



CHURCH of the IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

† THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT • MARCH 19, 2023 †

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRAYER for the DECEASED

Lector: Eternal rest grant
unto them, O Lord

All: And let perpetual light shine upon them. May their souls and the souls of
all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.



INTRODUCTORY RITES

PROCESSIONAL HYMN: AMAZING GRACE

NEW BRITAIN, JOHN NEWTON

1. A - maz - ing_ grace! How sweet the sound That saved a_ wretch like me!_____

2. 'Twas grace that_ taught my heart to fear, And grace my_ fears re - lieved;_____

3. The Lord has_ prom - ised good to me, His word my_ hope se - cures;_____

4. Through man - y_ dan - gers, toils, and snares, I have al - read - y come;_____

When we've been there ten thou - sand years, Bright shin - ing_ as the sun,_____

I once was lost, but now_ am_ found, Was blind but_ now I see._____

How pre - cious did that grace_ ap - pear The hour I_ first be - lieved!_____

He will_ my_ shield and por - tion_ be As long as_ life en - dures._____

'Tis grace_ has_ brought me safe_ thus_ far, And grace will_ lead me home._____

We've no_ less_ days to sing_ God's praise Than when we'd first be - gun._____

GREETING

PENITENTIAL ACT

Congregation:

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; *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.

Celebrant:

*May almighty God have mercy
on us, forgive us our sins, and
bring us to everlasting life.*

Congregation:

Amen

KYRIE

HERITAGE MASS OWEN ALSTOTT

Cantor: Lord,_____ have mer - cy. *Congregation:* Lord,_____ have mer - cy. *Cantor:* Christ,_____ have mer - cy.

Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son Chri - ste e - lei - son

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OPENING PRAYER



THE LITURGY of the WORD

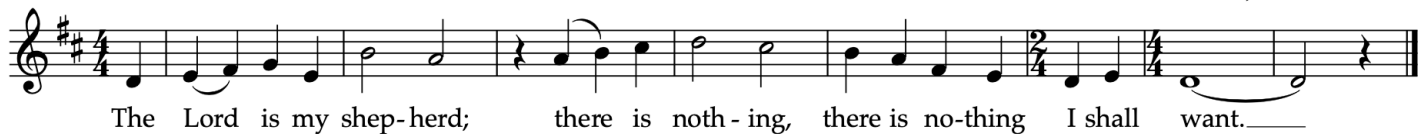
FIRST READING

1 SAMUEL 16:1B, 6-7, 10-13A

The LORD said to Samuel: "Fill your horn with oil, and be on your way. I am sending you to Jesse of Bethlehem, for I have chosen my king from among his sons." As Jesse and his sons came to the sacrifice, Samuel looked at Eliab and thought, "Surely the LORD's anointed is here before him." But the LORD said to Samuel: "Do not judge from his appearance or from his lofty stature, because I have rejected him. Not as man sees does God see, because man sees the appearance but the LORD looks into the heart." In the same way Jesse presented seven sons before Samuel, but Samuel said to Jesse, "The LORD has not chosen any one of these." Then Samuel asked Jesse, "Are these all the sons you have?" Jesse replied, "There is still the youngest, who is tending the sheep." Samuel said to Jesse, "Send for him; we will not begin the sacrificial banquet until he arrives here." Jesse sent and had the young man brought to them. He was ruddy, a youth handsome to behold and making a splendid appearance. The LORD said, "There—anoint him, for this is the one!" Then Samuel, with the horn of oil in hand, anointed David in the presence of his brothers; and from that day on, the spirit of the LORD rushed upon David.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM 23: THE LORD IS MY SHEPHERD

LEO NESTOR, ARR. KYLE ENGLISH



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| 1. The Lord is my shepherd;
there is nothing I shall want.
Fresh and green are the pastures
where he gives me repose. Near
restful waters he leads me, to
revive my drooping spirit. R | 2. He guides me along the right path;
he is true to his name. If I should
walk in the valley of darkness no
evil would I fear. You are there with
your crook and your staff; with these
you give me comfort. R | 3. You have prepared a
banquet for me in the
sight of my foes. My
head you have anointed
with oil; my cup is
overflowing. R | 4. Surely goodness and
kindness shall follow
me all the days of my
life. In the Lord's own
house shall I dwell
forever and ever. R |
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SECOND READING

EPHESIANS 5:8-14

Brothers and sisters: You were once darkness, but now you are light in the Lord. Live as children of light, for light produces every kind of goodness and righteousness and truth. Try to learn what is pleasing to the Lord. Take no part in the fruitless works of darkness; rather expose them, for it is shameful even to mention the things done by them in secret; but everything exposed by the light becomes visible, for everything that becomes visible is light. Therefore, it says: "Awake, O sleeper, and arise from the dead, and Christ will give you light."

