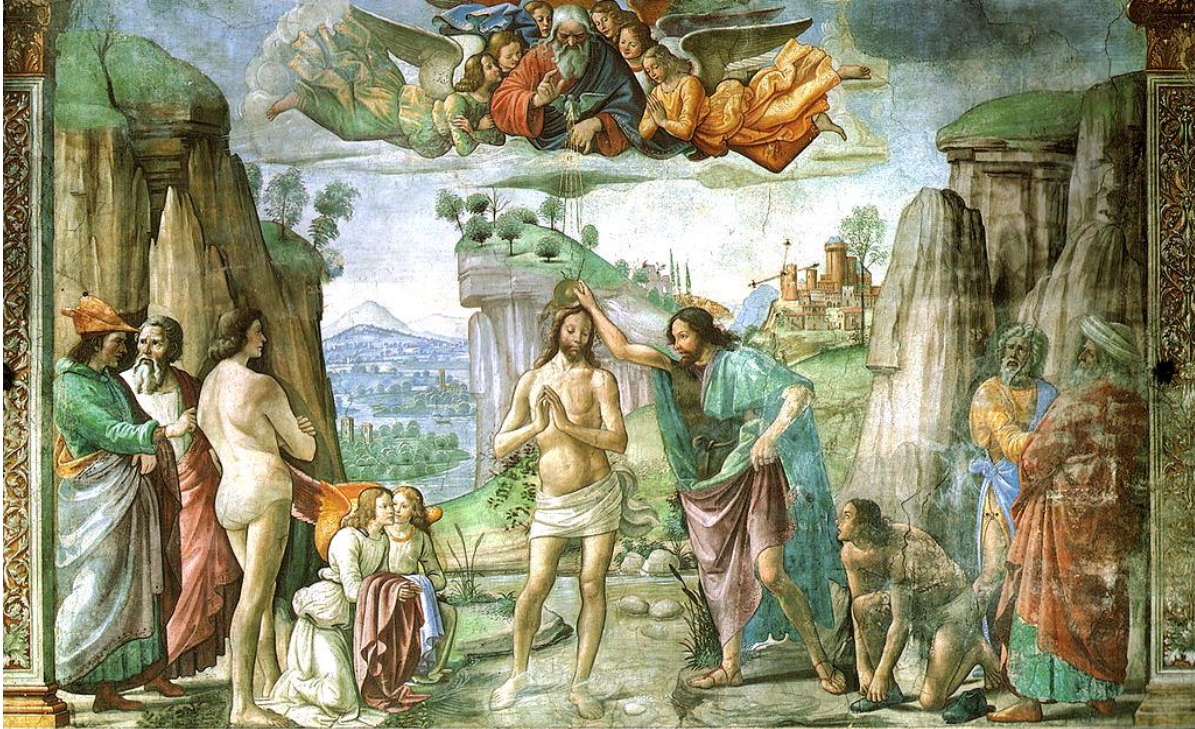


# Saint Thomas's Church

## The Baptism of Our Lord

Sunday, January 8, 2023

High Mass at 11 o'clock



*The Baptism of Christ*, Domenico Ghirlandaio, c. 1488  
Santa Maria Novella, Firenze, Italia

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## Welcome!

On behalf of everyone who claims St. Thomas's as their spiritual home, we are happy you are with us, whether in person or via our livestream. If you are a visitor or newcomer, or even a longtime parishioner, but find it awkward or difficult to stand or kneel at the places indicated, remaining seated is perfectly acceptable. Please assume the posture most conducive to prayer throughout this service, or simply observe.

St. Thomas's has many peculiar ways that we cherish and are happy to share. If there seems to be no rhyme or reason for something, there might not be! But feel free to ask anyone after the service; it usually makes for entertaining conversation.

You are not obliged to engage any of us in conversation, though you should know that pretty much everyone here is happy to do so when we gather. You can always slip away without any judgement. We seem to have a lot of introverts here, so we understand the energy it takes to put yourself out there. Even if you're a raging extrovert, the experience of church can be disorienting. Relax and be yourself. Believe it or not, whether from near or far, God has led you here today. We want to honour what God is up to in your life, and we are here for you as you (re-) discover the joy and the challenge of the saving Gospel of Jesus Christ.

