

# ARCHDIOCESE *of* PHILADELPHIA

## ORDINATION *of* DEACONS

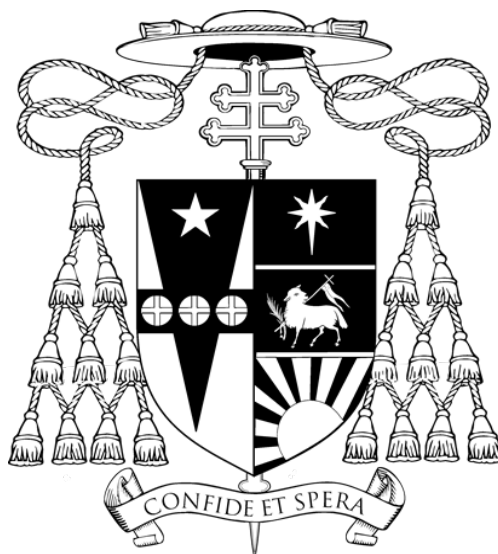


MAY 10, 2025  
10:00 A.M.

CATHEDRAL BASILICA *of* SAINTS PETER AND PAUL  
AND THE SHRINE *of* SAINT KATHARINE DREXEL  
PHILADELPHIA, PENNSYLVANIA



CELEBRATION *of* THE EUCHARIST  
*with the*  
ORDINATION *of* DEACONS



PRINCIPAL CELEBRANT AND HOMILIST  
MOST REVEREND NELSON J. PÉREZ  
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PRELUDES

LEE M DINWENU

DOROTHY IPERE

*English translation, sung in Igbo*  
Here I am Lord, I come to do your will.

REGINA CAELI

GREGOR AICHINGER (1564-1628)

*English translation, sung in Latin*  
Queen of heaven rejoice, Alleluia!  
For He whom you were worthy to bear, Alleluia!  
He has risen, as He said, Alleluia! Pray for us to God, Alleluia!

WIE WILL ICH MICH FREUEN, BWV 146

J. S. BACH (1685-1750)  
arr. Steve Heitzer

THE LORD TO ME A SHEPHERD IS

JEAN BERGER (1909-2002)

The Lord to me a shepherd is, want therefore shall not I;  
He in the folds of tender grass doth cause me down to lie.  
To waters calm me gently leads, Restore my soul doth he;  
He doth in paths of righteousness for his name's sake lead me.  
Yea, though in valley of death's shade I walk, none ill I'll fear;  
because thou art, thou art with me, thy rod and staff my comfort are.  
For me a table thou hast spread, in presence of my foes;  
Thou dost anoint my head with oil, my cup it overflows;  
Goodness and mercy surely shall all my days follow me:  
and in the Lord's house I shall dwell so long as days shall be,  
and in the Lord's house I shall dwell so long as days shall be.  
The Lord to me a shepherd is, want therefore shall not I.

HYMN of HUMILITY

MOTHER OVERBROOK

*Written in honor of the beloved Wynnewood seminary campus by its music director.*  
*The text is taken from Colossians 3 and the writings of St. Charles Borromeo.*

Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly. In word and work do all in Jesus' name.  
Humilitas: the crown of all virtue; Humilitas: Corona omnium virtutum.

Let the peace of Christ call you to perfection, with gratitude sing in your hearts to God.  
Humilitas: the crown of all virtue; Humilitas: Corona omnium virtutum.

And above all things, charity, forgiveness, be merciful, be pleasing to the Lord.  
Humilitas: the crown of all virtue; Humilitas: Corona omnium virtutum.

