

# Mass Music for Lent 2026

St. John the Baptist Catholic Church Music Ministry

**Christ in the Wilderness**

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Artist: Ivan Nikolaevich Kramskoi (1837-1887)



HAPPY  
LENT!

“Happy Lent” seems like an oxymoron, but let’s think about that for a sec. I know it’s Lent, but let’s talk Christmas for a minute. This past Christmas we were given a book about living our lives at the speed of joy. Since then, I’ve been reading it, at its speed I guess you can say. It talks about slowing our lives to the speed of joy and that speed is not the speed at which I was living my life: seemingly involved in everything and time for nothing. Is that what God wants of me? To live my life where I don’t enJOY what I’m doing and enJOYing the people I’m with? Absolutely not. Last night, Father brought up holiness and that we are called to live holy lives. I can’t live a holy life if I’m filled with “busy and hurry,” as Matthew Kelley calls our joy vampires. Jesus knew that. He lived life at the speed of JOY. God (who is involved in everything, and who we are NOT) lived His life at the speed of JOY, taking 40 days, even, to bring Himself back to that same speed. We are called to imitate Him. We are called to take our Sabbath back, Our Sabbaticals back; even if they are “mini” sabbaticals each week. I really really liked this idea! Of course the idea is not new and nothing I’m saying here is new to you, but sometimes what we need is right in front of us. My hopes and prayers for you is to take this Lent and make it holy. Make it full of JOY, even in the austerity.

May you have a very Blessed Lent.

## MASS INFO

### **Mass parts for Lent:**

NO GLORIA

NO ALLELUIAs

Latin chants as we

do in Advent:

Sanctus & Agnus Dei

Also use the

traditional chants for

the Memorial

Acclamation and

Great Amen. Use

the link below to

help practice.

[https://npm.org/  
formation/chants-of-  
the-roman-missal/  
the-order-of-mass/](https://npm.org/formation/chants-of-the-roman-missal/the-order-of-mass/)

I’ve also attached the chant sheets to this newsletter. You should be able to recognize the majority of the chants.

Date:	2/18/2026	2/22/2026	3/1/2026	3/1/2026	3/8/2026	3/15/2026	3/22/2026	3/29/2026
<b>Liturgical Day:</b>	Ash Wednesday	1st Sunday of Lent	2nd Sunday of Lent	2nd Sunday of Lent (1st Sunday Youth Mass Bilingual)	3rd Sunday of Lent (First Scrutiny of the Elect)	4th Sunday of Lent (Laetare Sunday; Second Scrutiny of the Elect)	5th Sunday of Lent (3rd Scrutiny of the Elect )	Palm Sunday
<b>PRO</b>	Return to the Lord #471	O Breathe On Me #902	How Good Lord To Be Here #877	How Good Lord to be Here (Worship Aid)	Come to the Water #584	Christ Be Our Light #590	How Great Thou Art #578	Palm Sunday Processional #496
<b>OFF</b>	Again We Keep This Solemn Fast #487	On Eagle's Wings #691	Transform Us Lord #878	Cantemos Un Himno Nuevo #431 (Worship Aid)	Water of Life/Agua de Vida #651	Open My Eyes #651	Awake O Sleeper (Worship Aid)	O Sacred Head Surrounded #512
<b>OFF 2</b>	Merciful God #489		From Ashes to the Living Font #474					All Glory Laud and Honor #498
<b>COM ANT</b>	64	66	70	70	73	76	80	84
<b>COM</b>	Hosea #484	Lord Who Throughout These 40 Days #479	Behold the Lamb #939	Eat This Bread #941	Eat This Bread #941	We Come to the Feast #938	I Am the Bread of Life #945	Jesus Remember Me #510
<b>COM 2</b>	Adoremus Te Christe #476	Pange Lingua #509	Amazing Grace #645	Sublime Gracia/Amazing Grace (Worship Aid)	Pange Lingua #509	Shepherd of Souls #910		Adoramus Te Christe #476
<b>COM MED</b>								
<b>REC</b>	See Additional Hymns Below	<b>SILENCE</b>	<b>SILENCE</b>	<b>SILENCE</b>	<b>SILENCE</b>	<b>SILENCE</b>	<b>SILENCE</b>	<b>SILENCE</b>
<b>Gospel:</b>	Matthew 6:1-6; 16-18	Matthew 4:4-11	Matthew 17: 1-9	Matthew 17: 1-9	John 4: 5-42	John 9: 1-41	John 11: 1-45	Matthew 21: 1-11 and Matthew 26:14-27:66
<b>Themes:</b>	Prayer, fasting, almsgiving	God is our shelter;	Transfiguration; Transformation; call to holiness	Transfiguration; Transformation; call to holiness	Baptism, Peace in Jesus, Water of Life	Healing, Jesus as shepherd	Resurrection, Eternal Life, Faith	The Passion of the Lord

