Lent/Sacred Triduum/Easter 2017

Year A – Year of Matthew’s Gospel

After singing about mercy during the 2016 Jubilee Year of Mercy, what is next? Sing about mercy again!

A year is a short time for us to comprehend the wideness of God’s mercy. We have sung about mercy, but it takes time for its implications to secure a place in our psyches, our hearts, our minds, and most of all, to result in our actions! The question for each of us remains: “To whom do we need to show mercy?”

In response to the recent survey conducted by the Diocese of Crookston Office of Worship, the song suggestions below are referenced from GIA (Green & Blue Gather) and OCP resources. Other resources from other publishers can be accessed via their particular websites as desired.

March 1  Ash Wednesday

What have you forgotten? The stuff that used to be so deep in your bones that you couldn’t imagine not remembering.

Remember feeling safe? Remember a world without bombings, shootings, and walls?

Every year in Lent the church remembers what it has forgotten: that every person bears the breath of the Spirit, so we can forget the ways of racism and sexism; that each person is made in the image of God, so we can forget the ways we abuse ourselves, others, and this planet; that Christ has conquered death by death, so we can forget the ways fear binds us to inaction.

Why remember? Because there are people here who are trying to remember this for the first time. In six weeks we will ask them to a font where their old selves will die, and they will need to remember that there is life after death. The ashes we wear today are a memento mori, a reminder of that death. Let them remind us of what we have forgotten: that out of death’s ashes, God calls us to be life for the world. - Diana Macalintal

Gathering Song:  You are merciful to all, O Lord, and despise nothing that you have made. You overlook people’s sins, to bring them to repentance, and you spare them, for you are the Lord our God.

Again We Keep This Solemn Fast
Come, Follow Me - Berberick
Forty Days & Forty Nights
Have Mercy on Us, Lord ATTENDE DOMINE
Hear Us, Almighty Lord
In These Days of Lenten Journey - Manalo
Lord, Who Throughout These Forty Days ST. FLAVIAN
Penitential Litany/ Hold Us in Your Mercy
Remember You Are Dust
Return to the Lord
Softly and Tenderly, Jesus Is Calling THOMPSON
The Glory of These Forty Days ERHALT UNS, HERR
There’s a Wideness in God’s Mercy IN BABLONE

1st Reading: Joel 2:12-18: The Lord is slow to anger and rich in kindness. The faithful return with their whole hearts, fasting and repenting. All God’s people gather together before the Lord for mercy.

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 12-13, 14, 17
Be merciful, O Lord, for we have sinned.

2nd Reading: 2 Corinthians 5:20-6:2 Paul implored the Corinthians to be reconciled to God right away. As Christ carried their sins upon the cross, so can they bear his holiness within them, if they turn to him. "Behold, now is a very acceptable time; behold, now is the day of salvation."

Gospel Verse: If today you hear God’s voice, harden not your hearts.

Gospel: Matthew 6:1-6, 16-18: Jesus warned the disciples against performing religious acts only to attract the attention of others. In giving alms, praying and fasting, Christians are to conduct themselves in such a way that no one will know, except God, who sees all things.

Distribution of Ashes:

Ashes to Ashes – Schutte
Be Merciful, O Lord – Angrisano
Dust & Ashes
Hosea – Norbet
Return to God
Signed by Ashes – Keil
With These Ashes – Chiusano

Prep of Gifts:

Be Still & Know That I Am God – C. Walker
Christ in Me, Arise – Thomson
O Beauty, Ever Ancient – O’Connor
O God, You Search Me – Farrell
Open My Eyes – Manibusan
Renew Me, Lord – Farrell
Sacred Silence – Booth

Communion Processional: He who ponders the law of the Lord day and night will yield fruit in due season.

Be Merciful/Create in Me – Stephen
Be Merciful, O Lord/Create a Clean Heart – Consiglio
Create in Me – Kendzia
Loving & Forgiving – Soper
Oh Dios, Crea en Mi – Cortés
Ubi Caritas – B. Hurd/Rosania
With the Lord There Is Mercy – Modlin

Song of Praise/Sending Forth:

Ashes
Christ before Us – Whitaker
God Be in My Head – Brown
Into the Desert – Stephan
Save Your People – Farrell
Though the Mountains May Fall – Schutte

March 5  1st Lent

Will you be celebrating the Rite of Sending for Catechumens & Candidates?

Do you have Catechumens to “dismiss” to breaking open the Word? The Rite of Election (Catechumens) and the Celebration of the Call to Continuing Conversion (Candidates) is celebrated Sunday afternoon at the Cathedral.

Let’s get one thing straight. The desert is a metaphor! It’s not an invitation to build a sand dune around your altar or to replace your baptismal water with rocks to drive home your idea that Lent is a barren landscape. Lent is actually the complete opposite of dry. Lent is dripping wet Spring. Lent is new life struggling to be born amid thunderstorms and tempests.

This First Sunday of Lent is when we promise to baptize those whom God has chosen as his own – the elect who will be initiated at the next Easter Vigil. This is why the Constitution on the Sacred Liturgy reminds us of the twofold nature of Lent: “By recalling or preparing for baptism and by penance, this season disposes the faithful, as they more diligently listen to the word of God.
and devote themselves to prayer, to celebrate the paschal mystery... More use is to be made of the baptismal features proper to the Lenten liturgy”

Therefore, let the gospel’s desert evoke not a desolate place but rather our utter nakedness before God and our complete reliance on his mercy – as our first parents’ happy fault caused them to be before their Creator, and as Jesus himself stood faithfully before the One in whom he placed all his trust. - DM

Gathering Song: When he calls on me, I will answer him; I will deliver him and give him glory, I will grant him length of days.

Again We Keep the Solemn Fast ERHALT UNS, HERR
Change Our Hearts – Cooney
Christ in Me Arise – Thomson
Enter the Journey – Friedman
40 Days – Maher
Forty Days & Forty Nights HEINLEIN
From Ashes to the Living Font
Jerusalem, My Destiny
Jesus, Lead the Way
Jesus Walked This Lonesome Valley
Lead Me, Guide Me
Led by the SPIRIT KINGSFOLD
Lord, Who Throughout These Forty Days ST. FLAVIAN
Now in This Banquet
Take Up Your Cross – Cortez
The Cross of Jesus
The Glory of These Forty Days
The Kingdom of God
There’s a Wideness in God’s Mercy IN BABILEONE

1st Reading: Genesis 2:7-9; 3:1-7: The Lord God created Adam and Eve and set them in the garden of Eden. They had all they needed, but the serpent tempted them, and they disobeyed God’s command.

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 51:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 17

Be merciful, O Lord, for we have sinned.

Gospel Verse: One does not live on bread alone, but on every word that comes forth from the mouth of God.

Gospel: Matthew 4:1-11: After Jesus fasted for forty days and nights in the desert, the devil tempted him in three ways. Through all these, Jesus resisted temptation and remained faithful to the Lord God. When the devil left, angels came and ministered to Jesus.

Prep of Gifts:

Be Still & Know That I Am God – C. Walker
Gracious God – Manibusan
Into the Desert – Stephan
Renew Me, Lord – Farrell
Sacred Silence – Booth
The Lord Is My Hope – Ridge
You Have Called Us – Farrell
Your Words Are Spirit & Life – Farrell

Communion Processional: One does not live on bread alone, but by every word that comes forth from the mouth of God.

