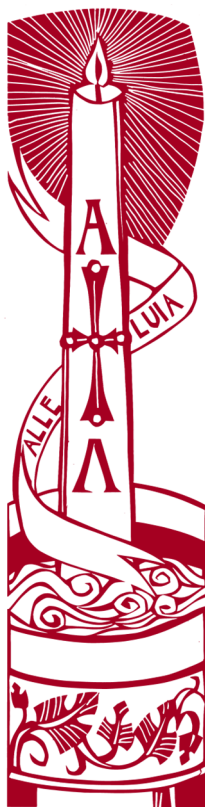


THE EASTER VIGIL IN THE HOLY NIGHT



ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST CATHOLIC CHURCH
IN THE CITY OF HARRISON, OHIO

APRIL 4, 2026
8:45PM

In accord with ancient tradition, this night is one of vigil for the Lord (Ex 12:42). The Gospel of Luke (12:35ff) is a reminder to the faithful to have their lamps burning ready, to be like men awaiting their master's return so that when he arrives he will find them wide awake and will seat them at his table.

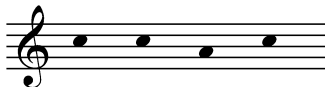
FIRST PART: LUCERNARIUM

BLESSING OF THE FIRE & PREPARATION OF THE CANDLE

PROCESSION

The dialog, "The Light of Christ." is sung three times: at the entrance of the church, midway up the main aisle, and in front of the sanctuary.

Minister:



The Light of Christ.

Assembly:



Thanks be to God.

THE EASTER PROCLAMATION (EXSULTET)

Following the Exsultet, the assembly extinguishes their candles and is seated for the liturgy of the word.



SECOND PART: LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING

Genesis 1:1-2:2

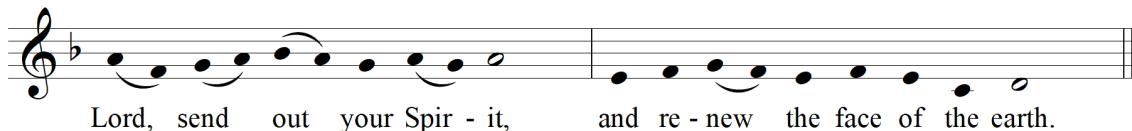
God looked at everything he had made, and he found it very good.

The word of the Lord.

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

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: *Psalm 104: Lord, send out your Spirit*

Kelly



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PSALM PRAYER (*all stand*)

THIRD READING

Exodus 14:15-15:1

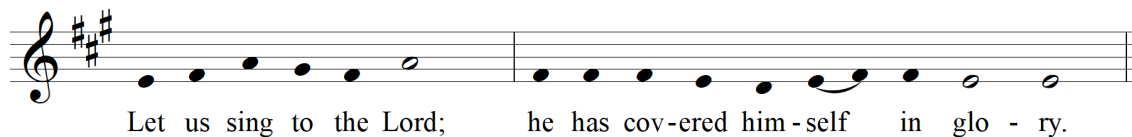
The Israelites marched on dry land through the midst of the sea.

The word of the Lord.

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

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: *Exodus 15: Let us sing to the Lord*

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PSALM PRAYER (*all stand*)

FIFTH READING

Isaiah 55:1-11

Come to me that you may have life. I will renew with you an everlasting covenant.

The word of the Lord.

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

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: *Isaiah 12: You will draw water joyfully*

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PSALM PRAYER (*all stand*)

SIXTH READING

Baruch 3:9-15, 32-4:4

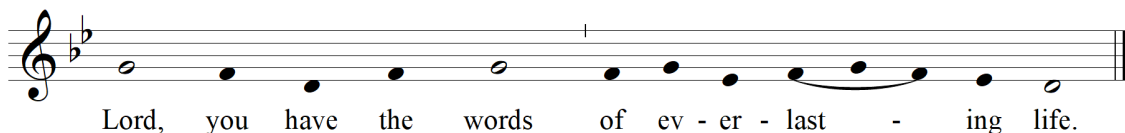
Walk toward the splendor of the Lord.

The word of the Lord.

R/. Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: *Psalm 19: Lord, you have the words*

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Lord, you have the words of ev - er - last - ing life.

