



THE CATHEDRAL OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

In the City and Roman Catholic Diocese of Albany, New York

The Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary
with *Diocesan Marian Consecration at 12:15 P.M.*

December 8, 2020

Welcome back to the Cathedral! With Saint Peter, who witnessed the glory of Christ at His transfiguration on Mount Tabor, we can say with joy, “Lord it is good that we are here!”

We appreciate your patience navigating new logistical procedures together. Please always be prudent regarding your attendance at Mass: if you feel sick, please stay home—the obligation to attend Mass remains suspended. The wearing of a mask is required in the Cathedral as a safety precaution for you and your neighbors. Restrooms are closed, except for emergency use. If you should have need to use a restroom, please be prepared to follow sanitization instructions provided for the restrooms. Congregational singing is permitted; singing gently, as though whispering, may prove to be more comfortable at this time.

If you are disposed to receive Holy Communion and feel safe to do so, please refer to page page 10 for guidelines. Specially trained ushers are on hand to escort you throughout the Cathedral, as well as to answer any questions you may have.

PRELUDE

12:15 P.M.	<i>Ave Maria</i> , Op. 65, No. 4	Alexandre Guilmant (1837–1911)
5:15 P.M.	<i>Prière à Notre Dame</i> (“Prayer to Our Lady”)	Léon Boëllman (1862–1897)

INTRODUCTORY RITE

ENTRANCE HYMN



1. Im - ma - cu - late Ma - ry, your prais - es we__ sing.
2. In heav - en, the bless - ed your glo - ry pro - claim;
3. Your name is our pow - er, your vir - tues our__ light,
4. We pray for the Church, our true Moth - er on__ earth,



1. You reign now in splen - dor with Je - sus, our__ King.
2. On earth, we your chil - dren in - voke your sweet name.
3. Your love is our com - fort, Your plead - ing, our__ might.
4. And bless, dear - est Ma - ry, the land of our__ birth.



- 1-4. A - ve, a - ve, a - ve, Ma - ri - a! A - ve, a - ve, Ma - ri - a!

Text: Attributed to Abbé Gagniet, ca. 1873
Music: LOURDES HYMN, 11 11 with refrain; Grenoble, 1882

THE SIGN OF THE CROSS AND THE 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 *Form A*

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

[All strike their breast]

**through my fault, through my fault,
through my most grievous fault;**

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.

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

KYRIE ELEISON

Cantor or Choir first, then repeated by All

Ky-ri - e e - lé-i-son.
Lord, have mercy.

Cantor or Choir first, then repeated by All

Chri-ste e - lé-i-son.
Christ, have mercy.

Cantor or Choir

Ky-ri-e e - lé-i-son.
Lord, have mercy.

All

Ky-ri-e e - lé-i-son.

Text: *Missale Romanum*
Music: Mass VIII "de Angelis," *Gregorian Missal*, Mode V

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

[Choir or Cantor sings the lightface text. All sing the boldface text.]

Glo-ri - a in ex-cél-sis De - o. Et in ter-ra pax ho-mi-ni-bus
Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will.

bo-næ vo-lun-tá - tis. **Lau-dá - mus te.** Be-ne-dí-ci-mus te.____
We praise you, we bless you,

A-do-rá - mus te. Gló-ri-fi-cá-mus te. **Grá-ti-as á-gi-mus ti - bi**
we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory.

prop-ter mag-nam gló - ri - am tu - am. Dó-mi - ne De - us, Rex cæ -
Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father.

le - stis, De - us Pa - ter om - ní - po - tens.

[continued]

Dó-mi - ne Fi - li u - ni - gé - ni - te Je - su Chri - ste.
Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,

Dó-mi - ne De - us, Ag - nus De - i, Fí - li - us Pa - tris..
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,

Qui tol - lis pec - cá - ta mun - di, mi - se - ré - re no - bis.
you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us;

Qui tol - lis pec - cá - ta mun - di, sú - sci - pe de - pre - ca - ti - ó -
you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer;

nem_ no - stram. Qui se - des ad déx - te - ram Pa - tris,
you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us.

mi - se - ré - re no - bis. Quó - ni - am tu so - lus san - ctus.
For you alone are the Holy One,

Tu so - lus Dó - mi - nus. Tu so - lus Al - tís - si -
you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,

mus, Je - su Chri - ste. Cum San - cto Spí - ri - tu,
with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

in gló - ri - a De - i Pa - tris. A - - - men.

