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Worship Schedule:

Saturday 5:00 pm - Vigil Holy Mass

Sunday 9:00 am - Holy Mass

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Fifth Sunday of Lent 'A'
March 22, 2026

Altar Servers: Abby, Everett
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Trustees: Bob, Jim

Lector: Mary-Lou Epner
Cantor: Dick Mossey

Cycle of Prayer: St. Francis Parish, East Meadow NY

Mass Intentions:

Sun. March 22 - **In Memory of †Nancy Sawczak** (req. by Ed Sawczak).



OPENING HYMN

STAND

THE GLORY OF THESE FORTY DAYS

ERHALT UNS, HERR



1. The glo - ry of these for - ty days We cel - e -
2. A - lone and fast - ing Mo - ses saw The lov - ing
3. So Dan - iel trained his mys - tic sight, De - liv - ered
4. Then grant that we like them be true, Con - sumed in
5. O Fa - ther, Son, and Spir - it blest, To you be



1. brate with songs of praise; For Christ, by whom all
2. God who gave the law; And to E - li - jah,
3. from the li - ons' might; And John, the Bride - groom's
4. fast and pray'r with you; Our spir - its strength - en
5. ev - 'ry pray'r ad - dressed; Who are in three - fold



1. things were made, Him - self has fast - ed and has prayed.
2. fast - ing, came The steeds and char - i - ots of flame.
3. friend, be - came The her - ald of Mes - si - ah's name.
4. with your grace, And give us joy to see your face.
5. Name a - dored, From age to age the on - ly Lord.

Text: LM; *Clarum decus jejunii*; St. Gregory the Great, ca. 540–604; tr. fr. the *English Hymnal*, 1906;
Maurice F. Bell, 1862–1947, alt. Music: J. Klug's *Geistliche Lieder*, Wittenberg, 1543;
adapt. by Johann Sebastian Bach, 1685–1750, alt.

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. Please make an examination of your conscience, so aware of our faults, we can ask God for the grace of forgiveness.

KNEEL or SIT

During a moment of silent reflection evoke spirit of contrition.

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

- C. Lord, have mercy. R/. Lord, have mercy.
C. Christ, have mercy. R/. Christ, have mercy.
C. Lord, have mercy. R/. Lord, have mercy.

(The 'Gloria' is omitted in Lent)

OPENING PRAYER

STAND

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

- C. Let us pray.

Heavenly Father, Your Son has made the grave holy
and a place of hope for Your people.

May we who die in Him also rise in Him.

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 [Ez 37:12–14](#)

A reading from the Book of the Prophet Ezekiel.

The Thus says the Lord GOD:

O my people, I will open your graves
and have you rise from them,

and bring you back to the land of Israel.

Then you shall know that I am the LORD,

when I open your graves and have you rise from them,

O my people! I will put my spirit in you that you may live,

and I will settle you upon your land;

thus you shall know that I am the LORD.

I have promised, and I will do it, says the LORD.

I will put my spirit in you that you may live,
and I will settle you upon your land;
thus you shall know that I am the LORD.
I have promised, and I will do it, says the LORD.

L. The Word of the Lord.

R/. **Thanks be to God.**

Responsorial Psalm Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8



Cantor: **R. With the Lord there is mer-cy and full-ness of re-demp-tion.**

R/. **With the Lord there is mercy and fullness of redemption.**

Out of the depths I cry to you, O LORD; LORD, hear my voice!
Let your ears be attentive to my voice in supplication.

R/. **The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.**

If you, O LORD, mark iniquities, LORD, who can stand?
But with you is forgiveness, that you may be revered.

R/. **With the Lord there is mercy and fullness of redemption.**

I trust in the LORD; my soul trusts in his word.
More than sentinels wait for the dawn, let Israel wait for the LORD.

R/. **With the Lord there is mercy and fullness of redemption.**

For with the LORD is kindness and with him is plenteous redemption;
And he will redeem Israel from all their iniquities.

R/. **With the Lord there is mercy and fullness of redemption.**

Second Reading [Rom 8:8–11](#)

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

Brothers and sisters:

Those who are in the flesh cannot please God.

