

CHRIST HAS RISEN!



WE ARE GLAD THAT YOU HAVE CHOSEN TO WORSHIP WITH US THIS DAY!
HAVE A BLESSED WEEK!



SOLEMNITY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD The Liturgy and Mass of Easter

Opening of the Grave

KNEEL

The celebrant and assistants approach the Tomb in silence.

Then celebrant and all people kneel.

After short adoration the celebrant greets the faithful:

RISE

C. Christ is Risen. Alleluia!

R/. Truly, He is Risen. Alleluia!

C: My Brothers and Sisters, yesterday, during the Holy Saturday Ceremony of the Light, we have heard a call:

"Rejoice now, all you heavenly choirs of angels.

Rejoice all creation around God's throne,

for this mighty King is victorious. Sound, o trumpet; tell of our salvation!

Rejoice too o earth, you are made brilliant by such splendor.

Rejoice, for you have been illumined.

Darkness everywhere has been overcome

by the brightness of this everlasting King.

Rejoice o holy Church! You are made radiant by so great a Light.

Let this place ring out with rejoicing,

with the song of all these people gathered here."

Obeying that call we will go in solemn procession, following the risen Christ, to proclaim His victory over death and Satan.

We give thanks to the Risen Christ, present in the Most Blessed Sacrament, for opening to us the Kingdom of Heaven.

The celebrant removes the veil from the Monstrance and incenses the Blessed Sacrament.

KNEEL

C. In Your Resurrection, O Christ, Alleluia!

STAND

- R/. Let heaven and earth rejoice, Alleluia!
- C. The Lord be with you.
- R/. And also with you.
- C. Let us pray.

Lord Jesus Christ, the King of Glory, by Your resurrection You fulfilled all that was promised by the prophets: as we honor Your resurrection in thanksgiving on this holy morning, grant that we, who have been cleansed from sin through Your death, may rise with You to a new life.

For You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

R/. Amen.



The celebrant intones, "Come Rejoice, Our Lord is Risen" and then all continue singing "Come Rejoice, Our Lord is Risen" (see next page).

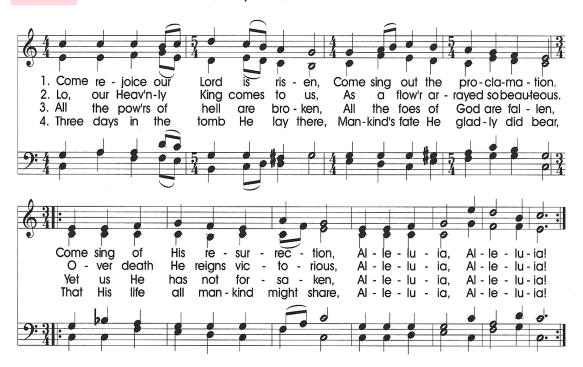
The procession begins with Crucifer, ANS Ladies, YMSofR Men (carrying the Pascal candle, the statue of the Risen Lord and adorned Crucifix) followed by the Acolyte(s) and thurifer with a censer.

The procession circles inside the church three times, the final time the celebrant proceeds up the center aisle. During the procession the Hymn "Come, Rejoice, Our Lord is Risen" is sung.

For the procession all remain standing.

When the Blessed Sacrament passes near you, please genuflect.

Come, Rejoice, Our Lord is Risen



- 5. They who dwelt in sin's deep crevice, When at last they saw their savior. Called to Him in deepest sorrow. Alleluia, alleluia!
- 6. At hell's portal they cried to Him, "Son of God, O King Almighty, Save us from hell's awful forces. Alleluia, alleluia!
- 7. Waiting in anticipation, Great their joy and their elation, When at last they saw salvation. Alleluia, alleluia!
- 8. Through Your Holy resurrection, May we find from sin redemption; And at last know Your salvation. Alleluia, alleluia!

KNEEL

Arriving at the Sanctuary,

the Celebrant places the Blessed Sacrament on the tabernacle throne; the Resurrection Statue is placed on the mensa on the Gospel side; the Passion Crucifix vested in a red stole is placed near the altar; the Paschal Candle is placed in its stand.

The Celebrant standing at foot of the altar, sings and the Choir and the congregation respond to following versicle three times, each in a higher tone:

- C. The Lord is risen from the tomb, Alleluia!
- C. In Your Resurrection, O Christ, Alleluia!
- R/. The heavens and the earth rejoice, Alleluia!
- C. Let us pray.

