Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish

**THE EASTER VIGIL**

**Year B**

**SATURDAY 3 APRIL 2021**

**THE SOLEMN BEGINNING OF THE VIGIL, OR LUCERNARIUM**

**The Blessing of the Fire and Preparation of the Candle**

**Sign of the Cross**

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

*The people reply:*

**Amen.**

**Greeting**

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,

and the love of God,

and the communion of the Holy Spirit

be with you all.

**And with your spirit.**

*The Priest briefly instructs the people about the night vigil in these or similar words:*

Dear brethren **(**brothers and sisters**)**,

on this most sacred night,

in which our Lord Jesus Christ

passed over from death to life, . . .

*Then the Priest blesses the fire, saying with hands extended:*

Let us pray.

O God, who through your Son

bestowed upon the faithful the fire of your glory,

sanctify **✠** this new fire, we pray,

and grant that,

by these paschal celebrations,

we may be so inflamed with heavenly desires,

that with minds made pure

we may attain festivities of unending splendour.

Through Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

*After the blessing of the new fire, one of the ministers brings the paschal candle to the Priest, who cuts a cross into the candle with a stylus. Then he makes the Greek letter Alpha above the cross, the letter Omega below, and the four numerals of the current year between the arms of the cross, saying meanwhile:*

**1.** Christ yesterday and today; *(he cuts a vertical line)*

**2.** the Beginning and the End; *(he cuts a horizontal line)*

**3.** the Alpha; *(he cuts the letter Alpha above the vertical line)*

**4.** and the Omega. *(he cuts the letter Omega below the vertical line)*

**5.** All time belongs to him; *(he cuts the first numeral of the current year in the upper left corner of the cross)*

**6.** and all the ages. *(he cuts the second numeral of the current year in the upper right corner of the cross)*

**7.** To him be glory and power *(he cuts the third numeral of the current year in the lower left corner of the cross)*

**8.** through every age and for ever. Amen. *(he cuts the fourth numeral of the current year in the lower right corner of the cross)*

*When the cutting of the cross and of the other signs has been completed, the Priest may insert five grains of incense into the candle in the form of a cross, meanwhile saying:*

**1.** By his holy

**2.** and glorious wounds,

**3.** may Christ the Lord

**4.** guard us

**5.** and protect us. Amen.

*The Priest lights the paschal candle from the new fire, saying:*

May the light of Christ rising in glory

dispel the darkness of our hearts and minds.

**Procession**

*When the candle has been lit, one of the ministers takes burning coals from the fire and places them in the thurible, and the Priest puts incense into it in the usual way. The Deacon or, if there is no Deacon, another suitable minister, takes the paschal candle and a procession forms. The thurifer with the smoking thurible precedes the Deacon or other minister who carries the paschal candle. After them follows the Priest with the ministers and the people, all holding in their hands unlit candles.*

*At the door of the church the Deacon, standing and raising up the candle, sings:*

The Light of Christ.

*And all reply:*

**Thanks be to God.**

*The Priest lights his candle from the flame of the paschal candle.*

*Then the Deacon moves forward to the middle of the church and, standing and raising up the candle, sings a second time:*

The Light of Christ.

*And all reply:*

**Thanks be to God.**

*All light their candles from the flame of the paschal candle and continue in procession.*

*When the Deacon arrives before the altar, he stands facing the people, raises up the candle and sings a third time:*

The Light of Christ.

*And all reply:*

**Thanks be to God.**

*Then the Deacon places the paschal candle on a large candlestand prepared next to the ambo or in the middle of the sanctuary.*

*And lights are lit throughout the church, except for the altar candles.*

**THE EASTER PROCLAMATION (EXSULTET) FROM EASTER TRIDUUM BOOKLET 2021**

**Longer Form of the Easter Proclamation**

**THE LITURGY OF THE WORD**

**First reading**

***read by Cheryl Juelg***

**Genesis 1:1-2:2**

**God saw all that he had made, and indeed it was very good**

In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth. Now the earth was a formless void, there was darkness over the deep, and God’s spirit hovered over the water.

