

OPENING OF THE HOLY DOOR AND SOLEMN MASS



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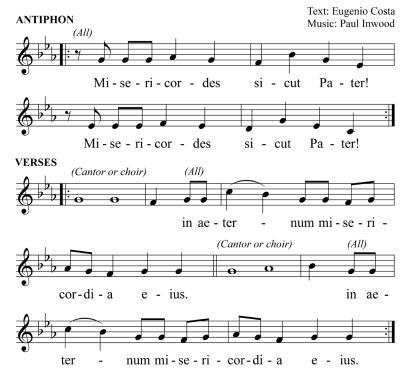
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Third Sunday of Advent December 13, 2015

THE RITE OF INTRODUCTION IN THE CATHEDRAL CHAPEL

Hymn for the Holy Year of Mercy



SIGN OF THE CROSS AND GREETING

Archbishop: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

All: **Amen**

Archbishop: The mercy of the Father, the peace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

All: And with your spirit.

Archbishop: Glory to you, Father, who forgive our faults and heal our infirmities.

All: Your mercy endures forever.

Archbishop: Glory to you, Lord, merciful and kind, slow to anger and abounding in mercy.

All: Your mercy endures forever.

Archbishop: Glory to you, Lord; you who are a tender Father toward your children.

All: Your mercy endures forever.

THE ARCHBISHOP EXHORTS THE FAITHFUL

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ACCLAMATION BEFORE THE GOSPEL

Chant



Come to me, all you who labour, and are burdened, and I will give you rest, says the Lord.

Gospel Luke 15:1-7

There will be rejoicing in heaven over one sinner who converts.

READING FROM THE BULL OF INDICTION
OF THE EXTRAORDINARY JUBILEE YEAR OF MERCY

Invitation to begin the Procession

Brothers and sisters, let us go forth in the name of Christ: He is the way that leads us in the year of grace and mercy



Entrance into the Cathedral

At the Threshold to the Holy Door

Archbishop: Open the gates of justice, we shall enter and give thanks to the Lord.

As the Holy Door Opens

Archbishop: This is the Lord's gate:

let us enter through it and obtain mercy and forgiveness.

ANTIPHON

BRANDON MOTZ

Cathedral Basilica Choir

I am the gate, says the Lord, whoever enters through me, will be saved; he will enter and go out and find pasture.

THE MASS

Entrance Normand Gouin



Advent 1 To you, O Lord, I lift my soul, Advent 2 To Zi - on's hill our God will come Advent 3 Re - joice, a - gain I say re - joice. Advent 4 O heav - ens, o - pen wide a - bove;



God, Ι in you, my place my trust. with heal - ing for all na - tions' ills. The Lord near and com - ing soon. is down Just rain the One, all you clouds;

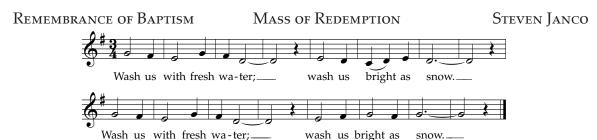


Let not my en - e - mies ex - ult, Your hearts will quick - en as you hear Your gen - tle - ness be shown to all. bring forth a Sav - ior, mo - ther earth.



the Lord's ma - jest - tic, glo - rious voice. Re - joice, a - gain I say, re - joice. Let all crea - a - tion know its Lord.

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Liturgy of the Word

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FIRST READING

Zephaniah 3:14-18a

The Lord will rejoice over you with gladness.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

ISAIAH 12

OWEN ALSTOTT/LYNN TRAPPE

Cry out with joy and glad-ness: for a - mong__ you

you

is the great and Ho - ly One of Is - - ra - el.

God indeed is my savior; I am confident and unafraid.

My strength and my courage is the LORD, and he has been my savior.

With joy you will draw water at the fountain of salvation.

Give thanks to the LORD, acclaim his name; among the nations make known his deeds, proclaim how exalted is his name.

Sing praise to the LORD for his glorious achievement;

let this be known throughout all the earth.

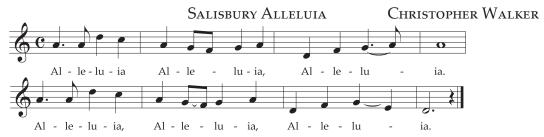
Shout with exultation, O city of Zion, for great in your midst is the Holy One of Israel!

SECOND READING

Philippians 4:4-7

The Lord is near.