Father, each year You gladden us by this celebration of the Lord's Resurrection. Grant that, being risen in Christ

we may come to know the joy of eternal life in Your kingdom.

Where You live and reign with the same Jesus Christ and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

R/. Amen.

The Benediction is given.

The Blessed Sacrament is then reposed. The celebrant intones and the congregation continues singing the following hymn (3 times):



SIT

After the reposing the Blessed Sacrament in the Tabernacle, The Celebrant leaves the sanctuary to vests for Mass in the sacristy.

The choir/congregation will sing:

SIT

Christ is Risen





ENTRANCE HYMN

Jesus Is Risen

RISE





INTRODUCTORY RITE

- C. In the name of the Father + and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- R/. Amen.
- C. Lord bless us with the wisdom to praise You in spirit and in truth, so that by following Your holy will we may gain eternal salvation.
- R/. Amen.

THE PENITENTIAL RITE

The celebrant invites the faithful to join in the prayer of confession.

C. The resurrection means Christ has brought us victory over sin and death. So let us confess our sins, grateful for the forgiveness Christ has won. Please, make an examination of your consciences.

KNEEL or SIT

During a moment of silent reflection evoke spirit of contrition.

KNEE
Silently confess your sins to God, and then join the celebrant in acknowledging your sins:

All: I confess to almighty God

in the presence of the Blessed Virgin Mary, all the saints and you, my brothers and sisters, that I have sinned through my own fault

striking the breast three times and continuing

in my thoughts, in my words, in what I have done or failed to do. I ask the Blessed Virgin Mary, all the saints, and you, my brothers and sisters, to pray for me to the Lord, our God.

Penance is given.

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

R/. Amen.

The celebrant imparts the absolution, saying

C. May our Lord Jesus Christ absolve you and, with His authority vested in me, I absolve you from all your sins: in the name of the Father, + the Son and the Holy Spirit. R/. Amen.

THE KYRIE



THE GLORIA

Glory to God in the Highest, and peace to His people on earth. Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship You, we give You thanks, we praise You for Your glory. Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God,

You take away the sins of the world: have mercy on us.

You are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.

For You alone are the Holy One, You alone are the Lord, You alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,

in the glory of + God the Father. Amen.

OPENING PRAYER

STAND

- C. The Lord be with you.
- R/. And also with you.
- C. Let us pray.

Almighty God, our Father,

You have raised Christ, Your Son, Who conquered death and opened for us the way to eternal life,

Let our celebration today raise us up and renew our lives by the risen Christ Who is among us.

We ask this through the same Jesus Christ,

Who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

R/. Amen.

SIT

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Reading Acts 10:34a, 37-43

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

Peter proceeded to speak and said:

"You know what has happened all over Judea,

beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John preached,

how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth

with the Holy Spirit and power. He went about doing good

and healing all those oppressed by the devil, for God was with him.

We are witnesses of all that he did

both in the country of the Jews and in Jerusalem.

They put him to death by hanging him on a tree.

This man God raised on the third day and granted that he be visible, not to all the people, but to us, the witnesses chosen by God in advance, who are and drank with him after he rose from the dead.

He commissioned us to preach to the people and testify that he is the one appointed by God as judge of the living and the dead. To him all the prophets bear witness, that everyone who believes in him will receive forgiveness of sins through his name."

L. The Word of the Lord.

R/. Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23



R/. This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad.

Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good, for his mercy endures forever. Let the house of Israel say, "His mercy endures forever."

R/. This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad.

"The right hand of the Lord has struck with power; the right hand of the Lord is exalted.

I shall not die, but live, and declare the works of the Lord."

R/. This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad.

The stone which the builders rejected has become the cornerstone. By the Lord has this been done; it is wonderful in our eyes.

R/. This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad.



A reading from the Letter of Saint Paul to the Colossians.

Brothers and sisters: If then you were raised with Christ, seek what is above, where Christ is seated at the right hand of God.

Think of what is above, not of what is on earth.

For you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God.

When Christ your life appears, then you too will appear with him in glory.

L. The Word of the Lord.

R/. Thanks be to God.

Easter Sequence (Victimae Paschali Laudes), 11th century

Lector: Christians, to the Paschal Victim...