But you are not in the flesh;

on the contrary, you are in the spirit,

if only the Spirit of God dwells in you.

Whoever does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him.

But if Christ is in you,

although the body is dead because of sin,

the spirit is alive because of righteousness.

If the Spirit of the one who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you,

the one who raised Christ from the dead

will give life to your mortal bodies also,

through his Spirit dwelling in you.

L. The Word of the Lord.

R/. **Thanks be to God.**



STAND

Lenten Gospel Acclamation [Jn 11:25a, 26](#)

Cantor: 
R/. Praise to you, Lord Je-sus Christ, King of end-less glo-ry!

R/. **Praise to You, Lord Jesus Christ, King of endless glory!**

C. I am the resurrection and the life, says the Lord;
whoever believes in me, even if he dies, will never die. .

R/. **Praise to You, Lord Jesus Christ, King of endless glory!**

Gospel [Jn 11:1-45](#)

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.

Now a man was ill, Lazarus from Bethany, the village of Mary and her sister Martha. Mary was the one who had anointed the Lord with perfumed oil and dried his feet with her hair; it was her brother Lazarus who was ill. So the sisters sent word to him saying, "Master, the one you love is ill."

When Jesus heard this he said,

"This illness is not to end in death, but is for the glory of God, that the Son of God may be glorified through it."

Now Jesus loved Martha and her sister and Lazarus. So when he heard that he was ill, he remained for two days in the place where he was.

Then after this he said to his disciples, "Let us go back to Judea."

The disciples said to him,

"Rabbi, the Jews were just trying to stone you, and you want to go back there?"

Jesus answered,

"Are there not twelve hours in a day?

If one walks during the day, he does not stumble, because he sees the light of this world.

But if one walks at night, he stumbles, because the light is not in him."

He said this, and then told them,

"Our friend Lazarus is asleep, but I am going to awaken him."

So the disciples said to him, "Master, if he is asleep, he will be saved."

But Jesus was talking about his death, while they thought that he meant ordinary sleep. So then Jesus said to them clearly,

"Lazarus has died. And I am glad for you that I was not there, that you may believe. Let us go to him."

So Thomas, called Didymus, said to his fellow disciples,

"Let us also go to die with him."

When Jesus arrived, he found that Lazarus had already been in the tomb for four days. Now Bethany was near Jerusalem, only about two miles away. And many of the Jews had come to Martha and Mary to comfort them about their brother. When Martha heard that Jesus was coming, she went to meet him; but Mary sat at home.

Martha said to Jesus, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died. But even now I know that whatever you ask of God, God will give you."

Jesus said to her, "Your brother will rise."

Martha said to him, "I know he will rise, in the resurrection on the last day."

Jesus told her, "I am the resurrection and the life; whoever believes in me, even if he dies, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this?"

She said to him, "Yes, Lord. I have come to believe that you are the Christ, the Son of God, the one who is coming into the world."

When she had said this, she went and called her sister Mary secretly, saying, "The teacher is here and is asking for you."

As soon as she heard this, she rose quickly and went to him. For Jesus had not yet come into the village, but was still where Martha had met him.

So when the Jews who were with her in the house comforting her saw Mary get up quickly and go out, they followed her, presuming that she was going to the tomb to weep there.

When Mary came to where Jesus was and saw him, she fell at his feet and said to him, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died."

When Jesus saw her weeping and the Jews who had come with her weeping, he became perturbed and deeply troubled, and said, "Where have you laid him?"

They said to him, "Sir, come and see." And Jesus wept. So the Jews said, "See how he loved him." But some of them said, "Could not the one who opened the eyes of the blind man have done something so that this man would not have died?"

So Jesus, perturbed again, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone lay across it.

Jesus said, "Take away the stone." Martha, the dead man's sister, said to him, "Lord, by now there will be a stench; he has been dead for four days."