OR The Lord will conceal you with his pinions, and under his wings you will trust.
The Glory of These Forty Days ERHALT UNS, HERR
There’s a Wideness in God’s Mercy
‘Tis Good, Lord, to Be Here SWABIA
Transfiguration – Landry
Transform Us
What Is This Place KOMT NU MET ZANG
You, Lord, Are Both Lamb & Shepherd

1st Reading: Genesis 12:1-4a: Abram was commanded by the Lord to leave his home and go to a new land. There the Lord God would make of him a great nation, and all would be blessed because of him.

Responsorial Psalm: 33:4-5, 18-19, 20, 22
Lord, let your mercy be on us, as we place our trust in you.

2nd Reading: 2 Timothy 1:8b-10: God saves all people and calls them to a holy life, not because of their own merit but because of the grace held out in Christ. Christ “destroyed death and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel.”

Gospel Verse: From the shining cloud the Father’s voice is heard: This is my beloved Son, hear him.

Gospel: Matthew 17:1-9: Jesus went up to a high mountain. With Moses and Elijah at his side, he was transfigured before the eyes of his disciples Peter, James, and John. A voice from the cloud said, “This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him.”

Prep of Gifts:
All That Is Hidden – Farrell
Gracious God – Manibusan
Renew Me, Lord – B. Farrell
Save Your People – J. Farrell
Seek the Lord – O’Connor
This Alone – Manion
Transfiguration – Manalo
Transfigure Us, O Lord – B. Hurd

Communion Processional: This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him.

Be Merciful, O Lord – Angrisano
Be Not Afraid - Dufford
How Lovely Is Your Dwelling Place – DeBruyn
I Received the Living God LIVING GOD
Lord, Let Your Mercy – Dufford
The Goodness of the Lord – Soper
The Lord Is My Light – C. Walker/ Haas
With the Lord – Joncas

Song of Praise/Sending Forth:
From the Depths We Cry to Thee HEINLEIN
God, We Praise You NETTLETON
I Know That My Redeemer Lives – Soper
May the Road Rise Up – Kendzia
O Bless the Lord – Michaels
O Bless the Lord, My Soul ST. THOMAS
O God, Our Help in Ages Past ST. ANNE
Purify My Heart – Doerksen
Take the Word of God with You – C. Walker

March 19

1st Reading: Exodus 17:3-7: The Israelites grumbled against Moses for leading them out of Egypt. They were thirsty, and there was no water in the desert, so Moses struck a rock with his staff, and water flowed out for the people to drink.

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9
If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts.

2nd Reading: Romans 5:1-2, 5-8: “The love of God has been poured out into our hearts,” and that love is immeasurable; “While we were still sinners Christ died for us.”

Gospel Verse: Lord, you are truly the Savior of the world; give me living water, that I may never thirst again.
Gospel: John 4:5-42 OR 4:5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42: Jesus met a Samaritan woman at the well. She offered him water from the well, and he, in turn, offered her the living water of eternal life. As a result, she and many others came to know that Jesus is the Savior.

Prep of Gifts:
Fill My Cup, Lord – Blanchard
Flow, River, Flow – B. Hurd
Healing Waters – Thomson
O Beauty, Ever Ancient – O’Connor
O God, You Search Me – Farrell
Only a Shadow – Landry
Psalm 42: As the Deer Longs O WALY WALY

Communion Processional: For anyone who drinks it, says the Lord, the water I shall give will become in him a spring welling up to eternal life.

As the Deer Longs – B. Hurd
Come to Me & Drink – B. Hurd
Eye Has Not Seen – Haugen
I Lift Up My Soul – Manion
I Will Choose Christ – Booth
If Today You Hear His Voice – Haas/Soper
Loving & Forgiving – Soper
The Supper of the Lord – Rosania

Song of Praise/Sending Forth:
Change Our Hearts – Cooney
Down to the River to Pray – American Folk Song
Enter the Journey – Friedman
Healing River of the Spirit BEACH SPRING
Lead Me, Lord – Becker
River of Glory – Schutte
Shepherd of Souls ST. AGNES
There Is a River - Manion
To You, O God, I Lift Up My Soul – B. Hurd

March 26 4th Lent

RCIA: Will you be celebrating the Second Scrutiny with your Elect?

As [of this writing], the United States is reeling from the killings of five Dallas police officers and two men in Saint Paul and Orlando who died at the hands of law enforcement officers in those cities. These events opened up a nationwide debate over whose lives really matter - #Black, #Blue, or #All. Regardless of who wins that battle, one outcome seems clear. Because these tragic events were captured on video and even broadcast live on social media, a wider public not used to seeing these graphic images is getting a glimpse of what so many who are marginalized already know: the wounds of racism, prejudice, and hate still exist and have been festering for many years. Yet with every public confrontation, the veil covering our eyes is lifting. With every video of hate-filled speech streaming across our daily feeds from protestor or politician, the scales that have blinded us are falling off. Conversion is painful, and it’s easier to befriend the person we don’t agree with or just look away. But we are called to see and engage, to refuse to persist in our blindness.

Perhaps the first step towards change is to honestly ask ourselves: “Surely we are not also blind, are we?” - DM

Gathering Song: Rejoice, Jerusalem, and all who love her. Be joyful, all who were in mourning; exult and be satisfied at her consoling breast.

Prep of Gifts:
Amazing Grace NEW BRITAIN
Because the Lord Is My Shepherd – C. Walker
God Be in My Head – Brown
Gracious God – Manibusan
Jesus, Come to Us – Haas
Renew Me, Lord – Farrell
There Is a Balm in Gilead BALM IN GILEAD
You Are the Healing – Soper

Communion Processional: The Lord anointed my eyes: I went, I washed, I saw and I believed in God.

Christ, Be Our Light – Farrell
El Señor Es Mi Pastor/The Lord Is My Shepherd - Reza
Loving & Forgiving – Soper
My Shepherd Is the Lord – Gelineau
Open My Eyes – Manibusan
Remember Your Love – Ducote
Shepherd Me, O God – Haugen
With the Lord – Joncas

1st Reading: 1 Samuel 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a: The LORD sent Samuel to Bethlehem to the house of Jesse, where Samuel was to anoint the new king of Israel. After Jesse presented each of his sons, the LORD instructed Samuel to anoint the youngest, Dave.

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6
The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

2nd Reading: Ephesians 5:8-14: Live as children of light in goodness, justice, and truth. "Awake, O sleeper, and arise from the dead, and Christ will give you light."

Gospel Verse: I am the light of the world, says the Lord; whoever follows me will have the light of life.

Gospel: John 9:1-41 OR 9:1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38: Jesus cured a man born blind. The Pharisees became upset because he did this on the sabbath. After the Pharisees rejected the Man’s story, he met Jesus again. Jesus, “Son of Man,” explained how the blind will see, but those who hold on to sin will remain in darkness.
Song of Praise/Sending Forth:

Glory in the Cross – Schutte
I Am the Light of the World – Hayakawa
I Will Choose Christ – Booth
Lead Me, Lord – Becker
Lift High the Cross CRUCIFIER
Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow
OLD HUNDREDTH
Precious Lord, Take My Hand – Dorsey
Take Up Our Cross – Stephan

April 2 5th Lent

RCIA: Will you be celebrating the third and final scrutiny with your Elect?

