MUSIC & LITURGY
PLANNING GUIDE YEAR B
Holy Family 2008-Ash Wednesday 2009

Dear Pastors & Liturgical Ministers:
On the pages that follow you will find important information and suggestions for music for Masses from Holy Family Sunday, 2008 through Ash Wednesday 2009.

I have taken a chance on this and await your feedback. Undoubtedly, the most time-consuming portion of preparing this resource is adding and changing the numbers in the music resources. This is particularly true of the annual OCP resources. So I have taken a bold decision--I have decided that you are very smart people, and that if I provide hymn NAMES you can find the NUMBERS in the books you have.

If you would like to comment on this change (one way or the other) please email me at agothman@crookston.org expressing your recommendations. I will take them seriously.

I also want to remind you of O.C.P.’s resource: “The Master Index.” It lists all the songs and numbers in the 2009 OCP resources. Each church that subscribes to Today’s Missal, Today’s Music Issue or Breaking Bread receives two complimentary copies. You can download a copy at: http://web.ocp.org/pdf/MasterIndex.pdf or to have a complimentary copy shipped to you, please call 1-800-LITURGY (548-8749).

Again, I am hoping to have planning guide available to download and print from the Office of Worship-Liturgy website in case you need more copies or want to share with others, as soon as our website is updated. Go to www.crookston.org, find the Worship-Liturgy page and then the Music Planning Guide.

~Rev. Augie Gothman

The Christmas Octave

Christmas has its own octave, arranged as follows:

a. The Sunday within the octave is the feast of the Holy Family;
b. 26 December is the feast of Saint Stephen, First Martyr;
c. 27 December is the feast of Saint John, Apostle and Evangelist;
d. 28 December is the feast of the Holy Innocents;
e. 29, 30, and 31 December are days within the octave;
f. 1 January, the octave day of Christmas, is the Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God.

The Christmas Season

January 3rd is now the optional memorial of the Holy Name of Jesus.

[In the dioceses of the U.S.] Epiphany is assigned to the Sunday occurring between 2 January and 8 January. The Sunday following Epiphany is the feast of the Baptism of the Lord.

The Christmas Lectionary

Sundays & Feasts

The Gospel on the Sunday within the Octave of Christmas, Feast of the Holy Family, is about Jesus’ childhood and the other readings are about the virtues of family life. On the Octave Day of Christmas, Solemnity of the Blessed Virgin Mary, the Mother of God, the readings are about the Virgin Mother of God and the giving of the holy Name of Jesus. On the Epiphany of the Lord, the Old Testament reading and the Gospel continue the Roman tradition; the text for the reading from the Letters of the Apostles is about the calling of the nations to salvation. On the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord, the texts chosen are about this mystery.

Christmas Weekday Readings

From 29 December on, there is a continuous reading of the whole of the First Letter of John, which actually begins earlier, on 27 December, the Feast of St. John the Evangelist, and on 28 December, the Feast of the Holy Innocents. The Gospels relate manifestations of the Lord: events of Jesus’ childhood from the Gospel

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1 Lectionary for Mass, Introduction, nos. 95-96.
of Luke (29-30 December); passages from the first chapter of the Gospel of John (31 December-5 January); other manifestations of the Lord from the four Gospels (7-12 January)

Dec. 27/28, 2009 Holy Family Sunday (B)

Focus: Dreams do sometimes come true! The readings for this feast in the “B” Cycle focus on the fulfillment of promises, especially the promise to Abraham and Sarah.

Lectionary: #17

Note: The texts from Year A may also be used today.

Genesis 15:1-6; 21:1-3. Parents dream about a great future for their children: This dream came true for Abram (Abraham) and Sarai (Sarah).

Psalm of the Day: Ps. 105: 1-2,3-4,5-6, 8-9 [R. The Lord remembers his covenant for ever.]

This hymn celebrates the history of Israel from the ancestors to the Exodus and the conquest of Canaan. The mention of the prehistoric ancestors (especially, in light of the first reading, Abraham) is unique in the Psalter.

Respond & Acclaim

or

Christmas Season Common Psalm: Ps. 98
BB 803-4 / GC 95/ Respond & Acclaim 22/MI 803-4 or

Alternate Responsorial Psalm (from Year A) Ps. 128: [R. Happy are those who fear the Lord and walk in his ways.]

