

Easter Vigil



*“Do not be afraid!
I know that you are seeking Jesus the crucified.
He is not here, for he has been raised just as he said.*

(Cycle A)

SERVICE OF LIGHT

Blessing of New Fire and Paschal Candle

All gather outside.

∇. Dear friends in Christ,
 on this most holy night,
 when our Lord Jesus Christ passed from death to life,
 the Church invites her children throughout the world
 to come together in vigil and prayer.
 This is the Passover of the Lord:
 if we honor the memory of his death and resurrection
 by hearing his word and celebrating his mysteries,
 then we may be confident
 that we shall share his victory over death
 and live with him for ever in God.

Let us pray.

Pause for silent prayer.

Father,
 we share in the light of your glory
 through your Son, the light of the world.
 Make this new fire + holy, and inflame us with new hope.
 Purify our minds by this Easter celebration
 and bring us one day to the feast of eternal light.

We ask this through Christ our Lord.

℞. Amen.

The celebrant carves the Easter candle with a stylus.

Christ yesterday and today	+
the beginning and the end	
Alpha	A
and Omega	Ω
all time belongs to him	2
and all the ages	0
to him be glory and power	2
through every age for ever.	3

℞. Amen.

Dismissal

Go in the peace of Christ, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.
 Thanks be to God, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Closing Hymn

Psalm 150 Praise God in This Holy Dwelling

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

- Praise God in this ho - ly dwell - ing; Praise God on the
- Praise God with the blast of trum - pet; Bring praise now with
- Praise God with re - sound - ing cym - bals; With cym - bals that
- Praise God, the al - might - y Fa - ther; Praise Christ, his be -

might - y throne; Prais - ing for all won - der - ful
 lyre and harp; Prais - ing with the tim - brel and
 crash, give praise; O let ev - 'ry - thing that has
 lov - ed Son; Give praise to the Spir - it of

deeds; Sing praise to our sov - 'reign maj - es - ty.
 dance; With the gen - tle sound of string and reed.
 breath, Let all liv - ing crea - tures praise the Lord.
 love; For ev - er the Tri - une God be praised.

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

Prayer after Communion

Lord,
you have nourished us with your Easter sacraments.
Fill us with your Spirit
and make us one in peace and love.

We ask this through Christ our Lord.

R. Amen.

CONCLUDING RITES

Solemn Blessing

☩. The Lord be with you.

R. And also with you.

Bow your heads and pray for God's blessing.

May almighty God bless you on this solemn feast of Easter,
and may he protect you against all sin.

R. Amen.

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

R. Amen.

You have mourned 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.

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

R. Amen.

The celebrant places nails into the candle to symbolize the wounds of Christ.

By his holy
and glorious wounds
may Christ our Lord
guard us
and keep us.

R. Amen.

The celebrant lights the Easter Cande.

May the light of Christ, rising in glory,
dispel the darkness of our hearts and minds.

In procession the celebrant intones the Acclamation three times, and the people respond:



As they enter the chapel, the people light their candles from the Easter candle.

Solemn Easter Proclamation

Rejoice, heavenly powers! Sing, choirs of angels!
Exult, all creation around God's throne!
Jesus Christ, our King, is risen!
Sound the trumpet of salvation!

Rejoice, O earth, in shining splendor,
radiant in the brightness of your King!
Christ has conquered! Glory fills you!
Darkness vanishes for ever!

Rejoice, O Mother Church! Exult in glory!
The risen Savior shines upon you!
Let this place resound with joy,
echoing the mighty song of all God's people!

My dearest friends, standing with me in this holy light,
 join me in asking God for mercy,
 that he may give his unworthy minister
 grace to sing his Easter praises.

♪. The Lord be with you. R̃. And al - so with you. ♪. Lift up your hearts.
 R̃. We lift them up to the Lord. ♪. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
 R̃. It is right to give him thanks and praise.

It is truly right
 that with full hearts and minds and voices
 we should praise the unseen God, the all-powerful Father,
 and his only Son, our Lord Jesus Christ.

