

COMMUNION HYMN

*The King of Love My Shepherd Is*



1. The King of love my Shep - herd is, Whose good - ness fails me nev -
2. Where streams of liv - ing wa - ter flow, My ran - somed soul he lead -
3. Per - verse and fool - ish, oft I strayed, But yet in love he sought
4. In death's dark vale I fear no ill, With you, dear Lord, be - side
5. You spread a ta - ble in my sight; Your unc - tion grace be - stow -
6. And so through all the length of days, Your good - ness fails me nev -



1. er; I noth - ing lack if I am his, And he is mine for ev - er.
2. eth, And where the ver - dant pas - tures grow, With food ce - les - tial feed - eth.
3. me, And on his shoul - der gen - tly laid, And home, re - joic - ing, brought me.
4. me; Your rod and staff my com - fort still, Your cross be - fore to guide me.
5. eth; And O what trans - port of de - light From your pure chal - ice flow - eth!
6. er; Good Shep - herd, may I sing your praise With - in your house for ev - er.

Text: Psalm 23, Henry W. Baker, alt. Melody: ST. COLUMBA, 8.7.8.7; Trad. Gaelic.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Look upon your flock, kind Shepherd, / and be pleased to settle in eternal pastures / the sheep you have redeemed / by the Precious Blood of your Son. / Who lives and reigns for ever and ever.

PRAYER TO ST. MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL

Saint Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle; / be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the devil. / May God rebuke him, we humbly pray: / and do thou, O Prince of the heavenly host, / by the power of God, / cast into hell Satan and all the evil spirits / who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.

RECESSIONAL HYMN

*Jesus Christ is Risen Today*



1. Je - sus Christ is ris'n to - day, Al - - le - lu - ia! Our tri - um - phant
2. Hymns of praise then let us sing, Al - - le - lu - ia! Un - to Christ, our
3. But the pains which he en - dured, Al - - le - lu - ia! Our sal - va - tion



1. ho - ly day, Al - - le - lu - ia! Who did once up - on the cross,
2. heav'n - ly King, Al - - le - lu - ia! Who en - dured the cross and grave,
3. have pro - cured, Al - - le - lu - ia! Now a - bove the sky he's King,



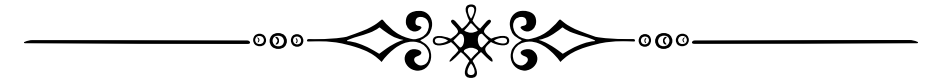
1. Al - le - lu - ia! Suf - fer to re - deem our loss. Al - - le - lu - ia!
2. Al - le - lu - ia! Sin - ners to re - deem and save. Al - - le - lu - ia!
3. Al - le - lu - ia! Where the an - gels ev - er sing. Al - - le - lu - ia!

Text: Surrexit Christus hodie, 14th c. Latin; Tr. Sts. 1-3 John Walsh, alt. Arnold; St. 4 Charles Wesley. Melody: EASTER HYMN, 7.7.7.7 with alleluias; John Walsh; alt. John Arnold.

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER ~ APRIL 26, 2026

~ WELCOME TO ST. NICHOLAS CATHOLIC CHURCH ~

PLEASE HELP MAINTAIN A REVERENT SILENCE BEFORE AND AFTER THE LITURGY.



ENTRANCE CHANT

*Cf. Ps 33 (32): 5-6*

The merciful love of the Lord fills the earth; by the word of the Lord the heavens were made, alleluia.

☩. 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.

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OPENING HYMN

*At the Lamb's High Feast We Sing*



1. At the Lamb's high feast we sing Praise to our vic - to - rious King,
2. Where the Pas - chal Blood is poured, Death's dark an - gel sheathes his sword;
3. East - er tri - umph, East - er joy, Sin a - lone can this de - stroy;



1. Who hath washed us in the tide Flow - ing from his pier - céd side;
2. Is - rael's hosts tri - um - phant go Through the wave that drowns the foe.
3. From sin's pow'r do thou set free Souls new - born, O Lord, in thee.



1. Praise we him, whose love di - vine, Gives his sa - cred Blood for wine, Gives his Bod - y
2. Praise we Christ, whose Blood was shed, Pas - chal Vic - tim, Pas - chal Bread; With sin - cer - i -
3. Hymns of glo - ry and of praise, Ris - en Lord, to thee we raise; Ho - ly Fa - ther,



1. for the feast, Christ the Vic - tim, Christ the Priest.
2. ty and love Eat we man - na from a - bove.
3. praise to thee, With the Spir - it, ev - er be.