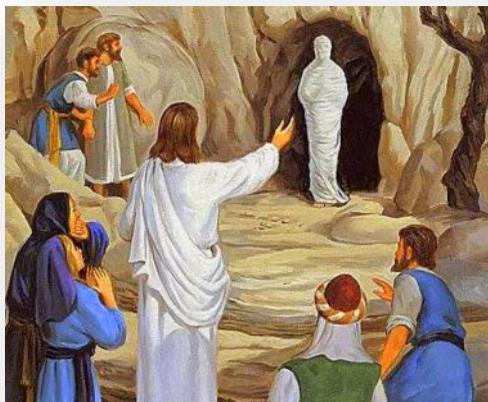
Jesus said to her, "Did I not tell you that if you believe you will see the glory of God?"

So they took away the stone. And Jesus raised his eyes and said,
“Father, I thank you for hearing me. I know that you always hear me; but because
of the crowd here I have said this, that they may believe that you sent me.”
And when he had said this, He cried out in a loud voice, “Lazarus, come out!”
The dead man came out, tied hand and foot with burial bands,
and his face was wrapped in a cloth.
So Jesus said to them,
“Untie him and let him go.”

Now many of the Jews who had come to Mary
and seen what he had done
began to believe in him.

C. This is the Gospel of the Lord.

R/. Praise be to You, Lord Jesus Christ.



Hymn to the Holy Spirit follows (next page)

KNEEL or SIT

HYMN TO THE HOLY SPIRIT

Peacefully (♩ = ca. 96)

D G Em A D

1. Ho - ly Spir - it, fill me with your love.
2. Ho - ly Spir - it, fill me with your peace. } Ho - ly
3. Ho - ly Spir - it, fill me with your joy. }

Em A D D7 G

1-3. Spir - it, take my heart and keep it close to the

A D Bm Em

1-3. Fa - ther, close to the Son, Ho - ly

A Em A Em A D

1. Spir - it, make us one in love. _____
2. Spir - it, make us one in peace. _____
3. Spir - it, make us one in joy. _____

SIT

◆ HOMILY



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 or bow)*
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.

C. Let us now present our needs as we entrust our lives completely to the God Who can bring life even out of death.

1. For the Church: That in all her words and actions, she may bear true witness to the joy, peace, and fullness of life which the Gospel of Christ brings. We pray to the Lord.

R/. Lord, hear our prayer.

2. For scientists, health professionals, public officials, and all who are serving the common good: That they will be filled with wisdom and understanding. We pray to the Lord.

R/. Lord, hear our prayer.

3. For Fr. Sr. Walter Madej, Jeanne Stendardo, Jeanne Pomponio, Amanda Mnych–Roth, George Urciuoli, and for all who are ill: That they may feel God's love and receive healing. We pray to the Lord.

R/. Lord, hear our prayer.

4. For the parishioners of St. Francis Parish in East Meadow, New York, and for ourselves: That we may be granted patience and the joy of God's presence. We pray to the Lord.

R/. Lord, hear our prayer.

5. For Nancy Sawczak, for whom this Holy Mass is being offered, and for all who have died: That they may share in the glory of Christ, Who is the resurrection and the life. We pray to the Lord.

R/. Lord, hear our prayer.

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

R/. Lord, hear our prayer.

C. We thank You, Lord, for hearing our prayers. Help us to trust that Your answers come never too early nor too late, but just at the right time. We ask this through the same Christ our Lord.

R/. Amen.

OFFERTORY HYMN

PSALM 103: LOVING AND FORGIVING

Scott Soper

Refrain



Lov-ing and for - giv-ing are you, O Lord; slow to an-ger,



rich in kind-ness, lov-ing and for - giv - ing are you.

Verses



1. All my be - ing, bless the Lord, ___ bless the ho - ly
2. God for-gives us all our sins, ___ heal-ing those who
3. Good and gra-cious is the Lord, ___ slow to an - ger,
4. As heav-en soars a - bove the earth, so great the love of



1. name of God. ___ All my be - ing, bless the Lord, re -
2. live in pain, ___ sav-ing us from fi - nal death. God
3. rich in love. ___ God re-mem - bers not our sins; for -
4. God for us. As far as east is from the west, the



1. mem-b'ring the good-ness of God.
2. fills us with good-ness and love.
3. giv - ing and lov - ing is God.
4. Lord takes our sins ___ from us.

to Refrain

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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 Your goodness, we have this wine to offer, fruit of the vine and work of human hands. May it become our Spiritual Drink.