We need choir members and instruments for Easter Vigil



Easter Vigil this year is in English

TAIZÉ PRAYER SERVICE  
3/2/2026 @6:30PM  
Come sing and pray!

**P**lease be kind to the music equipment! It breaks easily!

**W**e will continue the tradition of leaving the church in complete silence during Lent.

# PRAYER FOR ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST MUSIC MINISTRY

**H**eavenly Father, All Powerful, Almighty, Everliving God, Thank You for bringing us all here today and Thank You for giving us the talent of music, but most of all thank You for Your abundant mercy and grace.

Please send down your Holy Spirit to sing through us and play through us.

Lord, open our lips and our mouths shall sing your praise

as we lead your congregation closer to you with the gift You have given us.

In our ministry, we ask You to open our hearts to love You, our ears to hear You, and our

minds to discern what is from You. We ask You to bless our ministry so that we may

grow in Your Will. We also ask You to bless our families and those that cannot be here

today as they help us continue Your work. Protect us from all evil and bring us to

everlasting life.

**M**y God, I believe, I adore, I hope and I love you and I ask pardon for those who do not believe, who do not adore, who do not hope, and do not love you.

My God, I believe, I adore, I hope and I love you and I ask pardon for those who do not believe, who do not adore, who do not hope, and do not love you.

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Sacred Heart of Jesus, Have mercy on us.

Immaculate Heart of Mary, Pray for us.

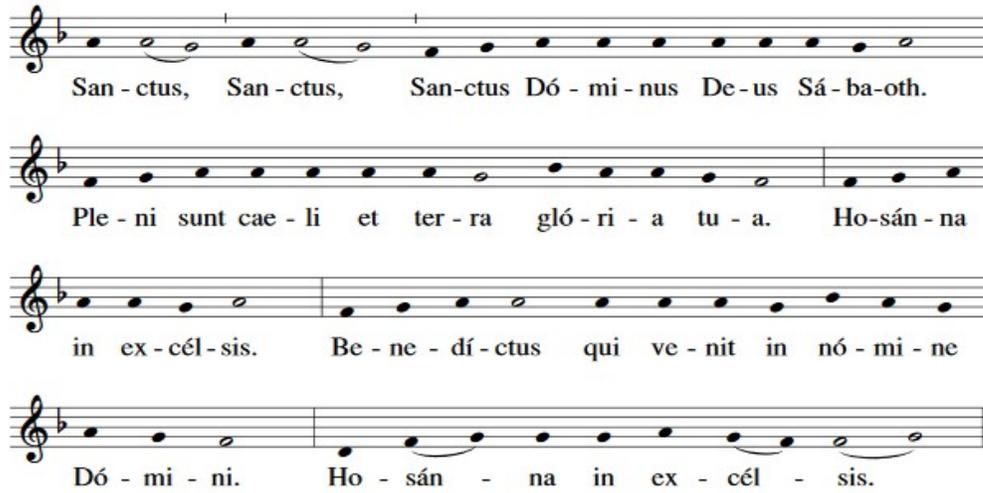
St. Joseph, Protector of the Family and Terror of Demons, Pray for us.