For Christ has ransomed us with his blood,
 and paid for us the price of Adam's sin
 to our eternal Father!

This is our passover feast,
 when Christ, the true Lamb, is slain,
 whose blood consecrates the homes of all believers.

This is the night when first you saved our fathers:
 you freed the people of Israel from their slavery
 and led them dry-shod through the sea.
 This is the night when the pillar of fire
 destroyed the darkness of sin!

This is the night when Christians everywhere,
 washed clean of sin
 and freed from all defilement,
 are restored to grace and grow together in holiness.

This is the night when Jesus Christ
 broke the chains of death
 and rose triumphant from the grave.
 What good would life have been to us,
 had Christ not come as our Redeemer?

Communion Hymn

Ye Sons and Daughters

Refrain
 Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

Verses
 1. Ye sons and daugh - ters, let us sing! The King of heav'n, the
 2. That Eas - ter morn, at break of day, The faith - ful wom - en
 3. An an - gel clad in white they see, Who sat, and spoke un -
 4. That night the a - pos - tles met in fear; A - midst them came their
 5. When Thom - as first the tid - ings heard, How they had seen the
 6. "My pierc - èd side, O Thom - as, see; My hands, my feet, I
 7. No long - er Thom - as then de - nied, He saw the feet, the
 8. How blest are they who have not seen, And yet whose faith has
 9. On this most ho - ly day of days, To God your hearts and

to Refrain
 1. glo - rious King, O'er death to - day rose tri - umph - ing.
 2. went their way To seek the tomb where Je - sus lay.
 3. to the three, "Your Lord has gone to Gal - i - lee."
 4. Lord most dear, And said, "My peace be on all here."
 5. ris - en Lord, He doubt - ed the dis - ci - ples' word. } Al - le - lu - ia!
 6. show to thee; Not faith - less, but be - liev - ing be."
 7. hands, the side; "Thou art my Lord and God," he cried.
 8. con - stant been, For they e - ter - nal life shall win.
 9. voic - es raise, In laud, and ju - bi - lee and praise.

☩. This is the Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world.
Happy are those who are called to his supper.

**℞. Lord, I am not worthy to receive you,
but only say the word
and I shall be healed.**

*To those receiving Communion (by intinction), the celebrant
says:*

☩. The body and blood of Christ.

℞. Amen.

Father, how wonderful your care for us!
How boundless your merciful love!
To ransom a slave
you gave away your Son.

O happy fault, O necessary sin of Adam,
which gained for us so great a Redeemer!
Most blessed of all nights, chosen by God
to see Christ rising from the dead!

Of this night scripture says:
"The night will be as clear as day:
it will become my light, my joy."

The power of this holy night
dispels all evil, washes guilt away,
restores lost innocence, brings mourners joy;
it casts out hatred, brings us peace, and humbles earthly
pride.

Night truly blessed when heaven is wedded to earth
and man is reconciled with God!
Therefore, heavenly Father, in the joy of this night,
receive our evening sacrifice of praise,
your Church's solemn offering.

Accept this Easter candle,
a flame divided but undimmed,
a pillar of fire that glows to the honor of God.

Let it mingle with the lights of heaven
and continue bravely burning
to dispel the darkness of this night!

May the morning Star which never sets find this flame
still burning:
Christ, that Morning Star, who came back from the dead,
and shed his peaceful light on all mankind,
your Son who lives and reigns for ever and ever.



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

LITURGY OF THE WORD

Reading 1 [I] (GN 1:1-2:2)

A Reading from the Book of Genesis

In the beginning, when God created the heavens and the earth, the earth was a formless wasteland, and darkness covered the abyss, while a mighty wind swept over the waters.

Then God said,
"Let there be light," and there was light.
God saw how good the light was.
God then separated the light from the darkness.
God called the light "day," and the darkness he called "night."
Thus evening came, and morning followed—the first day.