In the oldest known book of gospels, called the Würzburg Evangelary (c. 645), the entirety of John’s gospel is read semicontinuously during Lent. However, in the Evangelary we find the stories of the man born blind and the raising of Lazarus scheduled out of order, suggesting they had a specific purpose. As early as the late seventh century, we see that the three Johannine gospel readings we have heard these past few weeks were moved to specific Sundays of Lent in both the Roman and Ambrosian rites, again, suggesting that they were used in the preparation for Easter.

Today, the readings of the woman at the well, the man born blind, and the raising of Lazarus, in that order, constitute the heart of the scrutinies in preparation of the baptism of the elect. On that day, they will be asked if they believe in God.

The place where the elect learn to answer yes is in the parish community.

With these gospels, the community of faith gradually models for the elect how to hear God’s word and believe (Samaritan woman), how to see God’s actions in our lives and believe (man born blind), and, finally, how to believe and hope in God even when hope is unwarranted (Lazarus).

DM

Gathering Song: Give me justice, O God, and plead my cause against a nation that is faithless. From the deceitful and cunning, rescue me, for you, O God, are my strength.

Dwelling Place
For the Life of the World
From Ashes to the Living Font
From the Depths We Cry to Thee HEINLEIN
Jerusalem, My Destiny
Lift High the Cross CRUCIFIER
Lord, Who Throughout These Forty Days ST. FLAVIAN
Now We Remain
Roll Away the Stone – Conry
Take Up Our Cross – Stephan
Take Up Your Cross ERHALT UNS, HERR
The Glory of These Forty Days ERHALT UNS, HERR
There’s a Wideness in God’s Mercy IN BABLONE
This Day God Gives Me BUNESSAN
Unless a Grain of Wheat
We Cannot Measure How You Heal
We Shall Rise Again

1st Reading: Ezekiel 37:12-14: The Lord God told the people that soon the graves of the dead would open and they would rise. “I will put my spirit in you that you may live...says the LORD.”

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8
With the Lord there is mercy and fullness of redemption.

2nd Reading: Romans 8:8-11: “Whoever does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him.” God, who raised Jesus from the dead, will raise also those in whom the Spirit dwells.

Gospel Verse: I am the resurrection and the life, says the Lord; whoever believes in me, even if he dies, will never die.

Gospel: John 11:1-45 OR 11:3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45; Lazarus died, and Jesus raised him from death. Jesus said, “I am the resurrection and the life; whoever believes in me, even if he dies, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die.”

Prep of Gifts:
All That Is Hidden – Farrell
Give Me Ears to Listen – Smith
Give Me Jesus – Spiritual
My Soul Is Thirsting – Brown
Psalm 42: As the Deer Longs O WALY WALY
What Wondrous Love WONDROUS LOVE
You Are Mine – Haas
You Are the Healing – Soper

Communion Processional: Everyone who lives and believes in me will not die for ever, says the Lord.

Keep in Mind – Deiss
Remember Your Love – Ducote
Restless Is the Heart – Farrell
Take & Eat – Joncas
Unless a Grain of Wheat – Farrell
With Our God There Is Mercy – Manion
With the Lord – Joncas
With the Lord There Is Mercy – Modlin

Song of Praise/Sending Forth:

Christ before Us – Whitaker
I Am the Bread of Life – Toolan
I Know That My Redeemer Lives DUKE STREET/Soper
I Will Not Die – Conry
In These Days of Lenten Journey - Manalo
Out of Darkness – C. Walker
Rise Up with Him – Vogt
Stand by Me – Kendzia

April 9 Palm Sunday - Lord’s Passion

We enter the holiest days of our liturgical year. Let the Scriptures speak their truths without too much additional commentary...

Gospel Verse: “Blessed is the king who comes in the name of the Lord.”

Gospel: Matthew 21:1-11 Jesus sent his disciples to get a donkey, which he rode into Jerusalem. Many in the crowd spread cloaks and palm branches before him.

Processional Song: Six days before the Passover, when the Lord came into the city of Jerusalem, the children ran to meet him; in their hands they carried palm branches and with a loud voice cried out: Hosanna in the highest! Blessed are you, who have come in your abundant mercy! O gates, lift high your heads; grow higher, ancient doors. Let him enter, the king of glory! Who is this king of glory? He, the Lord of hosts, he is the king of glory, Hosanna in the highest! Blessed are you, who have come in your abundant mercy!

Adoramus Te Christe
All Glory, Laud, & Honor
Calvary
Crucem tuam/O Lord, Your Cross
Enter the Journey
Hosanna – Haas/Soper
Hosanna, Son of God
Hosanna to the Son of David
Lift High the Cross
Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates
Lord, This Is the People/Let the Lord Enter
Nada Te Turbe/Nothing Can Frighten
Only This I Want
Palm Sunday Processional
Praise to You, O Christ, Our Savior
Ride On, Jesus, Ride
Ride On! Ride On in Majesty
Stay Here & Keep Watch
The Children of Jerusalem
The King of Glory
Tree of Life
We Remember
What Wondrous Love

**1st Reading:** Isaiah 50:4-7: The servant of the Lord God was rebuffed but did not turn back; he was beaten and spat upon. The suffering one knew the Lord God was with him.

**Responsorial Psalm:** Psalm 22:8-9, 17-18, 19-20, 23-24

* My God, my God, why have you abandoned me?

**2nd Reading:** Philippians 2:6-11: Christ was in the form of God but did not consider equality with God a thing to be grasped at. He emptied himself, took the form of a slave, and was obedient unto death! Therefore, God exalted him, and all proclaim him Lord.

**Gospel Verse:** Christ became obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. Because of this, God greatly exalted him and bestowed on him the name which is above every name.

**Gospel:** Matthew 26 – 27:66 OR 27:11-54: The passion and death of Jesus includes accounts of his betrayal, trial, condemnation, suffering, crucifixion, and burial.

**Prep of Gifts:**

- Jesus, Lord – DeBruyn
- O Sacred Head – B. Hurd
- O Sacred Head, Surrounded PASSION CHORALE
- Ours Were the Griefs He Bore – Dean
- Prepare a Room for Me
- Take Up Your Cross – Cortez
- The Jesus Song – Booth
- Who Is the Crucified? – Kiel
- Wood of the Cross – Alstott

**Communion Processional:** Father, if this chalice cannot pass without my drinking it, your will be done.

- Amén. El Cuerpo de Cristo – Schiavone
- Keep in Mind – Deiss
- Jesus, the Lord – O’Connor
- Make Us One with You – Modlin
- My God, My God – Smith/Manion
- Now We Remain – Haas
- Ubi Caritas – B. Hurd
- Unless a Grain of Wheat – Farrell

**Song of Praise/Sending Forth:**

- At the Name of Jesus – C. Walker
- Glory in the Cross – Schutte
- Jesus, Remember Me – Berthier
- Praise to You, O Christ, Our Savior – Farrell
- Take Up Our Cross
- Take Up Your Cross ERHALT UNS, HERR
- There Is a Balm in Gilead BALM IN GILEAD
- Were You There WERE YOU THERE
- When I Survey the Wondrous Cross HAMBURG
The Sacred Triduum (tree-doo-oom)

April 13 — Holy Thursday

The Sacred Triduum begins at SUNDOWN; the Sacred Liturgy continues without end until the sun sets on Easter Sunday evening. Reception of the Holy Oils consecrated at the Chrism Mass may take place just before the celebration begins or immediately following the opening song. The Glory to God is sung with much elaboration and ringing of bells which fall silent until the Glory to God is sung during the Easter Vigil. Do not be afraid to repeat your “menus” from years past...aim for full participation using the tried and true.

