

COMMUNION HYMN

Panis Angelicus

1. Pa - nis an - gé - li - cus fit pa - nis hó - mi - num; Dat pa - nis cá - li - cus
 2. Te tri - na Dé - i - tas u - ná - que pós - ci - mus; Sic nos tu ví - si - ta,
 1. fi - gú - ris tér - mi - num: O res mi - rá - bi - lis! man - dú - cat Dó - mi - num
 2. si - cut te có - li - mus; Per tu - as sé - mi - tas duc nos quo tén - di - mus,
 1. Pau - per, ser - vus et hú - mi - lis.
 2. Ad lu - cem quam in - há - bi - tas. A - men.

Text: St. Thomas Aquinas. Melody: SACRIS SOLEMNIIS, 12.12.12.8; Louis Lambillotte.

ENGLISH VERSES

ÿ.. 3 Jesus, our living bread, great gift from heaven sent,
Fulfil the signs of old and be our nourishment.
We humble people come to eat Your sacred food,
in peace, joy, love and gratitude.

ÿ.. 4 O blessed Trinity, we praise and worship You.
Strengthen our unity, our faith and trust renew.
Lord, lead us all our days to heavenly peace and light.
Grant us rest, there before Your sight.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Almighty ever-living God, / who allow those on earth to
celebrate divine mysteries, / grant, we pray, / that

Christian hope may draw us onward / to where our
nature is united with you. / Through Christ our Lord.

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

A Hymn of Glory Let Us Sing

1. "A - gain you shall be - hold him so, As you to - day have seen him
 2. O ris - en Christ, as - cend - ed Lord, All praise to you let earth ac -
 1. go." Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia. "In glo - rious state as - cend - ing high Up
 2. cord, Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia. Who are, while end - less ag - es run, With
 1. to the por - tals of the sky." Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le -
 2. Fa - ther and with Spir - it One.
 lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia.

Text: *Hymnum canamus gloriae*, Venerable Bede; Tr. Benjamin Webb, alt.
Melody: LASST UNS ERFREUEN, 8.8.8.8. (L.M.) with alleluías; 17th c. German; Adapt. Ralph Vaughan Williams. Harm.: Ralph Vaughan Williams.

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WELCOME TO ST. NICHOLAS CATHOLIC CHURCH

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

ENTRANCE CHANT

Acts 1: 11 · VII

Men of Gal - i - lee, why gaze in won - der at the heav - ens? This Je - sus whom you
 saw as - cend - ing in - to heav - en will re - turn as you saw him go, al - le - lu - ia.

D. 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

Hail the Day That Sees Him Rise

1. Hail the day that sees him rise, Al - le - lu - ia! To his throne a -
 2. There the glo - rious tri - umph waits, Al - le - lu - ia! Lift your heads, e -
 3. Him though high - est heav'n re - ceives, Al - le - lu - ia! Still he loves the
 1. bove the skies, Al - le - lu - ia! Christ, a - while to mor - tals giv'n, Al - le -
 2. ter - nal gates, Al - le - lu - ia! Christ has con - quered death and sin, Al - le -
 3. earth he leaves, Al - le - lu - ia! Though re - turn - ing to his throne, Al - le -
 1. lu - ia! Re - as - cends his na - tive heav'n, Al - le - lu - ia!
 2. lu - ia! Take the King of glo - ry in, Al - le - lu - ia!
 3. lu - ia! Still he calls man - kind his own, Al - le - lu - ia!

Text: Charles Wesley. Melody: LLANFAIR, 7.7.7.7 with alleluías; Robert Williams.

KYRIE

Kýrie, eléison. Kýrie, eléison.
Christe, eléison. Christe, eléison.
Kýrie, eléison. Kýrie, eléison.

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.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING

As the Apostles were looking on, Jesus was lifted up.

Acts 1: 1-11

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 47 (46): 6; ꝑ. 2-3, 6-7, 8-9 · VII

God mounts his throne to shouts of joy: a blare of trum - pets for the Lord.

ꝑ. All you peoples, clap your hands, / shout to God with cries of gladness,
For the LORD, the Most High, the awesome, / is the great king over all the earth.

Sing praise to God, sing praise; / sing praise to our king, sing praise.

ꝑ. God mounts his throne amid shouts of joy; / the LORD, amid trumpet blasts.

ꝑ. For king of all the earth is God; / sing hymns of praise.

God reigns over the nations, / God sits upon his holy throne.

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SECOND READING

God seated Jesus at his right hand in the heavens.

Eph 1: 17-23

ALLELUIA

Mt 28: 19a, 20b · VII

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

ꝑ. Go and teach all nations, says the Lord;
I am with you always, until the end of the world.

Ant. Melody: Gregorian Chant.

GOSPEL

All power in heaven and on earth has been given to me.

Mt 28: 16-20

CREED

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

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 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.

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.

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

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.

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

OFFERTORY HYMN

I Know That My Redeemer Lives

1. He lives to bless me with his love, He lives to plead for me a - bove.
2. He lives tri - um - phant from the grave, He lives e - ter - nal - ly to save,
3. He lives and grants me dai - ly breath; He lives, and I shall con - quer death:
4. He lives, all glo - ry to his name! He lives, my Je - sus, still the same.

1. He lives my hun - gry soul to feed, He lives to help in time of need.
2. He lives all glo - rious in the sky, He lives ex - alt - ed there on high.
3. He lives, my man - sion to pre - pare; He lives to bring me safe - ly there.
4. What joy this blest as - sur - ance gives: I know that my Re - deem - er lives!

Text: Samuel Medley. Melody: DUKE STREET, 8.8.8.8. (L.M.); John Hatton.

PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

We offer sacrifice now in supplication, O Lord, / to honor that through this most holy exchange / we, too, may rise up to the wondrous Ascension of your Son: / grant, we pray, / to the heavenly realms. / 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.

LORD'S PRAYER

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.

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

Mt 28: 20 · VIII

Be - hold, I am with you al - ways, e - ven to the end of the age, al - le - lu - ia.

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