

THE KALENDAR

S. Stephen's Church
in Providence

THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY 14 August 2022

SUNG MASS

10 AM

Missa de Sancta Maria Magdalena
Healey Willan (1880–1968)

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or to silent mode, while you are in church.*

THE OPENING RITE

VOLUNTARY – *Vêpres du commun des fêtes de la Sainte Vierge, Op. 18* Marcel Dupré
(1886–1971)

II. His left hand is under my head, and his right hand doth embrace me

III. I am black but comely, O ye daughters of Jerusalem

V. How fair and how pleasant art thou

Please stand at the ringing of the bell.

HYMN – “Ye who own the faith of Jesus”

Daily, daily

1. Ye who own the faith of Je - sus sing the won - ders that were done,
2. Bless - ed were the cho - sen peo - ple out of whom the Lord did come,
3. Where - fore let all faith - ful peo - ple tell the hon - or of her name,

When the love of God the Fa - ther o'er our sin the vic - tory won,
Bless - ed was the land of prom - ise fash - ioned for his earth - ly home;
Let the Church in her fore - shad - owed part in her thanks - giv - ing claim;

When he made the Vir - gin Ma - ry Mo - ther of his on - ly Son.
But more bless - ed far the Mo - ther she who bare him in her womb.
What Christ's Mo - ther sang in glad - ness let Christ's peo - ple sing the same.

Refrain
Hail Ma - ry, hail Ma - ry, hail Ma - ry full of grace.

The hymn continues on the next page.



4 Let us weave our supplications,
 She with us and we with her,
 For the advancement of the faithful,
 For each faithful worshipper,
 For the doubting, for the sinful,
 For each heedless wanderer.
 Hail Mary, full of grace.

6 For the sick and for the aged,
 For our dear ones far away,
 For the hearts that mourn in secret,
 All who need our prayers today,
 For the faithful gone before us,
 May the holy Virgin pray.
 Hail Mary, full of grace.

5 May the Mother's intercessions
 On our homes a blessing win,
 That the children all be prospered,
 Strong and fair and pure within,
 Following our Lord's own footsteps,
 Firm in faith and free from sin.
 Hail Mary, full of grace.

7 Praise, O Mary, praise the Father,
 Praise thy Savior and thy Son,
 Praise the everlasting Spirit,
 Who hath made thee ark and throne;
 O'er all creatures high exalted,
 Lowly praise the Three in One.
 Hail Mary, full of grace.

V. Stuckey S. Coles (1845-1929)

INTROIT – *Gaudeamus* (please remain standing)

Tone VII

Rejoice we all, and praise the Lord, celebrating a holy-day in honour of the Virgin Mary: in whose Assumption the Angels are joyful, and glorify the Son of God. *Ps.* My heart is inditing of a good matter: I speak of the things which I have made unto the King. Glory be... Rejoice we all...