Gathering Song: We should glory in the Cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, in whom is our salvation, life and resurrection, through whom we are saved and delivered.

    Gather the People – Schutte
    Glory in the Cross – Schutte
    Lift High the Cross CRUCIFER
    Praise to You, O Christ, Our Savior – Farrell
    Table of Plenty – Schutte
    Take Up Your Cross ERHALT UNS, HERR
    What Is This Place KOMT NU MET ZANG
    What Wondrous Love Is This WONDROUS LOVE

1st Reading: Exodus 12:1-8, 11-14: The Lord instructed Moses and Aaron regarding the Passover meal. They were to eat roasted lamb, unleavened bread, and bitter herbs and to sprinkle blood of the lamb on the doorpost as a sign that those inside obeyed God’s command.

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 116:12-13, 15-16bc, 17-18

    Our blessing cup is a communion with the Blood of Christ.

2nd Reading: 1 Corinthians 11:23-26: Paul recounted the tradition of the Lord’s Supper: Jesus said, “This is my body that is for you. This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this in remembrance of me.”

Gospel Verse: I give you a new commandment, says the Lord: love one another as I have loved you.

Gospel: John 13:1-15: Jesus called his disciples together for the Passover Supper. During the meal, Jesus rose, tied a towel around himself, and washed the disciples’ feet. He said, “If I, therefore, the master and teacher, have washed your feet, you ought to wash one another’s feet.”

Washing of Feet:

As I Have Done for You – Schutte
Faith, Hope & Love – Dean
Jesu, Jesu
So Must You Do
Song of the Lord’s Command
Te Alabamos, Señor – B. Hurd
The Lord Jesus – Norbet
This Is My Example
Vine & Branches – Thomson

Prep of Gifts:

Bread for the World – Farrell
Here at This Table – Whitaker
No Greater Love – Schoenbachler
The Jesus Song – Booth
The Servant Song – Gillard
Ubi Caritas – Rosania/B. Hurd/Taize

What Wondrous Love – Means
Where Charity & Love Prevail
Where True Love & Charity Are Found

Communion Processional: This is the Body that will be given up for you; this is the Chalice of the new covenant in my Blood, says the Lord; do this, whenever you receive it, in memory of me.

    At That First Eucharist
    Bread of Angels – Stephan
    Bread of Life, Cup of Blessing
    Gift of Finest Wheat – Kreutz
    May We Be One
    Miracle of Grace – Stephan
    One Bread, One Body – Foley
    One Love Released – Frenzel
    Our Blessing Cup – B. Hurd/Joncas
    Pan de Vida – B. Hurd
    Song of the Lord’s Supper
    Stay Here & Keep Watch
    Taste & See – Moore
    We Have Been Told

Transfer of the Eucharist:

Pange Lingua/Sing, My Tongue

April 14 — Good Friday

We resume our prayer...

1st Reading: Isaiah 52:13 – 53:12: Isaiah foretold the Messiah’s suffering by describing those of the servant who died and was raised up to take away the sins of many.

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 31:2, 6, 13-15, 16-17, 25

    Father, I put my life in your hands.

2nd Reading: Hebrews 4:14-16; 5:7-9 Jesus is the great high priest, servant of all, source of salvation. Though he was God’s son, he learned obedience through suffering. He was heard because of his reverence.

Gospel Verse: Christ became obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. Because of this, God greatly exalted him and bestowed on him the name which is above every other name.


Adoration of the Holy Cross:

    At the Cross Her Station Keeping STABAT MATER
    At the Name of Jesus - Clemens
    Behold the Lamb of God – Maher
    Behold the Wood
    Calvary
    Crucem tuam/O Lord, Your Cross
    From Glory to Glory – François
    Glory in the Cross – Schutte
    Have Mercy on Us, Lord ATTENDE DOMINE
    In the Cross of Christ
    Jesus, Keep Me near the Cross
Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 30:2, 4, 5-6, 11-12, 13
I will praise you, Lord, for you have rescued me.

5th Reading: Isaiah 55:1-11: “All you who are thirsty, come to the water!...I will renew with you the everlasting covenant, the benefits assured to David.

Responsorial Psalm: Isaiah 12:2-3, 4, 5-6
You will draw water joyfully from the springs of salvation.

6th Reading: Baruch 3:9-15, 32 – 4:4: All who cling to God’s law will live. “Blessed are we, O Israel; for what pleases God is known to us!”

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 19:8, 9, 10, 11
Lord, you have the words of everlasting life.

7th Reading: Ezekiel 36:16-17a, 18-28: The Lord will pour clean water over the people and give them a new heart.

Responsorial Psalm: Psalms 42:3, 5; 43:3, 4
Like a deer that logs for running streams, my soul longs for you, my God.

OR (When no baptisms): Isaiah 12:2-3, 4b-d, 5-6
You will draw water joyfully from the springs of salvation.

OR Psalm 51:12-13, 14-15, 18-19
Create a clean heart in me, O God.

Epistle: Romans 6:3-11: Christ’s death is death to sin once and for all, and his life is life for God. We are dead to sin and living for God in Christ.

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Gospel: Luke 24:1-12: When the women came to the tomb they found the stone rolled back. “Two men in dazzling garments” appeared and asked them why they were looking for the one who had been raised. The women returned to the apostles and told them everything.

Initiation/Sprinkling:

Come to the River – B. Hurd
Litany of the Saints
Living Streams – Schutte
River of Glory – Schutte
Shall We Gather at the River HANSON PLACE
Springs of Water
Springs of Water, Bless the Lord – L. Trapp
Wade in the Water – Ridge
Water of Life – Dean/Cortez
We Shall Draw Water – Inwood

Prep of Gifts:

Alleluia, Christ Is Risen
Alleluia! Love Is Alive – Angrisano
Christ Has Risen
Christ Is Risen! Shout Hosanna!
Come to the Water – Foley
Flow, River, Flow – B. Hurd
Goodness Is Stronger than Evil
Hail Thee, Festival Day
Heaven Is Singing for Joy
Jesus Is the Resurrection
Out of Darkness – Kendzia
Regina Caeli/O Queen of Heaven
Surrexit Christus

Exsultet:
Various Compositions: Chant, C. Walker, Kendzia, Rubalcava, Thompson

1st Reading: Genesis 1:1 – 2:2 OR 1:1, 26-31a: God created the world and saw how good it was. God looked at everything and found it very good.

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 104:1-2, 5-6, 10, 12, 13-14, 24, 35
Lord, send out your Spirit, and renew the face of the earth.

OR
The earth is full of the goodness of the Lord.

2nd Reading: Genesis 22:1-18 OR 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18:
Abraham offered his only son Isaac as a sacrifice to God, and it was credited to him as justice.

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 16:5, 8, 9-10, 11
You are my inheritance, O Lord.

3rd Reading: Exodus 14:15 – 15:1: Israel passed through the Red Sea unharmed. As for the Egyptians, their horses and chariots were tossed into the sea.

Responsorial Psalm: Exodus 15:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 17-18
Let us sing to the Lord; he has covered himself in glory.