God said, ‘Let there be light’, and there was light. God saw that light was good, and God divided light from darkness. God called light ‘day’, and darkness he called ‘night.’ Evening came and morning came: the first day.

God said, ‘Let there be a vault in the waters to divide the waters in two.’ And so it was. God made the vault, and it divided the waters above the vault from the waters under the vault. God called the vault ‘heaven.’ Evening came and morning came: the second day.

God said, ‘Let the waters under heaven come together into a single mass, and let dry land appear.’ And so it was. God called the dry land ‘earth’ and the mass of waters ‘seas’, and God saw that it was good.

God said, ‘Let the earth produce vegetation: seed-bearing plants, and fruit trees bearing fruit with their seed inside, on the earth.’ And so it was. The earth produced vegetation: plants bearing seed in their several kinds, and trees bearing fruit with their seed inside in their several kinds. God saw that it was good. Evening came and morning came: the third day.

God said, ‘Let there be lights in the vault of heaven to divide day from night, and let them indicate festivals, days and years. Let them be lights in the vault of heaven to shine on the earth.’ And so it was. God made the two great lights: the greater light to govern the day, the smaller light to govern the night, and the stars. God set them in the vault of heaven to shine on the earth, to govern the day and the night and to divide light from darkness. God saw that it was good. Evening came and morning came: the fourth day.

God said, ‘Let the waters teem with living creatures, and let birds fly above the earth within the vault of heaven.’ And so it was. God created great sea-serpents and every kind of living creature with which the waters teem, and every kind of winged creature. God saw that it was good. God blessed them, saying, ‘Be fruitful, multiply, and fill the waters of the seas; and let the birds multiply upon the earth.’ Evening came and morning came: the fifth day.

God said, ‘Let the earth produce every kind of living creature: cattle, reptiles, and every kind of wild beast.’ And so it was. God made every kind of wild beast, every kind of cattle, and every kind of land reptile. God saw that it was good.

God said, ‘Let us make man in our own image, in the likeness of ourselves, and let them be masters of the fish of the sea, the birds of heaven, the cattle, all the wild beasts and all the reptiles that crawl upon the earth.’

God created man in the image of himself,

in the image of God he created him,

male and female he created them.

God blessed them, saying to them, ‘Be fruitful, multiply, fill the earth and conquer it. Be masters of the fish of the sea, the birds of heaven and all living animals on the earth.’ God said, ‘See, I give you all the seed-bearing plants that are upon the whole earth, and all the trees with seed-bearing fruit; this shall be your food. To all wild beasts, all birds of heaven and all living reptiles on the earth I give all the foliage of plants for food.’ And so it was. God saw all he had made, and indeed it was very good. Evening came and morning came: the sixth day.

Thus heaven and earth were completed with all their array. On the seventh day God completed the work he had been doing. He rested on the seventh day after all the work he had been doing.

The word of the Lord.

*All reply:*

**Thanks be to God.**

**Psalm**

**Psalm 103(104):1-2,5-6,10,12-14,24,35**

*Lord, send out your Spirit, and renew the face of the earth.*

Bless the Lord, my soul!

Lord God, how great you are,

clothed in majesty and glory,

wrapped in light as in a robe!

*Lord, send out your Spirit, and renew the face of the earth.*

You founded the earth on its base,

to stand firm from age to age.

You wrapped it with the ocean like a cloak:

the waters stood higher than the mountains.

*Lord, send out your Spirit, and renew the face of the earth.*

You make springs gush forth in the valleys;

they flow in between the hills.

On their banks dwell the birds of heaven;

from the branches they sing their song.

*Lord, send out your Spirit, and renew the face of the earth.*

From your dwelling you water the hills;

earth drinks its fill of your gift.

You make the grass grow for the cattle

and the plants to serve man’s needs.

*Lord, send out your Spirit, and renew the face of the earth.*

How many are your works, O Lord!

In wisdom you have made them all.

The earth is full of your riches.

Bless the Lord, my soul!

*Lord, send out your Spirit, and renew the face of the earth.*

Let us pray.

Almighty ever-living God,

who are wonderful in the ordering of all your works,

may those you have redeemed understand

that there exists nothing more marvellous

than the world’s creation in the beginning

except that, at the end of the ages,

Christ our Passover has been sacrificed.

