

THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

THE ORDER OF MASS

INTRODUCTORY RITES
OPENING HYMN

The Glory of These Forty Days



1. The glo - ry of these for - ty days We
 2. A - lone and fast - ing Mo - ses saw The
 3. So Dan - iel trained his mys - tic sight, De -
 4. Then grant, O God, that we may, too, Re -



cel - e - brate with songs of praise; For Christ, through whom all
 lov - ing God who gave the law; And to E - li - jah,
 liv - ered from the li - ons' might; And John, the Bride-groom's
 turn in fast and prayer to you. Our spir - its strength - en



things were made, Him - self has fast - ed and has prayed.
 fast - ing, came The steeds and char - i - ots of flame.
 friend, be - came The her - ald of Mes - si - ah's name.
 with your grace, And give us joy to see your face.

Text: *Clarum decus jejunii*; ascr. to St. Gregory the Great, c.540–604; tr. by Maurice F. Bell, 1862–1947, alt.
 Tune: ERHALT UNS HERR, LM; Klug's *Geistliche Lieder*, 1543

GREETING

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

- The Lord be with you.
- And with your spirit.

PENITENTIAL ACT

- Brothers and sisters, let us acknowledge our sins, and so prepare ourselves to celebrate the sacred mysteries.

A brief pause for silence follows.

Then all recite together the formula of general confession:

- I confess to almighty God
and to you, my brothers and sisters,
that I have greatly sinned,
in my thoughts and in my words,
in what I have done and in what I have failed to do,

And, striking their breast, they say:

- through my fault, through my fault,
through my most grievous fault;

Then they continue:

- therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin,
all the Angels and Saints,
and you, my brothers and sisters,
to pray for me to the Lord our God.

The absolution by the Priest follows:

- May almighty God have mercy on us,
forgive us our sins,
and bring us to everlasting life.
- Amen.

KYRIE

The Kyrie, eleison (Lord, have mercy) invocations follow, unless they have just occurred in a formula of the Penitential Act.

PENITENTIAL ACT

Priest, deacon, or cantor, then all:

(Invocation) Ký - ri - e, e - lé - i - son.

Priest, deacon, or cantor, then all:

(Invocation) Chri - ste, e - lé - i - son.

Priest, deacon, or cantor, then all:

(Invocation) Ký - ri - e, e - lé - i - son.

Priest: May almighty God...everlasting life.

Assembly:

A - men.

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COLLECT

■ O God, author of every mercy and of all goodness,
who in fasting, prayer and almsgiving
have shown us a remedy for sin,
look graciously on this confession of our lowliness,
that we, who are bowed down by our conscience,
may always be lifted up by your mercy.
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
God, for ever and ever

■ Amen.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING

Ex 17: 3-7

In those days, in their thirst for water,
the people grumbled against Moses,
saying, "Why did you ever make us leave Egypt?
Was it just to have us die here of thirst
with our children and our livestock?"
So Moses cried out to the LORD,
"What shall I do with this people?
a little more and they will stone me!"
The LORD answered Moses,
"Go over there in front of the people,
along with some of the elders of Israel,
holding in your hand, as you go,
the staff with which you struck the river.
I will be standing there in front of you on the rock in Horeb.
Strike the rock, and the water will flow from it
for the people to drink."
This Moses did, in the presence of the elders of Israel.
The place was called Massah and Meribah,
because the Israelites quarreled there
and tested the LORD, saying,
"Is the LORD in our midst or not?"

■ The word of the Lord.

■ Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 33: 4-5, 18-19, 20, 22, R.

R. (8) If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts.

Come, let us sing joyfully to the LORD;
let us acclaim the Rock of our salvation.
Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving;
let us joyfully sing psalms to him.

R. (8) If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts.

Come, let us bow down in worship;
let us kneel before the LORD who made us.
For he is our God,
and we are the people he shepherds, the flock he guides.

R. (8) If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts.

Oh, that today you would hear his voice:
"Harden not your hearts as at Meribah,
as in the day of Massah in the desert,
Where your fathers tempted me;
they tested me though they had seen my works."