Psalms for the Church Year, Vol II, pg.43
Blest Are Those Who Love You (Haugen)
O Blessed Are Those (Gelineau)
O Blessed Are Those (Inwood)
O Happy Are Those (Gelineau)
We Praise You (Balhoff/Ducote/Daigle), vss 6-7

Hebrews 11:8, 11-12, 17-19. This section of the Letter to the Hebrews reinterprets the history of salvation in light of the early Christian focus on faith as the gift which brings someone into the mystery of redemption. In this section, carrying out the theme enunciated in the first reading, the focus is on Abraham as a person of faith.

Luke 2:22-40. The witness of Simeon and Anna, who represent the Law and the prophets (Simeon is “righteous and devout”; Anna is “a prophetess”), in the very heart of the Temple, is Luke’s way of indicating the meaning of Jesus’ life as fulfilling God’s promises to Sarah and Abraham in a new and startling way.

Gathering Song:
Of the Father’s Love Begotten
Once in Royal David’s City
Sing of Mary, Pure and Lowly
The Aye Carol
When Love Is Found
The God Whom Earth and Sea and Sky

Preparation of Gifts:
Any Setting of The Canticle of Simeon (“Lord, now let your servant go in peace...”)
I Sing A Maid
The Aye Carol
The Virgin Mary Had a Baby Boy
What Child is This
God of Adam, God of Joseph
God of Eve and God of Mary

Communion Songs:
Choose any communion songs your parish knows.

Sending Forth:
Choose from among the Christmas hymns given below.

Christmas Carols, Hymns, and Songs
BB: 75-104
GC: 341 - 372
GC2: 351 - 380
SC: 17, 18, 43, 91, 96, 125, 141, 166, 169, 176, 185, 215, 225,238,242, 258, 271, 276

January 1 - Mary, the Mother of God

World Day of Prayer for Peace - January 1 (Mary the Mother of God)

In response to the tragedies of September 11, 2001, United States Conference of Catholic Bishops have designated January 1 a Day of Prayer for Peace. The bishops’ declaration urges Catholics to pray the rosary on January 1, seeking the intercession of the Virgin Mary under her title “Queen of Peace.”

Thursday January 1 - MARY, MOTHER OF GOD

Focus: Theotokos, translated as “God-bearer” or “Mother of God,” is one of the most important titles given to Mary. The title is also important in clarifying the church’s belief that Jesus did not simply “become” God; he was divine from his conception. So this feast, which appears to be a feast of Mary, is actually a further clarification of the meaning of Christmas.

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2 The 1998 Lectionary has added selections for Years B and C on the following four feasts:
- The Holy Family (#17) new first reading, responsorial psalm, and second reading
- The Baptism of the Lord (#21) new first reading, responsorial psalm, and second reading
- The Ascension of the Lord (#58) new second reading only; first reading and psalm remain the same
- Pentecost Sunday (#63) new second reading and Gospel; first reading and psalm remain the same
Lectionary: #18

**Numbers 6:22-27.** To be able to name God and to use the divine name suggested an intimate connection between God and the people. The same is true of those who call themselves “Christians.”

**Psalm of the Day:** Ps. 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8  [R. May God bless us in his mercy]
This hymn of praise echoes phrases from the “blessing of Aaron” in the first reading; it calls on all the nations to praise God, who rules the whole world with justice

Respond & Acclaim
May God Bless Us/El Señor Tenga Piedad (Alonso)
May God Bless Us (Batastini/Gelineau)
May God Bless Us (Guimont)
May God Bless Us (Kraehenbuehl)
May God Bless Us (Schiavone)
or:

**Christmas Season Common Psalm:** Ps. 98
BB 803-4 / GC 95/ Respond & Acclaim 22/MI 803-4

**Galatians 4:4-7.** Because we are united to Christ, we can address God as “Abba,” the title that Jesus seemed to prefer to use. In fact, because Christ’s spirit lives in us, we are children of God.

**Luke 2:16-21.** Most of this text is a reprise of the Gospel reading for Christmas Mass at Dawn, which connects this feast to Christmas. It continues with the account of Jesus’ circumcision and his naming. “Jesus” is the Greek version of “Joshua,” which means “liberator” or “savior.”