Text: Ad regias Agni dapes, 7th c. Latin; Tr. Robert Campbell. Melody: SALZBURG, 7.7.7.7 D; Jakob Hintze. Harm.: Johann Sebastian Bach.

GLORIA

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.

COLLECT

Almighty ever-living God, / lead us to a share in the joys of heaven, / so that the humble flock may reach / where the

brave Shepherd has gone before. / Who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, / God, for ever and ever.



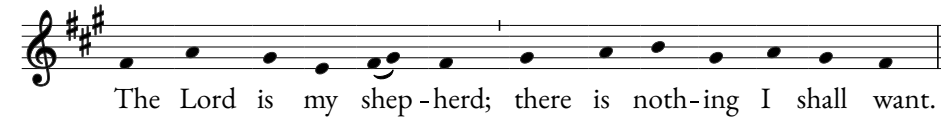
## LITURGY OF THE WORD

### FIRST READING

*God has made Jesus both Lord and Christ.*

*Acts 2: 14a, 36-41*

### RESPONSORIAL PSALM



*Ps 23 (22): 1; ꝛ. 1b-3a, 3bc-4, 5, 6 · II*

ꝛ. The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want. / In verdant pastures he gives me repose; beside restful waters he leads me; / he refreshes my soul.  
ꝛ. He guides me in right paths / for his name's sake. Even though I walk in the dark valley / I fear no evil; for you are at my side with your rod and your staff / that give me courage.

ꝛ. You spread the table before me / in the sight of my foes; you anoint my head with oil; / my cup overflows.  
ꝛ. Only goodness and kindness follow me / all the days of my life; and I shall dwell in the house of the LORD / for years to come.

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### SECOND READING

*You have returned to the shepherd and guardian of your souls.*

*1 Pt 2: 20b-25*

### ALLELUIA



*Jn 10: 14 · IV*

ꝛ. I am the good shepherd, says the Lord; I know my sheep, and mine know me.

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### GOSPEL

*I am the gate for the sheep.*

*Jn 10: 1-10*

### HOMILY

### CREED

I believe in one God, / the Father almighty, / maker of heaven and earth, / of all things visible and invisible.

I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, / the Only Begotten Son of God, / born of the Father before all ages. / God from God, Light from Light, / true God from true God, / begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; / through him all things were made. / For us men and for our salvation / he came down from heaven, / and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, / he suffered death and was buried, / and rose again on the third

day / in accordance with the Scriptures. / He ascended into heaven / and is seated at the right hand of the Father. / He will come again in glory / to judge the living and the dead / and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, / who proceeds from the Father and the Son, / who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, / who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. / I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins / and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead / and the life of the world to come. Amen.

### UNIVERSAL PRAYER

℞. Lord, hear our prayer.

## LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

### OFFERTORY HYMN

*The Morn Had Spread Her Crimson Rays*



1. The morn had spread her crim - son rays, When rang the skies with shouts of  
2. He comes vic - to - rious from the grave, The Lord om - nip - o - tent to  
3. Grant, Lord, in thee each faith - ful mind Un - ceas - ing Pas - chal joy may  
4. To thee, once dead, who now dost live, All glo - ry, Lord, thy peo - ple



1. praise; Earth joined the joy - ful hymn to swell, That brought de - spair to van - quished hell.  
2. save, And brings with him to light of day The Saints who long im - pris - oned lay.  
3. find; And from the death of sin set free Souls new - ly born to life by thee.  
4. give, Whom, with the Fa - ther we a - dore, And Ho - ly Ghost for ev - er - more.

Text: *Aurora lucis rutilat*, ca. 5th c.; Tr. Robert Campbell. Melody: O WALY WALY, 8.8.8.8. (L.M.); Traditional English melody.

### PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

Grant, we pray, O Lord, / that we may always find delight in these paschal mysteries, / so that the renewal constantly at work within us / may be the cause of our unending joy. / Through Christ our Lord.

### SANCTUS

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.

### MYSTERY OF FAITH

We proclaim your Death, O Lord, / and profess your Resurrection / until you come again.

### DOXOLOGY AND AMEN

Amen.

### AGNUS DEI

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.

### COMMUNION CHANT

*Jn 10: 14 · II*



I am the Good Shep - herd, says the Lord, al - le - lu - ia; I know my sheep, and mine  
know me, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

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