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.**

STAND

PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

STAND

- C. Almighty, ever-living God, receive this offering and lead our hearts back to You.
Through the merits of this spotless Sacrifice
may we receive the promise of eternal inheritance.
We ask this in the name of Your Son, Jesus Christ,
Who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.
R/. Amen.

PREFACE OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD

- 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.
The suffering and death of Your Son brought life to the whole world,
moving our hearts to praise Your glory.
The power of the cross
reveals Your judgment on this world
and the kingship of Christ crucified.
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.**

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER II

The celebrant with hands extended, says:

- C. We give thanks to You, God our Father,
through Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ,
Whom You have sent us as Savior, Redeemer and Messenger of Your will.
He is Your Word, inseparable from You.
Through Him You have made all things and in Him You were well pleased.
You sent Him from heaven to a virgin's womb.
There He dwelt and was made flesh.
He was revealed as Your Son, born through the Holy Spirit and of the Virgin.
When He suffered, He fulfilled Your will and gained for You a holy people.
He stretched out His hands to free from suffering those who believed in You.
When He was betrayed to His freely chosen suffering
thereby to destroy death, to break the chains of darkness,
to crush hell beneath His feet, to give light to the just,
to make a covenant and to manifest His resurrection,
He took bread; He gave You thanks and said:

The celebrant takes the bread and says:

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

The celebrant elevates the Sacred Host, then places it on the paten, and genuflects in adoration.

He takes the Chalice and says:

- C. In like manner He took the cup and said:

**THIS IS MY BLOOD
WHICH IS Poured OUT FOR YOU.
WHenever YOU DO THIS,
DO IT IN MEMORY OF ME.**

The celebrant elevates the Chalice, then places it on the corporal and genuflects in adoration.

With hands joined he says the following with the Congregation:

**All: Calling then His death and resurrection to mind,
we offer You the Bread and the Cup.
We thank You for allowing us to come before You and to serve You.**

The celebrant extends his hands over the Sacred Body and Blood, saying:

C. We ask You to send Your Holy Spirit
upon the offering of Your holy Church to gather all in unity.
Grant to all who partake of these Holy Mysteries
the fullness of the Holy Spirit for the strengthening of their faith in the truth.
So may we praise and glorify You
through Your Son, Jesus Christ.

Holding the Sacred Host above the chalice and elevating them the celebrant says:

C. Through Him may glory and honor be Yours,
with the Holy Spirit, in Your holy Church, now and for ever and ever.
R/. Amen.

COMMUNION RITE

The Lord's Prayer

STAND

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

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

**All: Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be Thy Name,
Thy Kingdom come,
Thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.**

With hands extended, the celebrant says:

- C. Deliver us, Lord, from every evil and grant us peace in our day.
In Your mercy keep us free from sin and protect us from all anxiety,
as we wait in joyful hope for the coming of our Savior, Jesus Christ.

The people conclude the prayer by saying the acclamation:

R/. For the kingdom, the power and the glory are Yours, now and for ever.

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.

COMMUNION PRAYER

KNEEL

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.

KNEEL or SIT

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

COMMUNION HYMN

THE SUPPER OF THE LORD

Laurence Rosania

Refrain

Pre-cious bod - y, pre-cious blood, seen as bread and wine;
here the Lord pre - pares the feast di - vine.
Bread of love is bro - ken now, cup of life is poured:
come, share the sup - per of the Lord.

Verses

1. This is the bread of God com - ing down from heav'n,
2. "I am the liv - ing spring of e - ter - nal life;
3. "I am the bread of heav'n giv - ing life to you;
4. "All those who feed on me have their life in me,
5. All praise to you, O Christ, pres - ent in this feast;

1. giv - ing life to us, to all the world.
2. you that drink from me shall not thirst a - gain."
3. you that eat this bread shall nev - er die."
4. as I have my life in the liv - ing God."
5. in this bread, we share in one life, one Lord.