**Gathering Song:**
Angels We Have Heard
There Is Nothing Told
Once in Royal David’s City
May the Lord, Mighty God
The Virgin Mary Had a Baby
Of the Father’s Love Begotten

**Preparation of Altar and Gifts:**
Silence / Instrumental
Canticle of Mary/Magnificat (any setting)
Ave Maria
What Child Is This
The Virgin Mary Had a Baby Boy

**Communion Song:**
Hail Mary: Gentle Woman
We Remember
Of the Father’s Love Begotten
You Are Our Living Bread

**Song of Praise or Sending Forth:**
Sing of Mary
Hark! The Herald Angels Sing
What Child Is This

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**Epiphany**

National Migration Week - First [full] week of January 2009

Since 1980, the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB) has set aside the first [full] week of January each year as National Migration Week (NMW). The goal of NMW is to educate the native-born U.S. population about the similarities between them, immigrants in their community, and refugees around the world. The week provides an opportunity to reflect on the positive aspects and contributions of immigrants and refugees in this country.

*For more information and resources, visit [www.usccb.org/mrs/nmw.shtml](http://www.usccb.org/mrs/nmw.shtml)*

**The Proclamation of the Date of Easter on Epiphany**
The Proclamation of the Date of Easter on Epiphany dates from a time when calendars were not readily available. It was necessary to make known the date of Easter in advance, since many celebrations of the liturgical year depend on its date. The number of Sundays that follow Epiphany, the date of Ash Wednesday, and the number of Sundays that follow Pentecost are all computed in relation to Easter.

Although calendars now give the date of Easter and the other feasts in the liturgical year for many years in advance, the Epiphany proclamation still has value. It is a reminder of the centrality of the resurrection of the Lord in the liturgical year and the importance of the great mysteries of faith which are celebrated each year. It is an option that can be worth reviving. The text is found in the Sacramentary Supplement published by Catholic Book Publishing.

From the ambo, after the gospel, the homily, or after prayer after communion, the deacon or, in his absence, another minister [cantor, reader] sings (chants) or speaks the proclamation.
January 3/4, 2009 - Epiphany of the Lord

Focus: A further reflection of the meaning of Christmas: Christ is the light and the savior of the whole world. He came from the Jews and fulfilled Israel’s hopes for salvation from God. But—a point that was strongly contested in the early church—salvation is not limited to the Jews. It is for everyone.

Lectionary:
Isaiah 60:1-6.
God is compared to the sun dawning over Jerusalem, which will draw all nations (and the wealth of the nations) to a city that lies, as the prophet speaks, in ruins. The gifts of the nations are echoed in the gospel text.

Psalm of the Day: Ps. 72 R. Lord, every nation on earth will adore you.

Respond & Acclaim:
Psalms for the Church Year, Vol. I, pg. 16
Every Nation upon the Earth/Se Postrarán ante Ti (Cortez)
Se Postrarán ante Ti, Señor (Grajeda)
Every Nation on Earth (Joncas)
Lord, Every Nation on Earth (Cooney)
Lord, Every Nation on Earth (Gelineau/Proulx)
Lord, Every Nation on Earth (Guimont)
or
Christmas Season Common Psalm: Ps. 98
BB 803-4/ GC 95/ Respond & Acclaim 22/MI 803-4
Ephesians 3:2-3, 5-6. This announcement is what makes it possible for most of us to be Christian: God’s plan is that “the Gentiles are coheirs [with the Jews], members of the same body, and copartners in the promise in Christ Jesus.”
Matthew 2:1-12. The story of the “magi from the east” puts in graphic form the Christian belief that the meaning of Christmas is for the nations; it is not limited to one group of people or one country. It also shows how the presence of Christ causes division: It makes some people (Herod) fearful; it leads others (the astrologers) to rejoice. The tradition that there were three magi comes from the fact that there are three gifts.

Gathering Song:
Angels from the Realms of Glory
As With Gladness Men of Old
Bethlehem, of Noblest Cities
We Three Kings
Brighest and Best of the Stars of the Morning
You Are the Voice

Preparation of Gifts:
Silence, Instrumental Music, or
O Little Town of Bethlehem
Lord, Today
What Star is This
Beautiful Savior

Communion Song:
What Child Is This
One Bread, One Body
Pan DeVida
Dwelling Place
or other Communion songs

Song of Praise or Sending Forth:
Hail to the Lord’s Anointed
Songs of Thankfulness and Praise
Love Divine All Loves Excelling
Brighest and Best of the Stars of the Morning

The Baptism of the Lord

National Vocation Awareness Week: January 11-16

The National Coalition for Church Vocations (NCCV) sponsors and provides materials for three observances throughout the year: National Vocation Awareness Week, World Day for Consecrated Life, and World Day of Prayer for Vocations. Vocations Awareness week happens in the second week of January. In upcoming years the dates are: January 11-16, 2009; January 10-15, 2010. For more information, visit www.nccv-vocations.org

January 10/11 - BAPTISM OF THE LORD (B)
Focus: With echoes of the message of Epiphany, this feast interprets the baptism of Jesus as the coming of the “mighty one” who will fulfill God’s promise of a messianic age.