OPENING ACCLAMATION

Celebrant ✠ Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

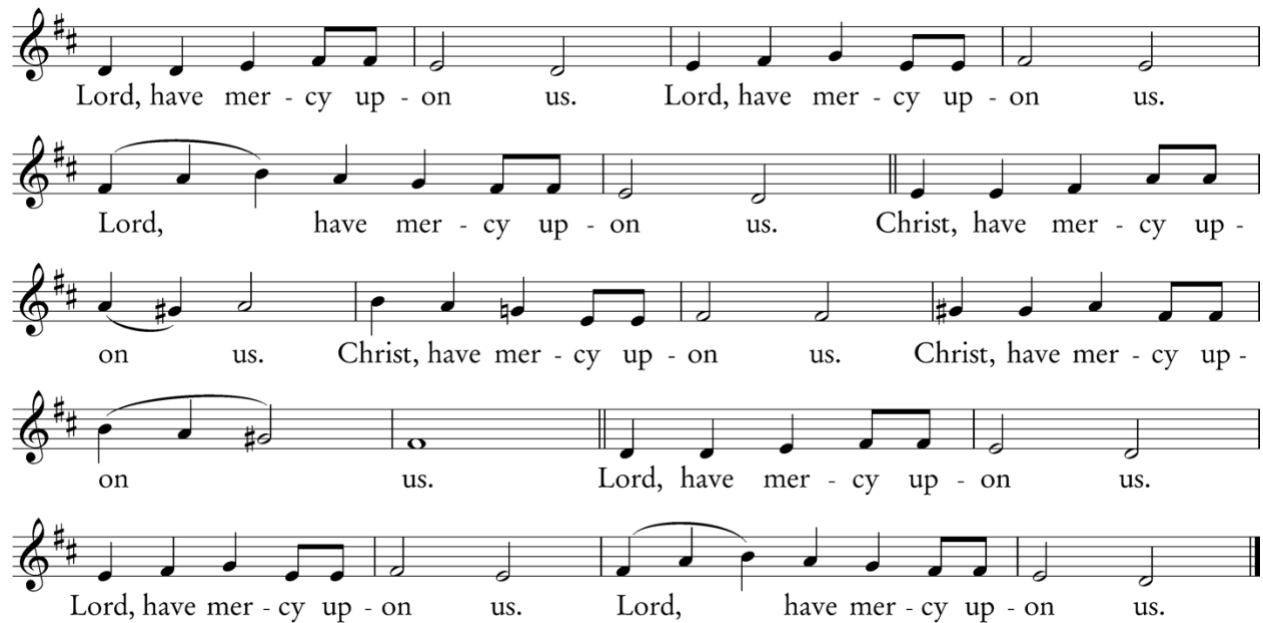
COLLECT FOR PURITY

Almighty God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

SUMMARY OF THE LAW

Hear what our Lord Jesus Christ saith: Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like unto it: Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself. On these two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets.

KYRIE ELEISON



Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -

on us. Christ, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -

on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS



Celebrant *People*

Glo - ry be to God on high, and on earth peace, good will towards men.

We praise thee, we bless thee, we wor - ship thee, we glo - ri - fy

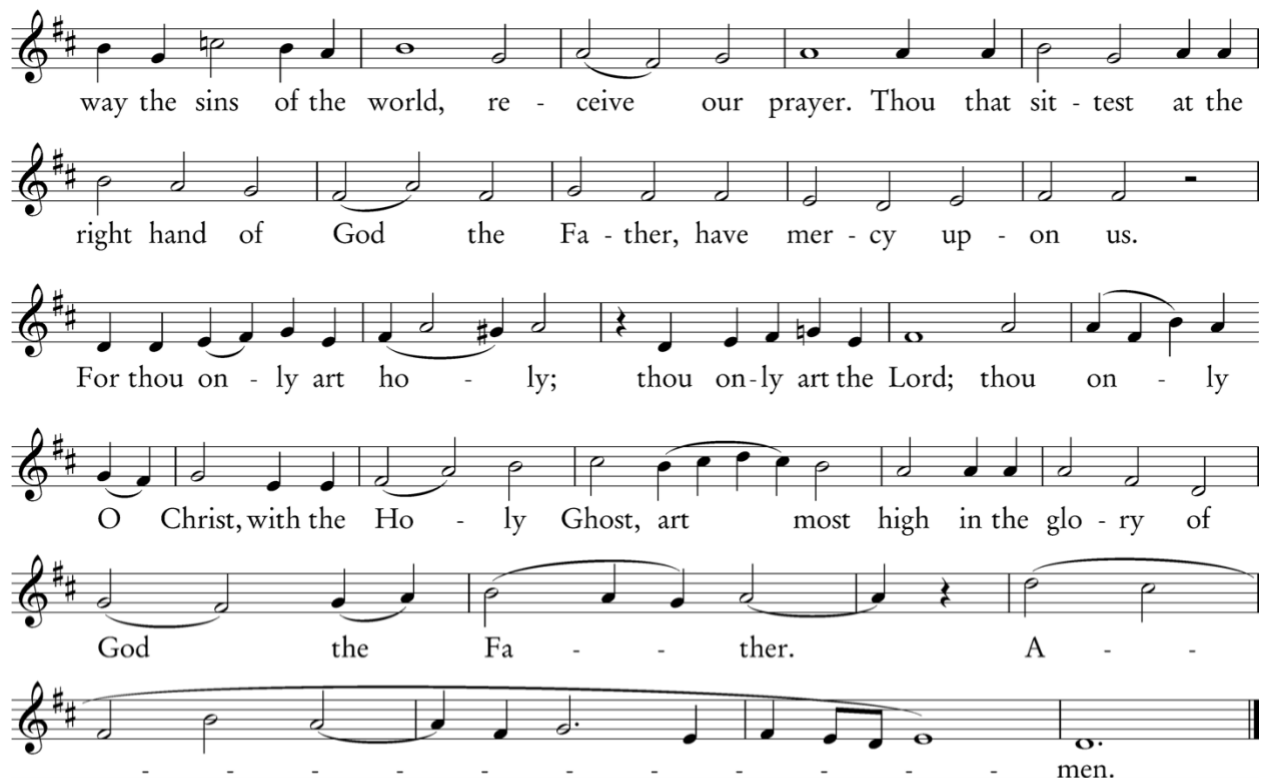
thee, we give thanks to thee for thy great glo - ry, O Lord God,