4th Reading: Isaiah 54:5-14: I, your Maker, the LORD of hosts, will establish you in justice, far from fear where no harm can come near you.
The Strife Is O’er VICTORY
This Is the Feast of Victory
Ye Sons & Daughters O FILII ET FILIAE

Communion Processional: Christ our Passover has been sacrificed; therefore, let us keep the feast with the unleavened bread of purity and truth, alleluia.

Bread of Angels – Stephan
Canticle of the Free – Whitaker
Christ, Be Our Light (Easter Vigil) – Farrell
I Am the Bread of Life – Toolan
Joyous Cup
Make Us One with You – Modlin
Miracle of Grace – Stephan
Resucitó/He Is Risen – Argüello
There Is One Lord – Alstott
This Is the Day – Joncas
You Have Called Us – Farrell

Song of Praise/Sending Forth:

Alleluia! Alleluia! Let the Holy Anthem Rise
HOLY ANTHEM

Christ before Us – Whitaker
Christ, the Lord, Is Risen Today LLANFAIR
In Christ Alone – Getty
Jesus Christ Is Risen Today EASTER HYMN
Lord of the Dance – Carter
Rise Up with Him – Vogt
Sing with All the Saints in Glory HYMN TO JOY
The Day of Resurrection ELLACOMBE
Ye Watchers & Ye Holy Ones LASST UNS ERFREUEN

April 16 Easter Sunday

“Alleluia! Christ is risen!” “He is Risen, Indeed!” Consider using the Sprinkling Rite, as we celebrate our redemption, at all the Sunday Masses during the Great Sunday of 50 Days. The GIRM calls for a baptismal song to be sung during this rite; think about it – we’ve spent 40 days highlighting the Penitential Act, recalling our need for redemption. How appropriate to spend 50 days celebrating that very gift granted through Christ’s paschal mystery...

Gathering Song: I have risen, and I am with you still, alleluia. You have laid your hand upon me, alleluia. Too wonderful for me, this knowledge, alleluia, alleluia.

Baptized in Water BUNESSAN
Christ the Lord Is Risen Today LLANFAIR
Holy, Holy, Holy Cry – Modlin
Jesus Christ Is Risen Today EASTER HYMN
Jesus Is Risen LASST UNS ERFREUEN
Three Days THAXTED

1st Reading: Acts of the Apostles 10:34a, 37-43: Peter preached about Jesus’ baptism, the anointing with the Holy Spirit, and his crucifixion and resurrection from the dead.

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23

This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad. OR Alleluia!

2nd Reading: Colossians 3:1-4: Think about what is above. When Christ appears, then you shall appear with him in glory.

OR 1 Corinthians 5:6b-8: A little yeast does its work all through the dough. Throw out the old yeast to make fresh dough.

April 23 2nd Easter/Divine Mercy

Easter Sequence:

Christ Is Arisen RISEN KING
Christians, to the Paschal Victim (Chant, Mode I)
Sequence for Easter

Gospel Verse: Christ, our paschal lamb, has been sacrificed; let us then feast with joy in the Lord.

Gospel: John 20:1-9: Mary Magdalene and the disciples went to the tomb and found it empty. They did not yet understand that Jesus would rise from the dead.

Sprinkling/Renewal of Baptismal Vows:

Living Streams – Schutte
Springs of Water, Bless the Lord – Trapp
Water of Life – Dean/Cortez

Prep of Gifts:

Come to the River – B. Hurd
Hymn of Praise – Schutte
Jesus Christ Is Risen Today
Morning Has Broken BUNESSAN
Ye Sons & Daughters O FILII ET FILIAE

Communion Processional: Christ our Passover has been sacrificed, alleluia; therefore, let us keep the feast with the unleavened bread of purity and truth, alleluia, alleluia.

Bread of Angels – Stephan
I Am the Bread of Life – Toolan
Jesus, the Bread of Life – Brown
Resucitó/He Is Risen – Argüello
Worthy Is the Lamb – Manalo

Song of Praise/Sending Forth:

Alleluia! Alleluia HYMN TO JOY
Alleluia! Alleluia! Let the Holy Anthem Rise
HOLY ANTHEM

Glory in the Cross – Schutte
I Know That My Redeemer Lives DUKE STREET
In Christ Alone – Getty
Tell the Good News GELOBT SEI GOTT
The Day of Resurrection ELLACOMBE

We continue to celebrate 50 Days of Easter with renewed energy and spirit! The Sunday masses of the Easter season are the premier setting for mystagogy (see Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults, no. 247). The Easter season homilies, especially when Year A is proclaimed, are central to helping the community and the neophytes together to grow in deepening their grasp of the paschal mystery and making it part of their lives” (no. 244). These homilies need to sound and feel different, for they open up the “mysteries” – sacramentum, the sacraments – that now give the neophytes “a new perception of their faith, of the Church, and of the world” (no. 245). Let us break open the mysteries, that we and the neophytes may see with new eyes. One place to focus this Sunday is the sign of peace. Three times today the risen Christ says, “Peace be with you.” That peace is connected with the giving of the Holy Spirit and the power to forgive or withhold forgiveness.

We share this sign of peace after the Lord’s Prayer, which asks God to forgive us as we have forgiven others. After sharing that peace, we share in Communion, which bonds us to Christ and to one another. The sign of peace
is more than just being nice to those we love. It is a promise of reconciliation we give to those we love least. - DM

Gathering Song: Like newborn infants, you must long for the pure, spiritual milk, that in him you may grow to salvation, alleluia.

OR
Receive the joy of your glory, giving thanks to God, who has called you into the heavenly kingdom, alleluia.

Alleluia! Alleluia! Let the Holy Anthem Rise
HOLY ANTHEM

Christ Has Risen
Christ Is Risen! Shout Hosanna!
Halleluya! We Sing Your Praises
I Am the Bread of Life – Toolan
O Breathe on Me, O Breath of Life ST. COLUMBA
The Day of Resurrection ELLACOMBE
There’s a Wideness in God’s Mercy IN BABILON
This Is the Day – Fisher
This Joyful Eastertide VREUCHTEN
We Belong to You – Thomson
Ye Watchers & Ye Holy Ones LASST UNS ERFREUEN

1st Reading: Acts of the Apostles 2:42-47: Early Christians adhered to apostolic teaching, centering their lives on prayer, the breaking of the bread, the common life, and charity.

Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, his love is everlasting.

OR
Alleluia.

2nd Reading: 1 Peter 1:3-9: Through God’s great mercy, Christians have new life in the resurrection of Jesus Christ. The goal of faith is salvation.

Gospel Verse: You believe in me, Thomas, because you have seen me, says the Lord; blessed are they who have not seen me, but still believe!

Gospel: John 20:19-31: Through locked doors the risen Lord came, stood before the disciples, and said, “Peace be with you.” Thomas was not present at first; when he saw Jesus, he could not believe. Jesus conquered his doubt.

Prep of Gifts:

All Is Well with My Soul – Landry
Alleluia No. 1
Come to Jesus – Blakesley
Dona Nobis Pacem – Norbet/Traditional
Was Bright
We Walk by Faith – Haugen
Without Seeing You
Ye (O) Sons & Daughters O FILII ET FILIAE
Your Only Son – Paris

Communion Processional: Bring your hand and feel the place of the nails, and do not be unbelieving but believing, alleluia.