Text: Gregorian Missal
 Music: *Missa de Angelis*, plainsong, mode V

COLLECT

The celebrant prays the collect.

℟. **Amen.**

LITURGY OF THE WORD

[Please be seated.]

FIRST READING

Genesis 3:9–15, 20

I will put enmity between you and the woman.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 98:1, 2–3ab, 3cd–4



℟. Sing to the Lord a new song, for He has done mar-vel-ous deeds.

1. O sing a new song to the LORD,
for He has worked wonders.
His right hand and His holy arm
have brought salvation. ℟.
2. The LORD has made known His salvation,
has shown His deliverance to the nations.
He has remembered His merciful love
and His truth for the house of Israel. ℟.
3. All the ends of the earth have seen
the salvation of our God.
Shout to the LORD, all the earth;
break forth into joyous song,
and sing out your praise. ℟.

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SECOND READING

Ephesians 1:3–6

God chose us in Christ, before the foundation of the world.

ALLELUIA [Please stand.]

Luke 1:28



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

Gospel verse. Hail, Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with you;
blessed are you among women. ℟.

Text: The Roman Missal, © 2010 ICEL
Music: based on the *Kyrie eleison* of *Missa de Angelis*, adapted by Brian F. Gurley, b. 1983

[Before the reading.]

☩. The Lord be with you.

℟. **And with your spirit.**

☩. A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Matthew.

℟. **Glory to You, O Lord.**

Mary, you have found favor with God.

[After the reading.]

☩. The Gospel of the Lord.

℟. **Praise to You, Lord Jesus Christ.**

HOMILY *[Please be seated.]*

Note: Preaching schedule subject to change.

7:15 P.M. ☩ 5:15 P.M. The Very Reverend David R. LeFort, S.T.L., V.G.

Rector of the Cathedral

12:15 P.M. The Most Reverend Edward B. Scharfenberger, D.D.

Bishop of Albany

THE PROFESSION OF FAITH *The Nicene 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,

[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.

UNIVERSAL PRAYER

Cantor *All*

(Intention) Let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, hear our prayer.**

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

[Please be seated.]

PREPARATION OF THE ALTAR AND THE GIFTS

MOTET AT THE OFFERTORY 5:15 P.M.

Hail! Mother of the Redeemer, who remains the open gate of heaven, and star of the sea, help the fallen people who strive to rise again: You who gave birth, nature wondering, to your holy Creator. Virgin before and after, accepting that *Ave* from Gabriel's mouth, have mercy on sinners.

Alma Redemptoris Mater, quæ pervia cæli porta manes, et stella maris, succurre cadenti, surgere qui curat, populo: Tu quæ genuisti, natura mirante, tuum sanctum Genitorem virgo prius ac posterius, Gabrielis ab ore sumens illud Ave, peccatorum miserere.

Text: Marian Votive Antiphon, Advent through the Feast of the Purification
Music: Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina, c1525–1594

INVITATION TO PRAYER [Please stand.]

- ℣. Pray, brothers and sisters, that my sacrifice and yours, may be acceptable to God the Almighty Father.
℟. **May the Lord accept this sacrifice at your hands for the praise and glory of his name, for our good and the good of all his holy church.**

PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

The celebrant prays the prayer over the gifts.

℟. **Amen.**

PREFACE DIALOGUE

- ℣. 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.**

SANCTUS ET BENEDICTUS

[Choir or Cantor sings the lightface text. All sing the boldface text.]

San - ctus, San - ctus, San - ctus
Holy Holy Holy

Dó - mi - nus De - us Sá - ba - oth.
Lord God of hosts.

[continued]



Ple - ni__ sunt cæ - li et__ ter - ra__
Heaven and earth are full of Your glory.



gló-ri - a__ tu - a. **Ho-sán - na** in ex - cél - sis__
Hosanna in the highest.