LENTEN GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

MASS of SPIRIT & GRACE RICKY MANALO



Verse: I am the light of the world, says the Lord; whoever follows me will have the light of life. **R** (Jn 8:12)

THE GOSPEL of the LORD

JOHN 9:1-41

As Jesus passed by he saw a man blind from birth. His disciples asked him, "Rabbi, who sinned, this man or his parents, that he was born blind?" Jesus answered, "Neither he nor his parents sinned; it is so that the works of God might be made visible through him. We have to do the works of the one who sent me while it is day. Night is coming when no one can work. While I am in the world, I am the light of the world." When he had said this, he spat on the ground and made clay with the saliva, and smeared the clay on his eyes, and said to him, "Go wash in the Pool of Siloam" —which means Sent—So he went and washed, and came back able to see. His neighbors and those who had seen him earlier as a beggar said, "Isn't this the one who used to sit and beg?" Some said, "It is," but others said, "No, he just looks like him." He said, "I am." So they said to him, "How were your eyes opened?" He replied, "The man called Jesus made clay and anointed my eyes and told me, 'Go to Siloam and wash.' So I went there and washed and was able to see." And they said to him, "Where is he?" He said, "I don't know." They brought the one who was once blind to the Pharisees. Now Jesus had made clay and opened his eyes on a sabbath. So then the Pharisees also asked him how he was able to see. He said to them, "He put clay on my eyes, and I washed, and now I can see." So some of the Pharisees said, "This man is not from God, because he does not keep the sabbath." But others said, "How can a sinful man do such signs?" And there was a division among them. So they said to the blind man again, "What do you have to say about him, since he opened your eyes?" He said, "He is a prophet." Now the Jews did not believe that he had been blind and gained his sight until they summoned the parents of the one who had gained his sight. They asked them, "Is this your son, who you say was born blind? How does he now see?" His parents answered and said, "We know that this is our son and that he was born blind. We do not know how he sees now, nor do we know who opened his eyes. Ask him, he is of age; he can speak for himself." His parents said this because they were afraid of the Jews, for the Jews had already agreed that if anyone acknowledged him as the Christ, he would be expelled from the synagogue. For this reason his parents said, "He is of age; question him." So a second time they called the man who had been blind and said to him, "Give God the praise! We know that this man is a sinner." He replied, "If he is a sinner, I do not know. One thing I do know is that I was blind and now I see." So they said to him, "What did he do to you? How did he open your eyes?" He answered them, "I told you already and you did not listen. Why do you want to hear it again? Do you want to become his disciples, too?" They

ridiculed him and said, "You are that man's disciple; we are disciples of Moses! We know that God spoke to Moses, but we do not know where this one is from." The man answered and said to them, "This is what is so amazing, that you do not know where he is from, yet he opened my eyes. We know that God does not listen to sinners, but if one is devout and does his will, he listens to him. It is unheard of that anyone ever opened the eyes of a person born blind. If this man were not from God, he would not be able to do anything." They answered and said to him, "You were born totally in sin, and are you trying to teach us?" Then they threw him out. When Jesus heard that they had thrown him out, he found him and said, "Do you believe in the Son of Man?" He answered and said, "Who is he, sir, that I may believe in him?" Jesus said to him, "You have seen him, the one speaking with you is he." He said, "I do believe, Lord," and he worshiped him. Then Jesus said, "I came into this world for judgment, so that those who do not see might see, and those who do see might become blind." Some of the Pharisees who were with him heard this and said to him, "Surely we are not also blind, are we?" Jesus said to them, "If you were blind, you would have no sin; but now you are saying, 'We see,' so your sin remains.

HOMILY

PROFESSION of FAITH

THE APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, 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.

UNIVERSAL PRAYER



THE LITURGY of the EUCHARIST

OFFERTORY HYMN: PSALM 42: AS THE DEER LONGS

O WALLY WALLY, ALT., DANNA HARKIN, DANNA J. GUNTHER



1. As the deer longs for flow-ing streams, So longs my soul for you, O God. My soul does thirst
fed me day and night, While some have said "Where is your God?" But I re-call,
mourn and toil with-in, When it is mine to hope in God? I shall a-gain



— for the liv-ing God, When shall I come to see your face? 2. My tears have
— as my soul pours dry, The days of praise with-in your house. 3. Why do I
— sing praise ho him, He is my help, he is my God. He is my God.

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

SANCTUS

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Ho-ly, Ho-ly, Ho-ly Lord God of hosts. Heav-en and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho-



san-na, ho san-na, ho san na in the high est. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - high est.

MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

MASS of SPIRIT & GRACE RICKY MANALO



Save us, Sav-ior of the world, for by your cross and Res-ur-rec tion you have set us free you have set us free.

DOXOLOGY and AMEN

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A - men! A - men! A - - men! A - - men!



COMMUNION RITES

THE LORD'S PRAYER *and the SIGN of PEACE*
LAMB of GOD

MASS of SPIRIT & GRACE RICKY MANALO

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us. World, grant us peace, grant us peace.

COMMUNION HYMN: THERE IS A BALM IN GILEAD

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There is a balm in Gil-e-ad to make the wound-ed whole, there is a balm in Gil-e-ad to heal the sin-sick soul.

1. Some - times I feel dis - cour - aged, And think my work's in vain,
2. If you can - not preach like Pe - ter, If you can - not pray like Paul,
3. Don't ev - er feel dis - cour - aged, For Je - sus is your friend;

But then the Ho - ly Spir - it Re - vives my soul a - gain.
You can tell the love of Je - sus, And say, "He died for all."
And if you lack for knowl - edge He'll ne'er re - fuse to lend.



CONCLUDING RITES

BLESSING *and* DISMISSAL

RECESSIONAL HYMN: PRECIOUS LORD, TAKE MY HAND

PRECIOUS LORD, THOMAS A. DORSEY

1. Pre - cious Lord, take my hand, Lead me on, let me stand;
2. When my way grows drear, Pre - cious Lord, lin - ger near,
3. When the dark - ness ap - pears And the night draws near,

I am tired, I am weak, I am worn;
When my life is al - most gone;
And the day is past and gone,

Through the storm, through the night, Lead me on to the light;
Hear my cry, hear my call, Hold my hand lest I fall;
At the riv - er I stand, Guide my feet, hold my hand;

Take my hand, pre - cious Lord, lead me home.