Bread of Angels – Stephan
In the Breaking of the Bread – B. Hurd
Litany of Peace – Bridge
One Lord – Soper
Peace – Norbet
Show Us Your Mercy – Friedman
The Supper of the Lord – Rosania

With the Lord – Joncas
With the Lord There Is Mercy – Modlin

Song of Praise/Sending Forth:

Blest Be the Lord – Schutte
Day of Peace – Whitaker
Let Heaven Rejoice – Dufford
Lift High the Cross CRUCIFER
O Bless the Lord, My Soul ST. THOMAS
River of Glory – Schutte
Tell the Good News GELOBT SEI GOTT
When I Survey the Wondrous Cross HAMBURG

April 30 3rd Easter

We continue to celebrate the Easter Season!

We continue our mystagogical journey with the neophytes into the depths of the paschal mystery by focusing on what we mean when we refer to the “body of Christ.” The disciples on the road to Emmaus missed seeing the body of Christ because they were focused on finding his physical body. They didn’t recognize Christ because they were looking for a corpse. Louis-Marie Chauvet, SJ, says, “you must dis-enthrall yourselves from your (quite natural) desire for immediate proofs of [Jesus]. Failing this, you can only reduce him to your own ideology and your preconceptions: ...by submitting him to your desire and your previous convictions, you manipulate him and thus make him a corpse again” (The Sacraments: The Word of God at the Mercy of the Body [Collegeville, MN: Liturgical Press, 2001]. 28).

Today, let us stop looking for a corpse and see the body of Christ in the word, in the sacraments, in the least among us, in one another, in the cross we refuse to embrace, in the stranger right in front of us. For there is a direct connection between dirty feet to wash, unbearable crosses to carry, empty tombs to leave, and the Eucharist we share. We cannot say, “Amen,” to the body of Christ in Communion without saying amen to the body of Christ in these others. - DM

Gathering Song: Cry out with joy to God, all the earth; O sing to the glory of his name. O render him glorious praise, alleluia.

Alleluia! Alleluia! Let the Holy Anthem Rise
At the Lamb’s High Feast
Behold the Glory of God – O’Connor
Christ Has Risen
He Is the Lord – Haas
Jesus Christ Is Risen Today EASTER HYMN
Lift Up Your Hearts – O’Connor
Now the Green Blade Rises NOËL NOUVELET
River of Glory – Schutte
Sing to the Mountains – Dufford
The Strife Is O’er VICTORY
Three Days’ THAXTED

1st Reading: Acts of the Apostles 2:14, 22-33: The high priest interrogated the apostles and ordered them not to speak again about Jesus. The apostles left filled with joy for having been found worthy of ill-treatment for Christ.

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 16:1-2, 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11

Lord, you will show us the path of life.

OR
Alleluia.

2nd Reading: 1 Peter 1:17-21: The blood of Christ, as of the sinless, unblemished lamb, delivered believers.
Gospel Verse: Lord Jesus, open the Scriptures to us; make our hearts burn while you speak to us.

Gospel: Luke 24:13-35: Two disciples bound for Emmaus were joined by Jesus, whom they did not recognize. They discussed the death of Jesus and the disappearance of his body from the tomb. Jesus explained to them through the Scriptures the meaning of the events that had taken place. They recognized him in the breaking of the bread.

Prep of Gifts:

Alleluia No. 1 – Fishel
Because the Lord Is My Shepherd – C. Walker
Christ Be beside Me – Wasson
Did You Know – Farrell
Emmaus
Eye Has Not Seen
How Can We Be Silent
I Know That My Redeemer Lives
Lead Us to Your Table – Angrisano
Lord of the Dance – Carter
Two Were Bound for Emmaus – Hurd
We Have Been Told
We Walk by Faith
You Have Called Us – Farrell

Communion Processional: The disciples recognized the Lord Jesus in the breaking of the bread, alleluia.

Amén. El Cuerpo de Cristo – Schiavone
In the Breaking of the Bread – B. Hurd/Smith
Pescador de Hombres/Lord, You Have Come – Gabarán
Take & Eat – Joncas
The Path of Life – Soper
The Supper of the Lord – Rosania
We Remember – Haugen
Worthy Is the Lamb – Manalo

Song of Praise/Sending Forth:

Alle, Alle, Alleluia
Alleluia! Alleluia! HYMN TO JOY
Christ Is Risen – Maher
City of God – Schutte
Festival Canticle: Worthy Is Christ – Hillert
Glory in the Cross – Schutte
Join in the Dance – Schutte
Rise Up with Him – Vogt
Roll Away the Stone – Conry
Up from the Earth – Cooney

May 7

4th Easter

We’re about halfway to Pentecost – we continue to exult in our rebirth! Conversion is an ongoing process – lifelong and always spirally toward eternal life and God’s reign. We strive to follow the Shepherd.

This Sunday, let us enter into the mystery of Christ, the sheep gate. Our journey of faith begins and ends with a door. When parents bring their child to be baptized, we meet them at the church doors. At the end of a Christian’s life, we welcome the body at the same doors in its final passover into eternal life. The door is the thin space between life and death, the liminal space of here-but-not-yet. The door is a sign of the promise of life if only we enter it.

Since Christ is the door
Through whom we have been saved,
Let every door remind us to be a sign
Of life for all we meet on the other side.

Let the doors of our hearts be the place
Where those who hunger and thirst
Are filled and where all creation is clothed
In glory and sheltered safe from harm.

At the doors wherever Christians gather,
May the sick find healing,
Prisoners know freedom,
And our beloved dead be greeted
By the saints.

And from all the passageways
Of our daily lives, send us, Lord,
To share faith where there is doubt,
To be light where there is darkness,
To embrace the sinner,
Comfort the afflicted, offer forgiveness,
And show patience and kindness to all. - DM

Gathering Song: The merciful love of the Lord fills the earth; by the word of the Lord the heavens were made, alleluia.

All People That on Earth Do Dwell
Alleluia! Alleluia! Let the Holy Anthem Rise
Baptized in Water BUNESSAN
Christ before Us – Whitaker
Easter Alleluia – Mahon
Glory in the Cross – Schutte
I Am the Bread of Life
I Am the Resurrection – Repp
I Rejoiced
Lead Us to the Water – Daigle
Rain Down – Cortez
Shepherd of Souls
Sing to the Mountains – Dufford
The God of All Grace – Manalo
The King of Love My Shepherd Is ST. COLUMBA
There’s a Wideness in God’s Mercy IN BABILONE

1st Reading: Acts of the Apostles 2:14a, 36-41: Peter proclaimed that only in the name of Jesus Christ are sins forgiven and the Holy Spirit received.

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6

The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.
OR Alleluia.

2nd Reading: 1 Peter 2:20b-25: Jesus suffered for the sins of all people, and by his death on the cross, all can live in accord with God’s will. People who strayed like sheep “have now returned to the shepherd and guardian of your souls.”

Gospel Verse: I am the good shepherd, says the Lord; I know my sheep, and mine know me.

Gospel: John 10:1-10: Jesus said, “I am the gate for the sheep.” He declared that whoever enters through him will be saved because he came that others may have the fullness of life.

