

EASTER VIGIL IN THE HOLY NIGHT

Holy Saturday

7:30pm • 26 March 2016

CATHEDRAL of SAINT RAYMOND NONNATUS • JOLIET, ILLINOIS

the paschal triduum

The Paschal Triduum is the three-day celebration for which Lent prepares us. From Holy Thursday evening to Easter Sunday, our Lenten mood of repentance gives way to our eager anticipation of the Resurrection of the Lord, the culmination of the entire liturgical year. These days are not the memorial of three consecutive events in Jesus' life on earth, but our participation in the reality of Christ's death and resurrection still active and at work in our lives today.

Lent ends quietly on Thursday afternoon as the Church enters the Triduum ("three days"). On Thursday night the Church begins a time of prayer and fasting, a time of keeping watch, that lasts into the great Vigil between Saturday and Sunday. The Church emphasizes that the fasting of Good Friday and, if possible, Holy Saturday is integral to the keeping of these days and the preparation for the sacraments of initiation celebrated at the Vigil. On Thursday night and Friday afternoon the Church gathers to pray and to remember the many facets of this single mystery.

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The long preparation of the elect, the lenten disciplines and fast of the faithful, the vigil-keeping and fasting and prayer that have gone on since Thursday night—all culminate in the Easter Vigil liturgy. On this night the Church gathers to spend much time listening to scriptures, praying psalms, acclaiming the death and resurrection of the Lord. Only then are the elect called forward and prayed over, challenged to renounce evil and affirm their faith in God, led to the font and baptized with the blessed water. The newly baptized are then anointed with chrism and the entire assembly joins in universal prayer. The great Vigil reaches its high point in the eucharistic prayer of praise and thanksgiving and finally in the sharing of the Eucharist itself.

LUCENARIUM — SERVICE OF LIGHT

BLESSING OF THE FIRE STAND

PREPARATION AND LIGHTING OF THE PASCHAL CANDLE





EASTER PROCLAMATION: THE EXSULTET REMAIN STANDING

In this ancient chant, the Church gives thanks and praise to God for all that is recalled this night: Adam's fall, the deliverance from Egypt, the passover of Christ, the wedding of earth and heaven, our reconciliation.



LITURGY OF THE WORD

At the Vigil, the Liturgy of the Word is an extended time of readings, silence, and the singing of psalms and canticles. On this night when the faithful know the death and resurrection of the Lord in baptism and eucharist, the Church needs first to hear these scripture readings, which are the foundation of our life together: the creation story, Abraham and Isaac, the dividing of the sea, the poetry of Isaiah and Baruch and Ezekiel, the proclamation of Paul to the Romans, and the gospel account of Jesus' resurrection.

FIRST READING SIT

The creation. GENESIS 1:1—2:2 Sunday's Word page **79** –or– Gather Hymnal no. **954**

After the reading: The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**



PRAYER STAND

SECOND READING SIT The testing of Abraham. GENESIS 22:1-18 Sunday's Word page 81 -or- Gather Hymnal no. 955 After the readina:

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

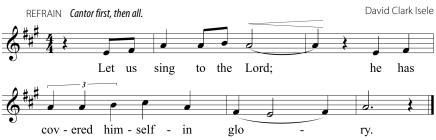
PRAYER STAND

 THIRD READING
 SIT
 The passage through the Red Sea.
 EXODUS 14:15—15:1

 Sunday's Word
 page 82 -or- Gather Hymnal no. 956

After the reading: The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

RESPONSORIAL CANTICLE





FOURTH READING SIT

The enduring love and mercy of the Lord. ISAIAH 54:5-14 *Sunday's Word* page **83** –or– *Gather Hymnal* no. **957**

EXODUS 15

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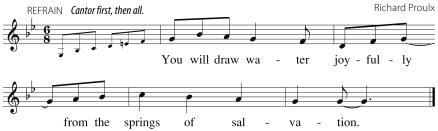
The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

FIFTH READING SIT The mystery of water and the word. ISAIAH 55:1-11 Sunday's Word page 84 -or- Gather Hymnal no. 958

After the reading:

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL CANTICLE



PRAYER STAND

SIXTH READING SIT

The fountain of wisdom. BARUCH 3:9-15, 32-4:4 Sunday's Word page 85 -or- Gather Hymnal no. 959

After the reading: The Word of the Lord Thanks be to God.