All: ... offer your thankful praises.

A Lamb the sheep redeems;

Christ who only is sinless,

Reconciles sinners to the Father.

Death and life have contended

In that combat stupendous:

The Prince of life, who died, reigns immortal.

Speak Mary, declaring

What you saw, wayfaring.

"The tomb of Christ, who is living,

The glory of Jesus' resurrection;

Bright angels attesting,

The shroud and napkins resting;

Yes, Christ my hope is arisen;

To Galilee he goes before you."

Christ indeed from death is risen,

our new life obtaining.

Have mercy, victor King, ever reigning!

Amen. Alleluia!

STAND



Gospel Acclamation Cf. 1 Cor 5:7b-8a



Choir: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

R/. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Christ, our paschal lamb, has been sacrificed;

Let us then feast with joy in the Lord.

R/. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Gospel John 20:1-9

C. The Lord be with you.

R/. And also with you.

C. A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Saint John.

R/. Glory be to You, Lord!

On the first day On the first day of the week,

Mary of Magdala came to the tomb early in the morning, while it was still dark, and saw the stone removed from the tomb.

So she ran and went to Simon Peter

and to the other disciple whom Jesus loved, and told them,

"They have taken the Lord from the tomb,

and we don't know where they put him."

So Peter and the other disciple went out and came to the tomb.

They both ran, but the other disciple ran faster than Peter and arrived at the tomb first;

he bent down and saw the burial cloths there, but did not go in.

When Simon Peter arrived after him, he went into the tomb and saw the burial cloths there, and the cloth that had covered his head, not with the burial cloths but rolled up in a separate place. Then the other disciple also went in, the one who had arrived at the tomb first, and he saw and believed. For they did not yet understand the Scripture that he had to rise from the dead.

C. This is the Gospel of the Lord. R/. Praise be to You, Lord, Jesus Christ!

Hymn Before the Homily Christ Is Risen

KNEEL

Music & Lyrics by John Scarchilli

He walked up the hill called Calvary, He did this to set us free. He is the Savior of my soul Now and forever. We all know..

He prayed in the Garden of Gethsemane, Died under Pilate for all to see. On the cross, He was crucified. Now He has risen, Christ on High, Christ on High.

SIT

HOMILY

Pause for silent reflection after homily

THE PROFESSION OF FAITH

C. I believe in One God,

All: the Father, the Almighty,

Maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

I believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father

God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten not made, of one being with the Father.

Through Him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation He came down from heaven:

by the power of the Holy Spirit

He was born of the Virgin Mary (here genuflect)

AND BECAME MAN.

For our sake He was crucified under Pontius Pilate;

He suffered death and was buried.

On the third day He rose again in fulfillment of the Scriptures; He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and His kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,

the Lord and Giver of Life

Who proceeds from the Father.

With the Father and the Son

He is worshipped and glorified.

He has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in One, Holy, Catholic and Apostolic Church.

I acknowledge one baptism

for the forgiveness of sins.

I look for the resurrection of the dead and the + life of the world to come.

Amen.

GENERAL INTERCESSIONS

- C. Let us pray for the Church and for the world, that all may know the power of resurrection life..
- 1. For the Church: May Christians be filled with new faith, and work with purpose for the coming of Christ's Kingdom. We pray to the Lord.

R/. Lord, hear our prayer.

2. For our world so often immersed in selfishness, oppression, and evils of all kinds: that the purifying death of Jesus and the transforming power of his resurrection may change our world, its leaders, and men and women everywhere. We pray to the Lord.

R/. Lord, hear our prayer.

3. For those who are sick, lonely or without hope: May the Easter message bring them healing, encouragement and trust . We pray to the Lord.

R/. Lord, hear our prayer.

- 4. For the parishioners of the Resurrection Church in Brooklyn, New York and for ourselves: May we bear faithful witness to the Crucified and Risen Lord, and be a sign to all people of His power to make all things new. We pray to the Lord. R/. Lord, hear our prayer.
- 5. For all the departed, especially, for our own family members and friends. May the light of God's mercy shine upon them. We pray to the Lord.

R/. Lord, hear our prayer.

6. For our own intentions ... [long pause for silence]... . We pray to the Lord.

R/. Lord, hear our prayer.

C. God our Father, united with the praying Church all over the world and with Mary and the saints in heaven, we rejoice in the resurrection of Your Son, Jesus, and make our prayers through Him, Who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

R/. Amen.