# INTRODUCTORY RITES

ENTRANCE

ALLELUIA! SING TO JESUS

HYFRYDOL

ARR. ROBERT HOBBY



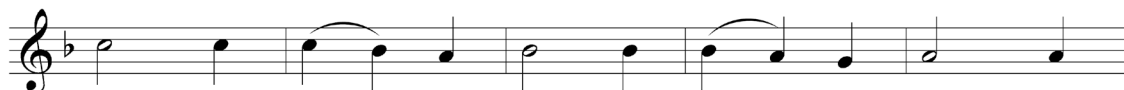
1. Al - le - lu - ia! sing to Je - sus! His the  
2. Al - le - lu - ia! Bread of An - gels, Here on  
3. Al - le - lu - ia! King e - ter - nal, You the  
4. Church of God, e - lect and glo - rious, ho - ly  
5. God has called you out of dark - ness in - to  
6. Once you were an a - lien peo - ple, stran - gers  
7. Church of God, e - lect and ho - ly, be the



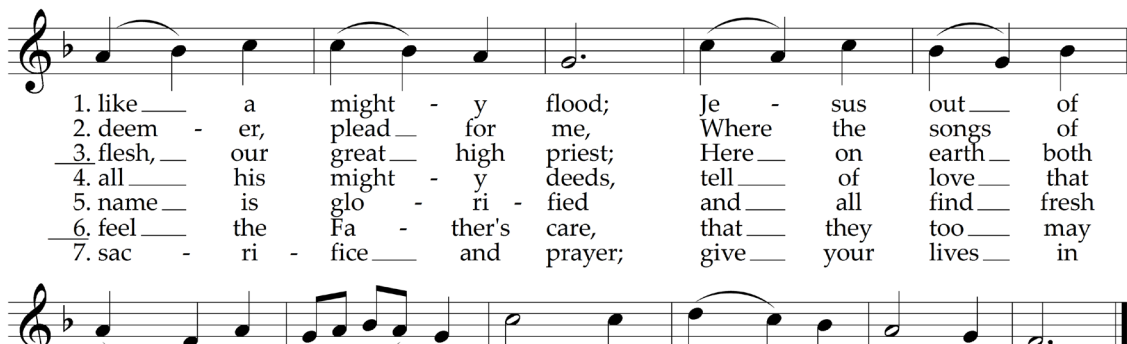
1. Scep - ter, his the throne; Al - le - lu - ia!  
2. earth our food, our stay! Al - le - lu - ia!  
3. Lord of lords we own: Al - le - lu - ia!  
4. na - tion, cho - sen race, called as God's own  
5. his most mar - ve - lous light, brought his truth to  
6. to God's heart of love, but he brought you  
7. peo - ple he in - tends, strong in faith and



1. his the tri - umph, His the vic - to - ry a - lone;  
2. here the sin - ful flee to you from day to day;  
3. born of Ma - ry, Earth your foot stool, heav'n your throne;  
4. spe - cial peo - ple, ro - yal priests and heirs of grace;  
5. life with in you, turned your blind - ness in - to sight.  
6. home in mer - cy, ci - ti - zens of heav-en a - bove.  
7. swift to an - swer each com - mand your Mas - ter sends.



1. Hark! the songs of peace - ful Zi - on Thun - der  
2. In - ter - ces - sor, friend of sin - ners, Earth's re -  
3. You, with in the veil, have en - tered, Robed in -  
4. know the pur - pose of your call - ing, show to  
5. Let your light so shine a - round you that God's  
6. Let his love flow out to oth - ers, let them  
7. Roy - al priests, ful - fill your call - ing through your



1. like — a might — y flood; Je — sus out — of  
 2. deem — er, plead — for me, Where the songs of  
 3. flesh, — our great — high priest; Here — on earth — both  
 4. all — his might — y deeds, tell — of love — that  
 5. name — is glo — ri — fied and — all find — fresh  
 6. feel — the Fa — ther's care, that — they too — may  
 7. sac — ri — fice — and prayer; give — your lives — in

1. ev — 'ry na — tion Has re — deemed us by his blood.  
 2. all — the sin — less Sweep a — cross — the crys — tal sea.  
 3. priest — and vic — tim In the eu — cha — ris — tic feast.  
 4. knows — no lim — its, grace that meets — all hu — man needs.  
 5. hope — and pur — pose in Christ Je — sus cru — ci — fied.  
 6. know — his wel — come and his count — less bles — sings share.  
 7. joy — ful ser — vice, sing his praise, his love de — clares.