Prep of Gifts:

Abundant Life
Because the Lord Is My Shepherd – C. Walker
Come to Me – Norbet
Down to the River to Pray – American Folk Song
Easter Alleluia
Flow, River, Flow – B. Hurd
I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say
Jesus, Shepherd of Our Souls
Jesus, the Lord – O’Connor
Now the Green Blade Rises
Pues Si Vivimos/If (When) We Are Living
Shepherd of My Heart
Shepherd of Souls ST. AGNES
The Lord Is My Shepherd – Wise/Koschat
We Will Rise Again – Haas
What Wondrous Love WONDROUS LOVE
With a Shepherd’s Care

Communion Processional: *The Good Shepherd has risen, who laid down his life for his sheep and willingly died for his flock, alleluia.*

Bread for the World – Farrell
El Señor Es Mi Pastor/The Lord Is My Shepherd - Reza
Gift of Finest Wheat – Kreutz
My Shepherd Is the Lord – Gelineau
Pastures of the Lord – Stephan
Shepherd Me, O God - Haugen
The Lord Is My Shepherd – Crandal
We Are God’s People – Haas
We, the Body of Christ – Hillebrand

Song of Praise/Sending Forth:

Alleluia! Alleluia! Let the Holy Anthem Rise
HOLY ANTHEM
Celtic Alleluia: Sending Forth – C. Walker
Christ Is Alive TRURO
Christ the Lord Is Risen Again
CHRIST IST ERSTANDEN
Go in Peace to Love & Serve the Lord – Inwood
Halleluya! We Sing Your Praises – South African
He Is the Lord – Haas
Regina Caeli/O Queen of Heaven CHANT
Shall We Gather at the River HANSON PLACE

May 14 5th Easter
We continue to celebrate the Easter Season!
Together, let us deepen our grasp of the mystery of what it means to be church.

God does not save a person. God saves a people. The very nature of God is the intimate relationship of Father, Son, and Spirit. Thus, we are not baptized “a Catholic”; we are baptized “a Christian,” a member of the body of Christ caught up in the Trinity’s love. The church is not just a building or an institution. It is a people called by the love of Christ to gather with others who have also been chosen to announce the praises of the Father in the Spirit. We simply cannot be Christian alone.
The Saints whom we invoked as we processed to the font; the godparents who stood by our side at those baptismal waters; the priestly people who, every Sunday, offer with us intercessions for the life of the world; our ancestors in faith with whom we join with the choirs of angels to give eucharistic praise; and the holy nation that gathers around the altar, ordinary people striving to live extraordinary lives in the name of Christ – these are our companions, the living stones that both support us and push us into place so we won’t crumble. As Christians, as church, we are never alone. -DM

Gathering Song: *O sing a new song to the Lord, for he has worked wonders; in the sight of the nations he has shown his deliverance, alleluia.*

Communion Processional: *I am the true vine and you are the branches, says the Lord. Whoever remains in me, and I in him, bears fruit in plenty, alleluia.*

Bread of Angels – Stephan
Eye Has Not Seen
I Received the Living God
Like a Child Rests – C. Walker
Lord, Let Your Mercy – Dufford
Love One Another – Dufford
Many & One – Angrisano
Now We Remain
O Holy Mary – Alstott
Only This I Want
Psalm 98: All the Ends of the Earth – B. Hurd
The Lord Fills the Earth with His Love – Inwood
We Have Been Told
**May 21  6th Easter**

Only a few more days to celebrate the Resurrection. We begin to prepare for the coming of the Holy Spirit.

**What does it mean to say, “I believe”?** It is the response we must give to be baptized; yet, over time, those words become rote and routine.

In the baptismal promises, the Apostles’ Creed, and the Nicene Creed, we state our belief not in an idea or a teaching but in a person: in God the Father, in Jesus his only Son, in the Holy Spirit who makes us one. The word credo, Latin for “I believe,” is connected to the word for “heart,” cor. The first step toward belief in God is love, not assent: “You shall love the Lord, your God, with all your heart, with all your being, with all your strength, and with all your mind, and your neighbor as yourself” (Lk 10:27). “I believe” means we believe with all our heart and give our entire being to the One in whom we believe. If we do indeed love Jesus, if we do believe him with all our heart, how can we not love our neighbor as ourselves? Next time we say, “I believe,” let us open our hearts to the Spirit who helps us remember that we can only love God as much as we love the people we love the least. - **DM**

**Gathering Song: Proclaim a joyful sound and let it be heard; proclaim to the ends of the earth: The Lord has freed his people, alleluia.**

All Hail the Power of Jesus’ Name **CORONATION**
Alleluia! Love Is Alive – **Angrisano**
Alleluia! Sing to Jesus – **Consiglio/Consiglio**
Come Down, O Love Divine**HYFYRDOL**
Come, Holy Ghost
Come, Now Is the Time to Worship – **Doerkson**
I Come with Joy
In Christ Alone – **Getty**
O Breathe on Me, O Breath of God ST. COLUMBA
Rejoice, the Lord Is King DARWALL’S 148th
10,000 Reasons – **Redman**
This Is a Day of New Beginnings
Three Days **THAXTED**

**1st Reading:** Acts of the Apostles 8:5-8, 14-17: With great success, Philip went to Samaria to proclaim the Christ and work miracles. When the apostles heard about Philip’s work, they sent Peter and John to pray that the Samaritans receive the Holy Spirit.

**Responsorial Psalm:** Psalm 66:1-3, 4-5, 6-7, 16, 20

*Let all the earth cry out to God with joy.*

**OR**  Alleluia.

**2nd Reading:** 1 Peter 3:15-18: Jesus “suffered for sins once.” He was put to death as far as fleshly existence goes but received life according to the spirit.

**Gospel Verse:** Whoever loves me will keep my word, says the Lord, and my Father will love him and we will come to him.

**Gospel:** John 14:15-21: Jesus assured the disciples that he would not leave them orphaned but would ask the Father to send “another Advocate” to be with them always. Jesus said that he would still reveal himself to those who love him.

**Prep of Gifts:**

Day of Peace - **Whitaker**
Faith, Hope & Love – **Dean**
For the Sake of Christ – **Canedo**
I Know That My Redeemer Lives DUKE STREET
If You Believe & I Believe
Jesus Christ, Yesterday, Today & Forever
No Greater Love
Peace – **Norbet**
Peace, My Friends – **Repp**
Prayer of St. Francis – **Temple**
Send Us Your Spirit
Spirit Friend
Vine & Branches – **Thomson**
Where My Father Lives – **Ridge**

**Communion Processional:** If you love me, keep my commandments, says the Lord, and I will ask the Father and he will send you another Paraclete, to abide with you for ever, alleluia.

Eat This Bread – **Berthier**
Litany of Peace – **Bridge/Schutte**
Miracle of Grace – **Stephan**
One Sacrifice of Christ – **Modlin**
Spirit & Grace – **Manalo**
To Be Your Bread – **Haas**
Ubi Caritas – **Rosania**
Unless a Grain of Wheat
Veni Creator Spiritus
We Have Been Told
You Are Mine – **Haas**

**Song of Praise/Sending Forth:**

Go in Peace to Love & Serve the Lord – **Inwood**
Go Make a Difference – **Angrisano**
Healing River of the Spirit **BEACH SPRING**
I Am the Bread of Life – **Toolan**
I Give to You a Future – **Manibusan**
I Send You Out – **Angotti**
Now Is the Time – **Kendzia**
Shall We Gather at the River **HANSON PLACE**
Sing with All the Saints in Glory **HYMN TO JOY**

**May 28  Ascension Sunday**

In the diocese of Crookston, as in most dioceses of the United States, we celebrate the Lord’s Ascension into heaven this Sunday. The Scripture readings are of that feast. We await the coming of the Holy Spirit. Only 7 more days to celebrate the “Great Sunday of 50 Days.”

