

Fourth Sunday of Lent April 5-6, 2025



INTRODUCTORY RITES

Gathering Song:



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Sign of the Cross Greeting Act of Penitence

The Confiteor

I confess to almighty God

and to you, my brothers and sisters,

that I have greatly sinned,

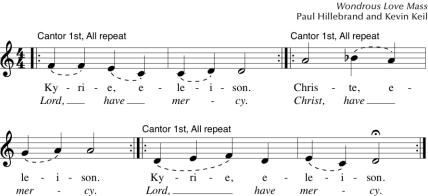
in my thoughts and in my words,

in what I have done and in what I have failed to do,

(strike breast once) through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault; therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin, all the Angels and Saints, and you, my brothers and sisters,

to pray for me to the Lord our God.

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Opening Prayer

LITURGY OF THE WORD

Reading I

Ezekiel 37:12-14

Thus says the Lord GOD:

O my people, I will open your graves

and have you rise from them,

and bring you back to the land of Israel.

Then you shall know that I am the LORD,

when I open your graves and have you rise from them,

O my people!

I will put my spirit in you that you may live,

and I will settle you upon your land;

thus you shall know that I am the LORD.
I have promised, and I will do it, says the LORD.
The Word of the Lord *All respond: Thanks be to God.*

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 130: With the Lord There Is Mercy



Verses

- 1. From out of the depths, I cry unto you, Lord, hear my voice, come hear my prayer; O let your ear be open to my pleading.
- 2. If you, O Lord, should mark our guilt, then who could stand within your sight? But in you is found forgiveness for our failings.
- 3. Just as those who wait for the morning light, even more I long for the Lord, my God, whose word to me shall ever be my comfort.

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Reading II

Romans 8:8-11

Brothers and sisters:

Those who are in the flesh cannot please God.

But you are not in the flesh;

on the contrary, you are in the spirit,

if only the Spirit of God dwells in you.

Whoever does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him.

But if Christ is in you,

although the body is dead because of sin,

the spirit is alive because of righteousness.

If the Spirit of the one who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you,

the one who raised Christ from the dead

will give life to your mortal bodies also,

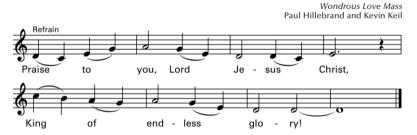
through his Spirit dwelling in you.

The Word of the Lord

All respond: Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation

III. PRAISE TO YOU, LORD



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Gospel -

Priest or Deacon: The Lord be with you

All Respond: And with your spirit

Priest or Deacon: A reading from the Holy Gospel According to: John

All Respond: (signing the cross on their forehead, lips and heart) Glory to you, O Lord.

John 11:1-45

Now a man was ill, Lazarus from Bethany,

the village of Mary and her sister Martha.

Mary was the one who had anointed the Lord with perfumed oil

and dried his feet with her hair;

it was her brother Lazarus who was ill.

So the sisters sent word to him saying,

"Master, the one you love is ill."

When Jesus heard this he said,

"This illness is not to end in death,

but is for the glory of God,

that the Son of God may be glorified through it."

Now Jesus loved Martha and her sister and Lazarus.

So when he heard that he was ill,

he remained for two days in the place where he was.

Then after this he said to his disciples,

"Let us go back to Judea."

The disciples said to him,

"Rabbi, the Jews were just trying to stone you,

and you want to go back there?"

Jesus answered,

"Are there not twelve hours in a day?

If one walks during the day, he does not stumble,

because he sees the light of this world.

But if one walks at night, he stumbles,

because the light is not in him."

He said this, and then told them,

"Our friend Lazarus is asleep,

but I am going to awaken him."

So the disciples said to him,

"Master, if he is asleep, he will be saved."

But Jesus was talking about his death,

while they thought that he meant ordinary sleep.

So then Jesus said to them clearly,

"Lazarus has died.

And I am glad for you that I was not there,

that you may believe.

Let us go to him."

So Thomas, called Didymus, said to his fellow disciples,

"Let us also go to die with him."

When Jesus arrived, he found that Lazarus

had already been in the tomb for four days.

Now Bethany was near Jerusalem, only about two miles away.

And many of the Jews had come to Martha and Mary

to comfort them about their brother.

When Martha heard that Jesus was coming,

she went to meet him;

but Mary sat at home.

Martha said to Jesus,

"Lord, if you had been here,

my brother would not have died.

But even now I know that whatever you ask of God,

God will give you."

Jesus said to her,

"Your brother will rise."

Martha said to him,

"I know he will rise,

in the resurrection on the last day."

Jesus told her,

"I am the resurrection and the life;

whoever believes in me, even if he dies, will live,

and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die.

Do you believe this?"

She said to him, "Yes, Lord.

I have come to believe that you are the Christ, the Son of God,

the one who is coming into the world."

When she had said this,

she went and called her sister Mary secretly, saying,

"The teacher is here and is asking for you."

As soon as she heard this,

she rose quickly and went to him.

For Jesus had not yet come into the village,

but was still where Martha had met him.

So when the Jews who were with her in the house comforting her

saw Mary get up quickly and go out,

they followed her,

presuming that she was going to the tomb to weep there.

When Mary came to where Jesus was and saw him,

she fell at his feet and said to him,

"Lord, if you had been here,

my brother would not have died."

When Jesus saw her weeping and the Jews who had come with her weeping,

he became perturbed and deeply troubled, and said,

"Where have you laid him?"

They said to him, "Sir, come and see."

And Jesus wept.

So the Jews said, "See how he loved him."

But some of them said,

"Could not the one who opened the eyes of the blind man

have done something so that this man would not have died?"

