

# EASTER SEASON



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# H O L Y E U C H A R I S T

## R I T E I I A C C O R D I N G T O T H E B O O K O F C O M M O N P R A Y E R

{WELCOMING PRAYER}

**H**OLY SPIRIT living within us, guide our hearts and minds as we welcome today all those who worship *with* St. Mary's. Give us discerning hearts so that everyone who crosses our threshold feels welcomed in the spirit of your love. Help us to recognize each person as an individual sent by you who will enrich our lives. And most of all, O God, let this be a *community* of love and acceptance for all your children; in the name of your Son, our Savior, Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

## T H E L I T U R G Y O F T H E W O R D O F G O D

{PROCESSIONAL HYMN}

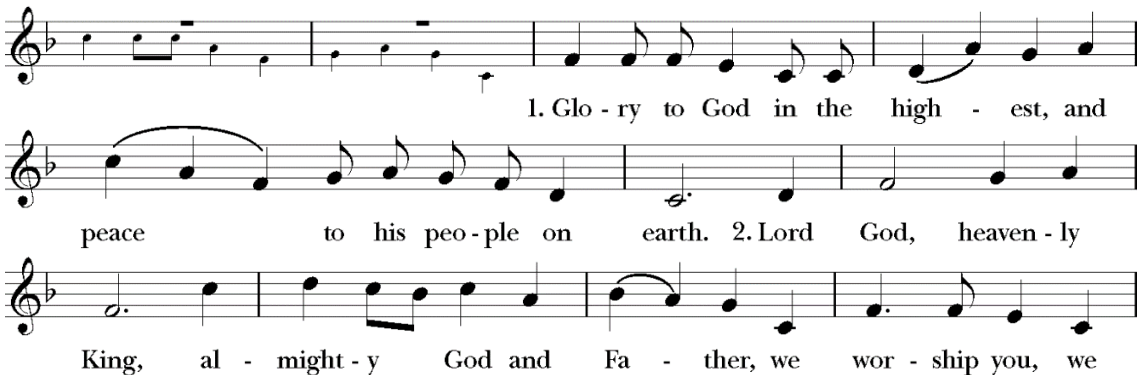
{OPENING ACCLAMATION & COLLECT FOR PURITY}

*Celebrant* Alleluia. Christ is risen.

*People* **The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.**

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

{GLORIA IN EXCELSIS}



1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and  
peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly  
King, al - mighty God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we




give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus



Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you



take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy



on us; 5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re -



ceive our prayer. 6. For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One,



you a - lone are the Lord, 7. you a - lone are the Most



High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spi - rit, in the



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

{THE COLLECT OF THE DAY}

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Let us pray.

**O** GOD, whose Son Jesus is the good shepherd of your people: Grant that when we hear his voice we may know him who calls us each by name, and follow where he leads; who, with you and the Holy Spirit, lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

{THE LESSONS}

THE FIRST LESSON: ACTS 2:14A, 13-24, 32, 36-47

A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

**P**ETER, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed the crowd, "Fellow Israelites, listen to what I have to say: Jesus of Nazareth, a man attested to you by God with deeds of power, wonders, and signs that God did through him among you, as you yourselves know—this man, handed over to you according to the definite plan and foreknowledge of God, you crucified and killed by the hands of those outside the law. But God raised him up, having freed him from death, because it was impossible for him to be held in its power. This Jesus God raised up, and of that all of us are witnesses. Let the entire house of Israel know with certainty that God has made him both Lord and Messiah, this Jesus whom you crucified.

Now when they heard this, they were cut to the heart and said to Peter and to the other apostles, "Brothers, what should we do?" Peter said to them, "Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ so that your sins may be forgiven; and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. For the promise is for you, for your children, and for all who are far away, everyone whom the Lord our God calls to him." And he testified with many other arguments and exhorted them, saying, "Save yourselves from this corrupt generation." So those who welcomed his message were baptized, and that day about three thousand persons were added. Those who had been baptized devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers.

Awe came upon everyone, because many wonders and signs were being done by the apostles. All who believed were together and had all things in common; they would sell their possessions and goods and distribute the proceeds to all, as any had need. Day by day, as they spent much time together in the temple, they broke bread at home and ate their food with glad and generous hearts, praising God and having the goodwill of all the people. And day by day the Lord added to their number those who were being saved.

