



THE CATHEDRAL OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

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

The Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 19, 2021

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!”

New Cathedral Guidelines effective June 6, 2021. We appreciate your patience navigating new logistical procedures together. All of the exterior doors of the Cathedral are open and available for entry and exit. Mask guidelines in the Cathedral are in accordance with guidance from New York State and the Centers for Disease Control: Fully vaccinated persons are not required to wear a mask. Distanced seating in every other pew is retained throughout the Cathedral until further notice; there are not designated sections reflecting vaccination status. All are welcome to continue wearing masks according to their comfort level.

PRELUDE

Prelude and Fugue in G Major, BWV 557

attr. Johann Sebastian Bach
(1685–1750)

INTRODUCTORY RITE

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

My soul is thirst - ing for the Lord:
when shall I see Him face to face?_____

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THE SIGN OF THE CROSS AND THE GREETING

- ✠. ✠ In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
- ✠. **Amen.**
- ✠. Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.
- ✠. **And with your spirit.**

PENITENTIAL ACT

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

℣. Lord Jesus, You have shown us the way to the Father.



Ky - ri - e _____ e - le - i - son.
℣. **Ky - ri - e** _____ **e - le - i - son.**
(*Lord, have mercy.*)

℣. Lord Jesus, You have given us the consolation of the truth.



Chri - ste _____ e - le - i - son.
℣. **Chri - ste** _____ **e - le - i - son.**
(*Christ, have mercy.*)

℣. Lord Jesus, You are the Good Shepherd, leading us into everlasting life.



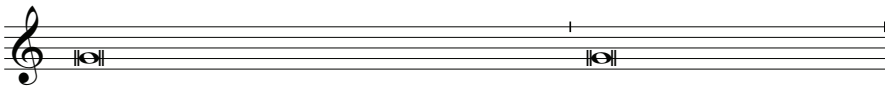
Ky - ri - e _____ e - le - i - son.
(*Lord, have mercy.*)



℣. **Ky - ri - e** _____ **e - le - i - son.**

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Music: *Missa Pater cuncta*, plainsong, Mode VIII; musical setting for tropes by Sarah Riskind, b. 1985



℣. May Almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us our sins,



and bring us to everlasting life. ℣. **A - men.**

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

Organ

All

Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and on earth peace_ to peo - ple of good will.

We praise_ You, we bless_ You, we a - dore_ You, we_

glo - ri - fy_ You, we give You thanks for Your great_ glo - ry,

Lord God, heaven - ly_ King, O_ God, al-might-y Fa - ther.

Choir or Cantor alone:

Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,
 Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
 You take away the sins of the world,

All

have mer - cy on us;

You take away the sins of the world,

All

re - ceive_ our prayer;

You are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mer - cy on us.

All

All

For You a - lone are the Ho - ly One, - You a - lone are the Lord,

You a - lone are the Most_ High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spir - it,

in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - - - men,

a - - - men, a - - - men.

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COLLECT

The Celebrant prays the collect.

℟. Amen.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

[Please be seated.]

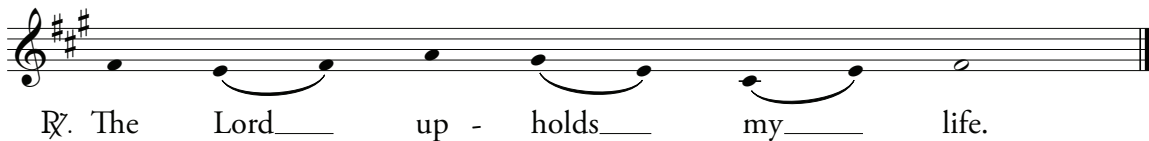
FIRST READING

Wisdom 2:12; 17–20

Let us condemn him to a shameful death.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 54:3–4, 5, 6–8



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| <p>1. O God, by Your Name save me,
and by Your might defend my cause.
O God, hear my prayer;
hearken to the words of my mouth. ℟.</p> <p>2. For the haughty men have risen up against me,
the ruthless seek my life;
they set not God before their eyes. ℟.</p> | <p>3. How gracious is the LORD, and just;
our God has compassion.
The LORD protects the simple;
I was brought low, and He saved me. ℟.</p> <p>4. Behold, God is my helper;
the Lord sustains my life.
Freely will I offer You sacrifice;
I will praise Your Name, O LORD, for its goodness. ℟.</p> |
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SECOND READING

James 3:16—4:3

The fruit of righteousness is sown in peace for those who cultivate peace.

ALLELUIA *[Please stand.]*

2 Thessalonians 2:14



Gospel verse. God has called us through the Gospel
to possess the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ. ℟.

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[Before the Gospel]

℣. The Lord be with you.

℟. **And with your spirit.**

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

℟. **Glory to You, O Lord.**

“The Son of Man is to be handed over to men.”

[After the Gospel]

℣. The Gospel of the Lord.

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

[When a bishop is present, all remain standing until he has revered the book of the Gospels.]