St. Cecilia, Pray for us.

St. Jude, Pray for us.

Amen.

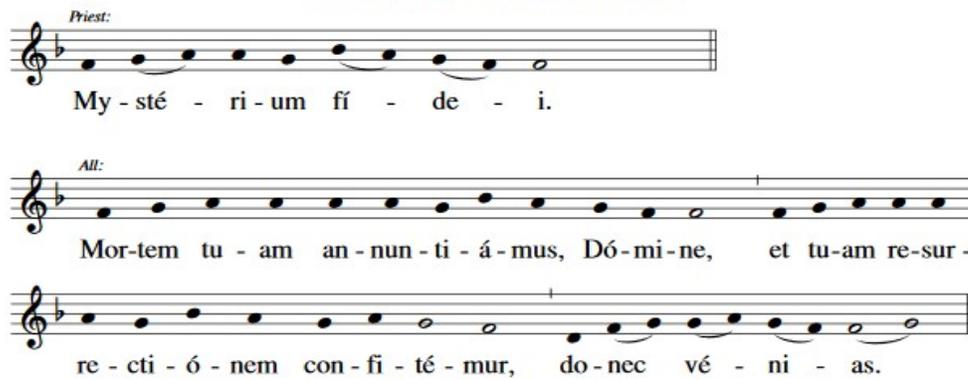
## SANCTUS



San - ctus, San - ctus, San-ctus Dó - mi - nus De - us Sá - ba - oth.  
Ple - ni sunt cae - li et ter - ra gló - ri - a tu - a. Ho - sán - na  
in ex - cé - l - sis. Be - ne - dí - ctus qui ve - nit in nó - mi - ne  
Dó - mi - ni. Ho - sán - na in ex - cé - l - sis.

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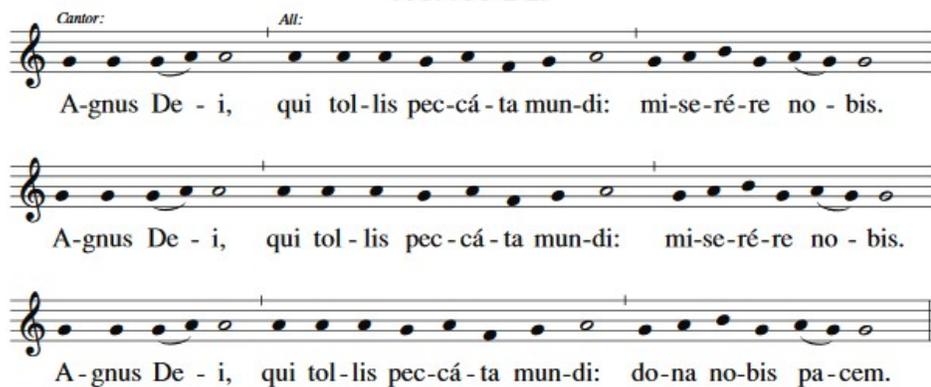
## MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION



*Priest:*  
My - sté - ri - um fí - de - i.  
*All:*  
Mor - tem tu - am an - nun - ti - á - mus, Dó - mi - ne, et tu - am re - sur -  
re - cti - ó - nem con - fi - té - mur, do - nec vé - ni - as.

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## AGNUS DEI



*Cantor:* *All:*  
A - gnus De - i, qui tol - lis pec - cá - ta mun - di: mi - se - ré - re no - bis.  
A - gnus De - i, qui tol - lis pec - cá - ta mun - di: mi - se - ré - re no - bis.  
A - gnus De - i, qui tol - lis pec - cá - ta mun - di: do - na no - bis pa - cem.

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