Who lives and reigns for ever and ever.

**Amen.**

**Second reading**

***Read by Rick Thomas***

**Exodus 14:15-15:1**

**The sons of Israel went on dry ground right into the sea**

The Lord said to Moses, ‘Why do you cry to me so? Tell the sons of Israel to march on. For yourself, raise your staff and stretch out your hand over the sea and part it for the sons of Israel to walk through the sea on dry ground. I for my part will make the heart of the Egyptians so stubborn that they will follow them. So shall I win myself glory at the expense of Pharaoh, of all his army, his chariots, his horsemen. And when I have won glory for myself, at the expense of Pharaoh and his chariots and his army, the Egyptians will learn that I am the Lord.’

Then the angel of God, who marched at the front of the army of Israel, changed station and moved to their rear. The pillar of cloud changed station from the front to the rear of them, and remained there. It came between the camp of the Egyptians and the camp of Israel. The cloud was dark, and the night passed without the armies drawing any closer the whole night long.

Moses stretched out his hand over the sea. The Lord drove back the sea with a strong easterly wind all night, and he made dry land of the sea. The waters parted and the sons of Israel went on dry ground right into the sea, walls of water to right and to left of them. The Egyptians gave chase: after them they went, right into the sea, all Pharaoh’s horses, his chariots, and his horsemen.

In the morning watch, the Lord looked down on the army of the Egyptians from the pillar of fire and of cloud, and threw the army into confusion. He so clogged their chariot wheels that they could scarcely make headway. ‘Let us flee from the Israelites,’ the Egyptians cried. ‘The Lord is fighting for them against the Egyptians!’

‘Stretch out your hand over the sea,’ the Lord said to Moses, ‘that the waters may flow back on the Egyptians and their chariots and their horsemen.’

Moses stretched out his hand over the sea and, as day broke, the sea returned to its bed. The fleeing Egyptians marched right into it, and the Lord overthrew the Egyptians in the very middle of the sea. The returning waters overwhelmed the chariots and the horsemen of Pharaoh’s whole army, which had followed the Israelites into the sea; not a single one of them was left. But the sons of Israel had marched through the sea on dry ground, walls of water to right and to left of them.

That day, the Lord rescued Israel from the Egyptians, and Israel saw the Egyptians lying dead on the shore. Israel witnessed the great act that the Lord had performed against the Egyptians, and the people venerated the Lord; they put their faith in the Lord and in Moses, his servant.

It was then that Moses and the sons of Israel sang this song in honour of the Lord:

**Canticle**

**Exodus 15**

**Hymn of victory after crossing the Red Sea**

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

I will sing to the Lord, glorious his triumph!

Horse and rider he has thrown into the sea!

The Lord is my strength, my song, my salvation.

This is my God and I extol him,

my father’s God and I give him praise.

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

The Lord is a warrior! ‘The Lord’ is his name.

The chariots of Pharaoh he hurled into the sea,

the flower of his army is drowned in the sea.

The deeps hide them; they sank like a stone.

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

Your right hand, Lord, glorious in its power,

your right hand, Lord, has shattered the enemy.

In the greatness of your glory you crushed the foe.

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

You will lead your people and plant them on your mountain,

the place, O Lord, where you have made your home,

the sanctuary, Lord, which your hands have made.

The Lord will reign for ever and ever.

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

Let us pray.

O God, whose ancient wonders

remain undimmed in splendour even in our day,

for what you once bestowed on a single people,

freeing them from Pharaoh’s persecution

by the power of your right hand

now you bring about as the salvation of the nations

through the waters of rebirth,

grant, we pray, that the whole world

may become children of Abraham

and inherit the dignity of Israel’s birthright.

Through Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

**Third Reading**

***Read by Marylou James***

**Isaiah 55:1-11**

**Come to me and your soul will live, and I will make an everlasting covenant with you**

Thus says the Lord:

Oh, come to the water all you who are thirsty;

though you have no money, come!

Buy corn without money, and eat,

and, at no cost, wine and milk.