ACCLAMATION BEFORE the GOSPEL



GOSPEL READING

Luke 3:10-18

What should we do?

Homily

Profession of Faith

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UNIVERSAL PRAYER

Liturgy of the Eucharist

Preparation of Gifts

OFFERTORY

AMEN

BENEDIXISTI Cathedral Basilica Choir Sung in Latin with English translation.

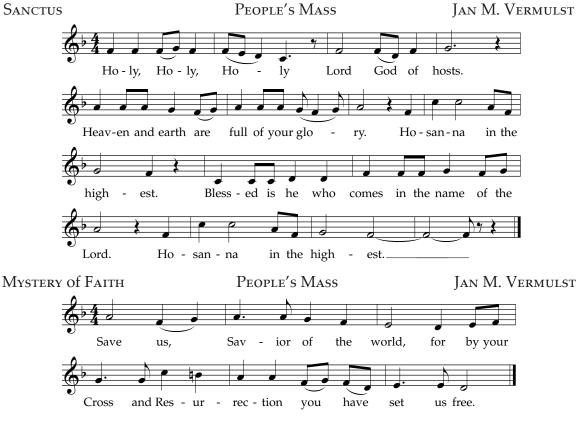
Josef Rheinberger 1839- 1901

Benedixisti, Domine, terram tuam, avertisti captivitatem Jacob. Remisisti iniquitatem plebis tuae; operuisti omnia peccata eorum.

Lord, thou art become gracious unto thy land: thou hast turned away the captivity of Jacob.

Thou hast forgiven the offence of thy people: and covered all their sins.

Prayer over the Offerings



People's Mass Jan M. Vermulst

A - men, a - men, a - men.

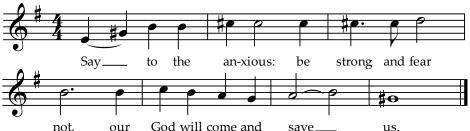
COMMUNION RITE

LORD'S PRAYER

RITE of PEACE



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The desert and the parched land will exult; the steppe will rejoice and bloom. The glory of Lebanon will be given to them, they will see the glory of the Lord.

They will see the glory of the Lord, the splendor of our God. Strengthen the hands that are feeble, make firm the knees that are weak.

Then will the eyes of the blind be opened, the ears of the deaf be cleared: then will the lame leap like a stag, then the tongue of the mute will sing.

Streams will burst forth in the desert, and rivers in the steppe.

The burning sands will become pools, and the thirsty ground, springs of water.

ANTHEM

REJOICE IN THE LORD ALWAY Cathedral Basilica Choir

Anonymous

Rejoice in the Lord alway, and again I say, Rejoice. Let your softness be known unto all men: The Lord is e'en at hand. Be careful for nothing: but in all prayer and supplication, let your petitions be manifest unto God with giving of thanks.

And the peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds through Christ Jesu. Amen.

Concluding Rites

MARIAN ANTIPHON ΑI ma Red - em - ptó - ris Ma - ter, cae - li quae por - ta suc - cúr - re et stel - la ma - ris, ca - dén - ti, Súr - ge - re qui cu - rat pó - pu - lo: Tu quae ge - nu - í - sti, na - tú - ra san - ctum Ge - ni - tó tu - um

Vir - go pri - us ac po - sté - ri - us,

o - re

pec - ca - tó - rum mi - se - ré

su-mens il - lud A - ve,

Greeting, Apostolic Blessing and Dismissal

Ga - bri - é - lis ab

Andrew D. Ciferni, O. Praem.



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Postlude Trio Sonata in E-flat, III Vivace, BWV 525

J.S. BACH 1685- 1750



EXTRAORDINARY JUBILEE YEAR OF MERCY



HOLY DOORS OF MERCY

ARCHDIOCESE OF PHILADELPHIA

Special permission has been granted to the five National Shrines located in the Archdiocese of Philadelphia to open a Holy Door for the Extraordinary Jubilee along with the principal Holy Door of the Cathedral Basilica of Saints Peter and Paul in Philadelphia. The following are the Holy Doors of Mercy in the Archdiocese of Philadelphia to which a Plenary Indulgence is attached under the usual conditions.