Fr. Nathan Humphrey, Rector

*Low gluten communion hosts are available upon request. When you approach for communion, indicate to the priest that you require a low gluten host.*



SCAN ME

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**Celebrant & Homilist:** Fr. Humphrey  
**Reader:** Willem Hart  
**Interim Director of Music & Organist:** Elizabeth Anderson

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**MUSIC OF THE MASS:** Missa 'Ad praesepe,' *George Malcolm (1917-1977)*

*Throughout this booklet, the People match the pitch of the Minister on the underlined syllable.*

**VOLUNTARY:** Prélude sur l'Introit de l'Épiphanie, *Maurice Duruflé (1902-1986)*

*The People stand as the choir enters the church during the prelude, sitting again when the choir sits.*

*At the sound of the bell, all stand for the entrance of the Sacred Ministers.*

**ENTRANCE HYMN – The sinless one to Jordan came**



- All* 1 The sinless one to Jordan came  
And in the river shared our stain;  
God's righteousness he thus fulfilled,  
And chose the path his Father willed.
- Lower 2* Uprising from the waters there,  
*Voices* The voice from heav'n true witness bare  
That Christ, the Son of God, had come  
To lead his scattered people home.
- Upper 3* Above him see the heav'nly Dove,  
*Voices* The sign of God the Father's love,  
Now by the Holy Spirit shed  
Upon the Son's anointed head.
- Lower* 4 How blest that mission then begun  
*Voices* To heal and save a race undone!  
Straight to the wilderness he goes  
To wrestle with his people's foes.

*Upper* 5 O Christ, your sons baptized from sin,  
*Voices* Go forth with you a world to win;  
Grant them the Holy Spirit's pow'r  
To shield them in temptation's hour.

*All* 6 On you may all your people feed,  
And know you are the Bread indeed,  
Who gives eternal life to those  
That with you died, and with you rose.

*SOLEMNIS HAEC FESTIVITAS*  
*Paris Gradual, 1685*

*G.B. Timms*

*The People kneel.*

### **COLLECT FOR PURITY**

Almighty God, unto whom all hearts be open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

*The Choir alone sings the Kyrie, the People kneeling.*

### **KYRIE ELEISON**

Lord, have mercy upon us.  
Christ, have mercy upon us.  
Lord, have mercy upon us.

Kyrie Eleison.  
Christe Eleison.  
Kyrie Eleison.

*The People stand.*

### **GLORIA IN EXCELSIS DEO**

Glory be to God on high,  
and in earth peace,  
good will towards men.  
We praise thee, we bless thee,  
we worship thee, we glorify thee,  
we give thanks to thee  
for thy great glory,  
O Lord God, heavenly King,  
God the Father Almighty.

Gloria in excelsis Deo,  
et in terra pax hominibus  
bonæ voluntatis  
Laudamus te, benedicimus te,  
adoramus te, glorificamus te,  
gratias agimus tibi  
propter magnam gloriam tuam,  
Domine Deus, Rex cælestis,  
Deus Pater omnipotens.

O Lord, the only-begotten Son,  
Jesu Christ;  
O Lord God, Lamb of God,  
Son of the Father,  
that takest away the sin of the world,  
have mercy upon us.  
Thou that takest away the sin of the world,  
receive our prayer.  
Thou that sittest  
at the right hand of God the Father,  
have mercy upon us.

For thou only art holy;  
thou only art the Lord;  
thou only, O Christ,  
with the Holy Ghost, art most high  
in the ✠ glory of God the Father. Amen

*The People remain kneeling for the Collect.*

## COLLECT OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you.  
**And with thy spirit.**  
Let us pray.

O Heavenly Father, whose blessed Son Jesus Christ did take our nature upon him, and was baptized for our sakes in the river Jordan: Mercifully grant that we being regenerate, and made thy children by adoption and grace, may also be partakers of thy Holy Spirit; through him whom thou didst send to be our Saviour and Redeemer, even the same thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

*The People sit.*

## FIRST LESSON: Isaiah 42.1-9

The First Lesson is written in the forty-second chapter of the book of the prophet Isaiah, beginning at the first verse.

Here is my servant, whom I uphold, my chosen, in whom my soul delights; I have put my spirit upon him; he will bring forth justice to the nations. He will not cry or lift up his voice, or make it heard in the street; a bruised reed he will not break, and a dimly burning wick he will not quench; he will faithfully bring forth justice. He will not grow faint or be crushed until he has established justice in the earth; and the coastlands wait

Domine Fili unigenite,  
Jesu Christe,  
Domine Deus, Agnus Dei,  
Filius Patris,  
qui tollis peccata mundi,  
miserere nobis.  
Qui tollis peccata mundi,  
suscipe deprecationem nostram.  
Qui sedes  
ad dexteram Patris,  
miserere nobis.

Quoniam tu solus Sanctus,  
tu solus Dominus,  
tu solus Altissimus, Jesu Christe,  
cum Sancto Spiritu:  
in ✠ gloria Dei Patris. Amen.

for his teaching. Thus says God, the Lord, who created the heavens and stretched them out, who spread out the earth and what comes from it, who gives breath to the people upon it and spirit to those who walk in it: I am the Lord, I have called you in righteousness, I have taken you by the hand and kept you; I have given you as a covenant to the people, a light to the nations, to open the eyes that are blind, to bring out the prisoners from the dungeon, from the prison those who sit in darkness. I am the Lord, that is my name; my glory I give to no other, nor my praise to idols. See, the former things have come to pass, and new things I now declare; before they spring forth, I tell you of them.