Lectionary: #21
Note: The first and/or second reading of Year A may also be used on this feast. (see footnote #2 above)
Isaiah 55:1-11. This reading is echoed at the Easter Vigil. The messianic age will be a time of bounty, of no boundaries between nations, and of reconciliation. Doubt it? It is the word of the Lord, so it is as sure as the arrival of rain and snow.

“Psalm” of the Day: Isaiah 12 Canticle: R. You will draw water joyfully from the springs of salvation.
This canticle concludes the first set of Isaiah’s prophecies. Voicing thanksgiving for God’s fidelity, it also announces a time of salvation.

Respond & Acclaim:
Psalms for the Church Year, Vol I, pg. 16
Ustedes Sacarán Agua (García)
We Shall Draw Water (Inwood)
With Joy You Will Draw Water (Haugen)
With Joy You Shall Draw Water (Haugen)
You Will Draw Water (Alstott)
You Will Draw Water (Guimont)
You Will Draw Water (Kreutz)
You Will Draw Water (Proulx/Gelineau)
or
Christmas Season Common Psalm: Ps. 98
The End of the Christmas Season & decorations
The Baptism of the Lord is the end of the Christmas Season. Next Sunday should look different than the last weeks. Even though poinsettias are oftentimes hardy plants, their ongoing presence in the worship space just shouts “Christmas.” Consider offering the plants as return gifts to those who may have given them in memory of a loved one, to homebound parishioners, as gifts to local care facilities, senior housing centers, or other places where they will be appreciated.

Winter Ordinary Time
Ordinary Time begins on Monday after the Baptism of the Lord and continues until Tuesday before Ash Wednesday inclusive.3

Sunday - the Lord’s Day: our Weekly Easter
Pope John Paul II wrote in his 1998 Apostolic Letter on the Lord’s Day: We celebrate Sunday because of the venerable Resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ, and we do so not only at Easter but also at each turning of the week: so wrote Pope Innocent I at the beginning of the fifth century, testifying to an already well established practice which had evolved from the early years after the Lord’s Resurrection. Saint Basil speaks of holy Sunday, honored by the Lord’s Resurrection, the first fruits of all the other days; and Saint Augustine calls Sunday a sacrament of Easter.

The intimate bond between Sunday and the Resurrection of the Lord is strongly emphasized by all the Churches of East and West. In the tradition of the Eastern Churches in particular, every Sunday is the anastàsimos hemèra, the day of Resurrection, and this is why it stands at the heart of all worship.

In the light of this constant and universal tradition, it is clear that, although the Lord’s Day is rooted in the very work of creation and even more in the mystery of the biblical “rest” of God, it is nonetheless to the Resurrection of Christ that we must look in order to understand fully the Lord’s Day. This is what the Christian Sunday does, leading the faithful each week to ponder and live the event of Easter, true source of the world’s salvation.4

January 17/18- Second Sunday of the Year (B)
Focus: Readings for the Second Sunday in Ordinary Time focus on the call of God and our response. In 2009, the Second Sunday also begins the Octave for Christian Unity. Prayers for unity could be incorporated into the prayer of the faithful, and see the suggestions under Octave for Christian Unity for unity songs that might be incorporated into Mass

3 General Norms for the Liturgical Year and Calendar,[hereafter GNLY] no. 44.
on this day. In many years, also, as in 2009, this Sunday is the day before Martin Luther King, Jr., Day. Music planning and the general intercessions might take this civil observance into account.

**Lectionary: #65**

1 Samuel 3:3b-10, 19. Awareness of God’s presence calls for a response. Sometimes, it seems, we respond, but we’re not quite sure who we’re answering. That’s when we need some guidance.

