

THE SECOND  
SUNDAY OF EASTER  
~ DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY ~  
April 11, 2021



*Pandemic safety*

- \* Staying healthy is our common responsibility!
- \* **Masks are required at all times** (covering your mouth and nose) even if you have been vaccinated.
- \* Respect **physical distancing**. Stay at least six feet apart from anyone who is not in your household and refrain from physical contact with others.
- \* If you would like to have **the text of the readings**, free copies of the *United in Christ* missal are available near the entrance. Please keep this missal for yourself and bring it with you to Mass every Sunday.
- \* **Thank you** for your patience and presence!

Sign of the  
Cross and  
Greeting

*Priest/Deacon: The Lord be with you.*

Assembly: **And with your spirit.**

Sprinkling Rite/  
Opening Song

*Christ Has Risen*

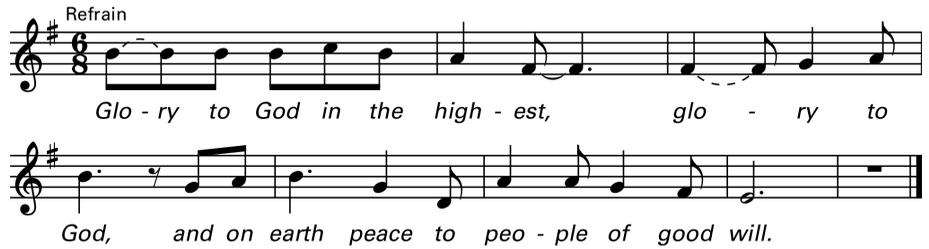
Christ has risen while earth slumbers, Christ has risen where hope died, as he said and as he promised, as we doubted and denied. Let the moon embrace the blessing; let the sun sustain the cheer; let the world confirm the rumor: Christ has risen, God is here!

Christ has risen for the people whom he died to love and save;  
Christ has risen for the women bringing flowers to grace his grave.  
Christ has risen for disciples huddled in an upstairs room.  
He whose words inspired creation can't be silenced by the tomb.

Christ has risen to companion former friends who fear the night,  
sensing loss and limitation where their faith had once burned bright. They bemoan what is no longer, they expect no hopeful sign 'till Christ ends their conversation breaking bread and sharing wine.

## Glory to God

Refrain



The image shows two staves of musical notation for a refrain. The first staff is in G major (one sharp) and 6/8 time. It contains the melody for the first line of the refrain: "Glo - ry to God in the high - est, glo - ry to". The second staff continues the melody for the second line: "God, and on earth peace to peo - ple of good will." The lyrics are written below the notes.

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

We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you,  
we give you thanks for your great glory,  
Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father.

Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,  
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,  
you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us;  
you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer;  
you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,  
you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,  
with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father.  
Amen! Amen!

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## Collect Prayer

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### LITURGY OF THE WORD

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## Reading

Acts 4:32-35 (Nor was there anyone needy among them...)

*Lector: ...The word of the Lord.*

**Assembly: Thanks be to God!**

# Responsorial Psalm

## Psalm 118

Refrain / *Estrillo*

Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!  
¡A - le - lu - ya! ¡A - le - lu - ya! ¡A - le - lu - ya!

Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, for his mercy endures forever.  
Let the house of Israel say, "His mercy endures for ever!"

The stone which the builders rejected has become the cornerstone.  
By the Lord has this been done; it is wonderful in our eyes.

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# Reading

1 John 5:1-6

(Anyone begotten by God has already overcome the world...)

*Lector: ...The word of the Lord.*

**Assembly: Thanks be to God!**

# Gospel Acclamation

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!  
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Christ is ri - sen from the dead!

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# Gospel

*Priest/Deacon: The Lord be with you.*

**Assembly: And with your spirit.**

*Priest/Deacon: A reading from the holy Gospel according to John.*

**Assembly: Glory to you, O Lord!**

John 20:19-31 (Peace... Receive the Holy Spirit... Thomas...)

*Priest/Deacon: ...The Gospel of the Lord.*

**Assembly: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!**

# 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,  
*At the words that follow, 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

Respuesta / Response



¡Te ro - ga - mos, ó - ye - nos! Lord, hear our prayer!