Text: Verses 1-4 based on John 4, 6.

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POST COMMUNION HYMN

O, My Jesus

1. O, my Je - sus, knelt in an - guish On that night of
Lo, an an - gel soothes Your sor - row, Brings un - to Your

2. O, my Je - sus, how You suf - fer, From the pier - cing
Your most ho - ly face is crim - son As your head in

pain and grief.
soul re - lief. Come, my Je - sus, Come, my Je - sus,
thor - ny crown.
blood does drown. Come, my Je - sus, Come, my Je - sus,

Come, my Je - sus, hear my pray'r. Grant me, Lord, Your grief to share.
Come, my Je - sus, hear my pray'r. Grant me, Lord, Your grief to share.

C. Let us pray.

Lord of life and death,
You have redeemed us with the precious blood of Your Son.
Through this Eucharist we have received,
keep us firm in the confession of His name
so that we may gain eternal life as He promised.

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.

FINAL BLESSING

C. The Lord be with you.

R/. And also with you.

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

R/. Amen.

C. Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

R/. Thanks be to God.



RECESSIONAL HYMN

WHEN I SURVEY THE WONDROUS CROSS

HAMBURG



1. When I sur - vey the won-drous cross On which the
2. For - bid it, Lord, that I should boast Save in the
3. See, from his head, his hands, his feet, The pain and
4. Were ev - 'ry realm of na - ture mine, My gift would



1. Prince of glo - ry died, My rich - est gain I
2. death of Christ, my Lord; The vain things that now
3. love flow min - gled down; Did e'er such love and
4. still be far too small: Love so a - maz - ing,



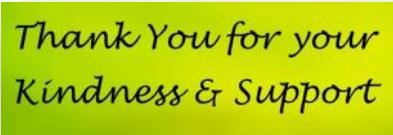
1. count but loss, And pour con-tempt on all my pride.
2. tempt me most, I sac - ri - fice them to his blood.
3. sor - row meet, Or thorns com-pose so rich a crown?
4. so di - vine, De-mands my soul, my life, my all.

Text: LM; Isaac Watts, 1674–1748, alt. Music: Lowell Mason, 1792–1872.

Announcements

*Requests for all announcements must be received by noon Wednesday each week.
Please contact Justine Fazziola (bvmc.bulletin@gmail.com)*

- As we journey through this holy season, children will have the opportunity for Lenten Confessions from Tuesday through Friday of this week. Confessions are by appointment only. Parents, please contact Fr. Mark to schedule a time that works for your family.
- Our Easter Food Sale takes place Saturday, March 28, from 2:00 pm to 6:00 pm. To ensure availability, we encourage you to purchase items in advance at www.bvmc.org/foodsale. In-person shopping will also be available for walk-ins.
- In gratitude for the abundance in our own lives, **let us reach out to families struggling to make ends meet. Food pantry collection baskets** are located in the vestibule—thank you for your continued generosity in providing non-perishable goods.
- **Thank you’ for your continuing support of our parish.** You can donate by mail: BVMC Parish, 250 Old Maxwell Rd., Latham NY 12110, or through online giving, <https://www.bvmc.org/giving> which is secure and easy. If you need assistance, please contact our financial officers, George Urciuoli or Mark Peplowski via email: bvmc.church@gmail.com.



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Happening at BVMC

Wednesday, March 25

6:30 pm Bitter Lamentations

Friday, March 27

6:30 pm Stations of the Cross

Saturday, March 28

12–5 pm Easter Food Sale

5:00 pm Vigil Mass of Sunday

Sunday, March 29—Palm Sunday

9:00 am Holy Mass

Altar Servers: Everett, Parker

Lector: Mary- Lou Epner

Cantor: Mikaela Hoefler

Greeter: Marianne

Trustees: Rick, Cuyler

10:15 am Sunday School



DATES TO REMEMBER

April 5 - Easter Sunday

April 26 - Walk With God Concert

May 10 - Crowning of Mary—Mother's Day

May 24 - Pentecost Sunday

May 25 - Memorial Day



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