The end of Matthew’s gospel summarizes for us the very meaning of why we are baptized: “Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you” (Mt 28:19-20).

The purpose of baptism is neither to become a member of a community nor to get into heaven. The purpose of Christian initiation is “to bring us, the faithful of Christ, to his full stature and to enable us to carry out the mission of
the entire people of God in the Church and in the world” (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults, no. 2).

We are given that mission at the end of every Eucharist: Go and announce the Gospel of the Lord, glorifying the Lord by your life. Therefore, let us stop looking up at the sky for Christ, or keeping ourselves locked up in the safety of our church, meeting rooms, and programs. Let us go out into the world, into our neighborhoods, wherever there are people wounded and in need. Let us heal their wounds and give them hope as Jesus did, and teach them to do the same. When we do that in Christ’s name, we will fulfill the purpose of our baptism. - DM

Gathering Song: Men of Galilee: why gaze in wonder at the heavens? This Jesus whom you saw ascending into heaven will return as you saw him go, alleluia.

A Hymn of Glory Let Us Sing
Alleluia! Sing to Jesus HYFRYDOL
At the Lamb’s High Feast SALZBURG
Come Down, O Love Divine
Hail the Day That Sees Him Rise LLANFAIR
Hail Thee, Festival Day
Holy, Holy, Holy Cry – Modlin
In Christ Alone – Getty
Lift Up Your Hearts – O’Connor
Praise to the Lord LOBE DEN HERREN
Rejoice, the Lord Is King
Shouts of Joy – Canedo
Three Days THAXTED
To Jesus Christ, Our Sovereign King


Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9
God mounts his throne to shouts of joy:
a blare of trumpets for the Lord. OR Alleluia.

2nd Reading: Ephesians 1:17-23; God has put all things under Christ’s feet.

Gospel Verse: Go and teach all nations, says the Lord: I am with you always, until the end of the world.

Gospel: Matthew 28:16-20: “Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations.”

Prep of Gifts:

As a Fire Is Meant for Burning
God Mounts His Throne – Stephan
I Send You Out
In Christ There Is No East or West
Lord, Send Out Your Spirit – Canedo
Love Divine, All Loves Excelling
Make Your Home in Me – Whitaker
O Breathe on Me, O Breath of God ST. COLUMBA
One Sacrifice of Praise – Modlin
Song of the Cross – HooKong-Taylor
We Walk by Faith – Haugen
Where My Father Lives – Ridge
You Are Called to Tell the Story

Communion Processional: Behold, I am with you always, even to the end of the age, alleluia.

All That Is Hidden – Farrell
Ang Katawan ni Kristo/Behold, the Body of Christ – Manalo

Bread of Angels – Stephan
I, the Lord – Kendzia
In God Alone – Farrell
Remembrance – Maher
With All the Saints – B. Hurd
Worthy Is the Lamb – Manalo

Song of Praise/Sending Forth:

Crown Him with Many Crowns DIADEMATA
Everyone Moved by the Spirit – Landry
Go Make of All Disciples
Go Out, Go Out – Stephan
Go to the World
Halleluyah! We Sing Your Praises – South African
He Is the Lord – Haas
Jesus Shall Reign
Lord, You Give the Great Commission
Shouts of Joy – Canedo
Take Christ to the World – Inwood
Tell It Out – Smith
This Joyful Easter tide VREUCHTEN

June 4 Pentecost Sunday

We end our 50 days of Easter with celebrations recalling the birthing of our Church through the Holy Spirit. We continue to strive with the strength of the seven gifts from on high.

We end the Easter season where we began, with the disciples locked in an upper room and the risen Christ offering a sign of peace. Yet today’s scene from Acts is anything but peaceful with the coming of a sudden noise, a driving wind, and fire upon each person, followed by the frenzy of people speaking all at once in different languages. No wonder many who witnessed these events though the disciples had just a bit too much to drink! When the Spirit comes, the gift of peace is not a guarantee of ease, serenity, and calm. From the day of Pentecost, the disciples would be, at best, dismissed as drunk and, at worst, put to death. Why should we believe we would not be given the same destiny as those first Christians when we ask the Spirit to come into our lives?

The gifts of the Holy Spirit are these: wisdom; understanding; counsel; fortitude; knowledge; piety; awe, wonder, and fear of the Lord. These are given to strengthen us for the road of discipleship, which will not always be easy, but it will be joyful and peaceful because we will not be alone. Today, when we invite the Spirit to come, let us know what we are asking for. - DM

Gathering Song: The Spirit of the Lord has filled the whole world and that which contains all things understands what is said, alleluia.

OR The love of God has been poured into our hearts through the spirit of God dwelling within us, alleluia.

Alleluia! Love Is Alive – Angrisano
Come, Holy Ghost LAMBILLOTTE
Come, O Holy Spirit – Altstott
Creator Spirit, by Whose Aid LASST UNS ERFREUEN
Holy Spirit – Canedo
Now Is the Time – Kendzia
O Breathe on Me, O Breath of God ST. COLUMBA
Send Out Your Spirit – Schoenbachler
Send Us Your Spirit – Haas

1st Reading: Acts of the Apostles 2:1-11: On Pentecost the Holy Spirit was sent to the disciples in the form of fiery tongues. They
began to speak in different tongues "as the Spirit enabled them to
proclaim."

**Responsorial Psalm:** Psalm 104:1, 24, 29-30, 31, 34

> Lord, send out your Spirit, and renew the face of the earth.
> OR Alleluia.

**2nd Reading:** 1 Corinthians 12:3b-7, 12-13: The apostle Paul wrote
that there are many gifts but the same Spirit, different ministries but
the same Lord.

**Sequence (Optional):**

- Come, O Holy Spirit – Alstott
- Come, O Holy Spirit, Come CHANT
- Pentecost Sequence – Willcock
- Sequence for Pentecost

**Gospel Verse:** Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and
kindle in them the fire of your love.

**Gospel:** John 20:19-23: Jesus appeared and told the disciples,
"Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you...
Receive the Holy Spirit."

**Prep of Gifts:**

- All Is Well with My Soul – Landry
- Called by Christ
- Dona Nobis Pacem – Norbet
- Envía Tu Espíritu – B. Hurd
- Living Spirit, Holy Fire
- O Spirit, All-Embracing
- Peace Is Flowing like a River – Landry
- Send Out Your Spirit – Farrell
- Tâm Tinh Hi n Dâng/A Gift of Song – Sông Lam
- This Is the Day when Light Was First Created
- Veni, Creator Spiritus/Creator Spirit, Lord of Grace
  VENI CREATOR SPIRITUS
- Veni, Sancte Spiritus – C. Walker

**Communion Processional:** They were all filled with the Holy Spirit
and spoke of the marvels of God, alleluia.

- I, the Lord – Kendzia
- Litany of Peace – Bridge
- Many & One – Angrisano
- One Bread, One Body – Foley
- Spirit & Grace – Manalo
- Veni, Sancte Spiritus – C. Walker
- We Have Been Told – Haas
- With All the Saints – B. Hurd

**Song of Praise/Sending Forth:**

- Church of God, Elect & Glorious HYFRYDOL
- Go Make a Difference – Angrisano
- Go Make of All Disciples ELLACOMBE
- Go Out, Go Out – Stephan
- I Send You Out – Angotti
- One Spirit, One Church – Keil
- Tell the Good News GELOBT SEI GOTT
- The Spirit Send Us Forth AZMON