Then God said,
"Let there be a dome in the middle of the waters,
to separate one body of water from the other."
And so it happened:
God made the dome,
and it separated the water above the dome from the water below it.
God called the dome "the sky."
Evening came, and morning followed—the second day.

Then God said,
"Let the water under the sky be gathered into a single basin,
so that the dry land may appear."
And so it happened:
the water under the sky was gathered into its basin,
and the dry land appeared.
God called the dry land "the earth,"
and the basin of the water he called "the sea."
God saw how good it was.
Then God said,
"Let the earth bring forth vegetation:
every kind of plant that bears seed
and every kind of fruit tree on earth
that bears fruit with its seed in it."
And so it happened:
the earth brought forth every kind of plant that bears seed
and every kind of fruit tree on earth
that bears fruit with its seed in it.

Exchange of Peace

Ÿ. Lord Jesus Christ, you said to your apostles: I leave you peace, my peace I give you. Look not on 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.

Ŕ. Amen.

Ÿ. The Peace of the Lord be with you always.

Ŕ. And also with you.

Ÿ. Let us offer each other a sign of peace.

Breaking of the Bread

As the bread is broken, we sing or say:


Agnus Dei VIII (De Angelis)

The musical score is written on four staves. The first staff begins with a treble clef, a key signature of one flat (B-flat), and a common time signature. It includes a 'VI' time signature and a 'XV. s.' marking. The lyrics are: **A** - gnus De- i, * qui tol- lis peccá- ta mun- di : mi- se- ré- re no- bis. Agnus De- i, * qui tol- lis peccá- ta mun- di : mi- se- ré- re no- bis. A- gnus De- i, * qui tol- lis peccá- ta mun- di : dona no- bis pa- cem.

COMMUNION LITURGY

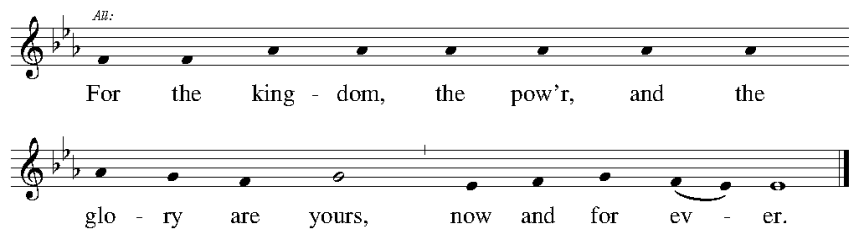
The Lord's Prayer

☩. We pray confidently in the words our Savior taught us:



Our Fa - ther, who art in heav - en, hal - lored be thy name;
thy king - dom come; thy will be done on earth as it
is in heav - en. Give us this day our dai - ly bread;
and for - give us our tres - pass - es as we for - give
those who tres - pass a - gainst us; and lead us not
in - to temp - ta - tion, but de - liv - er us from e - vil.

☩. 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.



Agnus Dei:
For the king - dom, the pow'r, and the
glo - ry are yours, now and for ev - er.

God saw how good it was.
Evening came, and morning followed—the third day.

Then God said:

"Let there be lights in the dome of the sky,
to separate day from night.
Let them mark the fixed times, the days and the years,
and serve as luminaries in the dome of the sky,
to shed light upon the earth."

And so it happened:

God made the two great lights,
the greater one to govern the day,
and the lesser one to govern the night;
and he made the stars.

God set them in the dome of the sky,
to shed light upon the earth,
to govern the day and the night,
and to separate the light from the darkness.

God saw how good it was.

Evening came, and morning followed—the fourth day.

Then God said,

"Let the water teem with an abundance of living creatures,
and on the earth let birds fly beneath the dome of the sky."

And so it happened:

God created the great sea monsters
and all kinds of swimming creatures with which the water teems,
and all kinds of winged birds.

God saw how good it was, and God blessed them, saying,

"Be fertile, multiply, and fill the water of the seas;
and let the birds multiply on the earth."

Evening came, and morning followed—the fifth day.

Then God said,

"Let the earth bring forth all kinds of living creatures:
cattle, creeping things, and wild animals of all kinds."