The word of the Lord.

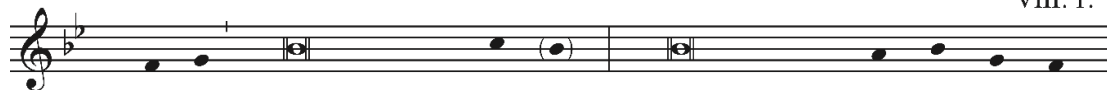
**Thanks be to God.**

*The people remain seated as the Choir sings the psalm.*

**PSALM: 29**

*Afferte Domino*

VIII. 1.



- Cantor* 1 A-SCRIBE unto the Lord, O ye **migh**-ty :
- People* ascribe unto the Lord **wor**-ship and strength.
- 2 Give unto the Lord the honour due unto his **Name** : worship the Lord with **ho**-ly wor-ship.
- Cantor* 3 The voice of the Lord is upon the **wa**-ters : it is the glorious God that maketh the thunder, even the Lord upon **ma**-ny wa-ters.
- People* 4 The voice of the Lord is mighty in oper-**a**-tion : the voice of the Lord **is** a glo-rious^voice.
- Cantor* 5 The voice of the Lord breaketh the **ce**-dar^trees : yea, the Lord breaketh the **ce-dars** of Le-ba^non.
- People* 6 He maketh Lebanon to skip like a **calf** : and Sirion **like** a young ox.
- Cantor* 7 The voice of the Lord divideth the flames of fire; the voice of the Lord shaketh the **wil**-der^ness : yea, the Lord shaketh the wilder-**ness** of Ka-desh.
- People* 8 The voice of the Lord maketh the hinds to bring forth young, and strippeth bare the **for**-ests : in his temple doth every thing speak **of** his hon-our.
- Cantor* 9 The Lord sitteth above the **wa**-ter^flood : and the Lord remaineth a **King** for ev-er.
- People* 10 The Lord shall give strength unto his **peo**-ple : the Lord shall give his people the **bles**-sing of peace.

## SECOND LESSON: Acts 10.34-43

The Second Lesson is written in the tenth chapter of the Acts of the Apostles, beginning at the thirty-fourth verse.

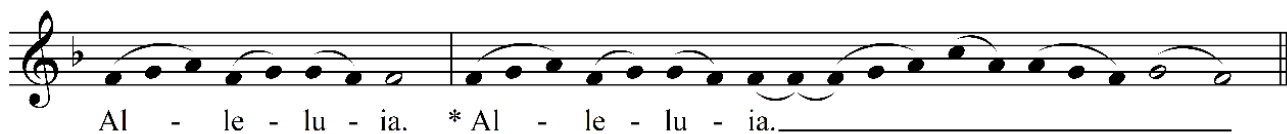
Then Peter began to speak to them: 'I truly understand that God shows no partiality, but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ - he is Lord of all. That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name.'

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

*The People stand.*

### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION





## GOSPEL: Matthew 3.13-17

The Lord be with you.

**And with thy spirit.**

The Holy Gospel is written in the third chapter of the Gospel according to Saint Matthew, beginning at the thirteenth verse.

**Glory be to thee, O Lord.**

Then Jesus came from Galilee to John at the Jordan, to be baptized by him. John would have prevented him, saying, 'I need to be baptized by you, and do you come to me?' But Jesus answered him, 'Let it be so now; for it is proper for us in this way to fulfil all righteousness.' Then he consented. And when Jesus had been baptized, just as he came up from the water, suddenly the heavens were opened to him and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and alighting on him. And a voice from heaven said, 'This is my Son, the Beloved, with whom I am well pleased.'

The Gospel of Christ.

**Praise be to thee, O Christ.**

*The People sit at the invitation of the Preacher.*

## SERMON

*The People stand to sing the Creed. All who are able to kneel, please do so at "and was incarnate," rising after "and was made man."*

## THE NICENE CREED

*Missa de Angelis*

*Celebrant*                      *People*

I be-lieve in one God the Fath-er Al-migh-ty, Mak-er of hea-ven and earth,

And of all things vis - - - i - ble and in - vis - - - i - ble:

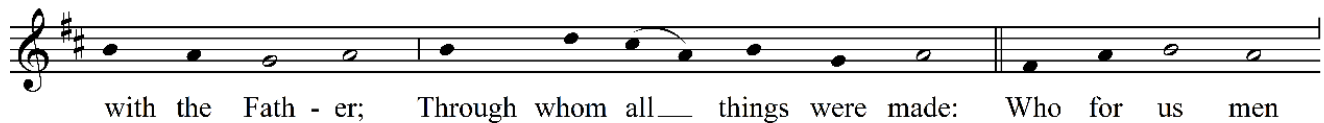
And in one Lord Je - sus Christ, the on - ly - be - got - ten Son of God,