**Psalm of the Day: Ps 40:2,4 / 7-8 / 8-9 / 10 [R. Here I am, Lord; I come to do your will.]**

The chosen verses are taken from the first half of this psalm—a thanksgiving hymn by an individual asking for delivery from trouble.

**Respond & Acclaim**

Here Am I, Lord (Guimont)
Here Am I, Lord (Kasbohm)
Here Am I, Lord (Kreutz)
Here Am I Lord/Aqui Estoy, Señor (Krisman)
Here Am I, Lord (Proulx/Gelineau)
Here Am I, Lord (Schiavone)
Here Am I, O God (Haugen)
Here I Am, Lord (Cooney)

or

**Suggested Common Psalm: Ps 122 [R. Let Us Go Rejoicing to the House of the Lord]**

A “Song of Ascent” or a “Zion hymn” to be sung on pilgrimage as people approached Jerusalem and the Temple.

1 Corinthians 6:13c-15a, 17-20. Responding to claims that members of the Corinthian community are indulging in sexual excess and in practices contrary to the Torah, Paul offers a theology of the body as a basis for his suggested rules of behavior: The body is for the Lord; you are members of Christ.

John 1:35-42. The call of the first disciples appears to be a simple, offhanded invitation. Sometimes such invitations and opportunities are really the voice of God, inviting us gently to discipleship.

**Gathering Song:**

Christ Be Beside Me
Here I Am, Lord
I Will Choose Christ
Gather Us In
We are Called
Anthem

**Preparation of the Altar and Gifts:**

Speak, Lord
Be Light for Our Eyes
How Brightly Deep
I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light
He Has Anointed Me
I say “Yes,” Lord/ Digo “Si,” Senor

You Are Mine
Lord, When You Came/Pescador de Hombres

**Communion Song:**

Now in this Banquet
One Bread, One Body
I Have Loved You
I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say

**Song of Praise or Sending Forth:**

Glory and Praise
Sing to the Mountains
Lift Up Your Hearts
Canticle of the Sun
Bring Forth the Kingdom

**Christian Unity Octave**

**World Week of Prayer for Christian Unity**

January 18-25

The Week was originally begun in 1908 by the American Episcopalian clergyman Paul Wattson who later became a Catholic and founded the Franciscan Friars of the Atonement in Graymoor, NY.


The theme and text for each year’s observance of the Week of Prayer are chosen and prepared by representatives of the Pontifical Council for Promoting Christian Unity and representatives of the World Council of Churches. The international texts are developed, adapted and published for use in the USA by the Graymoor Ecumenical & Interreligious Institute.

For more information, visit www.atonementfriars.org/week_of_prayer.htm

**Suggested ideas for a Mass during the Unity Octave**

**Lectionary #867**

In 2009, the beginning and the end of the Octave for Christian Unity fall on Sundays, so no special readings may be used to begin or end this observance. However, the suggested psalm below, the readings in the Lectionary for Mass at 867–871, “For Christian Unity,” along with prayers from the Sacramentary, and hymns for unity might be used on appropriate weekdays during this week of special prayer.

**Suggested Psalm for Christian Unity**

Ps 122

One of the “songs of ascent,” this psalm was prayed by pilgrims as they approach Jerusalem, going up the hill of the Temple Mount. Their prayer was for peace in this city that had known such division (and still does).
Some suggested Christian Unity Songs

All Are Welcome (Haugen)
Anthem (Conry)
As a Fire Is Meant for Burning (Duck)
Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation
Diverse in Culture, Nation, Race (Duck)
Father, We Thank Thee Who Has Planted
For the Healing of the Nations (Kaan)
In Christ There Is No East or West
The Church’s One Foundation
Ubi Caritas et Amor (Chant)
Ubi Caritas et Amor (Taizé)
We Are Many Parts (Haugen)
Where Charity and Love Prevail

National Day of Prayer and Penance for violations against Human Dignity - January 22

“In all the dioceses of the United States of America, January 22 (or January 23, when January 22 falls on a Sunday) shall be observed as a particular day of penance for violations to the dignity of the human person committed through acts of abortion, and of prayer for the full restoration of the legal guarantee of the right to life. The Mass “For Peace and Justice” (no. 22 of the “Masses for Various Needs”) should be celebrated with violet vestments as an appropriate liturgical observance for this day.”