Be - ne - dí - ctus qui ve - nit__ in nó-mi-ne Dó - mi-ni.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.



Ho-sán - na in ex - cél - - - sis__
Hosanna in the highest.

Text: Gregorian Missal
Music: *Missa de Angelis*, plainsong, mode VI

EUCHARISTIC PRAYER *[Please kneel.]*

MYSTERY OF FAITH



The mystery of faith.

∇. Mys - te - ri - um fi - de - i.



We proclaim Your death, O Lord,

℞. Mor-tem tu - am an-nun-ti - a-mus, Dó - mi - ne, et tu - am



and profess Your Resurrection,

until You come again.

re - sur-rec - ti - ó-nem con - fi - té - mur, do - nec__ vé - ni - as.

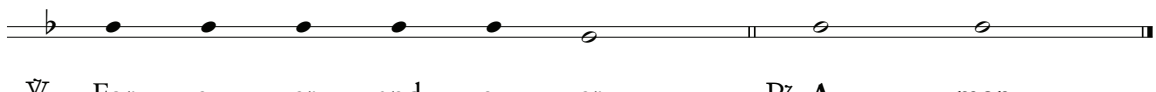
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AMEN



∇. For ev - er__ and ev - er. ℞. **A - men.**


—OR—




∇. For ev - er and ev - er. ℞. **A - men.**

THE OUR FATHER *[Please stand.]*

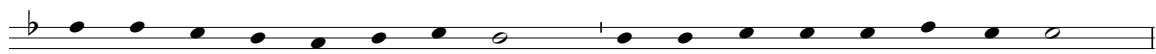
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R. Our Fa - ther, Who art in heav - en, hal - lowed be Thy Name;



Thy king - dom come; Thy will be done on earth as it is in heav - en.



Give us this day our dai - ly bread; and for - give us our tres - pass - es



as we for - give those who tres - pass a - gainst us; and lead us not in - to



temp - ta - tion, but de - liv - er us from e - vil.

The Celebrant prays the embolism. Then, all sing:



R. For the king - dom, the power and the glo - ry are Yours, now and for ev - er.


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Music: Traditional chant, adapt. by Robert Snow, 1964

SIGN OF PEACE

✠. The peace of the Lord be with you always.
R. **And with your spirit.**

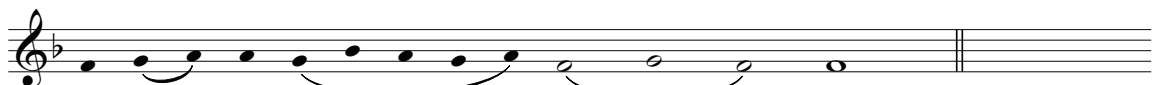
AGNUS DEI

✠. Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi:
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world:



R. mi - se - ré - re no - bis.
have mercy on us.

✠. Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi:
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world:

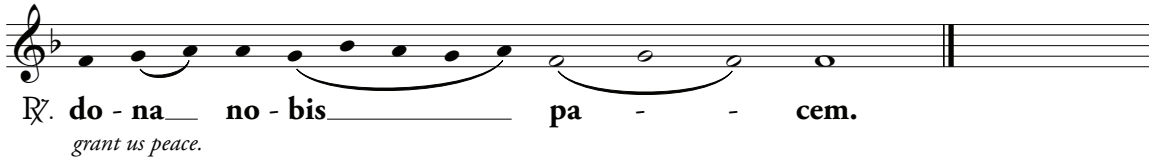


R. mi - se - ré - re no - bis.
have mercy on us.

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∇. Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi:

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world:



R. do - na no - bis pa - - cem.
grant us peace.

Text: *Missale Romanum*

Music: Mass VIII "de Angelis," *Gregorian Missal*, Mode VI

During the Communion procession, please follow the direction of the usher, who will invite you by pew to proceed to the Minister of Holy Communion. Spatial distancing of 6 feet must be maintained between households. Reception of Holy Communion in the hand should take place with your mask still covering your nose and mouth. Simply slide your mask below your chin to keep both hands free. Upon consumption of the host, immediately reposition your mask to cover your nose and mouth. In order to receive Holy Communion on the tongue, simply slide your mask below your chin. Upon reception of Holy Communion, immediately reposition your mask to cover your nose and mouth. The ministers of Holy Communion may pause the procession periodically in order to sanitize their hands.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

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

Blessed are those who are called to the supper of the Lamb.