Be - got - ten of the Fath - - er be - fore all worlds; God, of God; Light, of Light;

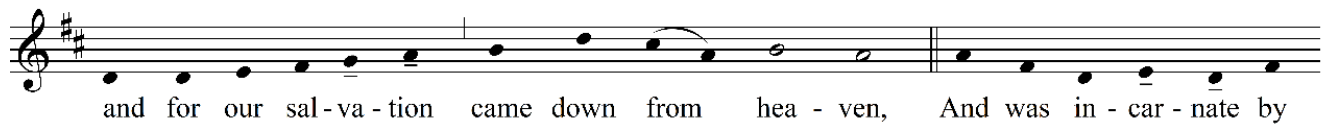




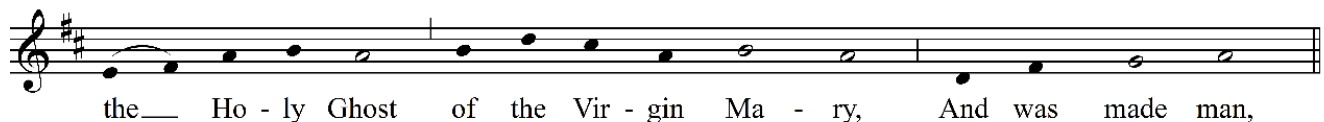
Ve - ry God, of Ve - ry God; Be - got - ten not \_\_\_ made; Be - ing of one sub - stance



with the Fath - er; Through whom all \_\_\_ things were made: Who for us men



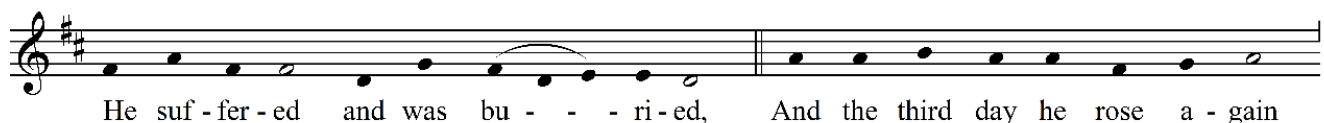
and for our sal - va - tion came down from hea - ven, And was in - car - nate by



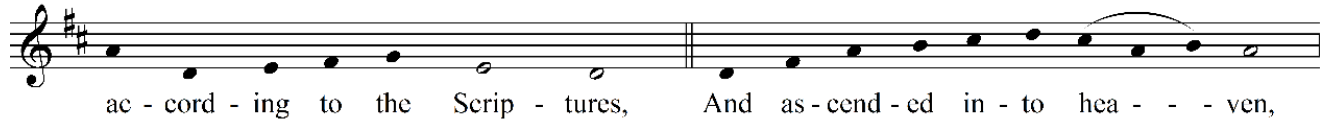
the \_\_\_ Ho - ly Ghost of the Vir - gin Ma - ry, And was made man,



And was cru - - ci - fi - ed al - so for \_\_\_ us un - der Pon - tius Pi - late.



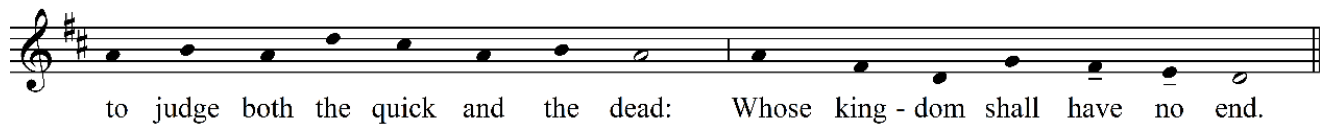
He suf - fer - ed and was bu - - - ri - ed, And the third day he rose a - gain



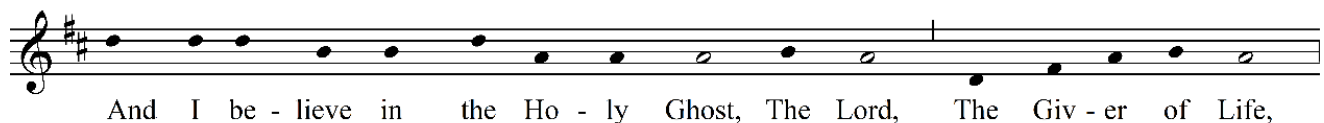
ac - cord - ing to the Scrip - tures, And as - cend - ed in - to hea - - - ven,



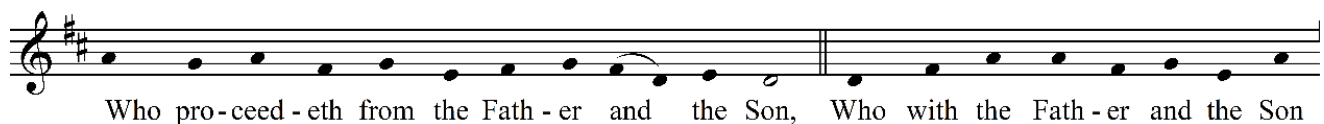
And sit - teth on the right hand of the Fath - er. And he shall come a - gain with glo - ry



to judge both the quick and the dead: Whose king - dom shall have no end.