And so it happened:

God made all kinds of wild animals, all kinds of cattle,
and all kinds of creeping things of the earth.

God saw how good it was.

Then God said:

"Let us make man in our image, after our likeness.

Let them have dominion over the fish of the sea,
the birds of the air, and the cattle,
and over all the wild animals
and all the creatures that crawl on the ground."

God created man in his image;
in the image of God he created him;
male and female he created them.

God blessed them, saying:
"Be fertile and multiply;
fill the earth and subdue it.

Have dominion over the fish of the sea, the birds of the air,
and all the living things that move on the earth."

God also said:

"See, I give you every seed-bearing plant all over the earth
and every tree that has seed-bearing fruit on it to be your food;
and to all the animals of the land, all the birds of the air,
and all the living creatures that crawl on the ground,
I give all the green plants for food."

And so it happened.

God looked at everything he had made, and he found it very good.
Evening came, and morning followed—the sixth day.

Thus the heavens and the earth and all their array were completed.
Since on the seventh day God was finished
with the work he had been doing,
he rested on the seventh day from all the work he had undertaken.

This is the Word of the Lord.

R. Thanks be to God.

Psalm Response 1 (PS 33:4-5, 6-7, 12-13, 20, 22)

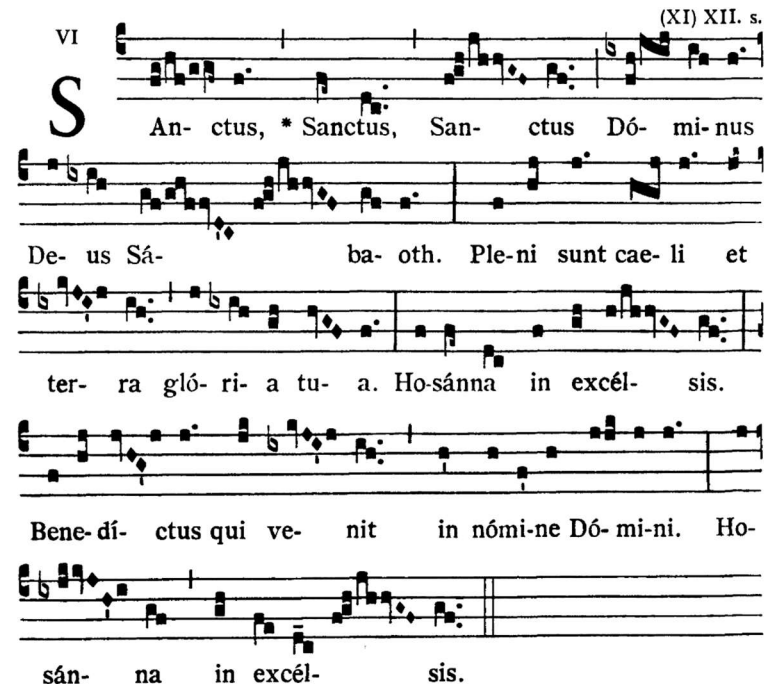


The earth is full of the good - ness of the Lord

Upright is the word of the LORD,
and all his works are trustworthy.
He loves justice and right;
of the kindness of the LORD the earth is full.

R. The earth is full of the goodness of the Lord.

Sanctus VIII (De Angelis)



Eucharistic Prayer (I)

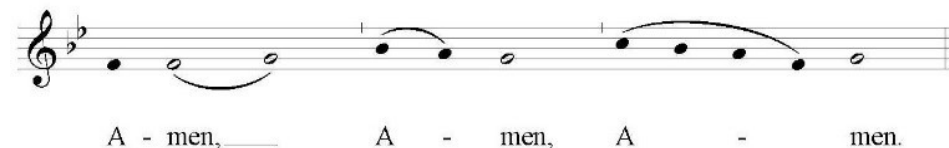
The celebrant prays the Eucharistic Prayer. After the consecration, the celebrant sings:

Ÿ. Let us proclaim the mystery of faith.