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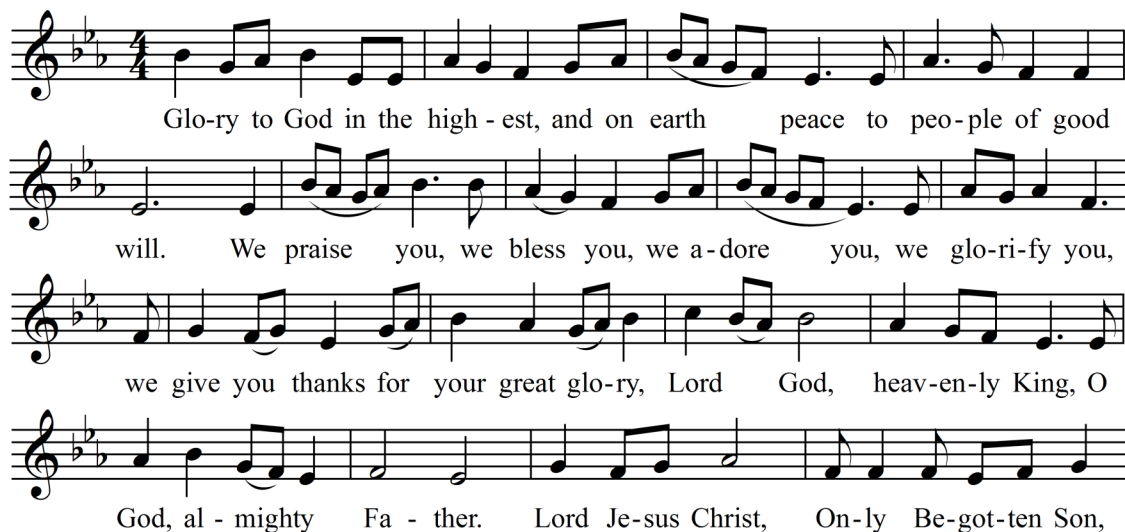
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PSALM PRAYER (*all stand*)

Sung last on Holy Thursday, the Glory to God, ancient hymn of praise, is sung with full conviction in Christ who has conquered sin and death. Silent since Holy Thursday, the church bells are rung and the candles of the sanctuary are lit from the Paschal Candle.

GLORIA: *Mass of Wisdom*

Janco



Glo-ry to God in the high - est, and on earth peace to peo-ple of good
will. We praise you, we bless you, we a-dore you, we glo-ri-fy you,
we give you thanks for your great glo-ry, Lord God, heav-en-ly King, O
God, al - mighty Fa - ther. Lord Je-sus Christ, On-ly Be-got-ten Son,

Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Fa - ther, you take a-way the
sins of the world, have mer-cy on us; you take a-way the sins of the world,
re-ceive our prayer; you are seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther,
have mer-cy on us. For you a - lone are the Ho-ly One,
you a - lone are the Lord, you a - lone are the Most High,
Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spir - it, in the glo-ry of
God the Fa - ther. A - - - men.

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PRAYER (*Remain Standing*)

EPISTLE (*All are seated*)

Romans 6:3-11

Christ, raised from the dead, dies no more.

The word of the Lord.

R/. Thanks be to God.

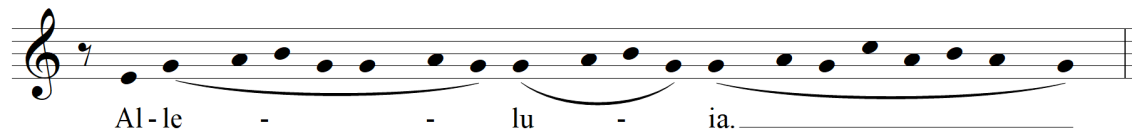
ALLELUIA & PSALM (*All stand*)

Psalm 118: Alleluia!

Chant, Mode VIII

In accord with the ancient tradition, the Alleluia response is sung three times, first by the cantor and then

by all. Each time the pitch is raised a step.



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The first alleluia of the paschal night is a mystery, unutterable like all mysteries. As this alleluia is, so is the whole life of Christians: a gentle quiet song of joy which meets the rise of day in the midst of the suffering night of time.”

~ Adolf Adam, *The Liturgical Year*

GOSPEL READING

Matthew 28:1-10

On this day of days, we offer a joyful sacrifice of praise to the Father who raised his Son from the dead.

The Gospel of the Lord.