PRINICIPAL HOLY DOOR

CATHEDRAL BASILICA OF SAINTS PETER AND PAUL
PHILADELPHIA, PA
Solemn Opening Mass: Sunday December 13 at 6:30 pm

SHRINE HOLY DOORS

SHRINE OF ST. RITA OF CASCIA
PHILADELPHIA, PA
Solemn Opening Mass: Wed, December 16 at 12 noon

SHRINE OF ST. JOHN NEUMANN
PHILADELPHIA, PA
Solemn Opening Mass: Sat, December 19th at 12:15 pm

SHRINE OF ST. KATHARINE DREXEL
BENSALEM, PA
Solemn Opening Mass: Fri, December 18 at 11 am

SHRINE OF OUR LADY OF CZESTOCHOWA
DOYLESTOWN, PA
Solemn Opening Mass: Fri, December 18 at 7pm

MIRACULOUS MEDAL SHRINE
PHILADELPHIA, PA
Solemn Opening Mass: Mon, December 14, at 12 noon

Passage through a Jubilee Holy Door is an efficacious sign of our decision to enter into the life of Jesus Christ and make the passage from sin to grace. All are invited to respond to the Jubilee invitation to conversion of heart by passing through the holy door!



EXTRAORDINARY JUBILEE YEAR OF MERCY

ARCHDIOCESE OF PHILADELPHIA

JUBILEE HOLY HOURS OF MERCY



All are invited to make a special pilgrimage to one or more of the Holy Hours of Mercy taking place in the Archdiocese of Philadelphia during the Jubilee. When we set our eyes upon Jesus in the Eucharist, we are setting our eyes on Mercy itself.

SCHEDULE OF HOLY HOURS

Mon, Jan 25 at 7pm

Miraculous Medal Shrine*, Philadelphia

Sun, Feb 7 at 4pm

St. John Neumann Shrine*, Philadelphia

March 4-5

Observance of 24 Hours for the Lord

Sun, April 3 at 5:30pm-Divine Mercy Sunday Cathedral of Sts. Peter & Paul*, Philadelphia

Tues, April 26 at 7pm

Mother of Divine Providence†, King of Prussia

Fri, May 13 at 6:15pm

Shrine of St. Rita of Cascia*, Philadelphia

Thurs, May 19, 7pm

St. Joseph Parish, Downingtown

Fri, June 3 at 7pm-Solemnity of the Sacred Heart

Sacred Heart Parish, Royersford

Thurs, August 4, 7pm

Our Lady of Ransom[†], Philadelphia

Wed, Sept 14 at 7pm-Exaltation of the Holy Cross

Holy Cross Parish, Springfield

Thurs, Oct 6, 2016, 7pm

St. Alphonsus Parish, Maple Glen

Fri, Oct 14, after 7pm Mass

Our Lady of Czestochowa Shrine*, Doylestown

Wed, Nov 2 after the 11am Mass

St. Katharine Drexel Shrine*, Bensalem

Holy Hours in Spanish coming soon!

* Indicates a location with a Jubilee Holy Door

† American Sign Language interpretation will be available at this holy hour

CATECHETICAL RESOURCE THE CHURCH'S PRACTICE OF GRANTING INDULGENCES

Archdiocese of Philadelphia

What is an indulgence?

An indulgence is a remission before God of the temporal punishment due to sins whose guilt has already been forgiven.¹ There are specific conditions for receiving an indulgence.

As a result of the communion that exists between Christ and all the members of the Church, the Church has a treasury of spiritual goods that is inexhaustible. The source of these spiritual goods is Christ. Through her union with Christ, the Church has the authority to dispense this treasury. When the Church does this, in order to spur people to acts of piety and charity, the Church requires those who seek an indulgence to perform some good work or act of devotion.

An indulgence does not confer grace. An indulgence is not a remission of the guilt due to sin. The guilt due to sin is ordinarily taken away by the Sacraments of Baptism and Penance (confession), in which we receive forgiveness for sins through Jesus Christ. Although guilt is taken away, and with it the *eternal* penalty that is due to sin, namely, damnation, the eternal loss of the presence of God, there remain consequences for sins that those who have committed them must bear. There is what is traditionally called the *temporal* punishment for sin.

Every sinful act creates a disorder within the soul of the human person; it distorts our desires and affections, leaving us with "an unhealthy attachment to creatures, which must be purified either here on earth, or after death in the state called Purgatory." Furthermore, sin disrupts one's relationships with God, with the Church, with other people, and with the world as a whole. The communion intended by God is damaged or lost. Those who have received forgiveness for their sins through the sacraments still have an obligation to undergo a difficult and painful process (the temporal penalty for sin) to be purified of the consequences of their sins and to restore the disrupted relationships. The necessary and painful process that brings restoration and purification can take place either in this life or in Purgatory, as whatever part of the process remains unfinished at death must be completed in Purgatory.