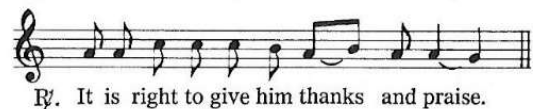
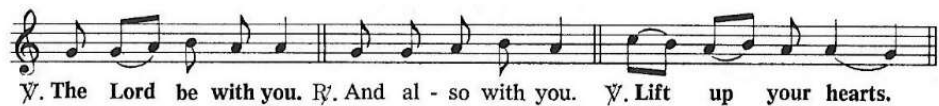


The celebrant concludes the Eucharistic Prayer.

Ÿ. Through him, with him and in him
in the unity of the Holy Spirit
all glory and honor are yours, Almighty Father
Forever and ever.



Preface and *Sanctus* (Easter I)



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 night,
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.

And so, with all the choirs of angels in heaven
we proclaim your glory
and join in their unending hymn of praise:

By the word of the LORD the heavens were made;
by the breath of his mouth all their host.
He gathers the waters of the sea as in a flask;
in cellars he confines the deep.

℟. The earth is full of the goodness of the Lord.

Blessed the nation whose God is the LORD,
the people he has chosen for his own inheritance.
From heaven the LORD looks down;
he sees all mankind.

℟. The earth is full of the goodness of the Lord.

Our soul waits for the LORD,
who is our help and our shield.
May your kindness, O LORD, be upon us
who have put our hope in you.

℟. The earth is full of the goodness of the Lord.

Prayer Response 1

♩. Let us pray.

Pause for silent prayer.

Almighty and eternal God,
you created all things in wonderful beauty and order.
Help us now to perceive
how still more wonderful is the new creation
by which in the fullness of time
you redeemed your people
through the sacrifice of our Passover, Jesus Christ,
who lives and reigns for ever and ever.

℟. Amen.

Reading 2 [III] (EX 14:15-15:1)

A reading from the Book of Exodus

The LORD said to Moses, "Why are you crying out to me?
Tell the Israelites to go forward.
And you, lift up your staff and, with hand outstretched over the sea,

split the sea in two,
that the Israelites may pass through it on dry land.
But I will make the Egyptians so obstinate
that they will go in after them.

Then I will receive glory through Pharaoh and all his army,
his chariots and charioteers.

The Egyptians shall know that I am the LORD,
when I receive glory through Pharaoh
and his chariots and charioteers."

The angel of God, who had been leading Israel's camp,
now moved and went around behind them.

The column of cloud also, leaving the front,
took up its place behind them,
so that it came between the camp of the Egyptians
and that of Israel.

But the cloud now became dark, and thus the night passed
without the rival camps coming any closer together
all night long.

Then Moses stretched out his hand over the sea,
and the LORD swept the sea
with a strong east wind throughout the night
and so turned it into dry land.

When the water was thus divided,
the Israelites marched into the midst of the sea on dry land,
with the water like a wall to their right and to their left.

The Egyptians followed in pursuit;
all Pharaoh's horses and chariots and charioteers went after them
right into the midst of the sea.

In the night watch just before dawn
the LORD cast through the column of the fiery cloud
upon the Egyptian force a glance that threw it into a panic;
and he so clogged their chariot wheels
that they could hardly drive.

With that the Egyptians sounded the retreat before Israel,
because the LORD was fighting for them against the Egyptians.

Then the LORD told Moses, "Stretch out your hand over the sea,
that the water may flow back upon the Egyptians,
upon their chariots and their charioteers."

So Moses stretched out his hand over the sea,
and at dawn the sea flowed back to its normal depth.

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

Offering of the Gifts

Ÿ. 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. It will become for us the bread of life.

℞. Blessed be God for ever.

Ÿ. 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.
It will become our spiritual drink.

℞. Blessed be God for ever.

Prayer over the Gifts

Ÿ. Pray, my brothers and sisters, that our sacrifice
may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.

**℞. 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 Church.**

Ÿ. Lord,
accept the prayers and offerings of your people.
With your help
may this Easter mystery of our redemption
bring to perfection the saving work you have begun in us.