R. (8) If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts.

Brothers and sisters:
Since we have been justified by faith,
we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ,
through whom we have gained access by faith
to this grace in which we stand,
and we boast in hope of the glory of God.

And hope does not disappoint,
because the love of God has been poured out into our hearts
through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us.
For Christ, while we were still helpless,
died at the appointed time for the ungodly.
Indeed, only with difficulty does one die for a just person,
though perhaps for a good person one might even find courage to die.
But God proves his love for us
in that while we were still sinners Christ died for us.

■ The word of the Lord.

■ Thanks be to God.

“GOSPEL ACCLAMATION”

Lord, you are truly the Savior of the world;
give me living water, that I may never thirst again. **R.**

GOSPEL

John 4: 5-42

- The Lord be with you.
- And with your spirit.
- A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew.
- Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus came to a town of Samaria called Sychar,
near the plot of land that Jacob had given to his son Joseph.
Jacob's well was there.
Jesus, tired from his journey, sat down there at the well.
It was about noon.

A woman of Samaria came to draw water.
Jesus said to her,
"Give me a drink."
His disciples had gone into the town to buy food.
The Samaritan woman said to him,
"How can you, a Jew, ask me, a Samaritan woman, for a drink?"
—For Jews use nothing in common with Samaritans.—
Jesus answered and said to her,
"If you knew the gift of God
and who is saying to you, 'Give me a drink, '
you would have asked him
and he would have given you living water."
The woman said to him,
"Sir, you do not even have a bucket and the cistern is deep;
where then can you get this living water?
Are you greater than our father Jacob,
who gave us this cistern and drank from it himself
with his children and his flocks?"
Jesus answered and said to her,
"Everyone who drinks this water will be thirsty again;
but whoever drinks the water I shall give will never thirst;

the water I shall give will become in him
a spring of water welling up to eternal life."

The woman said to him,

"Sir, give me this water, so that I may not be thirsty
or have to keep coming here to draw water."

Jesus said to her,

"Go call your husband and come back."

The woman answered and said to him,

"I do not have a husband."

Jesus answered her,

"You are right in saying, 'I do not have a husband.'

For you have had five husbands,

and the one you have now is not your husband.

What you have said is true."

The woman said to him,

"Sir, I can see that you are a prophet.

Our ancestors worshiped on this mountain;

but you people say that the place to worship is in Jerusalem."

Jesus said to her,

"Believe me, woman, the hour is coming

when you will worship the Father

neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem.

You people worship what you do not understand;

we worship what we understand,

because salvation is from the Jews.

But the hour is coming, and is now here,

when true worshipers will worship the Father in Spirit and truth;

and indeed the Father seeks such people to worship him.

God is Spirit, and those who worship him

must worship in Spirit and truth."

The woman said to him,

"I know that the Messiah is coming, the one called the Christ;

when he comes, he will tell us everything."

Jesus said to her,

"I am he, the one speaking with you."

At that moment his disciples returned,

and were amazed that he was talking with a woman,

but still no one said, "What are you looking for?"

or "Why are you talking with her?"

The woman left her water jar

and went into the town and said to the people,

"Come see a man who told me everything I have done.
Could he possibly be the Christ?"
They went out of the town and came to him.
Meanwhile, the disciples urged him, "Rabbi, eat."
But he said to them,
"I have food to eat of which you do not know."
So the disciples said to one another,
"Could someone have brought him something to eat?"
Jesus said to them,
"My food is to do the will of the one who sent me
and to finish his work.
Do you not say, 'In four months the harvest will be here'?
I tell you, look up and see the fields ripe for the harvest.
The reaper is already receiving payment
and gathering crops for eternal life,
so that the sower and reaper can rejoice together.
For here the saying is verified that 'One sows and another reaps.'
I sent you to reap what you have not worked for;
others have done the work,
and you are sharing the fruits of their work."