Through an *indulgence*, God grants the prayer of the Church that the temporal penalty for sin due to someone be reduced [partial indulgence], or possibly eliminated [plenary indulgence]. By God's grace, participation in a prayer or action that has an indulgence attached to it brings about the necessary restoration and reparation without the suffering that would normally accompany it. The granting of an indulgence by the Church is "the expression of the Church's full confidence of being

¹ Manual of Indulgences N1

heard by the Father when, in view of Christ's merits and, by his gift, those of Our Lady and the saints, she asks him to mitigate or cancel the painful aspect of punishment by fostering its medicinal aspect through other channels of grace."²

What is the difference between a partial and plenary indulgence?

An indulgence is partial or plenary according to whether it removes either part [partial] or all [plenary] of the temporal punishment due to sin.³

What are the conditions for obtaining an indulgence?

In order to be capable of gaining indulgences one must be baptized, not excommunicated, and in the state of grace at least at the completion of the prescribed works. To gain an indulgence, one must have at least the general intention of doing so.⁴

Plenary Indulgence: Furthermore, for reception of a Plenary Indulgence, which grants the remission of all temporal punishment due to sin, in addition to this good work or act of devotion, the Church specifies four conditions: (1) sacramental confession, (2) reception of Holy Communion, (3) prayer for the intentions of the Holy Father, and (4) complete detachment from all sin, even venial sin.⁵

Partial Indulgences: If the full disposition is lacking, or if the work and the four prescribed conditions are not fulfilled, [save certain specified exceptions], the indulgence will only be partial.⁶

Note on Partial Indulgences: In the past, partial indulgences were "counted" in days (e.g. 300 days) or years (e.g. 5 years). Catholics often mistakenly thought that this meant "time off of purgatory." Since there is no time in purgatory, as we understand it, it meant instead the remission of temporal punishment analogous to a certain amount of penitence as practiced in the early Church. This was a very generous standard, since the penitence required for sacramental absolution in the early centuries was arduous, indeed. However, with Pope Paul VI's 1968 revision of the *Enchiridion Indulgentiarum* (Collection or Handbook of Indulgences), this confusing way of counting partial indulgences was suppressed, and the evaluation of a partial indulgence left to God.⁷

Can a baptized person obtain an indulgence for someone else?

The faithful can obtain Partial or Plenary indulgences for themselves, or they can apply them to the dead.⁸

 $^{^2\} From\ USCCB\ website:\ \underline{http://www.usccb.org/prayer-and-worship/prayers-and-devotions/prayers/popular-devotional-practices-basic-questions-and-answers.cfm}$

³ Manual of Indulgences N2

⁴ Manual of Indulgences N17

⁵ From USCCB website: http://www.usccb.org/prayer-and-worship/prayers-and-devotions/prayers/popular-devotional-practices-basic-questions-and-answers.cfm

⁶ Manual of Indulgences N20

⁷ From EWTN website: https://www.ewtn.com/Devotionals/mercy/what.htm

⁸ Manual of Indulgences N3

Prayer of the Jubilee Year of Mercy

Lord Jesus Christ,

you have taught us to be merciful like the heavenly Father, and have told us that whoever sees you sees Him. Show us your face and we will be saved. Your loving gaze freed Zacchaeus and Matthew from being enslaved by money; the adulteress and Magdalene from seeking happiness only in created things; made Peter weep after his betrayal, and assured Paradise to the repentant thief. Let us hear, as if addressed to each one of us, the words that you spoke to the Samaritan woman: "If you knew the gift of God!"

You are the visible face of the invisible Father, of the God who manifests his power above all by forgiveness and mercy: let the Church be your visible face in the world, its Lord risen and glorified. You willed that your ministers would also be clothed in weakness in order that they may feel compassion for those in ignorance and error: let everyone who approaches them feel sought after, loved, and forgiven by God.

Send your Spirit and consecrate every one of us with its anointing, so that the Jubilee of Mercy may be a year of grace from the Lord, and your Church, with renewed enthusiasm, may bring good news to the poor, proclaim liberty to captives and the oppressed, and restore sight to the blind.

We ask this through the intercession of Mary, Mother of Mercy, you who live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit for ever and ever. Amen.



Jubilee Year of Mercy December 8, 2015 to November 20, 2016