heaven - ly King, God the Fa - ther Al - might - - - y.—

— O Lord, the on - ly be-got-ten Son, Je - sus Christ; O Lord God,

Lamb of God, Son of the Fa - ther, that ta - kest a - way the

sins of the world, have mer - cy up - on us. Thou that ta - kest a -



COLLECT OF THE DAY (*Saint Mary the Virgin*)

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And with thy spirit.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

O God, who hast taken to thyself the blessed Virgin Mary, mother of thine incarnate Son: Grant that we, who have been redeemed by his blood, may share with her the glory of thine eternal kingdom; through the same thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING – Isaiah 61: 10-11 (*Please be seated*)

I will greatly rejoice in the LORD, my soul shall exult in my God; for he has clothed me with the garments of salvation, he has covered me with the robe of righteousness, as a bridegroom decks himself with a garland, and as a bride adorns herself with her jewels. For as the earth brings forth its shoots, and as a garden causes what is sown in it to spring up, so the Lord GOD will cause righteousness and praise to spring forth before all the nations.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

GRADUAL – *Audi, filia, et vide*

Tone V

Hear, O daughter, consider and listen closely: the king will have pleasure in your beauty. *V.* All glorious is the princess as she enters: her gown is cloth of gold.

EPISTLE READING – Galatians 4: 4-7

But when the time had fully come, God sent forth his Son, born of woman, born under the law, to redeem those who were under the law, so that we might receive adoption as sons. And because you are sons, God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying, “Abba! Father!” So through God you are no longer a slave but a son, and if a son then an heir.

Subdeacon The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

ALLELUIA – *Assumpta est Maria (Please stand)*

Tone VI

First intoned by Cantor, then sung by all.



V. Mary is taken up into heaven: the company of the Angels is joyful. **Alleluia.**

THE HOLY GOSPEL – St. Luke 1: 46-55

Deacon The Lord be with you.

People **And with thy spirit.**

Deacon ☩ The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

People **Glory be to thee, O Lord.**

And Mary said, “My soul magnifies the Lord, and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior, for he has regarded the low estate of his handmaiden. For behold, henceforth all generations will call me blessed; for he who is mighty has done great things for me, and holy is his name. And his mercy is on those who fear him from generation to generation. He has shown strength with his arm, he has scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts, he has put down the mighty from their thrones, and exalted those of low degree; he has filled the hungry with good things, and the rich he has sent empty away. He has helped his servant Israel, in remembrance of his mercy, as he spoke to our fathers, to Abraham and to his posterity for ever.”

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.

People **Praise be to thee, O Christ.**

SERMON

Fr. Benjamin

THE NICENE CREED *(please stand)*

said today, not sung

I believe in one God,
the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
and of all things visible and invisible;

And in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the only-begotten Son of God,
begotten of his Father before all worlds,
God of God, Light of Light,
very God of very God,
begotten, not made,
being of one substance with the Father;
by whom all things were made;
who for us men and for our salvation
came down from heaven,
and was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary,
and was made man;
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered and was buried;
and the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures,
and ascended into heaven,
and sitteth on the right hand of the Father;
and he shall come again, with glory,
to judge both the quick and the dead;
whose kingdom shall have no end.

