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ORDINATION *of* DEACONS

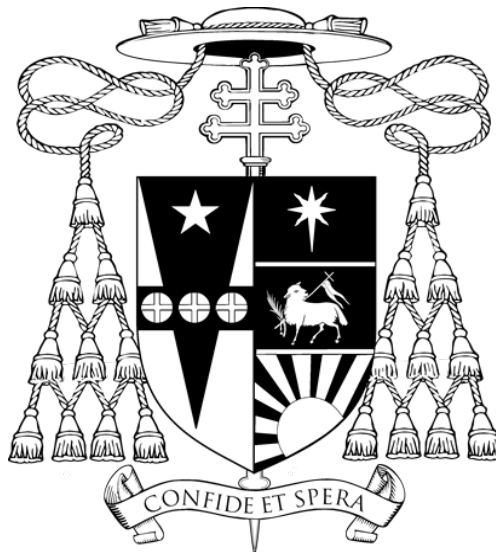


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AND THE SHRINE *of* SAINT KATHARINE DREXEL  
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CELEBRATION *of* THE EUCHARIST  
*with the*  
ORDINATION *of* DEACONS



PRINCIPAL CELEBRANT AND HOMILIST  
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INVOCATION TO SAINT MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL

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.

MUSICIANS

Frances Melgren, *Cantor*

Jessica Kerler, *Psalmist*

Scott Marino, *trumpet*

Steve Heitzer, *trumpet*

Justin Moore, *trombone*

Trish Giangiulio, *horn*

William Kerrigan, *percussion*

Mark Loria, *organ*

Archdiocesan Choir of Philadelphia

Cathedral Basilica Choir

Charlene Angelini, *Director*

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PRELUDE

GO FORTH INTO THE WORLD IN PEACE

JOHN RUTTER (b. 1945)

Go forth into the world in peace. Be of good courage;  
Hold fast that which is good; Render to no one evil for evil.  
Strengthen the fainthearted; Support the weak  
Help the afflicted; Honour all people;  
Love and serve the Lord  
Rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit.  
And the blessing of God almighty  
The Father, the Son and the Holy Ghost  
Be among you and remain with you forever. Amen

ALLELUIA

ALEJANDRO D. CONSOLACIÓN II (b. 1980)

Alleluia

AVE MARIA

FRANK LA ROCCA (b. 1951)

Abigail Chapman, *soloist*  
*English translation, sung in Latin*  
Hail Mary,  
full of grace,  
Mary, full of grace.  
Hail, hail Lord.  
The Lord is with you.  
And blessed.  
Blessed is the fruit of your womb,  
of your womb, Jesus.  
Hail Mary  
Mother of God.  
Pray for us sinners.  
Pray for us.  
Pray, pray for us sinners.  
Now and at the hour of our death.  
At the hour of our death.

AVE MARIS STELLA

NICOLAS DE GRIGNY

PLEIN JEU à 5

FUGUE à 5

DUO

# INTRODUCTORY RITES

ENTRANCE

ALLELUIA! SING TO JESUS

HYFRYDOL

ARR. ROBERT HOBBY



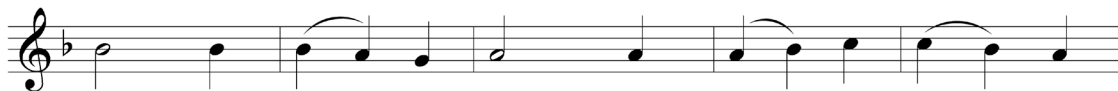
1. Al - le - lu - ia! sing to Je - sus! His the Scep - ter,  
2. Church of God, e - lect and glo - rious, ho - ly na - tion,  
3. Church of God, e - lect and ho - ly, be the peo - ple



his the throne; Al - le - lu - ia! his the tri - umph,  
cho - sen race, called as God's own spe - cial peo - ple,  
he in - tends, strong in faith and swift to an - swer



His the vic - to - ry a - lone; Hark! the songs of  
ro - yal priests and heirs of grace; know the pur - pose  
each com - mand your Mas - ter sends. Roy - al priests, ful -



peace - ful Zi - on Thun - der like a might - y  
of your call - ing, show to all his might - y  
fill your call - ing through your sac - ri - fice and



flood; Je - sus out of ev - 'ry na - tion  
deeds, tell of love that knows no lim - its,  
prayer; give your lives in joy - ful ser - vice,



Has re - deemed us by his blood.  
grace that meets all hu - man needs.  
sing his praise, his love de - clares.

