



# First Sunday of Lent

February 20-21, 2021

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Congregational singing is suspended during this time.

Because of the importance of music in sacred liturgy, a cantor and organist will provide music on behalf of the worshipping assembly, including those who are worshipping at home. We encourage you to participate, if only in an internal way, by praying along with the sung words included in this liturgy guide. We look forward to the day when we can join in song together.

## ORDER OF THE MASS

*Please follow along in prayer as the cantor sings:*

**YOU ARE MERCIFUL TO ALL, O LORD**

*Refrain: You are merciful to all, O Lord. You bring us to repentance and forgive our sins for you are the Lord our God.*

*The Lord answers those who call on him. He delivers them from sin and gives them glory for he is our hope and salvation.*

James Gradzinski

*Penitential Rite*



*Collect (opening prayer)*

LITURGY OF THE WORD

*First Reading: Genesis 9:8-15*

*God said to Noah and to his sons with him:  
"See, I am now establishing my covenant with  
you and your descendants after you  
and with every living creature that was with you:  
all the birds, and the various tame and wild  
animals that were with you and came out of the  
ark. I will establish my covenant with you,  
that never again shall all bodily creatures be  
destroyed by the waters of a flood;  
there shall not be another flood to devastate the  
earth." God added: "This is the sign that I am*

*giving for all ages to come, of the covenant  
between me and you and every living creature  
with you: I set my bow in the clouds to serve as a  
sign of the covenant between me and the earth.  
When I bring clouds over the earth,  
and the bow appears in the clouds,  
I will recall the covenant I have made  
between me and you and all living beings,  
so that the waters shall never again become a  
flood to destroy all mortal beings."*

*Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 25*

*Assembly will recite response*

***R/. Teach me your ways, O Lord.***

*O Lord, make me know your ways. Teach me  
your paths. Guide me in your truth, and teach  
me; for you are the God of my salvation. R/.*

*Good and upright is the Lord; he shows the  
way to sinners. He guides the humble in  
right judgement; to the humble he teaches  
his way. R/.*

*Remember your compassion, O Lord, and your  
merciful love, for they are from of old. In your  
merciful love remember me, because of your  
goodness, O Lord. R/.*

Michel Guimont



*Second Reading: 1 Peter 3:18-22*

*Beloved:*

*Christ suffered for sins once, the righteous for the sake of the unrighteous, that he might lead you to God. Put to death in the flesh, he was brought to life in the Spirit. In it he also went to preach to the spirits in prison, who had once been disobedient while God patiently waited in the days of Noah during the building of the ark,*

*in which a few persons, eight in all, were saved through water. This prefigured baptism, which saves you now. It is not a removal of dirt from the body but an appeal to God for a clear conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, with angels, authorities, and powers subject to him.*

*Gospel Acclamation*

*Praise and honor to you, O Lord Jesus Christ.*

*Gospel: Mark 1:12-15*

*The Spirit drove Jesus out into the desert, and he remained in the desert for forty days, tempted by Satan. He was among wild beasts, and the angels ministered to him. After John*

*had been arrested, Jesus came to Galilee proclaiming the gospel of God: "This is the time of fulfillment. The kingdom of God is at hand. Repent, and believe in the gospel."*

*Homily*

*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, 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*



## LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

### *Preparation of the Gifts*

*Instrumental*  
4:00 pm

*Ich Ruf Zu Dir, Herr Jesus Christ*

*J.S. Bach (BWV 639)*

### *Choral Offering*

8:00 am & 10:30 am

*Miserere Mei*

*Antonio Lotti*

*Have mercy upon me, O God, according to your kindness;  
According unto the multitude of your tender mercies;  
blot out my transgressions.*

### *Eucharistic Prayer Acclamations:*

*Holy, Holy, Holy*

*Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts.  
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
Hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest.*

### *Memorial Acclamation*

*We proclaim your  
Death, O Lord,  
and profess your  
Resurrection  
until you come  
again.*

*or*

*When we eat this  
Bread and drink  
this Cup, We  
proclaim your  
death O Lord,  
Until you come  
again.*

*or*

*Save us, Savior of  
the world,  
for by  
your Cross  
and Resurrection  
You have set us  
free.*



## THE COMMUNION RITE

*Lord's Prayer*

*Sign of Peace*

*Lamb of God*

*Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,  
have mercy on us.*

*Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,  
have mercy on us.*

*Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,  
grant us peace.*

*The communion procession will be by way of one, single-file line in each aisle. When coming forward, all must wear a mask and maintain 6ft distancing.*

*For safety reasons, we ask that people receive on the hand, step aside, remove mask and consume host. Then put mask back on until back in pew. Those not receiving communion are to remain in pew.*

*Please keep your hand flat when receiving the Eucharist to avoid contact with the minister.*

## *Spiritual Communion*

*For those watching at home and will find it meaningful, a prayer of spiritual communion by St. Alphonsus Liguori is provided:*

*My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Blessed Sacrament.*

*I love You above all things,*

*and I desire to receive You into my soul.*

*Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally,*

*come at least spiritually into my heart.*

*I embrace You as if you were already there,*

*and I unite myself wholly to You.*

*Never permit me to be separated from You.*

## COMMUNION PROCESSION

*Please follow along in prayer as the cantor sings:*

### HOW HOLY THIS FEAST

*How holy this feast in which Christ is our food;*

*His passion is recalled, grace fills our hearts,*

*and we receive a pledge of the glory to come.*

Text: *O Sacrum Convivium*, St. Thomas Aquinas

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## RETURN TO GOD

**Refrain:** *Return to God with all your heart, the source of grace and mercy;  
come seek the tender faithfulness of God.*

*Now the time of grace has come, the day of salvation;  
come and learn now the way of our God.*

*I will take your heart of stone and place a heart within you,  
a heart of compassion and love.*

*If you break the chains of oppression, if you set the pris'ner free;  
if you share your bread with the hungry, give protection to the lost;  
give a shelter to the homeless, clothe the naked in your midst,  
then your light shall break forth like the dawn.*

Marty Haugen

## LORD WHO THROUGHOUT THESE FORTY DAYS

*Lord, who throughout these forty days,  
For us did fast and pray,  
Teach us to overcome our sins,  
And close by you to stay.*

*And through these days of penitence,  
And through your Passiontide,  
For evermore, in life and death,  
O Lord, with us abide.*

*As you with Satan did contend  
And did the vict'ry win,  
O give us strength in you to fight,  
In you to conquer sin.*

*Abide with us, that when this life  
Of suffering is past,  
An Easter of unending joy  
We may attain at last!*

*As you did hunger and did thirst,  
So teach us, gracious Lord,  
To die to self, and only live  
By your most holy word.*

Tune: ST. FLAVIAN

## Prayer after communion

*Please allow the ushers to guide the dismissal so we can avoid clusters of people. We must respectfully ask that people do not linger or socialize in the narthex or outside on the sidewalk to allow proper social distancing between households during exit.*