And I be - lieve in the Ho - ly Ghost, The Lord, The Giv - er of Life,



Who pro - ceed - eth from the Fath - er and the Son, Who with the Fath - er and the Son



to - geth - er is wor - ship - ped and glo - ri - fi - ed, Who spake by the Pro - - phets.

And I be - lieve One, Ho - ly, Cath - o - lic, and A - po - sto - lic Church.

I ac - know - ledge one Bap - tism for the re - mis - sion of sins. And I look for

the Re - sur - rec - tion of the dead, And the Life of the world to come.

A - - - - - men.

**OFFERTORY SENTENCE**

Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven.

*The People remain standing for the hymn.*

**OFFERTORY HYMN 96 – Songs of thankfulness and praise**

*All* 1 Songs of thankfulness and praise,  
 Jesu, Lord, to thee we raise,  
 Manifested by the star  
 To the sages from afar;  
 Branch of royal David's stem  
 In thy birth at Bethlehem;  
 Anthems be to thee address,  
 God in Man made manifest.

*Upper* 2 Manifest at Jordan's stream,  
*Voices* Prophet, Priest, and King supreme;  
 And at Cana wedding-guest  
 In thy Godhead manifest;  
 Manifest in power divine,  
 Changing water into wine;  
 Anthems be to thee address,  
 God in Man made manifest.

*All* 3 Manifest in making whole  
Palsied limbs and fainting soul;  
Manifest in valiant fight,  
Quelling all the devil's might;  
Manifest in gracious will,  
Ever bringing good from ill;  
Anthems be to thee address,  
God in Man made manifest.

*Lower* 4 Sun and moon shall darkened be,  
*Voices* Stars shall fall, the heavens shall flee;  
Christ will then like lightning shine,  
All will see his glorious sign;  
All will then the trumpet hear,  
All will see the Judge appear;  
Thou by all wilt be confest,  
God in Man made manifest.

*All* 5 Grant us grace to see thee, Lord,  
Mirrored in thy holy Word;  
May we imitate thee now,  
And be pure, as pure art thou;  
That we like to thee may be  
At thy great Epiphany;  
And may praise thee, ever blest,  
God in Man made manifest.

*SALZBURG*  
*Jakob Hintze (1678)*

*Bishop Christopher Wordsworth, 1862*

*The People remain standing as the thurifer approaches for the censuring.*

## **PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS**

Blessed be thou, Lord God of Israel, for ever and ever. All that is in the heaven and in the earth is thine. All things come of thee, and of thine own have we given thee. **Amen.**

*The People kneel.*

## **INTERCESSIONS**

*Celebrant:* Dear friends in Christ, let us pray for the Church and for the world.

*Intercessor:* I bid your prayers for the church universal throughout the world; for Andrew our bishop, according to the Anglican cycle of prayer for \_\_\_\_\_, according to the Diocesan prayer cycle for \_\_\_\_\_, and for all who serve and minister to God's people. *(Silence.)*

Lord, in thy mercy,  
**We beseech thee, hear our prayer.**

*Intercessor:* I bid your prayers for the King and for all in civil authority in our country, province, and city. May God guide them in the ways of justice and peace; that all may honour one another and serve the common good. *(Silence.)*

Lord, in thy mercy,  
**We beseech thee, hear our prayer.**

*Intercessor:* I bid your prayers for God's blessings upon all people, giving thanks to God for the people, neighbours, and friends of this parish, and especially for all those present in person or via livestream; for newcomers and visitors this morning, both near and far; and for all other thanksgivings we now name, silently or aloud \_\_\_\_\_ [We give thanks especially for \_\_\_\_\_.] May God's abiding presence be with us always, that we may be a blessing to all people. *(Silence.)*

Lord, in thy mercy,  
**We beseech thee, hear our prayer.**

*Intercessor:* I bid your prayers for all those in need, for the sick \_\_\_\_\_, and all those suffering in mind, body, or estate due to the ongoing pandemic; for victims of warfare and violence; for elders, for prisoners, for refugees and migrants, for the oppressed, for those who mourn, and for all others for whom our prayers are asked \_\_\_\_\_. May God grant that they will be comforted by the ever-present love of our Lord. *(Silence.)*