Why spend money on what is not bread,

your wages on what fails to satisfy?

Listen, listen to me, and you will have good things to eat

and rich food to enjoy.

Pay attention, come to me;

listen, and your soul will live.

With you I will make an everlasting covenant

out of the favours promised to David.

See, I have made of you a witness to the peoples,

a leader and a master of the nations.

See, you will summon a nation you never knew,

those unknown will come hurrying to you,

for the sake of the Lord your God,

of the Holy One of Israel who will glorify you.

Seek the Lord while he is still to be found,

call to him while he is still near.

Let the wicked man abandon his way,

the evil man his thoughts.

Let him turn back to the Lord who will take pity on him,

to our God who is rich in forgiving;

for my thoughts are not your thoughts,

my ways not your ways – it is the Lord who speaks.

Yes, the heavens are as high above earth

as my ways are above your ways,

my thoughts above your thoughts.

Yes, as the rain and the snow come down from the heavens and do not return without watering the earth, making it yield and giving growth to provide seed for the sower and bread for the eating, so the word that goes from my mouth does not return to me empty, without carrying out my will and succeeding in what it was sent to do.

The word of the Lord.

*All reply:*

**Thanks be to God.**

**Canticle**

**Isaiah 12**

**The rejoicing of a redeemed people**

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

Truly, God is my salvation,

I trust, I shall not fear.

For the Lord is my strength, my song,

he became my saviour.

With joy you will draw water

from the wells of salvation.

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

Give thanks to the Lord, give praise to his name!

Make his mighty deeds known to the peoples!

Declare the greatness of his name.

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

Sing a psalm to the Lord

for he has done glorious deeds;

make them known to all the earth!

People of Zion, sing and shout for joy,

for great in your midst is the Holy One of Israel.

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

Let us pray.

Almighty ever-living God,

sole hope of the world,

who by the preaching of your Prophets

unveiled the mysteries of this present age,

graciously increase the longing of your people,

for only at the prompting of your grace

do the faithful progress in any kind of virtue.

Through Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

***THE ALTAR CANDLES ARE NOW LIT.***

**THE GLORIA**

*During the Gloria bells are rung, according to local custom.*

**Glory to God in the highest,**

**and on earth peace to people of good will.**

**We praise you,**

**we bless you,**

**we adore you,**

**we glorify you,**

**we give you thanks for your great glory,**

**Lord God, heavenly King,**

**O God, almighty Father.**

**Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,**

**Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,**

**you take away the sins of the world,**

**have mercy on us;**

**you take away the sins of the world,**

**receive our prayer;**

**you are seated at the right hand of the Father,**

**have mercy on us.**

**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.**

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**COLLECT OF THE EASTER VIGIL MASS**

Let us pray.

O God, who make this most sacred night radiant

with the glory of the Lord’s Resurrection,

stir up in your Church a spirit of adoption,

so that, renewed in body and mind,

we may render you undivided service.

Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,

who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,

one God, for ever and ever.

**Amen.**

**Fourth Reading: from the letter to the Romans**

***Read by Angelina Robinson***

**Romans 6:3-11**

**Christ, having been raised from the dead, will never die again**

When we were baptised in Christ Jesus we were baptised in his death; in other words, when we were baptised we went into the tomb with him and joined him in death, so that as Christ was raised from the dead by the Father’s glory, we too might live a new life.

If in union with Christ we have imitated his death, we shall also imitate him in his resurrection. We must realise that our former selves have been crucified with him to destroy this sinful body and to free us from the slavery of sin. When a Christian dies, of course, he has finished with sin.

But we believe that having died with Christ we shall return to life with him: Christ, as we know, having been raised from the dead will never die again. Death has no power over him any more. When he died, he died, once for all, to sin, so his life now is life with God; and in that way, you too must consider yourselves to be dead to sin but alive for God in Christ Jesus.

The word of the Lord.

*All reply:*

**Thanks be to God.**

**Psalm**

**Psalm 117(118):1-2,16-17,22-23**

*Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.*

Give thanks to the Lord for he is good,

for his love has no end.

Let the sons of Israel say:

‘His love has no end.’

*Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.*

The Lord’s right hand has triumphed;

his right hand raised me up.

I shall not die, I shall live

and recount his deeds.

*Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.*

The stone which the builders rejected

has become the corner stone.

This is the work of the Lord,

a marvel in our eyes.

*Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.*

*The assembly stands to sing the Gospel Acclamation to welcome the Gospel.*

**A reading from the Gospel according to Mark**

***by Fr Vittorio***

**Mark 16:1-8**

**Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified, has risen**

When the sabbath was over, Mary of Magdala, Mary the mother of James, and Salome, bought spices with which to go and anoint him. And very early in the morning on the first day of the week they went to the tomb, just as the sun was rising.

They had been saying to one another, ‘Who will roll away the stone for us from the entrance to the tomb?’ But when they looked they could see that the stone – which was very big – had already been rolled back. On entering the tomb they saw a young man in a white robe seated on the right-hand side, and they were struck with amazement. But he said to them, ‘There is no need for alarm. You are looking for Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified: he has risen, he is not here. See, here is the place where they laid him. But you must go and tell his disciples and Peter, “He is going before you to Galilee; it is there you will see him, just as he told you.”’

The Gospel of the Lord.

*All reply:*

**Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

*After the proclamation of the Gospel the congregation is seated.*

**The Homily**

*The Homily, even if brief, is not to be omitted.*

**THE BAPTISMAL LITURGY**

**There is no baptism**

**THE BLESSING OF WATER**

*The Priest then blesses the baptismal water, saying the following prayer with hands extended:*

O God, who by invisible power

accomplish a wondrous effect

through sacramental signs

and who in many ways have prepared water, your creation,

to show forth the grace of Baptism;

O God, whose Spirit

in the first moments of the world’s creation

hovered over the waters,

so that the very substance of water

would even then take to itself the power to sanctify;

O God, who by the outpouring of the flood

foreshadowed regeneration,

so that from the mystery of one and the same element of water

would come an end to vice and a beginning of virtue;

O God, who caused the children of Abraham

to pass dry-shod through the Red Sea,

so that the chosen people,

set free from slavery to Pharaoh,

would prefigure the people of the baptized;

O God, whose Son,

baptized by John in the waters of the Jordan,

was anointed with the Holy Spirit,

and, as he hung upon the Cross,

gave forth water from his side along with blood,

and after his Resurrection, commanded his disciples:

“Go forth, teach all nations, baptizing them

in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit,”

look now, we pray, upon the face of your Church

and graciously unseal for her the fountain of Baptism.

May this water receive by the Holy Spirit

the grace of your Only Begotten Son,

so that human nature, created in your image

and washed clean through the Sacrament of Baptism

from all the squalor of the life of old,

may be found worthy to rise to the life of newborn children

through water and the Holy Spirit.

*If appropriate, he lowers the paschal candle into the water either once or three times as he continues:*

May the power of the Holy Spirit,

O Lord, we pray,

come down through your Son

into the fullness of this font,

*Holding the candle in the water, he continues:*

so that all who have been buried with Christ

by Baptism into death

may rise again to life with him.

Who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,

one God, for ever and ever.

**Amen.**

*Then the candle is lifted out of the water, as the people acclaim:*

**Springs of water, bless the Lord;**

**praise and exalt him above all for ever.**

**THE RENEWAL OF BAPTISMAL PROMISES**

*All stand, holding lighted candles in their hands, and renew the promise of baptismal faith, unless this has already been done together with those to be baptized.*

*The Priest addresses the faithful in these or similar words:*

Dear brethren **(**brothers and sisters**)**, through the Paschal Mystery

we have been buried with Christ in Baptism,

so that we may walk with him in newness of life.

And so, now that our Lenten observance is concluded,

let us renew the promises of Holy Baptism,

by which we once renounced Satan and his works

and promised to serve God in the holy Catholic Church.

And so I ask you:

Do you renounce Satan?

**I do.**

And all his works?

**I do.**

And all his empty show?

**I do.**

*Or:*

Do you renounce sin,

so as to live in the freedom of the children of God?

**I do.**

Do you renounce the lure of evil,

so that sin may have no mastery over you?