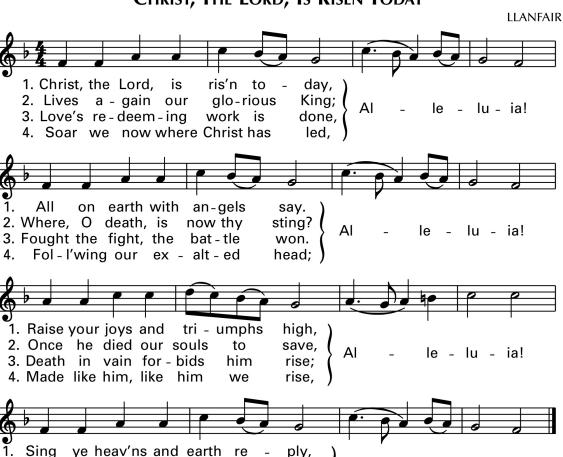
OFFERTORY

Zmartwychwstał Pasterz Dobry



OFFERTORY Hymn #2:





Text: 77 77 with alleluias; Charles Wesley, 1707–1788, alt. Music: Robert Williams, 1781–1821.

grave?

dise.

skies.

ΑI

le - lu - ia!

2. Where thy

3. Christ has

vic - to - ry,

4. Ours the cross, the grave, the

o - pen'd par - a



THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

The celebrant elevates the paten with host, saying:

C. Blessed are You, Lord God of all creation. Through Your goodness we have this bread to offer, which earth has given and human hands have made. May it become for us the Bread of Life.

The celebrant pours wine and water into the chalice.

Then takes the chalice and elevates it above the altar, saying:

C. Blessed are You, Lord God of all creation. Through You goodness, we have this wine to offer, fruit of the vine and work of human hands. May it become our Spiritual Drink.

SIT

The celebrant places the chalice on the corporal. Slightly bowing before the altar he says:

C. Lord God, we ask You to receive us and be pleased with the sacrifice we offer You with humble and contrite hearts.

The celebrant blesses the bread and wine with his right hand, saying:

C. Come, Holy Spirit, and bless + this sacrifice which we have prepared for the glory of Your Holy Name.

The celebrant washes his hands, then he returns to the center of the altar and continues:

C. Receive this offering, most Holy Trinity, which we make in memory of the passion, resurrection and ascension of our Lord, Jesus Christ, and in honor of the Blessed Virgin Mary and all the saints.

May they, whose memory we honor on earth, intercede for us in heaven.

Addressing the congregation with hands extended, the celebrant says:

- **C.** Pray, my brothers and sisters, that our sacrifice may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.
- R/. May the Lord accept this sacrifice from your hands, for the praise and glory of His name, for our good and for the benefit of His holy Church.

PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

C. Almighty and Loving Father, accept these sacrificial gifts we offer You with joy in which Your Church is reborn and nourished, through our Lord Jesus Christ; Who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

R/. Amen.

PREFACE OF EASTER

- C. The Lord be with you.
- R/. And also with you.
- C. Lift up your hearts.
- R/. We lift them up to the Lord.
- C. Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.
- R/. It is right to give Him thanks and praise.
- C. Father, all-powerful and ever-living God, we do well always and everywhere to give You thanks through Jesus Christ our Lord.

We praise You with greater joy than ever on this Easter Day when Christ became our paschal sacrifice.

He is the true Lamb Who took away the sins of the world.

By dying He destroyed our death; by rising He restored our life.

Therefore, with the angels and archangels, with all the saints and the entire Church, we lift our hymn of praise to Your glory, repeating unceasingly:

R/. Holy, Holy, Holy Lord,

God of power and might,

Heaven and earth are full of Your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed + is He Who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

EUCHARISTIC PRAYER I

The celebrant says:

C. Father,

through Jesus Christ, Your Son,
we ask you to accept and bless + these gifts we offer you in sacrifice.
We offer them for Your holy Catholic Church,
asking you to defend and guide it throughout the world.
We offer them for Anthony, our Prime Bishop, and Bernard, our Bishop,
and for all bishops, priests, deacons and other ministers
who profess the true faith which comes to us from the apostles.
Remember Your people, Lord,
especially our brothers and sisters for whom we now pray.