*(Genuflect
or bow)*

And I believe in the Holy Ghost the Lord, and Giver of Life,
who proceedeth from the Father and the Son;
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified;
who spake by the Prophets.
And I believe one holy Catholic and Apostolic Church;
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins;
and I look for the resurrection of the dead,
✠ and the life of the world to come. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE – FORM VI *(Please remain standing)*

Deacon

In peace, we pray to thee, Lord God.

Silence

For all people in their daily life and work;

For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.

For this community, the nation, and the world;

For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.

For the just and proper use of thy creation;
For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.

For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;
For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.

For the peace and unity of the Church of God;
For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.

For Justin, Archbishop of Canterbury, Michael, our Presiding Bishop,
and Nicholas, our Bishop; and for all bishops and other ministers;
For all who serve God in his Church.

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation, remembering especially
those who have commended themselves to our prayers.

In the silence that follows, we pray for those on our parish prayer list, and those in our hearts.

Hear us, Lord;
For thy mercy is great.

We thank thee, O Lord, for all the blessings of this life.

*In the silence that follows, we remember those with birthdays and anniversaries, as well as our
own thanksgivings.*

We will exalt thee, O God our King;
And praise thy Name for ever and ever.

We pray for ✠ all who have died, that they may have a place in thine eternal kingdom.

*In the silence that follows, we remember the recently departed, those whose year's mind falls this
week, and all those whom we love but see no longer.*

Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;
Who put their trust in thee.

We pray to thee also for the forgiveness of our sins.

Please kneel as you are able. Silence is kept.

**Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father;
in thy compassion forgive us our sins,
known and unknown,
things done and left undone;
and so uphold us by thy Spirit
that we may live and serve thee in newness of life,
to the honor and glory of thy Name;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

ABSOLUTION

The Celebrant stands and says

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all those who with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto him, have mercy upon you, ✠ pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Please stand.

THE PEACE

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And with thy spirit.**

THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

Please be seated.

OFFERTORY ANTIPHON – *Assumpta est Maria*

Tone II

Mary is taken up into heaven: the Angels rejoice and glorify the Lord, alleluia.

MOTET – *Ave maria*

Josquin des Prez (c. 1450 – 1521)

Ave Maria, gratia plena, Dominus tecum, Virgo serena. Ave, cuius Conceptio, solemni plena gaudio, caelestia, terrestria, nova replet laetitia. Ave, cuius Nativitas nostra fuit solemnitatis, ut lucifer Lux Oriens verum Solem praeveniens. Ave pia humilitas, sine viro fecunditas, cuius annuntiatio nostra fuit salvatio. Ave vera virginitas, Immaculata castitas, cuius purificatio nostra fuit purgatio. Ave, praeclara omnibus angelicis virtutibus, cuius fuit Assumptio nostra fuit glorificatio. O Mater Dei, memento mei. Amen.

Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee, serene Virgin. Hail, thou whose Conception, full of great joy, fills heaven and earth with new gladness. Hail, thou whose Nativity became our great celebration, as the light-bearing Morning Star anticipates the true Sun. Hail, faithful humility, fruitful without man, whose Annunciation was our salvation. Hail, true virginity, Immaculate chastity, whose Purification was our cleansing. Hail, glorious one in all angelic virtues, whose Assumption was our glorification. O Mother of God, remember me. Amen.

Please stand to sing the hymn. The gifts are brought forward and the altar and people are censed.

HYMN – “Sing we of the blessed Mother”

Abbot's Leigh



1 SING we, of the blessed Mother
Who received the angel's word,
And obedient to the summons
Bore in love the infant Lord;
Sing we of the joys of Mary
At whose breast the child was fed
Who is Son of God eternal
And the everlasting Bread.

2 Sing we, too, of Mary's sorrows,
Of the sword that pierced her
through,
When beneath the cross of Jesus
She his weight of suffering knew,
Looked upon her Son and Savior
Reigning from the awful tree,
Saw the price of our redemption
Paid to set the sinner free.

3 Sing again the joys of Mary
When she saw the risen Lord,
And in prayer with Christ's apostles,
Waited on his promised word;
From on high the blazing glory
Of the Spirit's presence came,
Heavenly breath of God's own being,
Manifest in wind and flame.

4 Sing the chiefest joy of Mary
When on earth her work was done,
And the Lord of all creation
Brought her to his heavenly home;
Where, raised high with saints and
angels,
In Jerusalem above,
She beholds her Son and Savior
Reigning as the Lord of love.