ECCE SACERDOS MAGNUS VINZENZ GOLLER (1873-1953)

*English translation, sung in Latin*

Behold a great priest who in his days pleased God:

Therefore by an oath the Lord made him  
to increase among his people.

To him He gave the blessing of all nations,  
and confirmed His covenant upon his head.

Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.

Therefore by an oath the Lord made him  
to increase among his people. Amen.

WINCHESTER NEW  
Text: CHRISTOPH TIETZE



1. Be - hold, O God, and see the face of  
2. How love - ly is your dwell - ling place, O  
3. E - ven the spar - row finds a home, Swal -  
4. Hap - py are those of ev - 'ry race Who  
Dox. To God, the Tri - une One, we raise E -



1. your A - noint - ed, filled with grace. For bet - ter one day  
2. Lord of hosts and God of grace! My soul, O Lord, longs  
3. lows build nests to lay their young; Your al - tars, Lord a  
4. dwell in your most splen - did place, They sing for - ev - er  
Dox. ter - nal songs of joy - ful praise, O Fa - ther, Son, and

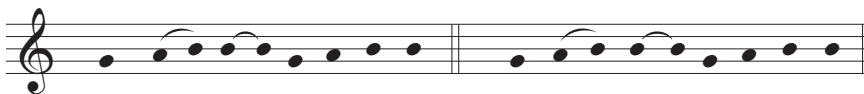


1. in your house Than thou - sands else - where, far or close.  
2. for your courts; In you re - joice my flesh and heart.  
3. bove the sky, Are their a - bode, my King on high.  
4. to your name; Your might, your glo - ry all pro-claim.  
Dox. Par - a - clete, We praise your name in word and deed.

SIGN of the CROSS AND GREETING

PENITENTIAL ACT

*Chant*



V. Ký - ri e, e - lé - i - son. R. Ký - ri - e, e - lé - i - son.



V. Chri - ste, e - lé - i - son. R. Chri - ste, e - lé - i - son.



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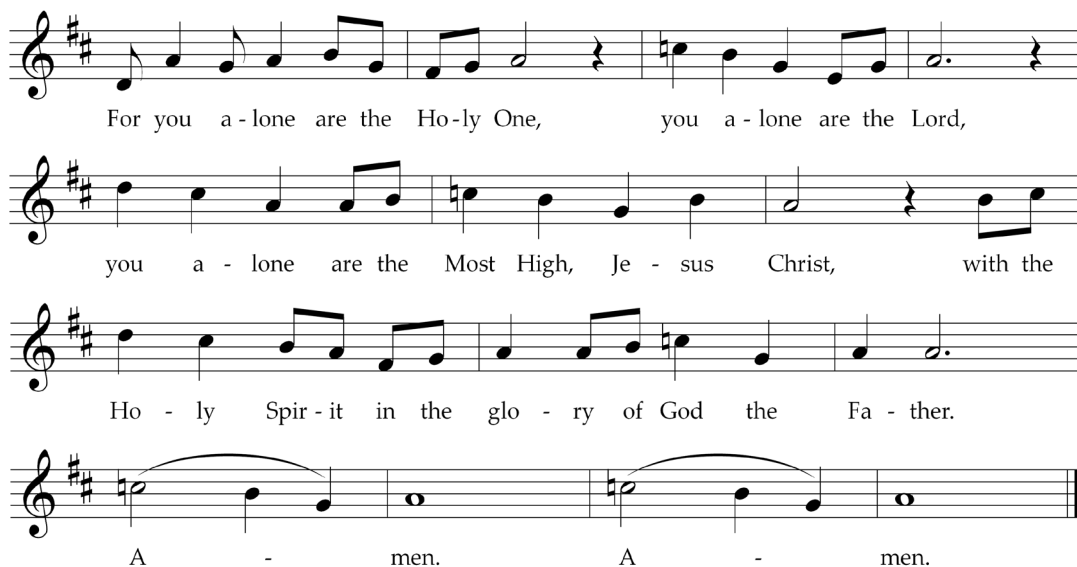




Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and on  
earth peace to peo-ple of good will. We praise you, we bless you, we a-  
dore you, we glo-ri-fy you, we give you thanks for your great glo-ry.