ECCE SACERDOS MAGNUS EDWARD ELGAR (1857-1934)  
*English translation, sung in Latin*  
 Behold a great priest,  
 who in his days pleased God  
 and was found righteous.

WINCHESTER NEW  
 TEXT: CHRISTOPH TIETZE; ARR. RICHARD WEBSTER



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 - jice 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

*ICEL Chant*

Cantor, then ALL




Ky-ri - e, \_\_ e - le - i - son. Chri - ste, e - le - i - son. Ky-ri - e, \_\_ e - le - i - son.

## GLORIA

## MASS of SAINTS PETER AND PAUL

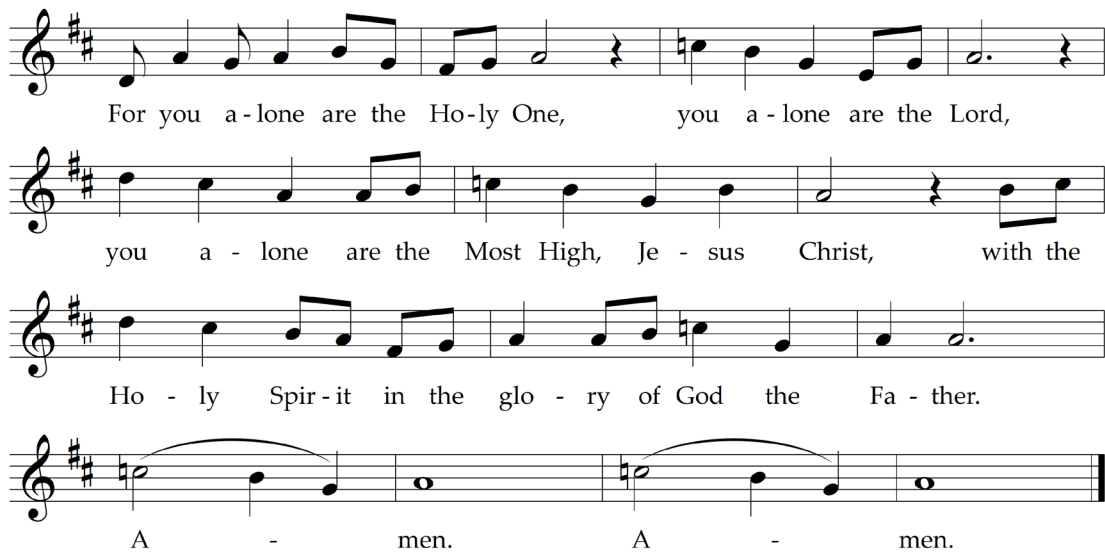
NORMAND GOUIN



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.

*Choir or Cantor alone:*

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.

## COLLECT

# 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*

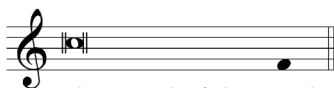
Lectura del libro de los Hechos de los Apóstoles

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.



For ev - er I will sing the good - ness of the Lord.

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*Translation*

Proclamaré sin cesar la misericordia del Señor.

Hallé a David, mi siervo,  
y lo he ungido con óleo sagrado  
a fin de que mi mano lo sostenga  
y lo revista de valor, mi brazo. *Respuesta*

“My faithfulness and my mercy shall be with him,  
and through my name shall his horn be exalted.  
He shall say of me, ‘You are my father,  
my God, the Rock, my Savior.’” *Response*

SECOND READING  
SEGUNDA LECTURA

2 CORINTHIANS 4:1-2, 5-7  
2 CORINTIOS 4, 1-2. 5-7

*English translation, read in Spanish*

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

Brothers and sisters:

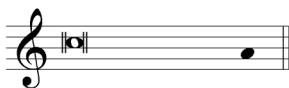
Since we have this ministry through the mercy shown us, we are not discouraged.