Many of the Samaritans of that town began to believe in him
because of the word of the woman who testified,
"He told me everything I have done."
When the Samaritans came to him,
they invited him to stay with them;
and he stayed there two days.
Many more began to believe in him because of his word,
and they said to the woman,
"We no longer believe because of your word;
for we have heard for ourselves,
and we know that this is truly the savior of the world."

PROFESSION OF FAITH

■ 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,

*At the words that follow,
up to and including and became man, all bow.*

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.

PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL

- ...We pray to the Lord.
- ...Lord, hear our prayer.

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

PRESENTATION AND PREPARATION OF THE GIFTS

■ 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.

■ Blessed be God for ever.
By the mystery of this water and wine
may we come to share in the divinity of Christ
who humbled himself to share in our humanity.

■ 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.

■ Blessed be God for ever.

With humble spirit and contrite heart
may we be accepted by you, O Lord,
and may our sacrifice in your sight this day
be pleasing to you, Lord God.
Wash me, O Lord, from my iniquity and cleanse me from my sin.

■ Pray, brothers and sisters,
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.

Center of My Life

Refrain



O Lord, you are the cen-ter of my life:



I will al-ways praise you, I will al-ways serve you,



I will al-ways keep you in my sight.

Verses 1-3



1. Keep me safe, O God, I take ref-uge in you. I
2. I will bless the Lord who gives me coun - sel, who
3. And so my heart re - joic - es, my soul is glad; 7



say to the Lord, "You are my God. My
 e - ven at night di - rects my heart. I
 e - ven in safe - ty shall my bod-y rest. For



hap - pi - ness lies in you a - lone; my
 keep the Lord ev - er in my sight; since
 you will not leave my soul a-mong the dead, nor



hap - pi - ness lies in you a - lone."
 he is at my right hand, I shall stand firm.
 let your be - lov - ed know de - cay.

PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

Be pleased, O Lord, with these sacrificial offerings,
and grant that we who beseech pardon for our own sins,
may take care to forgive our neighbor.
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.

■ It is truly right and just, our duty and our salvation... And so, with Angels and Archangels,
with Thrones and Dominions, and with all the hosts and Powers of heaven, we sing the hymn
of your glory, as without end we acclaim:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

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Ho-ly, Ho-ly, Ho-ly Lord God of
hosts. Heav-en and earth are full of your glo-ry.
Ho-san-na in the high-est. Bless-ed is he who
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the
high-est. Ho-san-na in the high-est.

The musical score is written on five staves in 3/4 time with a key signature of two flats (B-flat and E-flat). It begins with a four-measure rest. The lyrics are: "Ho-ly, Ho-ly, Ho-ly Lord God of hosts. Heav-en and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho-san-na in the high-est. Bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high-est. Ho-san-na in the high-est." The score ends with a double bar line.

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■...**T**HE mystery of faith.

MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION B

When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup, we pro-
claim your Death, O Lord, un-til you come a-gain.

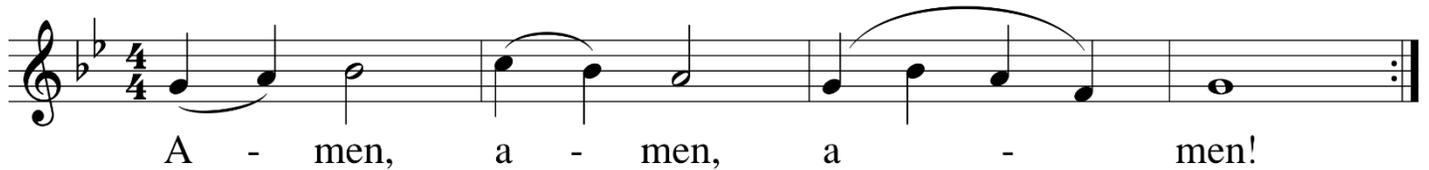
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The Eucharistic Prayer culminates and concludes when the Priest sings or says:

■ Through him, and with him, and in him,
O God, almighty Father,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
all glory and honor is yours,
for ever and ever.