The first system of the Gloria musical score is written on three staves in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The melody begins with a whole rest, followed by a half note G, a quarter note A, a quarter note B, a half note C, a quarter note D, a quarter note E, a half note F#, and a quarter note G. The lyrics "Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and on" are aligned under the first staff. The second staff continues the melody with a half note G, a quarter note A, a quarter note B, a half note C, a quarter note D, a quarter note E, a half note F#, and a quarter note G. The lyrics "earth peace to peo-ple of good will. We praise you, we bless you, we a-" are aligned under the second staff. The third staff continues the melody with a half note G, a quarter note A, a quarter note B, a half note C, a quarter note D, a quarter note E, a half note F#, and a quarter note G. The lyrics "dore you, we glo-ri-fy you, we give you thanks for your great glo-ry." are aligned under the third staff. The time signature changes to 6/4 for the final measure of the system.

*Choir:* 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.



For you a - lone are the Ho-ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,  
you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the  
Ho - ly Spir - it in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther.  
A - men. A - men.

The second system of the Gloria musical score is written on four staves in G major (one sharp). The melody begins with a half note G, a quarter note A, a quarter note B, a half note C, a quarter note D, a quarter note E, a half note F#, and a quarter note G. The lyrics "For you a - lone are the Ho-ly One, you a - lone are the Lord," are aligned under the first staff. The second staff continues the melody with a half note G, a quarter note A, a quarter note B, a half note C, a quarter note D, a quarter note E, a half note F#, and a quarter note G. The lyrics "you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the" are aligned under the second staff. The third staff continues the melody with a half note G, a quarter note A, a quarter note B, a half note C, a quarter note D, a quarter note E, a half note F#, and a quarter note G. The lyrics "Ho - ly Spir - it in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther." are aligned under the third staff. The fourth staff continues the melody with a half note G, a quarter note A, a quarter note B, a half note C, a quarter note D, a quarter note E, a half note F#, and a quarter note G. The lyrics "A - men. A - men." are aligned under the fourth staff. The time signature changes to 4/4 for the final measure of the system.

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# LITURGY of THE WORD

FIRST READING  
PRIMERA LECTURA

ACTS of THE APOSTLES 6:1-7b  
HECHOS de LOS APÓSTOLES 6, 1-7

*Spanish translation, read in English*

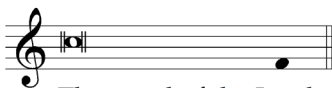
Lectura del libro de los Hechos de los Apóstoles

En aquellos días, como aumentaba mucho el número de los discípulos, hubo ciertas quejas de los judíos griegos contra los hebreos, de que no se atendía bien a sus viudas en el servicio de caridad de todos los días.

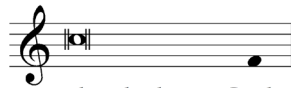
Los Doce convocaron entonces a la multitud de los discípulos y les dijeron: "No es justo que, dejando el ministerio de la palabra de Dios, nos dediquemos a administrar los bienes. Escojan entre ustedes a siete hombres de buena reputación, llenos del Espíritu Santo y de sabiduría, a los cuales encargaremos este servicio. Nosotros nos dedicaremos a la oración y al servicio de la palabra".