Lord, in thy mercy,  
**We beseech thee, hear our prayer.**

*Intercessor:* I bid your prayers for the souls of the departed, especially \_\_\_\_\_ who have died in recent days, and those whose year's mind is at this time \_\_\_\_\_, that they may share with the Blessed Virgin Mary, Blessed Thomas, and all the saints in God's eternal kingdom. May God grant that their souls, and the souls of all the faithful departed, may rest in peace and rise in glory. (*Silence.*)

Lord, in thy mercy,  
**We beseech thee, hear our prayer.**

*Celebrant:* Hear our humble prayer that we may serve thee in holiness and faith and give voice to thy presence amongst us until the day of the coming of thy Son, Jesus Christ, who liveth and reigneth with thee, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

### **INVITATION, CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION**

Ye that do truly and earnestly repent you of your sins, and are in love and charity with your neighbours, and intend to lead the new life, following the commandments of God, and walking from henceforth in his holy ways: Draw near with faith, and take this holy Sacrament to your comfort; and make your humble confession to Almighty God, meekly kneeling upon your knees.

**Almighty God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, Maker of all things, Judge of all men: We acknowledge and confess our manifold sins and wickedness, Which we from time to time most grievously have committed, By thought, word, and deed, Against thy Divine Majesty. We do earnestly repent, And are heartily sorry for these our misdoings. Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; For thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, Forgive us all that is past; And grant that we may ever hereafter Serve and please thee In newness of life, To the honour and glory of thy Name; Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

*The Celebrant alone stands to impart the Absolution.*

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all them that with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto him: Have mercy upon you; pardon and deliver you from all your sins; confirm and strengthen you in all goodness; and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

*The People remain kneeling.*

## **EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER**

*Celebrant* *People*  
The\_\_ Lord be\_\_ with\_\_ you; And\_\_ with thy\_\_ spi - rit.

*Celebrant* *People*  
Lift\_\_ up your hearts; We lift\_\_ them up un - to\_\_ the Lord.\_\_

*Celebrant* *People*  
Let us\_\_ give\_\_ thanks un - to\_\_ our Lord God; It is meet and right so\_\_ to do.\_\_

It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, Holy Father, Almighty, Everlasting God, Creator and Preserver of all things.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord, who, in substance of our mortal flesh, manifested forth his glory, that he might bring us out of darkness into his own marvellous light.

Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee and saying:

*The Choir alone sings:*

## **SANCTUS & BENEDICTUS**

Holy, Holy, Holy,  
Lord God of Hosts:  
Heaven and earth are full of thy glory.  
Glory be to thee, O Lord Most High.  
✠ Blessed is he that cometh  
in the Name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest.

Sanctus, Sanctus, Sanctus,  
Dominus Deus Sabaoth:  
Pleni sunt caeli et terra gloria tua.  
Hosanna in excelsis.  
✠ Benedictus qui venit  
in nomine Domini.  
Hosanna in excelsis.

*The Celebrant continues,*

Blessing and glory and thanksgiving be unto thee Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of thy tender mercy didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to take our nature upon him, and to suffer death upon the Cross for our redemption; who made there, by his one oblation of himself once offered, a full, perfect, and sufficient sacrifice, oblation, and satisfaction, for the sins of the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memorial of that his precious death, until his coming again.

Hear us, O merciful Father, we most humbly beseech thee; and grant that we receiving these thy creatures of bread and wine, according to thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ's holy institution, in remembrance of his death and passion, may be partakers of his most blessed Body and Blood; who, in the same night that he was betrayed, took Bread; and, when he had given thanks, he brake it; and gave it to his disciples, saying, Take, eat; this is my Body which is given for you: Do this in remembrance of me.

Likewise after supper he took the Cup; and, when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, Drink ye all, of this; for this is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the remission of sins: Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me.

Wherefore, O Father, Lord of heaven and earth, we thy humble servants, with all thy holy Church, remembering the precious death of thy beloved Son, his mighty resurrection, and glorious ascension, and looking for his coming again in glory, do make before thee, in this sacrament of the holy Bread of eternal life and the Cup of everlasting salvation, the memorial which he hath commanded; And we entirely desire thy fatherly goodness mercifully to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, most humbly beseeching thee to grant, that by the merits and death of thy Son Jesus Christ, and through faith in his blood, we and all thy whole Church may obtain remission of our sins, and all other benefits of his passion; And we pray that by the power of thy Holy Spirit, all we who are partakers of this holy Communion may be fulfilled with thy grace and heavenly benediction; through Jesus Christ our Lord, by whom and with whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory be unto thee,

The musical notation is on a single staff with a treble clef and a key signature of three flats (B-flat, E-flat, A-flat). The tempo is marked 'Moderato'. The notation is divided into two parts: 'Celebrant' and 'People'. The 'Celebrant' part consists of a series of quarter notes: O, Fa, - ther, al - might - ty, world with - out, end. The 'People' part consists of a single half note: A - men. The lyrics are written below the notes.

*Celebrant* *People*


O Fa - ther al - might - ty, world with - out end. A - men.



