



# THE CATHEDRAL OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

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

Renewal of the Consecration of the United States  
to the Blessed Virgin Mary

May 1, 2020

## PRELUDE

*Priere à Notre-Dame*  
("Prayer to Our Lady")

Léon Boëllmann  
(1862–1897)

## INTRODUCTORY RITE

### HYMN AT THE PROCESSION



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 Gagnet, 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.**  
 ☩ Peace be with you.  
 ✠ **And with your spirit.**

### INTRODUCTION

## OPENING PRAYER

*The Bishop prays the collect.*

℟. **Amen.**

## GOSPEL

John 19:25–27

*[Before the reading.]*

℣. The Lord be with you.

℟. **And with your spirit.**

℣. A reading from the Holy Gospel according to John.

℟. **Glory to You, O Lord.**

And from that hour the disciple took her into his home.

*[After the reading.]*

℣. The Gospel of the Lord.

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

## REFLECTION *[Please be seated.]*

The Most Reverend Edward B. Scharfenberger, D.D.  
*Bishop of Albany and Apostolic Administrator of Buffalo*

## “BEHOLD, YOUR MOTHER”

*The Fifth Sorrowful Mystery of the Rosary: The Crucifixion of the Lord*

*The Our Father*

℣. 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. Amen.**

*The Hail Mary, recited 10 times*

℣. Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee;  
blessed art thou amongst women,  
and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus.

℟. **Holy Mary, Mother of God,  
pray for us sinners  
now and at the hour of our death. Amen.**

*The Glory Be*

℣. 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.**

*The Fatima Prayer, recited by all*

**O my Jesus, forgive us our sins, save us from the  
fires of hell, and lead all souls to Heaven, especially  
those in most need of Thy mercy.**

## PRAYER OF RENEWAL OF OUR CONSECRATION TO THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

℣. Let us now entrust our country and ourselves once again to the Virgin Mary's care:

Most Holy Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church,  
you are the fairest fruit of God's redeeming love;  
you sing of the Father's mercy  
and accompany us with a mother's love.

In this time of pandemic we come to you,  
our sign of sure hope and comfort.

Today we renew the act of consecration and entrustment  
carried out by those who have gone before us.

With the love of a Mother and Handmaid,  
embrace this diocese which we entrust and consecrate once again to you,  
together with ourselves and our families.

In a special way we commend to you  
those particularly in need of your maternal care.

Mary, Health of the Sick,  
sign of health, of healing, and of divine hope for the sick,

℣. **we entrust to you all who are infected with the coronavirus.**

℣. Mary, Mother of Consolation,  
who console with a mother's love all who turn to you,

℣. **we entrust to you all those who have lost loved ones in the pandemic.**

℣. Mary, Help of Christians,  
who come to our rescue in every trial,

℣. **we entrust to your loving protection all caregivers.**

℣. Mary, Queen and Mother of Mercy,  
who embrace all those who call upon your help in their distress,

℣. **we entrust to you all who are suffering in any way from the pandemic.**

℣. Mary, Seat of Wisdom,  
who were so wonderfully filled with the light of truth,

℣. **we entrust to you all who are working to find a cure to this pandemic.**

℣. Mary, Mother of Good Counsel,  
who gave yourself wholeheartedly to God's plan for the renewing of all things in Christ,

℣. **we entrust to you all leaders and policymakers.**

℣. Accept with the benevolence of a Mother  
the act of consecration that we make today with confidence,  
and help us to be your Son's instruments

℣. **for the healing and salvation of our country and the world.**

*[continued]*

℣. Mary, Mother of the Church,  
you are enthroned as queen at your Son's right hand:  
we ask your intercession for the needs of our country,  
that every desire for good may be blessed and strengthened,  
that faith may be revived and nourished,  
hope sustained and enlightened,  
charity awakened and animated;  
℞. **guide us, we pray, along the path of holiness.**

℣. Mary our Mother,  
bring everyone under your protection  
℞. **and entrust everyone to your beloved Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

## CONCLUDING PRAYER

*The Bishop prays the collect.*  
℞. **Amen.**

## FINAL BLESSING AND DISMISSAL

℣. The Lord be with you.  
℞. **And with your spirit.**  
℣. May the blessing of almighty God,  
the Father, ✠ and the Son, ✠ and the Holy ✠ Spirit,  
come down on you and remain with you for ever.  
℞. **Amen.**

## MARIAN ANTIPHON

*Queen of heaven, rejoice, alleluia:*



[Re - gí - na caé - li] \* lae - tá - re, al - le - lú - ia:

*For He Whom you were made worthy to bear, alleluia:*



Qui - a quem me - ru - í - sti por - tá - re, al - le - lú - ia:

*Has risen as He said, alleluia:*



Re - sur - ré - xit, si - cut di - xit, al - le - lú - ia:

*Pray for us to God, alleluia.*



O - ra pro nó - bis Dé - um, al - le - lú - ia.

Text: Latin, 12th C.  
Music: REGINA CAELI, Irregular; Mode VI

## POSTLUDE

*Magnificat tertii toni*

Heinrich Scheidemann  
(ca. 1595–1663)