Todos estuvieron de acuerdo y eligieron a Esteban, hombre lleno de fe y del Espíritu Santo, a Felipe, Prócoro, Nicanor, Timón, Pármenas y Nicolás, prosélito de Antioquía. Se los presentaron a los apóstoles y éstos, después de haber orado, les impusieron las manos.

Mientras tanto, la palabra de Dios iba cundiendo; en Jerusalén se multiplicaba grandemente el número de los discípulos. Incluso un grupo numeroso de sacerdotes había aceptado la fe.



Cantor: The word of the Lord.



ALL: Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM  
SALMO RESPONSORIAL

PSALM 117  
SALMO 116

LUKE MAYERNIK



Go out to all the world — and tell — the Good News.

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*English translation, read in Spanish*

A reading from the second Letter of Saint Paul to the Ephesians

Brothers and sisters:

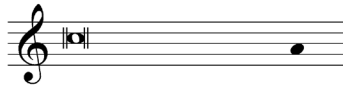
I, a prisoner for the Lord, urge you to live in a manner worthy of the call you have received, with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another through love, striving to preserve the unity of the Spirit through the bond of peace:  
one body and one Spirit, as you were also called to the one hope of your calling;  
one Lord, one faith, one baptism; one God and Father of all, who is over all and through all and in all.

But grace was given to each of us according to the measure of Christ's gift.

And he gave some as apostles, others as prophets, others as evangelists, others as pastors and teachers, to equip the holy ones for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ, until we all attain to the unity of faith and knowledge of the Son of God, to mature manhood, to the extent of the full stature of Christ.



Cantor: Palabra de Dios.



ALL: Te alabamos, Se - ñor.

ACCLAMATION BEFORE THE GOSPEL

JOSEPH GELINEAU



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GOSPEL READING  
EVANGELIO

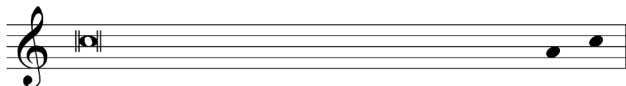
JOHN 12:24-26  
JUAN 12, 24-26



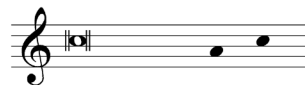
Deacon: The Lord be with you.



ALL: And with your spir-it.



Deacon: A reading from the holy Gospel according to John.



ALL: Glory to you, O Lord.

*Spanish translation, read in English*

Lectura del santo Evangelio según san Juan

En aquel tiempo, Jesús dijo a sus discípulos:

"Yo les aseguro que si el grano de trigo sembrado en la tierra, no muere,  
queda infecundo; pero si muere, producirá mucho fruto.

El que se ama a sí mismo, se pierde;

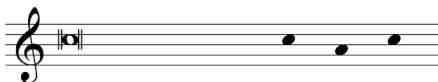
el que se aborrece a sí mismo en este mundo,  
se asegura para la vida eterna.

El que quiera servirme que me siga, para que donde yo esté,  
también esté mi servidor.

El que me sirve será honrado por mi Padre".



Deacon: The Gospel of the Lord.



ALL: Praise to you, Lord Je - sus Christ.

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# RITE *of* ORDINATION *of* DEACONS

ELECTION *of* THE CANDIDATES

*all sit*

DEACON: Let those who are to be ordained Deacons come forward.

*The candidates respond "present."*

Mr. Charles Henry Cappelli

Mr. Thomas Gaetano Cipolla

Mr. Declan John Cole

Mr. Alexander Benjamin Cross

Mr. Dominic William Mirenda

Mr. Jude Ugochukiou Opara

Mr. Jude Arkesh Ragel

Mr. Griffen Thomas Schlaepfer

Mr. Pasquelge Don Sandum Tharuka

BISHOP CHYLINSKI: Most Reverend Father, holy Mother Church asks you to ordain these men, our brothers, to the responsibility of the Diaconate.

ARCHBISHOP PÉREZ: Do you know them to be worthy?

BISHOP CHYLINSKI: After inquiry among the Christian people and upon the recommendation of those concerned with their formation, I testify that they have been found worthy.