Rather, we have renounced shameful, hidden things; not acting deceitfully or falsifying the word of God, but by the open declaration of the truth we commend ourselves to everyone’s conscience in the sight of God.

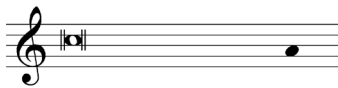
For we do not preach ourselves\* but Jesus Christ as Lord, and ourselves as your slaves for the sake of Jesus.

For God who said, “*Let light shine out of darkness,*” has shone in our hearts to bring to light the knowledge of the glory of God on the face of Jesus Christ.

But we hold this treasure\* in earthen vessels, that the surpassing power may be of God and not from us.



Cantor: Palabra de Dios.



ALL: Te alabamos, Se - ñor.

ACCLAMATION BEFORE THE GOSPEL

*Plainchant, Mode VI*

CHORAL ALLELUIA

ARR. COLIN MAWBY



*Spanish translation, sung in English*

Vayan y enseñen a todas las naciones, dice el Señor,  
y sepan que yo estaré con ustedes todos los días hasta el fin del mundo.

GOSPEL READING

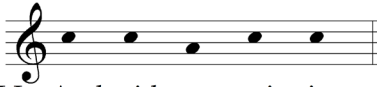
JOHN 15:9-17

EVANGELIO

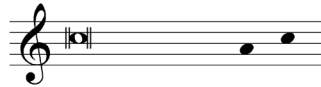
JUAN 15, 9-17

Deacon: The Lord be with you.

Deacon: The Holy Gospel according to John.



ALL: And with your spir - it.



ALL: Glory to you, O Lord.

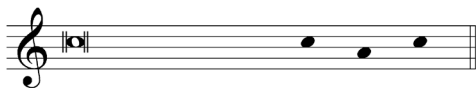
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En aquel tiempo, Jesús dijo a sus discípulos: "Como el Padre me ama, así los amo yo. Permanezcan en mi amor. Si cumplen mis mandamientos, permanecen en mi amor; lo mismo que yo cumplo los mandamientos de mi Padre y permanezco en su amor. Les he dicho esto para que mi alegría esté en ustedes y su alegría sea plena.

Éste es mi mandamiento: que se amen los unos a los otros como yo los he amado. Nadie tiene amor más grande a sus amigos que el que da la vida por ellos. Ustedes son mis amigos, si hacen lo que yo les mando. Ya no los llamo siervos, porque el siervo no sabe lo que hace su amo; a ustedes los llamo amigos, porque les he dado a conocer todo lo que le he oído a mi Padre.

No son ustedes los que me han elegido, soy yo quien los ha elegido y los ha destinado para que vayan y den fruto y su fruto permanezca, de modo que el Padre les conceda cuanto le pidan en mi nombre. Esto es lo que les mando: que se amen los unos a los otros".

Deacon: The Gospel of the Lord.



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

# 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."*

Kevin Joseph Kelly  
John Albert Milius  
Shawn Patrick Terkhorn

FATHER REDCAY: 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?

FATHER REDCAY: 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 From ev - 'ry 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

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

MICHEL GUIMONT



Bless-ed are they who dwell in your house, O Lord, al-le - lu - ia.