The celebrant prays for them briefly. The faithful pray for those whom they wish to remember.

Remember all of us who are present here, who truly believe and are devoted to You. We offer this sacrifice of praise to You, our living, eternal and true God, for ourselves and all those we love, for the redemption of our souls, with hope for our salvation.

Together with the whole Church we honor the Virgin Mary, the mother of our Lord, Jesus Christ. We also honor the apostles and martyrs, as well as all those who have lived and died confessing Your name. In remembering them we desire to follow their example and so gain Your love and help.

Father, accept this offering from your whole family. Grant us Your peace in this life, preserve us from spiritual damnation and count us among your chosen people.

The celebrant joins his hands and blesses the bread and the chalice, saying:

Bless, + accept and approve this offering we now make to You and let it be pleasing to you.

The celebrant extends his hands over the bread and chalice and continues:

Fill it with the power of your Holy Spirit and let it become for us the Body and the Blood of Your Son, our Lord, Jesus Christ.

THE CONSECRATION

With hands joined the celebrant continues:

The day before He suffered and died, our Lord desired to make His love known to His disciples and all who would follow Him. He, therefore, instituted these Sacred Mysteries by which He joined Himself with them spiritually and bodily, in His whole being, and abides with us forever.

At that moment, so sacred for all of humanity, Jesus took bread into His holy hands and, looking up to heaven to You, His almighty Father, He gave You thanks. He blessed the bread, broke it and gave it to His disciples, saying:

TAKE THIS, ALL OF YOU, AND EAT IT: FOR THIS IS MY BODY WHICH IS GIVEN FOR YOU.

The celebrant elevates the consecrated Host, replaces it on the paten, And genuflects in adoration.

All GENUFLECT and RISE with the priest

and then he continues:

STAND

When supper had ended, He took the cup. In the same way He gave You thanks, blessed it and gave it to His disciples, saying:

TAKE THIS, ALL OF YOU, AND DRINK FROM IT:
FOR THIS IS THE CUP OF MY BLOOD,
THE BLOOD OF THE NEW AND EVERLASTING COVENANT,
WHICH SHALL BE SHED FOR YOU AND FOR MANY
FOR THE FORGIVENESS OF SINS.
AS OFTEN AS YOU DO THIS,
DO IT IN REMEMBRANCE OF ME.

The celebrant elevates the chalice, replaces it on the altar and genuflects in adoration.

All GENUFLECT and RISE with the priest

The celebrant continues:

STANI

Father, in celebration of the memory of Jesus Christ, Your Son, we, Your people, recall His passion, resurrection from the dead and ascension into glory. From the many gifts You have given us, we offer You this pure, holy and spotless offering: the holy Bread of Life and the holy Cup of Eternal Salvation. Look favorably on these offerings and accept them as You once accepted the gifts of Your servant, Abel, and the sacrifice of our father in faith, Abraham, and the bread and wine offered by Your priest, Melchisedech.

In humility we ask, Father, that these offerings be carried by Your angel to Your high altar in heaven so that we, who receive the sacred Body and Blood of Your Son from this altar, may be filled with Your grace + and blessing.

Remember, Lord, our brothers and sisters who have died and have gone before us marked with the sign of faith.

The celebrant prays briefly for those whom he desires to remember.

The faithful should likewise pray for the deceased whom they wish to remember.

May these and all who rest in Christ find happiness, light and peace.

And we, who trust in Your love, also ask to be included in the fellowship of Your holy apostles, martyrs and saints who offered their lives to You.

They were filled with Your justice and mercy and, because they lived in accord with the teachings of Jesus, gained eternal joy. Count us among them, Father, not because of what we truly deserve, but because You are willing to forgive us.

We ask this in the name of Your Son, Jesus Christ, by Whom You give us all these gifts; You fill them with life and goodness; You bless them and make them holy.

Holding the Sacred Host above the chalice the celebrant elevates them and sings:

C. Through Him, with Him and in Him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honor and glory are Yours, almighty Father, for ever and ever.





The celebrant singss the following introduction to the Lord's Prayer:

C. Let us pray with confidence to the Father in the words our Savior gave us:

Congregation/Choir



BREAKING OF THE BREAD

C. The Cup of Blessing which we bless, is it not a participation in the Blood of Christ?

The celebrant fractures the Sacred Host saying:

- C. The Bread which we break, is it not a participation in the Body of Christ?
- R/. Because there is one Bread, we who are many are one body, for we all partake of the one Bread.