**I do.**

Do you renounce Satan,

the author and prince of sin?

**I do.**

*Then the Priest continues:*

Do you believe in God,

the Father almighty,

Creator of heaven and earth?

**I do.**

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?

**I do.**

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?

**I do.**

And may almighty God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,

who has given us new birth by water and the Holy Spirit

and bestowed on us forgiveness of our sins,

keep us by his grace,

in Christ Jesus our Lord,

for eternal life.

**Amen.**

*The Priest sprinkles the people with the blessed water, while all sing:*

I saw water flowing from the Temple,

from its right-hand side, alleluia;

and all to whom this water came were saved

and shall say: Alleluia, alleluia.

*Another chant that is baptismal in character may also be sung.*

**THE PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL**

**THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST**

**OFFERTORY HYMN: TAKE OUR BREAD**

**FROM EASTER BOOKLET 2021, P. 9**

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation,

for through your goodness we have received

the bread we offer you:

fruit of the earth and work of human hands,

it will become for us the bread of life.

*If the Priest says the prayers aloud the assembly’s acclamation is:*

**Blessed be God for ever.**

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation,

for through your goodness we have received

the wine we offer you:

fruit of the vine and work of human hands,

it will become our spiritual drink.

*If the Priest says the prayers aloud the assembly’s acclamation is:*

**Blessed be God for ever.**

Pray, brethren **(**brothers and sisters**)**,

that my sacrifice and yours

may be acceptable to God,

the almighty Father.

*The people reply:*

**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.**

**PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS**

Accept, we ask, O Lord,

the prayers of your people

with the sacrificial offerings,

that what has begun in the paschal mysteries

may, by the working of your power,

bring us to the healing of eternity.

Through Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

**THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER**

The Lord be with you.

**And with your spirit.**

Lift up your hearts.

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

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right and just.**

**Preface**

**The Paschal Mystery**

It is truly right and just, our duty and our salvation,

at all times to acclaim you, O Lord,

but on this night above all

to laud you yet more gloriously,

when Christ our Passover has been sacrificed.

For he is the true Lamb

who has taken away the sins of the world;

by dying he has destroyed our death,

and by rising, restored our life.

Therefore, overcome with paschal joy,

every land, every people exults in your praise

and even the heavenly Powers, with the angelic hosts,

sing together the unending hymn of your glory,

as they acclaim:

*The Priest concludes the Preface with the people singing or saying aloud:*

**Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts.**

**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.**

*After this the congregation kneels for the remainder of the Eucharistic Prayer.*

**THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER**

The Lord be with you.

And with your spirit.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right and just.

**Holy, Holy, Holy**

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts.

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.

**THE MEMORIAL ACCLAM**

**COMMUNION RITE**

At the Saviour’s command

and formed by divine teaching, we dare to say:

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.

Deliver us, Lord, we pray, from every evil, graciously grant peace in our days, that, by the help of your mercy, we may be always free from sin and safe from all distress, as we await the blessed hope and the coming of our Saviour, Jesus Christ.

For the kingdom, the power and the glory are your now and for ever.

**SIGN OF PEACE**

Lord Jesus Christ,

who said to your Apostles:

Peace I leave you, my peace I give you,

look not on our sins,

but on the faith of your Church,

and graciously grant her peace and unity

in accordance with your will.

Who live and reign for ever and ever.

Amen.

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

And with your spirit.

Let us offer each other the sign of peace.

**LAMB OF GOD**

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

**INVITATION TO COMMUNION**

**PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

We pray, almighty God,

that we may always be counted among the members of Christ,

in whose Body and Blood we have communion.

Who lives and reigns for ever and ever. Amen.

**FINAL SONG: HOW GREAT THOUGH ART**

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**PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

Pour out on us, O Lord, the Spirit of your love,

and in your kindness make those you have nourished

by this paschal Sacrament

one in mind and heart.

Through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

**THE CONCLUDING RITES**

**Solemn Blessing**

**DISMISSAL**

Go in peace, glorifying the Lord by your life, alleluia, alleluia.

**Thanks be to God, alleluia, alleluia.**