Suggested Songs of Penitence

As a Fire Is Meant for Burning
Ashes
Change Our Hearts
Forgive Our Sins
Lead Me, Guide Me
Remember Your Love
The Cry of the Poor
There’s a Wideness in God’s Mercy

January 24/25 - Third Sunday of the Year

OR January 24/25: Conversion of St. Paul

As a result of the Pauline Jubilee Year declared by Pope Benedict XVI to commemorate the bimillenium of the birth of St. Paul the Apostle, the Congregation for Divine Worship and the Discipline of the Sacraments issued a decree on May 30, 2008 authorizing the use of the Mass formulary and Lectionary readings for the Conversion of Saint Paul for Mass on Sunday, January 25, 2009. The designation on the Calendar remains the Third Sunday of Ordinary Time.

With regard to the Liturgy of the Word, the first reading proper to the Feast of the Conversion of St. Paul (Acts 22:3-16 or Acts 9:1-22) is used. The Psalm can be of the Feast (Ps. 117) with the refrain, “Go out to all the world and tell the Good News;” or of the Third Sunday (Ps. 25) with the refrain, “Teach me your ways, O Lord”. The second reading is taken from the Third Sunday (1 Cor. 7:29-31). The Gospel is taken from the Feast (Mark 16:15-18). The Creed is said as is usual for Sundays.

The full text of the CDWDS decree can be found at: www.vatican.va/roman_curia/congregations/ccdds/documents/rc_con_ccdds_doc_20080125_san-paolo_en.html

Please note: Below there are plans for both the Third Sunday of the Year and for the Conversion of St. Paul.

January 24/25 - Third Sunday of the Year (B)

Focus: “Repent.” It’s one of those words that we take for granted. What does it really mean to repent, as expressed in today’s texts?

Jonah 3:1-5, 10. Bypassing the tale of the “great fish,” the Lectionary focuses our attention on Jonah’s mission to Nineveh—the preaching of repentance to a people who don’t believe in Jonah’s God. Jonah is as shocked as anyone when Nineveh repents.

Psalm of the Day: Ps 25 [R. Teach me your ways, O Lord]

This individual lament focuses on the singer’s need to return to the Torah, the “way” that God teaches to the covenant people.

Respond & Acclaim
Teach Me Your Path
Teach Me Your Ways/Señor, Enseñame Tus Caminos (Alonso)
Teach Me Your Ways (Guimont)
Teach Me Your Ways (Haas)
Teach Me Your Ways (Kreutz)
Teach Me Your Ways (Proulx/Gelineau)
Teach Me Your Ways (Schiavone)

1 Corinthians 7:29-31. Paul is exhorting the Corinthians to keep focused on the return of Jesus and to act accordingly. Though his words may have a different meaning for us, who do not expect an imminent return of the Lord, the message they teach is still worth hearing: Stay focused on what is important because “the world in its present form is passing away.”

Mark 1:14-20. The brief summary of Jesus’ main message (his “sound bite”) is followed by Mark’s version of the call of the first disciples: Simon and Andrew, James and John.

Gathering Song:
There’s A Wideness
Blest Be the Lord
Sing of the Lord’s Goodness
Anthem
Sing A New Song

Preparation of the Altar and Gifts:
Path of Life
Turn to Me
I Have Loved You
Walk in the Reign

Communion Song:
Taste and See
Lead Us On, O Lord
Peace Prayer
Prayer of St. Francis

Song of Praise or Sending Forth
City of God

Holy God We Praise Thy Name
I Danced in the Morning
Let Us Walk In The Light

January 24/25: Conversion of St. Paul

Focus: It is primarily Paul’s preaching beyond the confines of the Jewish community that made it possible for the Church to fulfill Christ’s command to proclaim the Gospel to the whole world.

Lectionary #519

Since there are only two readings for this feast plus the psalm (though there is a choice between two texts from Acts for the first reading) the second reading from the Third Sunday in Ordinary Time is used at this Mass, to bring the celebration up to the usual complement of three readings plus the psalm.

Acts 22:3–16 or Acts 9:1–22. Either choice tells the story of Paul’s conversion. The first choice tells it as a narrative from Paul himself, while the second choice tells the story objectively. Paul’s version, in which he admits that “I persecuted this Way to death” is perhaps more powerful because it is personal.

Psalm of the Day: Ps 117 [R. Go out to all the world and tell the Good News]

This is the shortest psalm in the Psalter. Recognition of God’s steadfast fidelity and kindness to Israel will bring the nations to worship the one God.