Dropping the particle of the Host into the Chalice, the celebrant says:

C. May the union of divinity and humanity in Jesus Christ bring us sanctification and eternal life.

R/. Amen.

With hands extended the celebrant says:

C. Lord Jesus Christ, You said to Your apostles: I leave you peace, My peace I give you. Do not look at our sins, but on the faith of Your Church, and grant us the peace and unity of Your kingdom where You live for ever and ever.

- R/. Amen.
- C. The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- R/. And also with you.
- C. Let us offer each other the sign of peace.

An appropriate sign of peace is made by all (in church by bowing)

AGNUS DEI

The celebrant and people say together:

All: Lamb of God, You take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us. Lamb of God, You take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us. Lamb of God, You take away the sins of the world, grant us peace.

C. Let us pray together:

All: Lord Jesus Christ, Son of the Living God, by the will of the Father and the work of the Holy Spirit Your death brought life to the world.

By Your holy Body and Blood free me from all my sins and from every evil. Keep me faithful to Your teaching and never let me be parted from You.

The celebrant takes the Sacred Host, saying:

C. I will take the Bread of Heaven and call upon the name of the Lord.

The celebrant and congregation together say once:

All: Lord, I am not worthy to receive You, but only say the word and I shall be healed.

The celebrant says:

C. May the Body of Christ bring me to everlasting life.

The celebrant reverently consumes the Sacred Host. Taking the Chalice, he says:

C. May the Blood of Christ bring me to everlasting life.

The celebrant reverently consumes the Blood of Christ.

THE COMMUNION OF THE FAITHFUL

Holding a Host above the ciborium, the celebrant says:

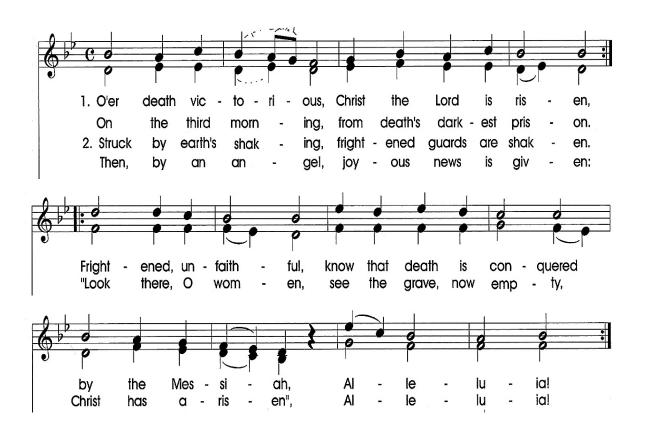
C. This is the Lamb of God Who takes away the sins of the world. Happy are those who are called to the table of the Lord.

Now, taking the ciborium, the celebrant distributes Holy Communion.

KNEEL or SIT

COMMUNION HYMN (1)

O'er Death Victorious



Thank God!
He gives us
VICTORY
over sin and
death through
our Lord Jesus
Christ.

COMMUNION HYMN (2)

Leave Your Sorrows



- 3. Angels were the witnesses to this great triumph of our Lord. They did announce to the women, "See the tomb of Christ adored, Go and see where they had laid Him, with a giant stone they locked Him." Alleluia ...
- 4. On this day of resurrection may His deeds be known to all. Through the grace of Christ's true rising we now sing with souls enthralled, By His passion hearts were saddened, By His triumph they sing, gladdened! Alleluia ...

Trans: Donald F. Mushalko

Mel: Pone luctum (Miod.)

COMMUNION HYMN (3) - SOCL Children

BECAUSE

Words and music by Shawna Edwards

1. Because He walked with men, I know the way.

Because He calmed the storm, I'm not afraid.

Because He bowed beneath all things, He lifted me above.

Because I know He died for me, I feel His love.

2. Because He conquered death, I'll live again.

Because He is my Friend, I'll follow Him.

Because He felt all grief and pain, He calms and comforts me.

And when He comes again, I'll kneel before His feet.

Chorus:

And I will praise forever the Savior of the world.

And I will sing together with all the Saints on earth.

Because He gave to me everything He had to give,

I breathe, I see, I hope, I love, I live.



SIT

POST COMMUNION HYMN

Let the Redeemed of the Lord Say So!