R/. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

HOMILY

SIT

THIRD PART: BAPTISMAL LITURGY

The resurrection of Christ is the foundation of our faith and hope, and through baptism and confirmation, we are inserted into the paschal mystery of Christ - dying, buried, and raised with him; and with him, we shall also reign.

LITANY OF SAINTS (*All Stand*)

Chant/arr. Anthony J. DiCello

Cantor:

Assembly:

Lord, have mercy...



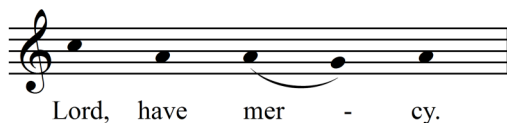
Lord, have mer - cy.

Christ, have mercy...



Christ, have mer - cy.

Lord, have mercy...



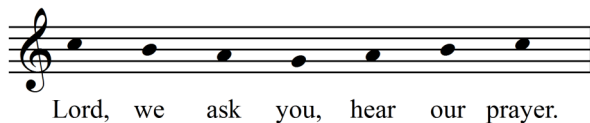
Holy Mary, Mother of God,...
... All holy men and women,
Saints of God,



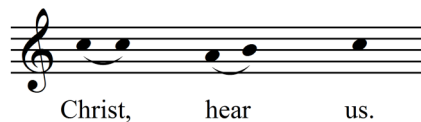
Lord, be merciful...
... By the outpouring of the
Holy Spirit,



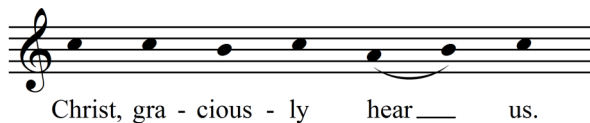
Be merciful to us sinners...
... Jesus, Son of the
Living God,



Christ, hear us...



Christ graciously hear us...

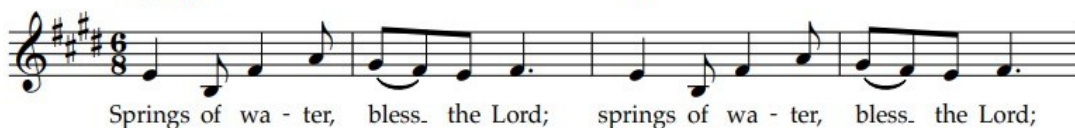


BLESSING OF BAPTISMAL WATER: *Easter Vigil Initiation Acclamations*

Alonso

Cantor

All



Cantor

All



(All)

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

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RENEWAL OF BAPTISMAL PROMISES

PROFESSION OF FAITH & ACCLAMATION AFTER EACH BAPTISM: *Celtic Alleluia* Walker

All are invited to come forward to the font to bless themselves. Please follow the direction of the ushers.

BLESSING WITH HOLY WATER: *Easter Vigil Initiation Acclamations* Alonso

Cantor All

I saw wa - ter, flow - ing clear, I saw wa - ter, flow - ing clear,
All who came and drank were saved. All who came and drank were saved,
Springs of wa - ter, bless_ the Lord; springs of wa - ter, bless_ the Lord;

Cantor All

from the right side of God's ho - ly tem - ple, from the right side of God's ho - ly tem - ple.
Let all cre - a - tion sing al - le - lu - ia. Let all cre - a - tion sing al - le - lu - ia.
praise and ex - alt him a - bove all for - ev - er, praise and ex - alt him a - bove all for - ev - er.

(All)

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

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RECEPTION INTO THE FULL COMMUNION OF THE CATHOLIC CHURCH

ACCLAMATION FOLLOWING THE ACT OF RECEPTION: *There Is One Lord* Berthier/Taizé

There is one Lord, one faith, one bap - tis - m,
 There is one God who is Fa - ther of all.

CELEBRATION OF CONFIRMATION

LAYING ON OF HANDS

ANOINTING WITH CHRISM: *Veni Sancte Spiritus*

Walker

Ve - ni San - cte Spi - ri - tus;
 Ve - ni San - cte Spi - ri - tus;
 Ve - ni, ve - ni San - cte Spi - ri - tus;
 Ve - ni San - cte Spi - ri - tus.

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Cantor: *(Intercessions)* we pray to the Lord. Congregation: Lord, hear our prayer.