We ask this through Christ our Lord.

℞. Amen.

The celebrant sprinkles the people with the blessed water.

Now that we have completed our Lenten observance,
let us renew the promises we made in baptism
when we rejected Satan and his works,
and promised to serve God faithfully
in his holy catholic Church.

And so:

Do you renounce sin, so as to live in the freedom of the children of
God?

R. I do.

Y. Do you reject the lure of evil, so that sin may have no mastery over
you?

R. I do.

Y. Do you reject Satan, the author and prince of sin?

R. I do.

Y. Do you believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and
earth?

R. I do.

Y. Do you believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was
born of the Virgin Mary, suffered death and was buried, rose again
from the dead, and is seated at the right hand of the Father?

R. I do.

Y. Do you believe in the Holy Spirit, the Holy Catholic Church, the
communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the
body, and life everlasting?

R. I do.

Y. God, the all-powerful Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,
has given us a new birth by water and the Holy Spirit,
and forgiven all our sins.

May he also keep us faithful to our Lord Jesus Christ for
ever and ever.

R. Amen.

The Egyptians were fleeing head on toward the sea,
when the LORD hurled them into its midst.
As the water flowed back,
it covered the chariots and the charioteers of Pharaoh's whole army
which had followed the Israelites into the sea.
Not a single one of them escaped.

But the Israelites had marched on dry land
through the midst of the sea,
with the water like a wall to their right and to their left.
Thus the LORD saved Israel on that day
from the power of the Egyptians.
When Israel saw the Egyptians lying dead on the seashore
and beheld the great power that the LORD
had shown against the Egyptians,
they feared the LORD and believed in him and in his servant Moses.

Then Moses and the Israelites sang this song to the LORD:
I will sing to the LORD, for he is gloriously triumphant;
horse and chariot he has cast into the sea.

This is the Word of the Lord.

R. Thanks be to God.

Psalm Response 2 (EX 15:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 17-18)



I will sing to the LORD, for he is gloriously triumphant;
horse and chariot he has cast into the sea.
My strength and my courage is the LORD,
and he has been my savior.
He is my God, I praise him;
the God of my father, I extol him.

R. Let us sing to the Lord; he has covered himself in glory.

The LORD is a warrior,
LORD is his name!
Pharaoh's chariots and army he hurled into the sea;
the elite of his officers were submerged in the Red Sea.

R. Let us sing to the Lord; he has covered himself in glory.

The flood waters covered them,
they sank into the depths like a stone.
Your right hand, O LORD, magnificent in power,
your right hand, O LORD, has shattered the enemy.

R̄. Let us sing to the Lord; he has covered himself in glory.

You brought in the people you redeemed
and planted them on the mountain of your inheritance†
the place where you made your seat, O LORD,
the sanctuary, LORD, which your hands established.
The LORD shall reign forever and ever.

R̄. Let us sing to the Lord; he has covered himself in glory.

Prayer Response 2

Ÿ. Let us pray.

Pause for silent prayer.

Father,
even today we see the wonders
of the miracles you worked long ago.
You once saved a single nation from slavery,
and now you offer that salvation to all through baptism.
May the peoples of the world become true children of Abraham
and prove worthy of the heritage of Israel.

We ask this through Christ our Lord.

R̄. Amen.

Reading 3 [V] (IS 55:1-11)

A reading from the Book of the Prophet Isaiah

Thus says the LORD:
All you who are thirsty,
come to the water!
You who have no money,
come, receive grain and eat;
come, without paying and without cost,
drink wine and milk!

LITURGY OF BAPTISM

Blessing of Water

Ÿ. My brothers and sisters,
let us ask the Lord our God
to bless this water he has created,
which we shall use to recall our baptism.
May he renew us
and keep us faithful to the Spirit
we have all received.

Pause for silent prayer.

