



# Third Sunday of Lent

March 6-7, 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 gathers us from foreign lands and pours clean water upon us. He cleanses us and gives us life. (refrain)*

James Gradzinski

*Penitential Rite*

*Collect (opening prayer)*



## LITURGY OF THE WORD

*First Reading: Exodus 20:1-3, 7-8, 12-17*

*In those days, God delivered all these commandments: "I, the LORD am your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, that place of slavery. You shall not have other gods besides me. "You shall not take the name of the LORD, your God, in vain. For the LORD will not leave unpunished the one who takes his name in vain. Remember to keep holy the sabbath day. Honor your father and your mother,*

*that you may have a long life in the land which the Lord, your God, is giving you. You shall not kill. You shall not commit adultery. You shall not steal. You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor. You shall not covet your neighbor's house. You shall not covet your neighbor's wife, nor his male or female slave, nor his ox or ass, nor anything else that belongs to him."*

*Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 116*

*Assembly will recite response*

***R/. Lord, you have the words of everlasting life.***

*The law of the Lord is perfect;  
it revives the soul.  
The decrees of the Lord are steadfast;  
they give wisdom to the simple R/.*

*The precepts of the Lord are right;  
they gladden the heart.  
The command of the Lord is clear;  
it gives light to the eyes. R/.*

*The fear of the Lord is pure,  
abiding forever.  
The judgements of the Lord are true;  
they are, all of them, just. R/.*

*They are more to be desired than gold,  
Than quantities of gold.  
And sweeter are they than honey,  
than honey flowing from the comb. R/.*

Michel Guimont



*Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 1:22-25*

*Brothers and sisters:*

*Jews demand signs and Greeks look for wisdom, but we proclaim Christ crucified, a stumbling block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles, but to those who are called, Jews and Greeks*

*alike, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. For the foolishness of God is wiser than human wisdom, and the weakness of God is stronger than human strength.*

*Gospel Acclamation*

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

*Gospel: John 2:13-25*

*Since the Passover of the Jews was near, Jesus went up to Jerusalem. He found in the temple area those who sold oxen, sheep, and doves, as well as the money changers seated there. He made a whip out of cords and drove them all out of the temple area, with the sheep and oxen, and spilled the coins of the money changers and overturned their tables, and to those who sold doves he said, "Take these out of here, and stop making my Father's house a marketplace." His disciples recalled the words of Scripture, Zeal for your house will consume me. At this the Jews answered and said to him, "What sign can you show us for doing this?" Jesus answered and said to them, "Destroy this temple and in*

*three days I will raise it up." The Jews said, "This temple has been under construction for forty-six years, and you will raise it up in three days?" But he was speaking about the temple of his body. Therefore, when he was raised from the dead, his disciples remembered that he had said this, and they came to believe the Scripture and the word Jesus had spoken. While he was in Jerusalem for the feast of Passover, many began to believe in his name when they saw the signs he was doing. But Jesus would not trust himself to them because he knew them all, and did not need anyone to testify about human nature. He himself understood it well.*

*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

*O Mensch, Bewein Dein Sunde Gross*

*(BWV 622) J. S. Bach*

*Choral Offering*  
8:00 & 10:30 am

*Psalm 130*

*Paul Manz*

*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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## TURN TO ME

### *Refrain:*

*Turn to me, O turn, and be saved,  
says the Lord, for I am God;  
there is no other, none beside me.  
I call your name.*

*I am God, who comforts you;  
who are you to be afraid of flesh that fades,  
is made like the grass of the field,  
soon to wither.*

*Listen to me, my people;  
give ear to me, my nation:  
a law will go forth from me,  
and my justice for a light to the people.*

*Lift up your eyes to the heavens,  
and look at the earth down below.  
The heavens will vanish like smoke,  
and the earth will wear out like a garment.*

John Foley, SJ

## 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.*

### *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.*