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## LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

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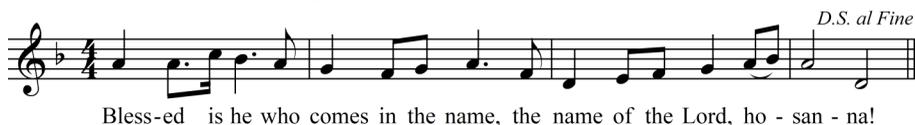
### Preparation of the Altar & Gifts

*Priest: Pray, brothers and sisters, that my sacrifice and yours  
may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.*

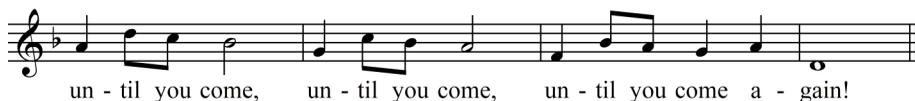
**Assembly: May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands  
for the praise and glory of his name,  
for our good and the good of all his holy Church.**

### Preface & Eucharistic Prayer

Holy



### Memorial Acclamation



## Amen

A - men, a - men! For ev - er and ev - er, a - men!

*Holy, Acclamation, Amen and Lamb of God—Music: Misa Luna, Peter M. Kolar. © 1998, World Library Publications. All rights reserved.*

## The Lord's Prayer

- The bishop has instructed us to **omit sharing the sign of peace** at this time to limit physical contact that can spread disease. Mass continues with the Lamb of God.

## Lamb of God Litany

O Lamb of God, you take a-way the sins of the world, have mer - cy, have mer - cy, have mer - cy on us.

*3rd time*

O Lamb of God, you take a-way the sins of the world, grant us peace, grant us peace, grant us peace, O Lamb of God.

*Priest: Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who takes away the sins of the world. Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.*

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

## Holy Communion

**Please follow these instructions for approaching the sanctuary and receiving Holy Communion:**

- The ushers will signal when each section is to come forward for Communion. The first to be invited to Communion will be the **side sections** beginning with those sitting near the back.

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- Please use the **center aisle** to approach the front. (Those in the side sections, please walk back to the vestibule, over to the center, and then walk forward.)
- All will return to their seats by the **side aisles**.
- **Maintain at least six feet** from anyone who is not in your household.
- Keep your **mask** on except for the moment you receive Communion.
- At the marked position six feet from the priest, **PAUSE** and express your reverence for the Eucharist with a bow of your head. When he says, “The Body of Christ!” respond “Amen!” and **then** remove your mask and step forward to receive Communion.
- You are strongly encouraged to receive Communion in the hand to reduce the spread of disease.
- After you consume the Eucharist, place your mask back on (covering your mouth and nose) and *then* turn to go back to your place.

Those seeing this Mass online may pray this

**Prayer for a Spiritual Communion:**

*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 unite myself wholly to you. Never permit me to be separated from you. Amen!*

*O Sons and Daughters*

Refrain:

Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia!

Verses:

1. O sons and daughters, let us sing! The King of heaven, the glorious King, o'er death today rose triumphing. Alleluia!
2. That Easter morn, at break of day, the faithful women went their way to seek the tomb where Jesus lay. Alleluia!
3. An angel clad in white they see, who sat and spoke unto the three, “Your Lord has gone to Galilee.” Alleluia!
4. That night the apostles met in fear; amidst them came their Lord most dear, and said, “My peace be on all here.” Alleluia!

(continued...) ➔

5. When Thomas first the tidings heard, how they had seen the risen Lord, he doubted the disciples' word. Alleluia!
6. "My wounded side, O Thomas, see; behold my hands, my feet," said he; "Not faithless, but believing be." Alleluia!
7. No longer Thomas then denied; he saw the feet, the hands, the side; "You are my Lord and God!" he cried. Alleluia!
8. How blest are they who have not seen, and yet whose faith has constant been, for they eternal life shall win. Alleluia!
9. On this most holy day of days, to God your hearts and voices raise, in laud and jubilee and praise. Alleluia!

Text: Verses 1-9, *O filii et filiae*; Jean Tisserand; tr. By John M. Neale, alt. Music: O FILII ET FILIAE.

## Blessing & Dismissal

### Sending Song

#### *We Walk by Faith*

We walk by faith, and not by sight; no gracious words we hear  
from him who spoke as none e'er spoke; but we believe him near.  
We may not touch his hands and side, nor follow where he trod;  
but in his promise we rejoice, and cry, "My Lord and God!"  
Help then, O Lord, our unbelief; and may our faith abound  
to call on you when you are near, and seek where you are found.

- **Please wait** until your section is dismissed before leaving the church. Those sitting near the back will be dismissed first.
- As always, please **raise all kneelers** when you exit your pew.
- **Maintain physical distance** from everyone else and do not crowd together, inside or outside the church.
- Please remember to give to our parish's weekly **offertory** by placing your envelope in the offering box near the church doors. Or, donate online at [stmarygr.weshareonline.org](http://stmarygr.weshareonline.org) or send a check in the mail to our parish office.
- Please **do not leave this worship aid** in the pew. It will not be reused. You can take it with you or recycle it in the bin located near the door.