ARCHBISHOP PÉREZ: Relying on the help of the Lord God and of our Savior Jesus Christ, we choose these our brothers for the Order of the Diaconate.

**ALL: Thanks be to God.**

HOMILY

ARCHBISHOP NELSON J. PÉREZ

PROMISE *of* THE ELECT

*The elect are questioned as to their intention in undertaking the Office of the Diaconate.*

## LITANY *of* SUPPLICATION

*all stand*

<i>Cantor:</i>	<i>Assembly:</i>
Lord, have mer - cy	Lord, have mer - cy
Christ, have mer - cy	Christ, have mer - cy
Lord, have mer - cy	Lord, have mer - cy
(Invocations sung by cantor)	Pray for us
Lord, be mer - ci - ful From all e - vil sin	Lord, de - liv - er us, we pray
From ev - er last - ing death By your in - car - na - tion By your death and res - ur - rec - tion By the outpouring of the Ho - ly Spir - it	Lord, de - liv - er us, we pray
Be merciful to us sin - ners Govern and protect your ho - ly Church <i>cantor continues....</i>	Lord, we ask you, hear our prayer
Christ, hear us	Christ hear us
Christ, gra - cious - ly hear us	Christ, gra - cious - ly hear us

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## LAYING ON of HANDS AND PRAYER of ORDINATION

*remain standing*

*The elect kneel before the Archbishop who lays his hands on the head of each of them in silence. The elect then kneel before the Archbishop who, with his hands extended over them, prays the Prayer of Ordination. All respond "Amen."*

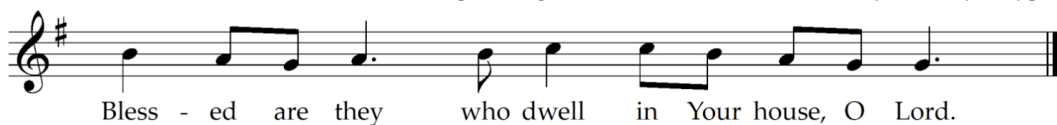
## HANDING ON of THE BOOK of THE GOSPELS

*all sit*

*The newly Ordained stand and are vested in the vestments proper to deacons: the stole worn over the left shoulder and the dalmatic.*

### PSALM 84

NATHAN KNUTSON

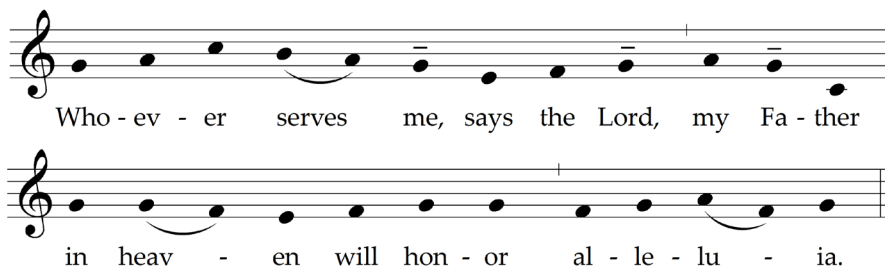


*Vested as deacons, the newly Ordained kneel before the Archbishop who places the Book of the Gospels in the hands of each one.*

*Lastly, the Archbishop and some of the deacons present give each of the newly Ordained the Fraternal Kiss.*

### PSALM 145

*Plainchant*



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# LITURGY of THE EUCHARIST

## PREPARATION of THE GIFTS

### OFFERTORY

### THE KING of LOVE MY SHEPHERD IS

EDWARD BAIRSTOW  
(1874-1946)

The King of love my Shepherd is, Whose goodness faileth never;  
I nothing lack if I am his And he is mine for ever.  
Where streams of living waters flow My ransomed soul he leadeth,  
And where the verdant pastures grow With food celestial feedeth.  
In death's dark vale I fear no ill With thee, dear Lord, beside me;  
Thy rod and staff my comfort still, Thy cross before to guide me.  
Thou spreadst a table in my sight; Thy unction grace bestoweth:  
And O what transport of delight from thy pure chalice floweth.  
Perverse and foolish, oft I stray'd But yet in love he sought me,  
And gently on his shoulder laid, And home, rejoicing, brought me.

## PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

### EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

### SANCTUS

### A COMMUNITY MASS

RICHARD PROULX

Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly Lord God of hosts.  
Heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -  
san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.  
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -  
san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

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# MYSTERY of FAITH

# A COMMUNITY MASS

RICHARD PROULX



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# AMEN

# A COMMUNITY MASS

RICHARD PROULX



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# COMMUNION RITE

# LORD'S PRAYER

# RITE of PEACE

# AGNUS DEI/CORDERO de DIOS

# MISA LUNA

PETER KOLAR



# ÚLTIMA VEZ

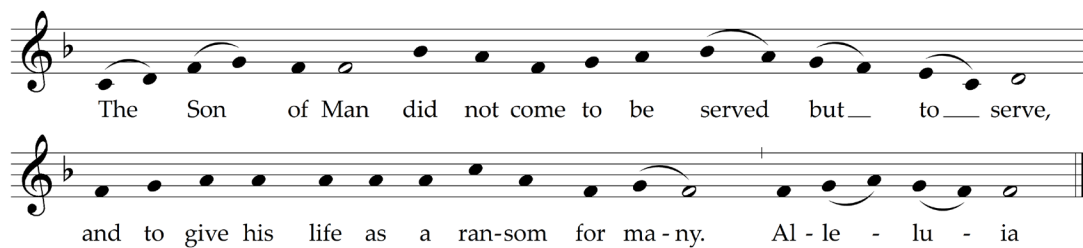


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## COMMUNION

CHARLENE ANGELINI



## HYMN of PRAISE

PANIS ANGELICUS

G. PIERLUIGI DA PALESTRINA  
(1525-1594)

*English translation, sung in Latin*

The bread of angels becomes the bread of men,  
the heavenly bread gives an end to earthly forms. O wondrous thing!  
The poor, the slave, and the humble man feed on their Lord.  
O wondrous thing!

## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

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# CONCLUDING RITES

GREETING, SOLEMN BLESSING AND DISMISSAL

RECESSIONAL

GO TO THE WORLD!

SINE NOMINE



1. Go to the world! Go in - to all the earth. Go  
2. Go to the world! Go in - to ev - 'ry place.  
3. Go to the world! Go strug - gle, bless and pray. The  
4. Go to the world! Go as the ones I send, For



preach the cross where Christ re - news life's worth, Bap -  
Go live the Word of God's re - deem - ing grace.  
nights of tears give way to joy - ous day. As  
I am with you till the age shall end, When



tiz - ing as the sign of our re - birth.  
Go seek God's pres - ence in each time and space. Al -  
ser - vant Church you fol - low Christ's own way.  
all the hosts of glo - ry cry "A - men!"



le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

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Tune: SINE NOMINE, 10 10 10 with alleluias; Ralph Vaughan Williams, 1872–1958

POSTLUDE

PRÄLUDIUM IN E MAJOR

VINCENT LÜBECK  
(1654-1740)

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## **GUIDELINES FOR THE RECEPTION *of* Holy 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 the 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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LITURGICAL MUSIC MINISTRY

Frances Melgren, *Cantor*

Tessa Ellis, *Trumpet*

Emily Waltz, *Trumpet*

William Kerrigan, *Timpani*

Mark Loria, *Organ*

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Saint Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle;  
be our safeguard against the wickedness  
and snares of the devil.  
May God rebuke him, we humbly pray:  
and you, O Prince of the heavenly hosts,  
by the power of God,  
cast down to hell Satan and the other evil spirits,  
who prowl through the world  
for the ruin of souls. Amen.

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