Music and Words by Michael Barrett

Let the redeemed of the Lord say so, the redeemed of the Lord say so! (Repeat)

Lift up your voice, break through with jubilation!

Make joyful noise, proclaim His glory, tell his story Among the nations!

Let the redeemed of the Lord say so, the redeemed of the Lord say so! (Repeat)

Tell of His faithfulness, tell of His mercy.

Let the redeemed of the Lord say so, the redeemed of the Lord say so!

God is our fortress, a mighty tower, He is the rock on which we stand.

God is worthy of our praise.

Let the redeemed of the Lord say so, the redeemed of the Lord say so!

Lift up your voice, break through with jubilation!

Make joyful noise, proclaim His glory, tell his story

Among the nations! Great celebration!

Let the redeemed of the Lord say so, the redeemed of the Lord say so!

Sing Hosanna! Sing Hosanna!

Let the redeemed of the Lord say so, the redeemed of the Lord say so!



STAND

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

C. Let us pray.

Almighty and Loving Father, accept these sacrificial gifts we offer You with joy in which Your Church is reborn and nourished, through our Lord Jesus Christ;

Who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

R/. Amen.

SOLEMN BLESSING

- C. The Lord be with you.
- R/. And also with you
- C. Bow your heads and pray for God's blessing.
- C. May almighty God bless you on this solemn feast of Easter, and may He protect you against all sin.

R/. Amen.

C. Through the resurrection of His Son God has granted us healing. May he fulfill His promises, and bless you with eternal life.

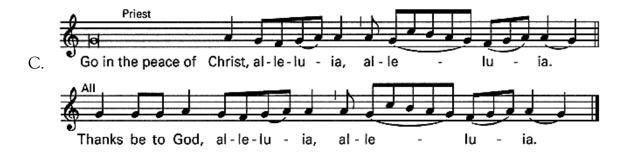
R/. Amen.

C. You have mourned for Christ's sufferings; now you celebrate the joy of His resurrection.May you come with joy to the feast which lasts for ever.

R/. Amen.

C. May almighty God bless you, the Father, + the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

R/. Amen.





RECESSIONAL HYMN

Jesus Christ Is Risen Today





EASTER 2024

"Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who in his great mercy gave us a new birth to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead. (1 Peter 1:3)

Dear Parishioners and Friends, Christ is Risen!

On this solemn day we proclaim that Jesus Christ is "the resurrection and the life" of the world (cf. Jn 11:25). Today is Easter; in Jesus the decisive passage of humanity has been made: the passage from death to life, from sin to grace, from fear to confidence, from despair to communion. Happy Easter!

May this Easter be for each of you, and in particular for the sick, and those experiencing time of trial and worry, a passway from suffering to consolation.

We are not alone: Jesus, the Living One, is with us forever. At Easter the destiny of the world was changed, we can rejoice as we celebrate the most important day of history.

"Christ is risen; He is truly risen!" In this traditional proclamation the word "truly" reminds us that our hope is not in vain; it is the truth! As a consequence of Easter, our journey is now forever marked by hope and our life's pace changes... The first witnesses of the resurrection show this. The Gospels speak of the haste, hurry with which, on the morning of Easter, the women ran to tell the disciples. Mary Magdalene ran and went to Simon Peter; then John and Peter himself ran together to the place where Jesus had been buried.

Later, in the evening of Easter, after meeting the Risen Lord on the road to Emmaus, two disciples set out "without delay" and travelled several miles, uphill and in the dark, encouraged by the joy of Easter that burned in their hearts. At Easter, the journey quickens, it becomes a race, because humanity now sees the goal of its journey, the meaning of its destiny—Jesus Christ.

May we all allow ourselves to experience amazement at the joyful proclamation of Easter, at the light that illumines the darkness in which, all too often, our world is enveloped.

My Friends, today we profess: "Christ is truly risen from the dead!"
We believe that, with the Lord hope is reborn, and the journey continues.
We pray: Lord of life, encourage us on our journey and may we hear fro You, what You have said to the disciples on Easter evening: "Peace be with you!" (Jn 19:21).

CHRIST IS RISEN! HE IS RISEN INDEED! ALLELUIA!

May God bless you abundantly!

Fr. Mark, Pastor





bvmcChurch.org



To Donate Please Scan



BVMC Facebook