So Jesus, perturbed again, came to the tomb.

It was a cave, and a stone lay across it.

Jesus said, "Take away the stone."

Martha, the dead man's sister, said to him,

"Lord, by now there will be a stench;

he has been dead for four days."

Jesus said to her,

"Did I not tell you that if you believe

you will see the glory of God?"

So they took away the stone.

And Jesus raised his eyes and said,

"Father, I thank you for hearing me.

I know that you always hear me;

but because of the crowd here I have said this, that they may believe that you sent me."

And when he had said this.

He cried out in a loud voice,

"Lazarus, come out!"

The dead man came out.

tied hand and foot with burial bands.

and his face was wrapped in a cloth.

So Jesus said to them.

"Untie him and let him go."

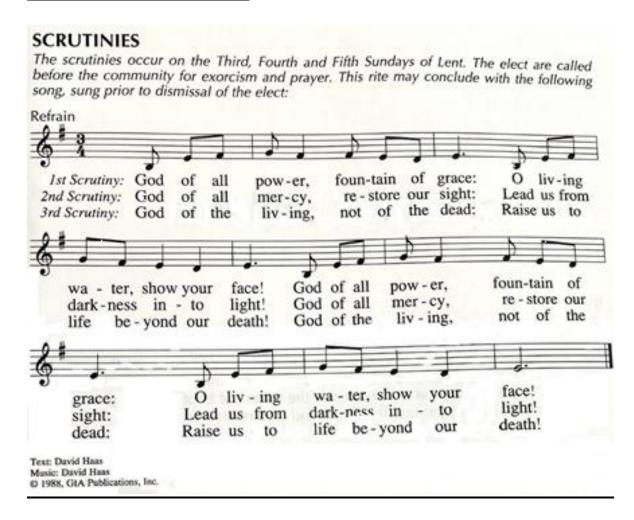
Now many of the Jews who had come to Mary and seen what he had done began to believe in him.

The Gospel of the Lord

All respond: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Homily

Scrutiny Response 5:30 only:



The Apostles Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Creator of Heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, Our Lord,

At the words that follow, up to and including "the virgin Mary" all bow

who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,

born of the Virgin Mary,

suffered under Pontius Pilate,

was crucified, died, and was buried;

he descended into hell;

on the third day he rose again from the dead;

he ascended into heaven,

and is seated at the right hand of God,

the Father almighty;

from there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

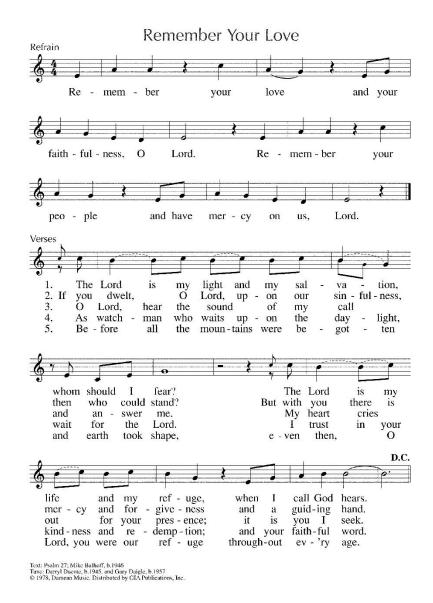
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting. Amen.

Universal Prayer (Prayer of the Faithful)

All respond: Lord, Have Mercy

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

Preparation Song:



Invitation to Pray

Pray brothers and sisters ...

Response: 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

The Lord be with you.

Response: And with your spirit.

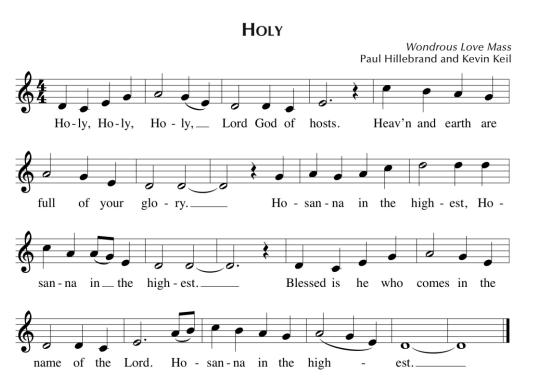
Lift up your hearts.

Response: We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

Response: It is right and just.

Eucharistic Acclamations: Wondrous Love Mass



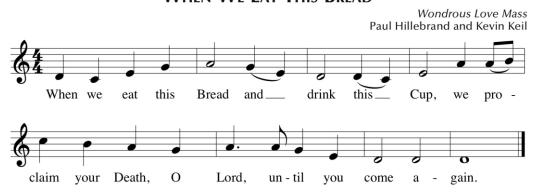
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Memorial Acclamation

Priest: Let us proclaim the Mystery of Faith:

All Sing:

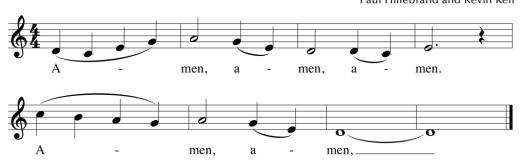
WHEN WE EAT THIS BREAD



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AMEN

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The Lord's Prayer Sign of Peace

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

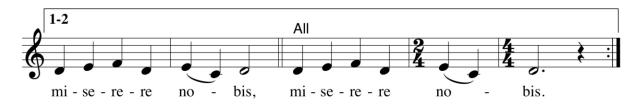
Response: And with your Spirit

Breaking of the Bread

LAMB OF GOD

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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.

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

Communion Song:



Post Communion Prayer

CONCLUDING RITES

Announcements

Dismissal

Sending Song:



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