PRAYER STAND

SEVENTH READING SIT A new heart and a new spirit. EZEKIEL 36:16-17a, 18-28 Sunday's Word page 86 -or- Gather Hymnal no. 960

TRANSLATION

After the reading: The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

CHORAL RESPONSE

Sicut cervus Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina

ISAIAH 12

SUNG IN LATIN Sicut cervus desiderat ad fonts aquarum: ita desiderat anima mea ad te Deus. so longs my soul for you, O God.

As the dear longs for flowing streams,

- Psalm 42:1

PRAYER STAND





COLLECT The Bishop prays the opening prayer, and all respond: **Amen.**

EPISTLE SIT

Christ, having risen from the dead, will never die again. ROMANS 6:3-11 Sunday's Word page **87** –or– Gather Hymnal no. **961**

After the reading:

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

EASTER ALLELUIA STAND



GOSPEL

Proclaim the resurrection. LUKE 24:1-12 Sunday's Word page 88 –or– Gather Hymnal no. 961-C

Before the gospel:

The Lord be with you. And with your spirit.

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke. Glory to you, O Lord.

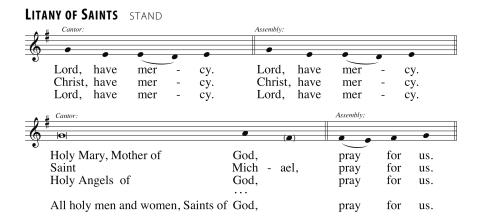
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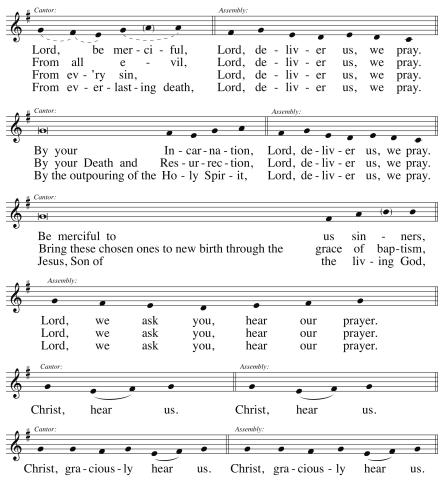
The Gospel of the Lord. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

HOMILY SIT

BAPTISMAL LITURGY

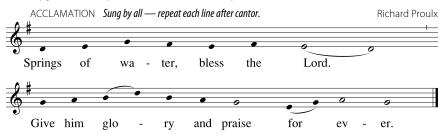
After the homily the elect are called forward, and the congregation chants the litany of saints, invoking the holy women and men of all centuries.





BLESSING OF WATER

The Bishop gives thanks and praise to God over the waters of baptism.



RENUNCIATION OF SIN AND PROFESSION OF FAITH

Each candidate for baptism is asked to reject sin and the ways of evil, and to testify to faith in Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

BAPTISM

One by one the elect are led to the font and water is poured over them as the Bishop says: "N., I baptize you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit." Each is then clothed in a baptismal garment.

BAPTISMAL HYMN Sung by all.									THIS IS THE SPIRIT'S ENTRY NOW				
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Text: Thomas E. Herbranson, 1965 ©

CONFIRMATION

The newly baptized, along with Catholics who are completing their Sacraments of initiation, are anointed with chrism, as the Bishop says: "N., be sealed with the Gift of the Holy Spirit."

RENEWAL OF BAPTISMAL PROMISES STAND

All of the faithful repeat and affirm the rejection of sin made at baptism and profess faith in the Father, Son and Holy Spirit. The congregation is then sprinkled with the baptismal water, and all sing:



Tune: LAND OF REST, CM; American

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

PRESENTATION OF THE GIFTS SIT

PRESENTATION HYMN Sung by all. I KNOW THAT MY REDEEMER LIVES 0 What 1. I know that Re - deem - er lives! my 2. He lives to bless me with his love: He 3. He lives breath; He and grants me dai - ly 4. He lives, all glo - ry his He to name; 0 joy this gives! Al - le - lu blest as - sur - ance ia! bove: Al - le - lu lives to plead for me a ia! lives, and Ι shall con - quer death; Al - le - lu ia! Sav - ior, the Al - le ia! lives, my still same; lu Al - le lu ia! He lives. he lives who once _ was Al - le lu ia! He lives _ my hun - gry soul to A1 - le 1u ia! He lives man - sion my to pre -A1 - le hu ia! What joy this blest as - sur - ance ο Ο ev -He lives. Head! dead: my er - last - ing feed: He lives to help in time of need. pare; He lives safe - ly there. to bring me Re - deem - er lives! gives; Ι know that my ia! Al - le - lu ia! Al - le - lu -Al - le - luia! 0 lu ia! Al - le - lu Al - le ia! -

Text: Samuel Medley, 1738-1799

Tune: LASST UNS ERFREUEN, LM with alleluias; Geistliche Kirchengesänge, Cologne, 1623

PREPARATION OF THE GIFTS STAND

... that my sacrifice and yours 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 holy church.

PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

RESPONSE: Amen.

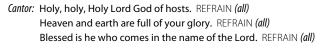
EUCHARISTIC PRAYER



PREFACE ACCLAMATION

Mass of the Divine Word • Howard Hughes, SM





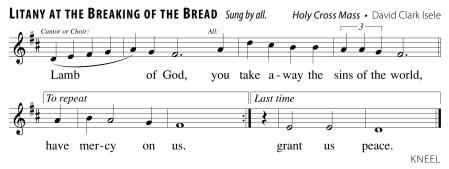
KNEEL



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COMMUNION

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

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



COMMUNION HYMN FESTIVAL CANTICLE **Richard Hillert** REFRAIN Cantor, then all. feast of vic-to-rv for our God. This is the Al-le-To verses || Last time o 0 - ia, al-le - lu - ia, al - le - lu huia. lu ia.

 COMMUNION ANTHEM
 Sung by the Cathedral Choral Scholars.
 Joy is come!

 Medieval carol PERSONET HODIE • arranged by Andrew Carter

Joy is come! Eastertide! Sing we all far and wide, see the stone rolled aside, Christ our Lord is risen, bursting from his prison. Let the sound, sound, sound, Ring around, round, round, and the song now rebound: Christ the Lord is risen!

Joy is come! Easter Day! Join the dance, homage pay, Christ the Lord lights our way, From the the tomb now breaking, Satan's power shaking. Let the song, song, song, Echo long, long, long, shout it loud, sing it strong: Christ the Lord is risen!

Joy is come! Easter morn! With your Lord greet the dawn, he endured crown of thorn And the bitter nailing, faithful and unfailing. Tidings tell, tell, tell, Chant it well, well, Risen Christ in us dwell, o'er the Cross prevailing.

Easter joy may we bring, welcome, Lord, heaven's King, winter turns into spring, Darkness overtaking, and our spirits waking. Praises flow, flow, flow, Voices grow, grow, grow, sounding far "Gloria in excelsis Deo!"

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION STAND

RESPONSE: Amen.

CONCLUDING RITE

BLESSING

The Lord be with you. And with your spirit.

May almighty God bless you, the Father, and the Son, † and the Holy Spirit. Amen.

DISMISSAL The dismissal is sung with "alleluia," and all respond. Assembly: o God, al - le - lú - ia, Thanks be to al-le lú ia. **RECESSIONAL HYMN** Sung by all. CHRIST THE LORD IS RISEN TODAY 1. Christ the Lord ris'n Al is to - day, le - lu ia! 2. Lives, a - gain glo - rious king, Al le - lu - ia! our 3. Love's re - deem - ing work is done. Al le - lu - ia! 4. Soar we now where Christ has led, Al - lu - ia! le A11 on earth with an - gels A1 le - lu ia! say: -Where, O death. is now your sting? A1 le - lu - ia! Fought the fight, the bat - tle won, Al le - lu - ia! Fol - l'wing our ex - alt - ed Head. A1 le - lu - ia! tri Raise your joys and umphs high. Al le - lu ia! Once he died our souls A1 to save. le - lu ia! for bids A1 le - lu - ia! Death in vain him rise. Made like him. like him A1 we rise. le - lu - ia! Sing, O heav'ns; and earth, re - ply: Al le - lu - ia! grave? Where your vic - to - ry, 0 A1 le - lu - ia! o - pened par - a - dise. Christ has Al le - lu - ia! Ours the cross, the grave, the skies. Al le - lu - ia!

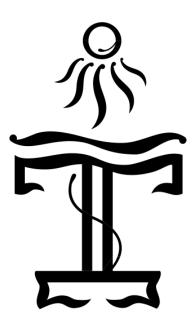
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Tune: LLANFAIR, 7 7 7 7 with alleluias; Robert Williams, 1781-1821

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