Lord our God,
this night your people keep prayerful vigil.
Be with us as we recall the wonder of our creation
and the greater wonder of our redemption.
Bless this water: it makes the seed to grow,
it refreshes us and makes us clean.
You have made of it a servant of your loving kindness:
through water you set your people free,
and quenched their thirst in the desert.
With water the prophets announced a new covenant
that you would make with mankind.
By water, made holy by Christ in the Jordan,
you made our sinful nature new
in the bath that gives rebirth.
Let this water remind us of our baptism;
let us share the joys of our brothers and sisters
who are baptized this Easter.

We ask this through Christ our Lord.

R̄. Amen.

Renewal of Baptismal Promises

Ÿ. Dear friends,
through the paschal mystery
we have been buried with Christ in baptism,
so that we may rise with him to new life.

‘He has been raised from the dead,
 and he is going before you to Galilee;
 there you will see him.’
 Behold, I have told you.”
 Then they went away quickly from the tomb,
 fearful yet overjoyed,
 and ran to announce this to his disciples.
 And behold, Jesus met them on their way and greeted them.
 They approached, embraced his feet, and did him homage.
 Then Jesus said to them, “Do not be afraid.
 Go tell my brothers to go to Galilee,
 and there they will see me.”

R. Praise to you, Lord, Jesus Christ.



Homily

Why spend your money for what is not bread,
 your wages for what fails to satisfy?
 Heed me, and you shall eat well,
 you shall delight in rich fare.
 Come to me heedfully,
 listen, that you may have life.

I will renew with you the everlasting covenant,
 the benefits assured to David.
 As I made him a witness to the peoples,
 a leader and commander of nations,
 so shall you summon a nation you knew not,
 and nations that knew you not shall run to you,
 because of the LORD, your God,
 the Holy One of Israel, who has glorified you.

Seek the LORD while he may be found,
 call him while he is near.
 Let the scoundrel forsake his way,
 and the wicked man his thoughts;
 let him turn to the LORD for mercy;
 to our God, who is generous in forgiving.
 For my thoughts are not your thoughts,
 nor are your ways my ways, says the LORD.
 As high as the heavens are above the earth,
 so high are my ways above your ways
 and my thoughts above your thoughts.

For just as from the heavens
 the rain and snow come down
 and do not return there
 till they have watered the earth,
 making it fertile and fruitful,
 giving seed to the one who sows
 and bread to the one who eats,
 so shall my word be
 that goes forth from my mouth;
 my word shall not return to me void,
 but shall do my will,
 achieving the end for which I sent it.

This is the Word of the Lord.

R. Thanks be to God.

Psalm Response 3 (IS 12:2-3, 4, 5-6)



You will draw wa - ter joy - ful - ly from the springs of sal - va - tion.

God indeed is my savior;
I am confident and unafraid.
My strength and my courage is the LORD,
and he has been my savior.

Ṛ. You will draw water joyfully from the springs of salvation.

With joy you will draw water
at the fountain of salvation.
Give thanks to the LORD, acclaim his name†;
among the nations make known his deeds,
proclaim how exalted is his name.

Ṛ. You will draw water joyfully from the springs of salvation.

Sing praise to the LORD for his glorious achievement;
let this be known throughout all the earth.
Shout with exultation, O city of Zion,
for great in your midst is the Holy One of Israel!

Ṛ. You will draw water joyfully from the springs of salvation.

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.

Ṛ. Alleluia!

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

Ṛ. Alleluia!

Gospel (Mt 28:1-10)

Ṛ. The Lord be with you.

Ṛ. And also with you.

Ṛ. A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Matthew.

The celebrant and the people mark a cross on their foreheads (mind), their lips (speech) and over their hearts, asking the Lord to open them to his Word.

Ṛ. Glory to you Lord.