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FOURTH PART: LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

PREPARATION OF GIFTS (Choral Anthem): *One Faith, One Hope, One Lord*

Courtney

One faith, one hope, one Lord, one church for which he died, one voice, one song we lift in praise to him who was and is and shall be evermore. There is one body, one spirit, as you were called in one hope. One Lord, baptism and faith, one God and Father of all, who is in you all.

One faith, one hope, one Lord, one church for which he died, one voice, one song we lift in praise to him who was and is and shall be evermore. Though we be many people, diverse with various gifts, we are given to each other for the unity of faith, that we grow in the knowledge of the Son of God, in the fullness of Christ.

One faith, one hope, one Lord, one church for which he died, one voice, one song we lift in praise to him who was and is and shall be evermore. One faith, one hope, one Lord, one God. [Ephesians 4:4-6, 13]

INVITATION TO PRAYER

Pray Brothers & Sisters... the almighty Father.

R/. **May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands for the praise and glory of his name, for our good and the good of all his holy Church.**

EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

PREFACE DIALOGUE

The Lord be with you.

R/. **And with your spirit.**

Lift up your hearts.

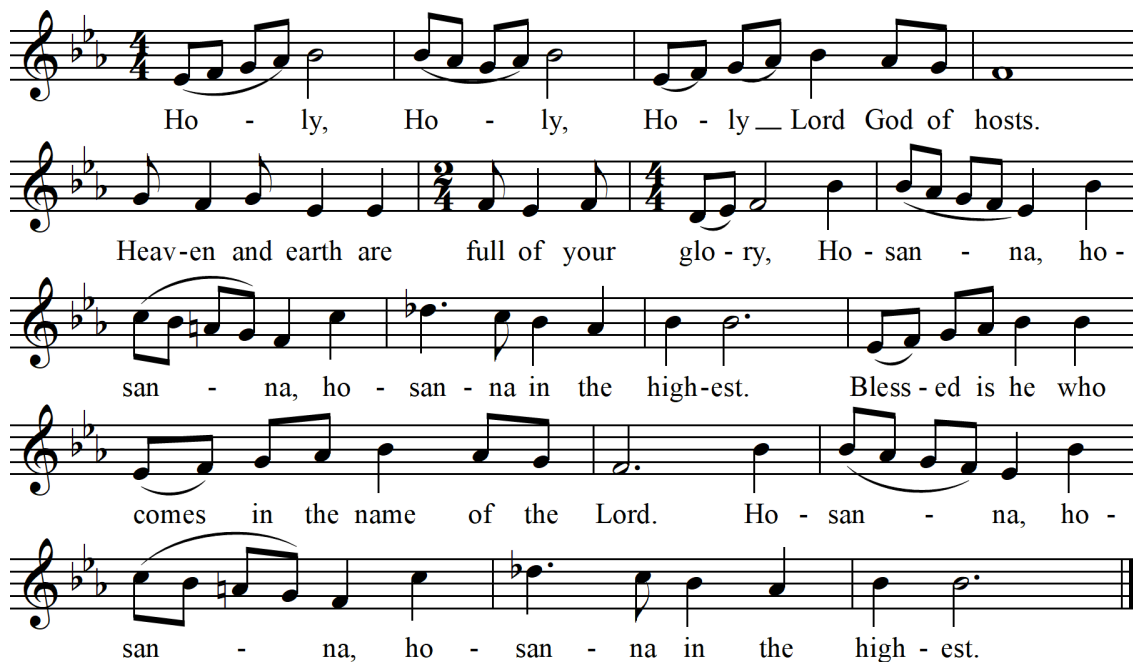
R/. **We lift them up to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

R/. **It is right and just.**

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY: *Mass of Wisdom*

Janco



Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly — Lord God of hosts.
Heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry, Ho - san - na, ho -
san - na, ho - san - na in the high-est. Bless-ed is he who
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na, ho -
san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

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MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION: *Mass of Wisdom*

Janco



Save us, Sa - vior of the world, for by your Cross and
Res - ur - rec - tion you have set us free.

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GREAT AMEN: *Mass of Wisdom*—sung two times

Janco



A - men. A - men. A - - - men.

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COMMUNION RITE

OUR FATHER

SIGN OF PEACE

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

R/. **And with your spirit.**

LAMB OF GOD: *Mass of Wisdom*

Janco

Cantor:

All:

(*Lamb of God,*) you take a - way the sins of the world, have mer - cy on us.