George B. Timms (1910 – 1917)

ORATE, FRATRES

Celebrant Pray, brothers and sisters, that this my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God the Father Almighty.

People **May the Lord receive this sacrifice at thy hands, to the praise and glory of his Name, both to our benefit and that of all his holy Church.**

SURSUM CORDA & PREFACE

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And with thy spirit.**

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People **We lift them up unto the Lord.**

Celebrant Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

People **It is meet and right so to do.**

It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God. And that on this festival of Blessed Mary Ever-Virgin, we should praise, bless, and tell forth thy wonders; in that by the overshadowing of the Holy Ghost, she conceived thine only-begotten Son, and without loss to the glory of her abiding maidenhood, brought forth for man the light eternal, even Jesus Christ our Lord.

Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying,

SANCTUS ET BENEDICTUS

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - - - ly, Lord God of Hosts:
Hea - ven and earth are full of thy glo - ry. Glo - - ry be to
thee, O Lord Most High. Bless - ed is he that com - - eth
in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

EUCHARISTIC PRAYER II *(Please kneel if you are able to do so)*

All glory be to thee, O Lord our God, for that thou didst create heaven and earth, and didst make us in thine own image; and, of thy tender mercy, didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to take our nature upon him, and to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption. He made there a full and perfect sacrifice for the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death and sacrifice, until his coming again.

For in the night in which he was betrayed, he took bread; and when he had given thanks to thee, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat,

THIS IS MY BODY,
WHICH IS GIVEN FOR YOU.
Do this in remembrance of me."



Likewise, after supper, he took the cup; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink this, all of you;

FOR THIS IS MY BLOOD OF THE NEW COVENANT
WHICH IS SHED FOR YOU, AND FOR MANY, FOR THE REMISSION OF SINS.
Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me."



Wherefore, O Lord and heavenly Father, we thy people do celebrate and make, with these thy holy gifts which we now offer unto thee, the memorial thy Son hath commanded us to make; having in remembrance his blessed passion and precious death, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; and looking for his coming again with power and great glory.

And we most humbly beseech thee, O merciful Father, to hear us, and, with thy Word and Holy Spirit, to bless and sanctify these gifts of bread and wine, that they may be unto us the Body and Blood of thy dearly-beloved Son Jesus Christ.

And we earnestly desire thy fatherly goodness to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, whereby we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, our selves, our souls and bodies. Grant, we beseech thee, that all who partake of this Holy Communion may worthily receive the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son Jesus Christ, and be filled with thy ✠ grace and heavenly benediction; and also that we and all thy whole Church may be made one body with him, that he may dwell in us, and we in him; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord;

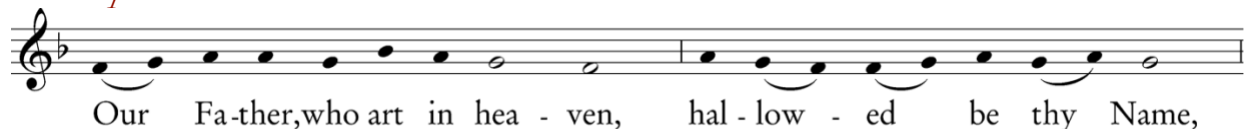
✠ By whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost all honor and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end. **AMEN.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Celebrant

And now as our Savior Christ hath taught us, we are bold to say,

People and Celebrant



thy king-dom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in hea-ven.

Give us this day our dai - ly bread. And for-give us our tres-pas-ses,

as we for-give those who tres-pass a-gainst us. And lead us not in - to

temp-ta - tion, but de-liv-er us from e - vil. For thine is the king-dom,

and the power, and the glo - ry, for ev - er and ev - er. A- men.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD – *Pascha nostrum*

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Host. Silence is kept. Then is sung

Celebrant Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us:

People Therefore let us keep the feast.

AGNUS DEI

O Lamb of God, that ta - kest a - way the sins of the

world, have mer - cy up - on us.

O Lamb of God, that ta - kest a - way the sins of the world,

have mer - cy up - on us. O Lamb of

God, that ta - kest a - way the sins of the



THE INVITATION – ECCE AGNUS DEI

Celebrant ✠ Behold the Lamb of God; behold him that taketh away the sins of the world.