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

THE PSALM: PSALM 23

*Antiphon:* The Lord is my shepherd \*  
**I shall not want.**

The Lord is my shepherd; \*  
**I shall not want.**

He maketh me to lie down in green pastures \*  
**and leadeth me beside still waters.**

He restoreth my soul; \*  
**he leadeth me in paths of righteousness for his Name's sake.**

Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil; \*  
**for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff, they comfort me.**

Thou preparest a table for me in the presence of mine enemies; \*  
**thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over.**

Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, \*  
**and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.**

THE SECOND LESSON: I PETER 2:19-25

A Reading from the First Letter of Peter.

**I**T IS A CREDIT to you if, being aware of God, you endure pain while suffering unjustly. If you endure when you are beaten for doing wrong, what credit is that? But if you endure when you do right and suffer for it, you have God's approval. For to this you have been called, because Christ also suffered for you, leaving you an example, so that you should follow in his steps.

"He committed no sin,  
and no deceit was found in his mouth."

When he was abused, he did not return abuse; when he suffered, he did not threaten; but he entrusted himself to the one who judges justly. He himself bore our sins in his body on the cross, so that, free from sins, we might live for righteousness; by his wounds you have been healed. For you were going astray like sheep, but now you have returned to the shepherd and guardian of your souls.

The Word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

{SEQUENCE HYMN}

THE GOSPEL: JOHN 10:1-10

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St. John.

**Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

**J**ESUS SAID, "Very truly, I tell you, anyone who does not enter the sheepfold by the gate but climbs in by another way is a thief and a bandit. The one who enters by the gate is the shepherd of the sheep. The gatekeeper opens the gate for him, and the sheep hear his voice. He calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. When he has brought out all his own, he goes ahead of them, and the sheep follow him because they know his voice. They will not follow a stranger, but they will run from him because they do not know the voice of strangers." Jesus used this figure of speech with them, but they did not understand what he was saying to them.

So again Jesus said to them, "Very truly, I tell you, I am the gate for the sheep. All who came before me are thieves and bandits; but the sheep did not listen to them. I am the gate. Whoever enters by me will be saved, and will come in and go out and find pasture. The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I came that they may have life, and have it abundantly."

The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

{THE SERMON}

{THE NICENE CREED}

**W**E BELIEVE in one God,  
the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all that is, seen and unseen.

**W**E BELIEVE in one Lord, Jesus Christ,  
the only Son of God,  
eternally begotten of the Father,  
God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God,  
begotten, not made,  
of one Being with the Father.  
Through him all things were made.  
For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven:  
by the power of the Holy Spirit  
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,  
and was made man.  
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;

he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again 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.

**W**E 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 worshiped and glorified,

Who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come.

Amen.

{PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE}

In peace, let us pray to Jesus our Lord, raised in power so that he might intercede for us at the very Throne of Grace.

**L**ORD OF THE CHURCH, empower by your Spirit all your holy people, especially the people of St. Mary's, who in our life and witness strive to live according to the high calling with which you called us in Holy Baptism; for +Bonnie, our Bishop; and for Andy+, our priest. Give us grace to proclaim the Good News joyfully in word and deed.

Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

**S**HEPHERD AND GUARDIAN OF OUR SOULS, guide and enable all who lead and serve our common life, and those on whom we depend for our daily needs. Bring your peace in the world and make us instruments of your peace. Watch over all those who keep watch for us in the armed forces, especially **Kevin Tye, Josh Tindall, Craig Froehlich, Justin Briggs, Josom Alomran, Jason Kelly, James Monaghan, Scott, Joshua, Jerry Holley, Corbin, Nick McKenna, Sean Kellogg, Brandon Jamison, Patrick Kline, Anna Whetstone, Kyle Sholos, Marcus Powell, LeeAnn Beckman, Ruth Ann Beckman, and Jonathan Fritts.** Grant that we may seek the peace and welfare of this place and of the world.

Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

**S**AVIOR OF THE WORLD, be present in all places of suffering, violence, and pain. Stretch out your hand to bring comfort, wholeness, and peace to **Linda & Al Nielsen, Brian and the Kelly Family, Janet Spears, Marlyn Stroud, Todd Rachel, Dorothea Kenyon, Wendy Mikula, Mark Udell, Ron Lunney, Sara DelCampo, Jack Harrington, Joe and Victoria Shively, Viki Toll, Judy White, Daniel and River Arthaud, Tyler, Lynn Mosser, Diane Mash, Christina Hart, Rowan Guirey, Mary Stauffer, Donna Mash, Larry Smielewski, Nate Statly, the Schreiber family, Anna Arthaud,** and all who suffer in body,

mind, or spirit. especially those we now name \_\_\_\_\_ (*please add your own names silently or aloud*). Fill us with compassion, that we may be channels of your healing love.

Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

**C**ONQUEROR OF DEATH, remember for good those whom we love but see no longer, especially **Karen** Schreiber, **Tom, Larry** Hemingway, and those we now name \_\_\_\_\_ (*please add your own names silently or aloud*). Keep them, we pray, in your everlasting memory, with all those whose lives and names are for ever hidden in you.

Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Let us commend ourselves, and all for whom we pray to the mercy and protection of God.

*A moment of silence will be held for you to offer your own prayers and intentions.  
The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.*

{CONFESSION OF SIN}

*Celebrant* Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*All*

**Most merciful God,  
we confess that we have sinned against you  
in thought, word, and deed,  
by what we have done,  
and by what we have left undone.  
We have not loved you with our whole heart;  
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.  
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.  
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,  
have mercy on us and forgive us;  
that we may delight in your will  
and walk in your ways,  
to the glory of your Name. Amen.**

*The priest pronounces absolution.*

{THE PEACE}

*Celebrant* The peace of the Lord be always with you.

*People* **And also with you.**



# THE HOLY COMMUNION

{THE OFFERTORY & DOXOLOGY}

Hymnal 380, verse 3

All things come of thee, O Lord. **And of thine own have we given thee.**

{EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER A}

*Celebrant* *People*

The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

*Celebrant* *People*

Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

*Celebrant*

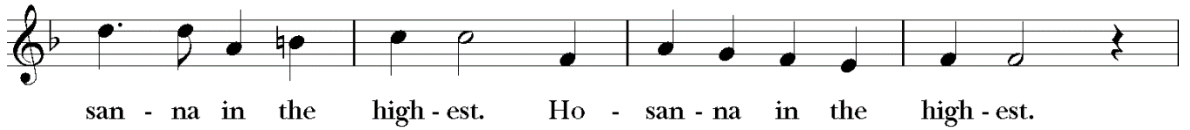
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

*People*

It is right to give him thanks and praise.

**I**T IS RIGHT, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. But chiefly are we bound to praise your for the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is the true Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us, and has taken away the sin of the world. By his death he has destroyed death, and by his rising to life again he has won for us everlasting life. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might,  
 heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -



Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

*All*  
**Christ has died.**  
**Christ is risen.**  
**Christ will come again.**

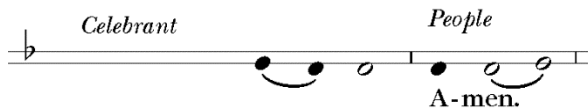
*Celebrant*

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may

faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever.

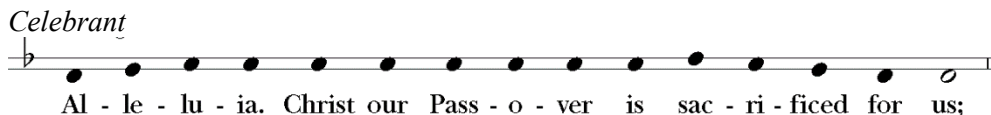


And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

*All*

**O**ur Father, who art in heaven,  
hallowed be thy Name,  
thy kingdom come,  
thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread.  
And forgive us our trespasses,  
as we forgive those who trespass against us.  
And lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,  
for ever and ever. Amen.

{THE FRACTION}



*Celebrant*

The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

{COMMUNION}

*During Communion all are welcome to come forward. If you have a gluten intolerance, gluten-free hosts are available. If you would prefer a blessing instead of receiving the Sacrament, please cross your arms over your chest and the priest will gladly bless you.*

*We are now offering the Eucharistic wine from a common chalice, but we will continue to offer individual cups also for those who would prefer to receive the Eucharistic wine in that way. You may also choose to refrain from the Blood of Christ, resting assured that the grace of the Eucharistic Feast is fully present if one kind only is received.*

{PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION}

**A**lmighty and everliving God,  
we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food  
of the most precious Body and Blood  
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ;  
and for assuring us in these holy mysteries  
that we are living members of the Body of your Son,  
and heirs of your eternal kingdom.  
And now Father, send us out  
to do the work you have given us to do,  
to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord.  
To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit,  
be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

{THE BLESSING}

{ANNOUNCEMENTS}

{RECESSIONAL HYMN}

{THE DISMISSAL}

*The Dismissal is given, with the people responding:*

**Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia!**

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promotes an active and community-conscious congregation  
supporting the mission and ministry of  
Jesus Christ.*



*Here at St. Mary's we believe we are blessed and strengthened by God's diverse creation of age, race, gender, gender identity, sexual orientation, ability, nationality, and spoken language. We welcome all who seek to follow Christ into the full life and service of the Church.*