R. **Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof,
but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.**

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Glorious things are said of you, O Mary, for He Who
is mighty has done great things for you.

*Gloriosa dicta sunt de te, Maria: quia fecit tibi magna qui
potens est.*

Text: Antiphon, Psalm 86:3; Luke 1:49; verses: Luke 1:46–49

Music: *Gregorian Missal*, Mode VIII

HYMN OF PRAISE



1. Sing we of the bless - ed Mo - ther Who re - ceived the an - gel's word,
2. Sing we, too, of Ma - ry's sor - rows, Of the sword that pierced her through,
3. Sing a - gain the joys of Ma - ry When she saw the ris - en Lord,
4. Sing the chief - est joy of Ma - ry When on earth her work was done,



1. And o - be - dient to the sum - mons Bore in love the in - fant Lord;
2. When be - neath the Cross of Je - sus She His weight of suf - fering knew,
3. And in prayer with Christ's a - pos - tles, Wait - ed on His prom - ised word;
4. And the Lord of all cre - a - tion Brought her to His Heaven - ly home:

[continued]



1. Sing we of the joys of Ma - ry At whose breast the Child was fed
2. Looked up - on her Son and Sa - vior reign - ing from the aw - ful tree,
3. From on high the blaz - ing glo - ry of the Spi - rit's pres - ence came,
4. Vir - gin Moth - er, Ma - ry bless - ed, Raised on high and crowned with grace,



1. Who is Son of God e - ter - nal And the ev - er - last - ing Bread.
2. Saw the price of our re - demp - tion Paid to set the sin - ner free.
3. Heaven - ly breath of God's own be - ing, Man - i - fest in wind and flame.
4. May your Son, the world's Re - deem - er, Grant us all to see His face.

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Music: OMNE DIE, 8 7 8 7 D; *Trier Gesängbuch*, 1695

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION *[Please stand.]*

The celebrant prays the prayer after communion.

R. Amen.

MARIAN CONSECRATION PRAYER

R. I, *N.*, a repentant sinner, renew and ratify today in your hands, O, Immaculate Mother, the vows of my Baptism. I renounce Satan and resolve to follow Jesus Christ even more closely than before.

Mary, I give you my heart. Please set it on fire with love for Jesus. Make it always attentive to his burning thirst for love and for souls. Keep my heart in your most pure Heart that I may love Jesus and the members of his Body with your own perfect love.

Mary, I entrust myself totally to you: my body and soul, my goods, both interior and exterior, and even the value of all my good actions. Please make of me, of all that I am and have, whatever most pleases you. Let me be a fit instrument in your immaculate and merciful hands for bringing the greatest possible glory to God. If I fall, please lead me back to Jesus. Wash me in the blood and water that flow from his pierced side, and help me never to lose my trust in this fountain of love and mercy.

With you, O Immaculate Mother—you who always do the will of God—I unite myself to the perfect consecration of Jesus as he offers himself in the Spirit to the Father for the life of the world. Amen.

CONCLUDING RITES

FINAL BLESSING AND DISMISSAL

☩. The Lord be with you.

☩. **And with your spirit.**

☩. Bow down for the blessing.

☩. ✠ May almighty God bless you...

☩. **Amen.**

☩. Go forth, the Mass is ended.

☩. **Thanks be to God.**

PRAYER TO SAINT MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL

**Saint Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle;
be our defense against the wickedness and snares of the devil.
May God rebuke him, we humbly pray;
and do thou, O prince of the heavenly hosts, 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.**

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PRELUDE

12:15 P.M. *Magnificat octavi toni*

Jehan Titelouze
(1563–1633)

5:15 P.M. *Fanfare, from École d'Orgue*

Jacques-Nicolas Lemmens
(1823–1881)



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