People **Lord, I am not worthy that thou shouldest come under my roof: but speak the word only, and my soul shall be healed.**

COMMUNION ANTIPHON – *Beatam me dicent*

Tone I

All generations shall call me blessed: for he that is mighty hath magnified me.

THE ADMINISTRATION OF HOLY COMMUNION

Please come forward to the altar rail and then return to your pew via the passageway on the right. If you are unable to come forward, communion can be brought to you in your pew. All baptized Christians are welcome to receive the Eucharist at the Lord's Table. Gluten-free wafers are available. If you are not receiving, you are invited to come forward for a blessing (indicated by crossing your arms over your chest). If you have not been baptized and find yourself drawn to Jesus Christ and life in him, please let one of our clergy know. We would be honored to have a conversation with you about baptism or answer any other questions. Baptism and life in the Body of Christ is open to all.

MOTET – *Ave Regina Coelorum*

Guillaume Du Fay (1397-1474)

Ave Regina coelorum,
Ave Domina Angelorum:
Salve radix sancta,
Ex qua mundo lux est orta

Gaude Virgo gloriosa,
Super omnes speciosa,
Vale, o valde decora,
Et pro nobis Christum semper
exora.
Alleluia.

*Hail, Queen of Heaven.
Hail, Lady of Angels
Hail, root, hail, gate,
From whom unto the world a light has
arisen:*

*Rejoice, glorious Virgin,
Lovely beyond all others,
Farewell, most beautiful maiden,
And ever pray for us to Christ.
Alleluia.*

HYMN – “Sing of Mary, pure and lowly”

Pleading Saviour



1. Sing of Ma - ry, pure and low - ly, vir - gin - mo - ther un - de - filed;
2. Sing of Je - sus, son of Ma - ry, in the house at Na - za - reth,
3. Glo - ry be to God the Fa - ther; glo - ry be to God the Son;



sing of God's own Son most ho - ly, who be - came her lit - tle child.
toil and la - bor can - not wea - ry love en - dur - ing un - to death.
glo - ry be to God the Spi - rit; glo - ry to the Three in One.



Fair - est child of fair - est mo - ther, God the Lord who came to earth,
Con - stant was the love he gave her, though he went forth from her side,
From the heart of bless - ed Ma - ry, from all saints the song a - scends,



Word made flesh, our ve - ry bro - ther, takes our na - ture by his birth.
forth to preach, and heal, and suf - fer, till on Cal - va - ry he died.
and the Church the strain re - ech - oes un - to earth's re - mot - est ends.

THE CLOSING RITE

Please kneel if you are able.

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.

Please remain kneeling.

BLESSING

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And with thy spirit.

May the Holy Spirit, by whose presence Mary became the God-bearer, give you grace to carry the good news of Christ; and the blessing of God almighty, ✠ the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be amongst you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

DISMISSAL (*Please stand*)

Deacon Let us go forth in the Name of Christ.

People **Thanks be to God.**

HYMN – “Hail, Holy Queen, enthroned above”

Salve Regina Coelitum



1 HAIL, holy Queen, enthron'd above, O Maria!

Hail, Mother of Mercy and of Love! O Maria!

Triumph, all ye Cherubim,

Sing with us, ye Seraphim,

Heav'n and earth resound the hymn:

Salve, salve, salve Regina!

2 Our life, our sweetness here below, O Maria!

Our hope in sorrow and in woe, O Maria!

Triumph, all ye Cherubim ...

3 To thee we cry, poor sons of Eve, O Maria!

To thee we sigh, we mourn, we grieve. O Maria!

Triumph, all ye Cherubim ...

4 Turn then, most gracious Advocate, O Maria!

Tow'rds us thine eyes compassionate, O Maria!

Triumph, all ye Cherubim ...

5 When this our exile is complete, O Maria!

Show us thy Son, our Jesus sweet, O Maria!

Triumph, all ye Cherubim ...

VOLUNTARY – *Fantasie G-dur, BWV 572*

J.S. Bach (1685–1750)

*We are very thankful to have as our organist this morning
Mr. Justin Lee, Brown University class of 2025.*

Please join us for coffee and lemonade after Mass!

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