## THE LORD'S PRAYER

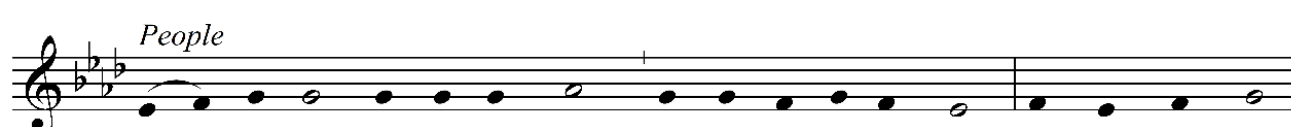
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*Celebrant*

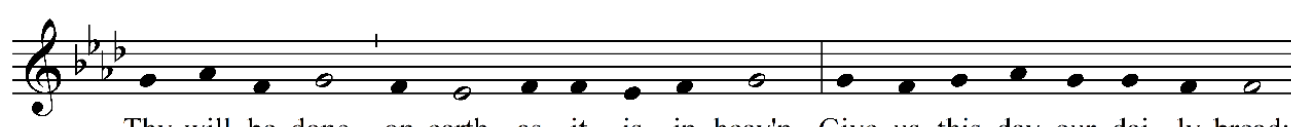


And now, as our Sa-viour Christ hath com-mand-ed and taught us, we are bold to say:


*People*




Our Fa-ther, who art in heav'n, Hal-low-ed be thy Name, Thy king-dom come,



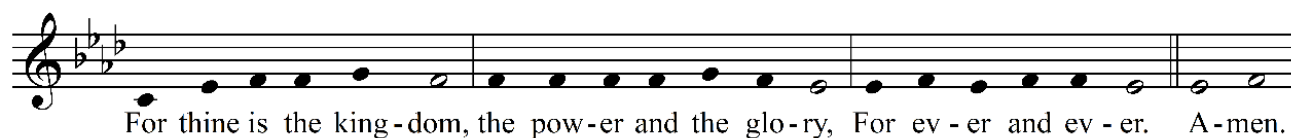
Thy will be done, on earth, as it is in heav'n. Give us this day our dai-ly bread;



and for-give us our tres-pass-es, As we for-give them that tres-pass a-gainst us;



And lead us not in-to temp-ta-tion, But de-li-ver us from ev-il.




For thine is the king-dom, the pow-er and the glo-ry, For ev-er and ev-er. A-men.

## FRACTION & PEACE


*The consecrated Bread is broken.*

*Celebrant*



The peace of the Lord be al-ways with you.

*People*



And with thy spi-rit.

## PRAYER OF HUMBLE ACCESS

*All who intend to receive Holy Communion pray together:*

We do not presume  
to come to this thy Table, O merciful Lord, Trusting in our own righteousness, But in  
thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy So much as to gather up the  
crumbs under thy Table. But thou art the same Lord, Whose property is always to  
have mercy: Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, So to eat the Flesh of thy dear Son

**Jesus Christ, And to drink his Blood, That our sinful bodies may be made clean by his Body, And our souls washed through his most precious Blood, And that we may evermore dwell in him, And he in us. Amen.**

*The Choir alone sings:*

## **AGNUS DEI**

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins  
of the world, have mercy upon us.

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins  
of the world, have mercy upon us.

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins  
of the world, grant us thy peace.

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi,  
miserere nobis.

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi,  
miserere nobis.

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi,  
dona nobis pacem.

*The Celebrant turns to face the People and says,*

## **INVITATION TO COMMUNION**

Behold the Lamb of God; behold him that taketh away the sins of the world.

**Lord, I am not worthy that thou shouldst come under my roof, but speak the word only, and my soul shall be healed.**

## **COMMUNION INSTRUCTIONS**

*All baptized Christians are warmly invited to receive Communion as directed by the Sidespeople. Please receive the host (bread) on the right palm of the hand (supported underneath by the left palm). To receive the cup, gently guide with your hand the base of the chalice. Please refrain from intinction (dipping the host into the cup), as diocesan policy does not allow us to do so.*

*Low gluten communion hosts are available upon request. When you approach for communion indicate to the priest that you require a low gluten host.*

*If you have not been baptized or are not receiving communion, please cross your arms over your chest in the shape of an X to receive a blessing. If you are not receiving from the cup, please pause to reverence it with a bow before returning to your pew.*

*If you wish to inquire about baptism for yourself or your child, we would love to speak with you!*

## COMMUNION DEVOTIONS

*An Act of Spiritual Communion, which may be prayed silently by those not receiving:*

My Jesus, I believe that thou art truly present in the Holy Sacrament. And since I cannot now receive thee sacramentally, I beseech thee to come spiritually into my heart. I unite myself unto thee, and embrace thee with all the affections of my soul. Let me never be separated from thee. Let me live and die in thy love. Amen.

