants, whom thou hast redeemed with thy precious blood.

Make them to be numbered with thy Saints, in glory everlasting.

OR Lord, save thy people, and bless thine heritage.  
Govern them and lift them up for ever.

Day by day we magnify thee;

And we worship thy Name ever, world without end.

Vouchsafe, O Lord, to keep us this day without sin.

O Lord, have mercy upon us, have mercy upon us.

O Lord, let thy mercy be upon us, as our trust is in thee.

O Lord, in thee have I trusted; let me never be confounded.

POSTLUDE

*(sit, kneel, or leave quietly)*

*Symphonie VI, op 42*

Charles-Marie Widor (1844-1937)

### III. Intermezzo

*During the Postlude, those who remain in the church may enjoy the music or pray quietly. Psalm 150, for example, is appropriate. A traditional private prayer after mass is:*

O God, Who in this wonderful Sacrament hast left unto us a perpetual memorial of thy Passion; grant us, we beseech thee, so to venerate the Sacred Mysteries of thy Body and Blood, that we may ever perceive within ourselves the fruit of thy redemption; who with the Father, in the Unity of the Holy Ghost, livest and reignest God, world without end. Amen.

*A coffee hour follows all Sunday masses. Please join us.*