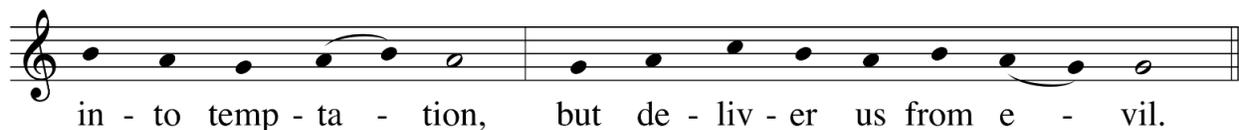
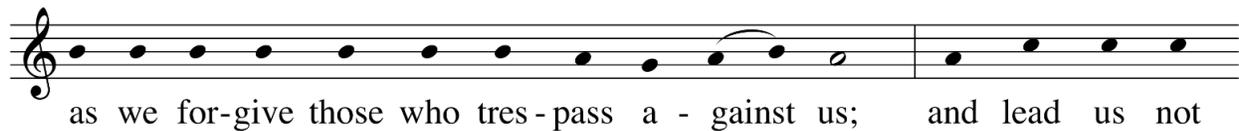
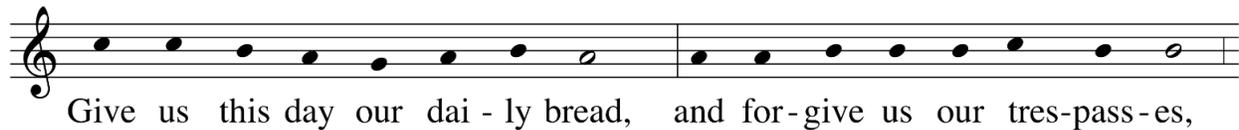
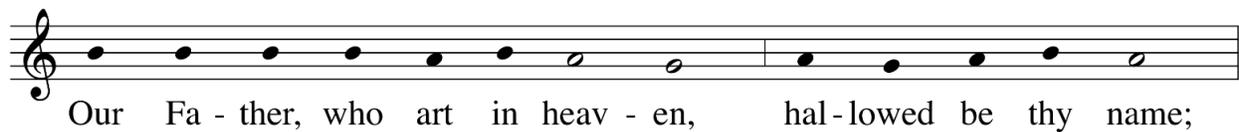
AMEN



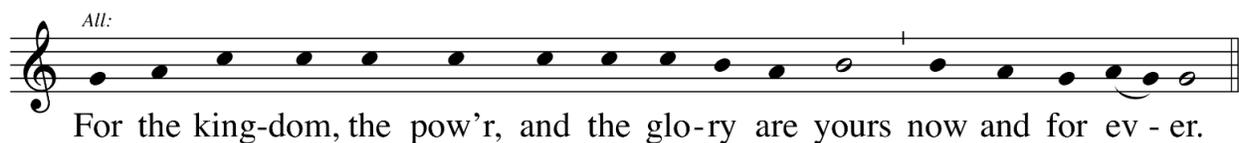
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The Priest invites all to join in the Lord's Prayer:

■ At the Savior's command and formed by divine teaching, we dare to say:



Priest: Deliver us, Lord...and the coming of our Savior, Jesus Christ.



■ 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.

Then, if appropriate, the Deacon, or the Priest, adds:

■ Let us offer each other the sign of peace.

The people exchange a sign of peace, according to local custom.

LAMB OF GOD

Cantor: *Assembly:*

Lamb of God, you take a-way the sins of the

To repeat

world, have mer - cy on us.

Last time

world, grant us peace.

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The faithful kneel after the "Agnus Dei" unless the Diocesan Bishop determines otherwise.

■ Behold the Lamb of God,
behold him who takes away the sins of the world.
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 OFFERINGS

“What Wondrous Love”

“Holy Spirit, Living Breath of God”

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

As we receive the pledge
of things yet hidden in heaven
and are nourished while still on earth
with the Bread that comes from on high,
we humbly entreat you, O Lord,
that what is being brought about in us in mystery
may come to true completion.
Through Christ our Lord.

■ Amen.

■ The Lord be with you.

■ And with your spirit.

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

■ Amen.

“With the Lord”

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