## ANIMA CHRISTI

*The following devotion may be prayed silently by communicants and non-communicants.*

Soul of Christ, sanctify me.  
Body of Christ, save me.  
Blood of Christ, inebriate me.  
Water from the side of Christ, wash me.  
Passion of Christ, strengthen me.  
O good Jesu, hear me.  
Within thy wounds hide me.  
Suffer me not to be separated from thee.  
From the malicious enemy defend me.  
In the hour of my death call me.  
And bid me come to thee,  
That with thy saints I may praise thee,  
For ever and ever. Amen.

**MOTET:** 'Tomorrow shall be my dancing day,' *Arranged by Martin Shaw*

Tomorrow shall be my dancing day: I would my true love did so chance  
To see the legend of my play, To call my true love to my dance: *Sing O my love, O my love, my love, my love; This have I done for my true love.* Then was I born of a virgin pure,  
Of her I took fleshly substance; Thus was I knit to man's nature,  
To call my true love to my dance: *Sing O my love...* In a manger laid and wrapp'd I was,  
So very poor, this was my chance, Betwixt an ox and a silly poor ass,  
To call my true love to my dance: *Sing O my love...* Then afterwards baptized I was;  
The Holy Ghost on me did glance, My Father's voice heard from above,  
To call my true love to my dance: *Sing O my love, O my love, my love, my love; This have I done for my true love.*

(English traditional carol)

*The People may sit or kneel for the hymn.*

**COMMUNION HYMN 98** – Worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness

- 1 Worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness;  
Bow down before him, his glory proclaim;  
Gold of obedience and incense of lowliness  
Bring, and adore him; the Lord is his Name!
- 2 Low at his feet lay thy burden of carefulness;  
High on his heart he will bear it for thee,  
Comfort thy sorrows, and answer thy prayerfulness,  
Guiding thy steps as may best for thee be.
- 3 Fear not to enter his courts, in the slenderness  
Of the poor wealth thou canst reckon as thine;  
Truth in its beauty and love in its tenderness,  
These are the offerings to lay on his shrine.
- 4 These, though we bring them in trembling and fearfulness,  
He will accept for the Name that is dear,  
Mornings of joy give for evenings of tearfulness,  
Trust for our trembling, and hope for our fear.
- 5 Worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness;  
Bow down before him, his glory proclaim;  
Gold of obedience and incense of lowliness  
Bring, and adore him; the Lord is his Name!

*UTTINGEN*  
*from the Rheinhardt MSS, Uttingen, 1754*

*Rev. J.S.B. Monsell, 1863*

*The People kneel.*

**PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

Let us pray.

Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee that thou dost graciously feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ; assuring us thereby of thy favour and goodness towards us; and that we are living members of his mystical body, which is the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs through hope of thy everlasting kingdom. And here we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, ourselves, our souls and bodies, to be a reasonable, holy, and living sacrifice unto thee. And although we are

unworthy, yet we beseech thee to accept this our bounden duty and service, not weighing our merits, but pardoning our offences; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honour and glory, world without end.  
**Amen.**

### **BLESSING**

The peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord: And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be amongst you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

*Please stand.*

### **DISMISSAL**

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord  
**Thanks be to God.**

### **CONCLUDING HYMN 479 – Spirit Divine, attend our prayers**

*All* 1 Spirit Divine, attend our prayers,  
And make this house thy home;  
Descend with all thy gracious powers,  
O come, great Spirit, come.

*Upper* 2 Come as the light; to us reveal  
*Voices* Our emptiness and woe:  
And lead us in those paths of life,  
Where all the righteous go.

*Lower* 3 Come as the fire, and purge our hearts  
*Voices* Like sacrificial flame;  
Let our whole soul an offering be  
To our Redeemer's Name.

*All* 4 Come as the dew, and sweetly bless  
This consecrated hour;  
May barrenness rejoice to own  
Thy fertilizing power.

*All*     5     Spirit Divine, attend our prayers;  
                  Make a lost world thy home;  
                  Descend with all thy gracious powers,  
                  O come, great Spirit, come.

GRÄFENBURG  
Johann Crüger, 1653

*Rev. Andrew Reed, 1829*

*The people may be seated. Please maintain an atmosphere of reverent silence during and after the Voluntary.*

**VOLUNTARY:** 'Alleluia,' from Five Liturgical Inventions, *Victor Togni (1935-1965)*

*The Altar flowers are given to the honour and glory of almighty God:*

*Those on the High Altar in memory of Robert Gordon and Kathryn Wilma Alice Gordon, and  
their children, Kathryn Alice Agnes Gordon Tulk  
and Roberta Holmes Gordon McEachern.;*

*and*

*Those on the Lady Altar are in memory of Marigrace and John David Campbell Ross,  
and Robert Thorne Bodie, by Robert Ross.*