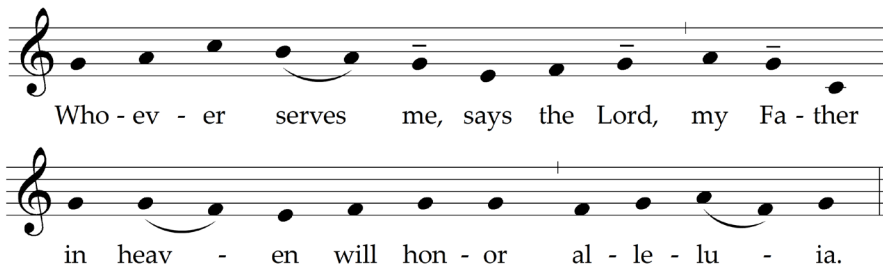
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*Vested as deacons, the newly Ordained kneel before the Archbishop who places the Book of the Gospels in the hands of each one.*

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

PSALM 145

*Chant*



Who - ev - er serves me, says the Lord, my Fa - ther

in heav - en will hon - or al - le - lu - ia.

# LITURGY of the EUCHARIST

## PREPARATION of the GIFTS

### OFFERTORY

### UBI CARITAS

IMANT RAMINSCH  
(b. 1943)

*English translation, sung in Latin*

Where there is charity and love, God is there.

The love of Christ has gathered us together.

Let us revere and love the living God.

And from a sincere heart let us love one another.

Where there is charity and love, God is there.

Likewise, therefore, when we come together let us be united as one;

Let us cease all quarrels and strife.

And let Christ dwell in the midst of us.

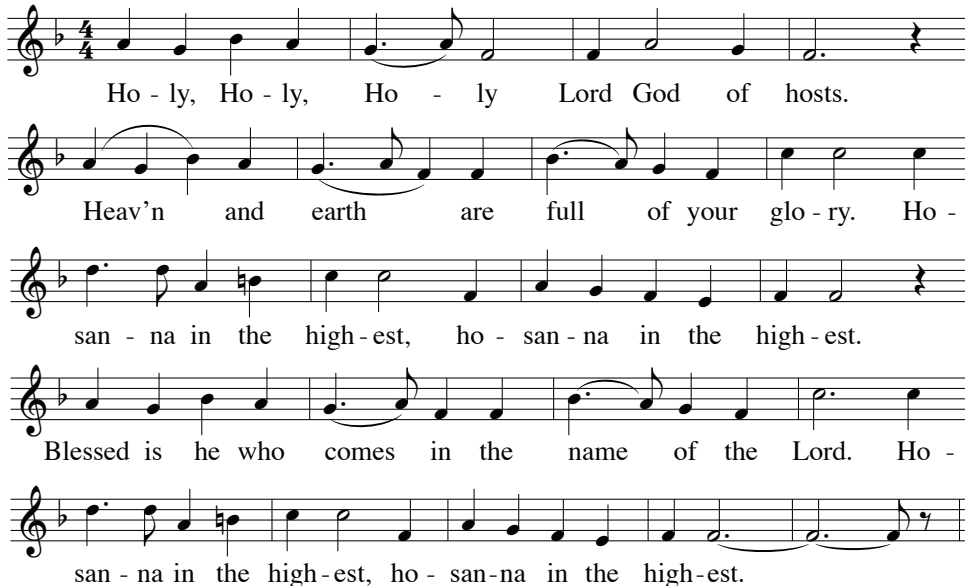
## PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

### EUCHARISTIC 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

When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup, we pro-  
claim your Death, O Lord, un - til you come a - gain.

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AMEN

A COMMUNITY MASS

RICHARD PROULX

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

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COMMUNION RITE

LORD'S PRAYER

RITE of PEACE

AGNUS DEI/CORDERO de DIOS

MISSA SERAPHICA

COMMUNION

CHARLENE ANGELINI

The Son of Man did not come to be served but to serve,  
and to give his life as a ran-som for ma-ny. Al-le - lu - ia.

If ye love me, keep my commandments,  
And I will pray the Father,  
And he shall give you another comforter,  
That he may abide with you for ever:  
Even the spirit of truth.  
And ye know him, for he dwelleth with you,  
And shall be in you.  
I will not leave you comfortless.  
I will come to you.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION



# 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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POSTLUDE

*Ave Maris Stella* Dialogue sur le Grands Jeux

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