After the sabbath, as the first day of the week was dawning,
Mary Magdalene and the other Mary came to see the tomb.
And behold, there was a great earthquake;
for an angel of the Lord descended from heaven,
approached, rolled back the stone, and sat upon it.
His appearance was like lightning
and his clothing was white as snow.
The guards were shaken with fear of him
and became like dead men.
Then the angel said to the women in reply,
“Do not be afraid!
I know that you are seeking Jesus the crucified.
He is not here, for he has been raised just as he said.
Come and see the place where he lay.
Then go quickly and tell his disciples,

LITURGY OF THE WORD

Epistle (Rom 6:3-11)

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Romans

Brothers and sisters:

Are you unaware that we who were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death?

We were indeed buried with him through baptism into death, so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might live in newness of life.

For if we have grown into union with him through a death like his, we shall also be united with him in the resurrection.

We know that our old self was crucified with him, so that our sinful body might be done away with, that we might no longer be in slavery to sin.

For a dead person has been absolved from sin.

If, then, we have died with Christ,

we believe that we shall also live with him.

We know that Christ, raised from the dead, dies no more; death no longer has power over him.

As to his death, he died to sin once and for all; as to his life, he lives for God.

Consequently, you too must think of yourselves as being dead to sin and living for God in Christ Jesus.

℣. This is the Word of the Lord.

℟. Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation: Great Easter Alleluia



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

℟. Alleluia!

Prayer Response 3

℣. Let us pray.

Pause for silent prayer.

Almighty, ever-living God,
only hope of the world,
by the preaching of the prophets
you proclaimed the mysteries we are celebrating tonight.
Help us to be your faithful people,
for it is by your inspiration alone
that we can grow in goodness.

We ask this through Christ our Lord.

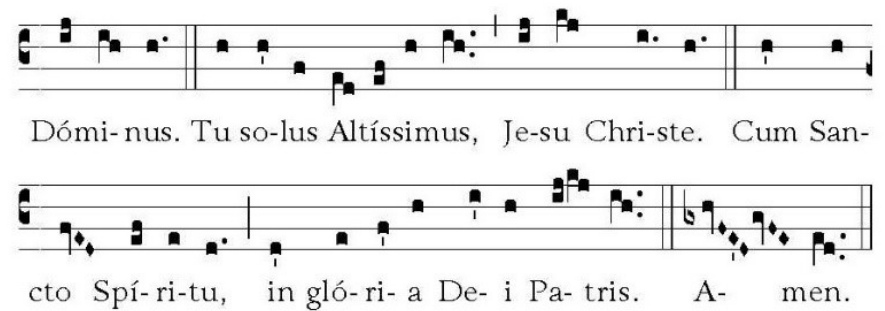
℟. Amen.

During the Gloria, the chapel is illuminated, and the candles are lit.

Gloria

Priest/cantor: *All:*

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G Ló-ri- a in excélsis De- o. Et in terra pax homí-
Choir: *All:*
ni-bus bonæ vo-luntá- tis. Laudá- mus te. Bene-dí- cimus
te. Ado-rá- mus te. Glo-ri- fi- cá- mus te. Grá- ti- as á- gi- mus
ti- bi propter magnam gló- ri- am tu- am. Dómi- ne De- us,
Rex cæ- lé- stis, De- us Pa- ter omní- pot- ens. Dómi- ne Fi- li
u- ni- gé- ni- te, Je- su Chri- ste. Dómi- ne De- us, Agnus
De- i, Fí- li- us Pa- tris. Qui tollis peccá- ta mun- di, mi- se-
ré- re no- bis. Qui tollis peccá- ta mundi, sú- sci- pe depre-
ca- ti- ónem no- stram. Qui sedes ad déxte- ram Pa- tris, mi-
se- ré- re no- bis. Quó- ni- am tu so- lus sanctus. Tu so- lus



Dómi- nus. Tu so- lus Altí- ssimus, Je- su Chri- ste. Cum San-
cto Spí- ri- tu, in gló- ri- a De- i Pa- tris. A- men.

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 sin 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

Ÿ. Let us pray.

Pause for silent prayer.

Lord God,
you have brightened this night
with the radiance of the risen Christ.
Quicken the spirit of sonship in your Church;
renew us in mind and body
to give you whole-hearted service.

Grant this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, for ever and ever..

R. Amen.