(last time)

Cantor:

All:

(*Lamb of God,*) you take a - way the sins of the world, grant us peace.

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INVITATION TO COMMUNION

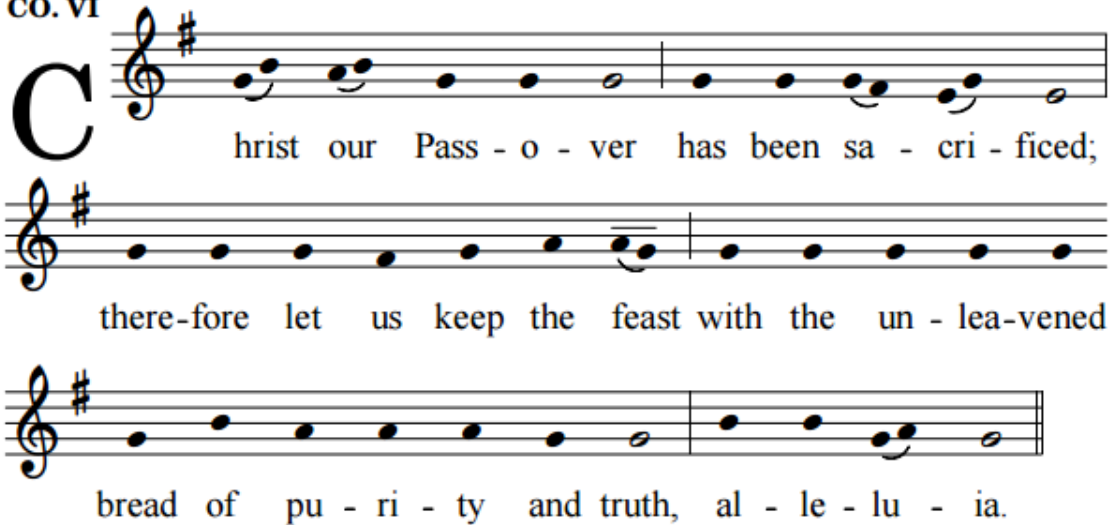
Behold the Lamb of God... Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.

R/. **Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.**

COMMUNION ANTIPHON: 1 Corinthians 5:7-8; Ps. 118

Johnson

CO. VI



Christ our Pass - o - ver has been sa - cri - ficed;
there-fore let us keep the feast with the un - lea-vened
bread of pu - ri - ty and truth, al - le - lu - ia.

Verse 1: Give praise to the Lord, for he is good; his mercy endures forever. Let the house of Israel say, His mercy endures forever. *R./*

Verse 2: Let the house of Aaron say, His mercy endures forever. Let those who fear the Lord say, His mercy endures forever.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be: world without end. Amen. *R./*

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COMMUNION PROCESSIONAL: *Take and Eat*

Joncas

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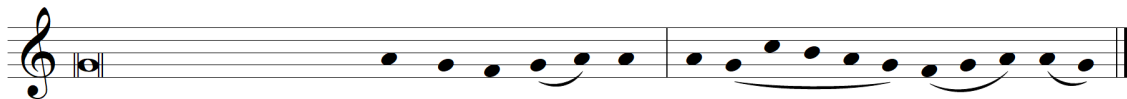
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PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

CONCLUDING RITE

BLESSING AND DISMISSAL

Go in peace, alleluia, alleluia.



Thanks to be to God, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

SENDING: *Christ the Lord Is Risen Today*

LLANFAIR

Ritual Song Hymnal #608

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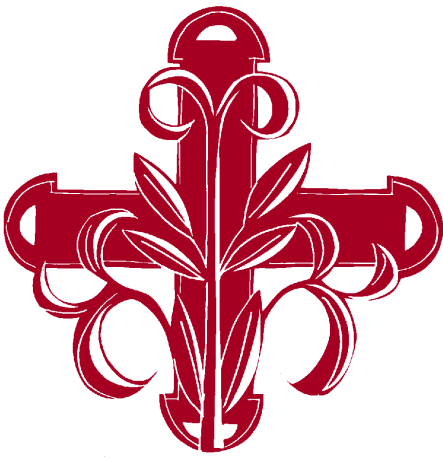
Trumpet Tune in D Major

Jeremiah Clarke (1674-1707)

Prelude FROM Prelude & Fugue in C Major, BWV 547 (1744)

Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)







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