

Gentle reminder: When the lights have been lowered, please use this time for silent reflection. The 5:30 pm Vigil and 8:30 am Sunday Masses are livestreamed.

**Welcome to the
Church of the Ascension
SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER
DIVINE MERCY
April 12, 2026**



Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

Love divine, all loves excelling, Joy of heav'n to earth come down!
Fix in us your humble dwelling, all your faithful mercies crown.
Jesus, source of all compassion, Love unbounded, love all pure;
Visit us with your salvation, Let your love in us endure.

Come, almighty to deliver, Let us all your life receive;
Suddenly return and never, Never more your temples leave.
LORD, we would be always blessing, Serve you as your hosts above;
pray and praise you without ceasing, Glory in your precious love.

Charles Wesley, 1707-1788. HYFRYDOL87 87 d. Rowland H. Prichard, 1811 - 1887

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SPRINKLING RITE

Come to the River

Refrain: Come, O come, come to the river flowing from the body of Christ. We'll go down, deep in the water, but in the Lord we shall arise.

1. Washed in waters of rebirth, we have put on Christ Jesus.
2. Priestly people are we, sealed and sent by the Spirit.
3. Blest are those who thirst for the reign of God's justice.
4. Let us walk in the light of God's holy promise.
5. Those who sow in tears reap the harvest rejoicing.

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Glory to God

Mass of St. Ann

Glory, glory to God in the Highest. Glory, glory
to God in the Highest and on earth peace
to people of good will.

1. 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.
2. 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.

3. 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! Ed Bolduc © 1992, 2011 WLP

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING

Acts 2: 42 – 47

Early Christians adhered to apostolic teaching, centering their lives on prayer, the breaking of the bread, the common life, and charity.

Psalm 118/ This is the day the Lord has made,
let us rejoice and be glad.

SECOND READING

1 Peter 1: 3 – 9

Through God's great mercy, Christians have new life in the resurrection of Jesus Christ. The goal of faith is salvation.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

GOSPEL

John 20: 19 – 31

Through locked doors the risen Lord came, stood before the disciples, and said, "Peace be with you." Thomas was not present at first; when he saw Jesus, he could not believe. Jesus conquered his doubt.

HOMILY

PROFESSION OF FAITH

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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 (**A SLIGHT BOW**) and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary and became man. (**RISE**)

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.

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THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

PRESENTATION OF THE GIFTS

PEACE I LEAVE WITH YOU

Barbara Bridge



Peace I leave with you. My peace I give to you. Let not your



hearts be trou-bled. Peace be with you.



1. Do not let your hearts be trou-bled. Have



1. faith in God and faith in me.



2. In my Fa-ther's house are man-y dwell-ings. I



2. go there to pre-pare a place for you.



3. I am the vine and you are the branch-es, re -



3. main in me; you will bear a - bun-dant fruit.

THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER (SUNDAY OF DIVINE MERCY) COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Steve Angrisano, Sarah Hart, and Curtis Stephan

Bring your hand and feel the place of the nails, and do
not be un-believ-ing but be-liev - ing, al - le - lu - ia, al - le -
lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

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COMMUNION SONG

One Bread, One Body

Refrain: One bread, one body, one LORD of all, one cup of blessing which we bless. And we, though many, throughout the earth, we are one body in this one LORD.

1. Gentile or Jew, servant or free, woman or man, no more.
2. Many the gifts, many the works, one in the LORD of all.
3. Grain for the fields, scattered and grown, gathered to one, for all.

Bread of Life

Bread of life and cup of hope, we come as gift to you. Change our hearts; fill us with peace. Transform our lives anew. Open our eyes so that we might see your presence in one another. Your life, poured out in love today, unites us all in you.

Loving Lord, Creator God, open our eyes to see the good that lives in each of us, that called the world to be. And when we fail to see the good, when friendships falter and crumble, give us the courage to forgive that we may live in peace.

Living Word, O Son of God, your love shows us the way that we may live in harmony, and from you never stray. Wipe all oppression from our midst; give us a love for all people. Your song of justice sing in us, to live for peace today.

SENDING FORTH

Alleluia! Love Is Alive

People of God, see the morning is new; rise from your sleeping and run to the tomb. Come and see! Come and see! He is alive! A grave that is empty, a promise fulfilled. God who was with us is here with us still. He is here! He is here! He is alive!

Refrain: Alleluia! Love is alive; conquered the grave and defeated the night. Alleluia! Love is alive! The Son has arisen for all. Your people sing alleluia!

People of God, let your fear fall away. Your chains have been broken; abandon your shame. Lift your hearts! Lift your hearts! He is alive! Here now is mercy embracing your soul; here the fulfillment that once was foretold. It is true! It is true! He is alive!

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