HOMILY *[Please be seated.]*

Note: Preaching schedule subject to change.

11 A.M. The Most Reverend Edward B. Scharfenberger, D.D.

Bishop of Albany, New York

5 P.M. The Reverend Juanito B. Asprec

Parochial Vicar of the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception

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

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

***New Cathedral Guidelines effective June 6, 2021.** During the Offertory, designated ushers will pass through the Cathedral with baskets to receive financial donations. The ushers will periodically sanitize the edges of the baskets. Thank you for your generous financial support of the Cathedral and our ministries.*

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

[Please be seated.]

PREPARATION OF THE ALTAR AND THE GIFTS

ANTHEM AT THE OFFERTORY 11 A.M.

Draw us in the Spirit's tether;
For when humbly, in Thy Name,
Two or three are met together,
Thou art in the midst of them:
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Touch we now Thy garment's hem.

As the brethren used to gather
In the Name of Christ to sup,
Then with thanks to God the Father
Break the Bread and bless the Cup,
Alleluia! Alleluia!
So knit Thou our friendship up.

All our meals and all our living
Make us sacraments of thee,
That be caring, helping, giving,
We may true disciples be.
Alleluia! Alleluia!
We will serve thee faithfully.

Text: Percival Dearmer, 1867–1936
Music: Harold Friedell, 1905–1958

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.**

AMEN

Organ *All*

A - men, a - men, a - men.

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THE OUR FATHER *[Please stand.]*

All

℟. 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 forgive 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:

℟. 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.
℟. **And with your spirit.**

AGNUS DEI

Lamb of God, You take a-way the sins of the world, have
mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, You
take a - way the sins of the world, grant us peace.

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For communicants choosing to retain their masks: 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 *[Please kneel.]*

- ✠. 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.
- ✠. **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

You have laid down your precepts to be carefully kept. May my ways be firm in keeping your statutes.

Verses. ¹Blessed are those whose way is blameless, who walk in the law of the LORD! ²Blessed are those who keep his decrees! With all their hearts they seek him. ³They never do anything evil, but walk in his ways. ⁴I will keep your statutes; do not ever forsake me.

Tu mandásti mandáta tua custodíri nimis: útinam dirigántur viæ meæ, ad custodiéndas justificatiónes tuas.

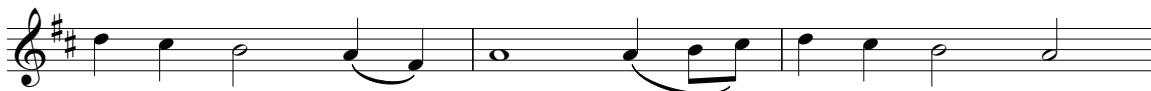
Verses. ¹Beáti immaculáti in via, qui ámbulant in lege Dómini. ²Beáti, qui servant testimónia ejus, in toto corde exquirunt eum. ³Non enim operáti sunt iniquitátem, in viis ejus ambulavérunt. ⁴Justificatiónes tuas custódiam, non me derelínquas usquequáque.

Text: Antiphon, Psalm 119: 4, 5; verses 1, 2, 3, 8
Music: *Gregorian Missal*, Mode V

HYMN OF PRAISE



1. We walk by faith, and not by sight; No
2. We may not touch His hands and side, Nor
3. Help then, O Lord, our un - be - lief; And
4. That, when our life of faith is done, In



1. gra-cious words we hear From Him Who spoke as
2. fol - low where He trod; But in His prom - ise
3. may our faith a - bound, To call on You when
4. realms of clear - er light We may be - hold You



1. none e'er spoke; But we be - lieve Him near.
2. we re - joice, And cry, "My Lord and God!"
3. You are near, And seek where You are found:
4. as You are, With full and end - less sight.

Text: Henry Alford, 1810-1871, alt.
Music: DUNLAP'S CREEK, CM; Samuel McFarland, fl. 1816

[After the Hymn of Praise, a time of silence is kept, while all may pray quietly.]

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION *[Please stand.]*

The Celebrant prays the prayer after communion.

℟. **Amen.**

CONCLUDING RITES

FINAL BLESSING AND DISMISSAL

☩. The Lord be with you.

☩. **And with your spirit.**

☩. [Blessed be the Name of the Lord.]

☩. **[Now and forever.]**

☩. [Our help is in the Name of the Lord.]

☩. **[Who made heaven and earth.]**

☩. ✠ May almighty God bless you.

☩. **Amen.**

☩. Go in peace, 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.

POSTLUDE

Toccata in A Minor

Jan Pieterszoon Sweelinck
(1562–1621)

Following the Prayer to Saint Michael the Archangel, please follow the direction of the Ushers to exit the Cathedral safely. Service leaflets should be deposited in baskets as you exit, for recycling after Mass; they may not be reused.

If you are interested in volunteering as an Usher for future liturgies, please contact the Cathedral Office to sign up. E-mail cicalban@rcda.org or call 518-463-4447. Thank you, and God bless you!



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