Respond & Acclaim
Go Out to All the World (Alstott)
Go Out to All the World (Guimont)
Go Out to All the World (Haas)
Holy Is God (Hughes)
Holy Is God (Joncas)
Vayan por el Mundo Entero (Montgomery)

1 Corinthians 7:29-31. (N.B. This second reading is the second reading for the Third Sunday in Ordinary Time.) Paul is exhorting the Corinthians to keep focused on the return of Jesus and to act accordingly. Though his words may have a different meaning for us, who do not expect an imminent return of the Lord, the message they teach is still worth hearing: Stay focused on what is important because “the world in its present form is passing away.”

Mark 16:15-18. Traditionally called the “longer ending” to Mark’s Gospel (and accepted as the inspired conclusion to this Gospel, though other endings appear in some manuscripts), this text includes the “great commandment” to preach the Gospel “to every creature,” and it lists some miraculous signs that will accompany this preaching. Some people have made much of these signs, but they may be understood as symbols of the way that God will protect Christ’s followers from any harm and will make their lives a healing presence to all they meet.
Gathering Song:  
Amazing Grace  
There’s a Wideness in God’s Mercy  
The Summons  
Servant Song

Preparation of the Altar and Gifts:  
I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light  
Bring Forth the Kingdom  
I Have Loved You  
Walk in the Reign

Communion Song:  
Taste and See  
Lead Us On, O Lord  
Lord, When You Came/Pescador de Hombres  
Prayer of St. Francis

Song of Praise or Sending Forth  
Take the Word of God with You  
Lord, You Give the Great Commission  
City of God  
Let Us Walk In The Light

Catholic Schools Week - last week in January  
(January 25-31, 2009)

January 31/February 1 - Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time (B)  
Focus: Where do you find a prophet? Some people might look for someone like Moses, but others might find a prophet preaching in the local synagogue.  
Lectionary #71

Deuteronomy 18:15–20. The figure of Moses was so important in Jewish history and belief that the author of Deuteronomy consoled the people with the divine promise that they would never be without a prophet like him.  
Psalm of the Day: Ps 95 [R. If today you hear His voice, harden not your hearts]  
The God of Israel is celebrated as the supreme deity and the shepherd of the people. In Christian practice, this psalm is used as the “invitatory” that begins the daily liturgy of the hours.  
Harden Not Your Hearts (Cooney)  
If Today You Hear God’s Voice (Farrell)  
If Today You Hear God’s Voice (Haas)  
If Today You Hear His Voice (Guimont)  
If Today You Hear His Voice (Proulx/Gelineau)  
If Today You Hear His Voice (Schiavone)  
If Today You Hear His Voice (Smith)  
If You Hear the Voice of God (McAleer)

Day of Prayer for Consecrated Life  
World Day of Prayer for Consecrated Life - February 2nd - Feast of the Presentation of the Lord  
In 1997, Pope John Paul II established the World Day of Prayer for Consecrated Life (WDPCL), to be observed on the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord. WDPCL, “…is intended to help the entire Church to esteem ever more greatly the witness of those persons who have chosen to follow Christ by means of the practice of the evangelical counsels…” Please pray for Vocations to the Consecrated life in the Diocese of Crookston.

February 7/8 - Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time (B)  
Focus: The readings express the pain of long suffering and the hope of healing.  
Lectionary #74

Job 7:1-4, 6-7. Unrelieved suffering is slavery. It makes a person long for death.  
Psalm of the Day: Ps 147 [R. Praise the Lord, who heals the brokenhearted.]  
This communal hymn praises God, the creator, who is able to care for the afflicted.  
Bless the Lord (Haugen)  
Praise the Lord/Alaben al Señor (Alonso)  
Praise the Lord, Who Heals (Alstott)  
Praise the Lord, Who Heals (Guimont)  
Praise the Lord, Who Heals (Hurd)  
Praise the Lord, Who Heals (Joncas)
Praise the Lord, Who Heals (Joncas/Gelineau)
Praise the Lord, Who Heals (Schiavone)

1 Corinthians 9:16-19, 22-23. Paul describes himself as a “slave of all” because he has bound himself to preach the Gospel.

Mark 1:29-39. Jesus heals Simon Peter’s mother-in-law and many other people in the town. He describes this action as part of his “preaching,” that is, he practices what he preaches.

Gathering Song:
Gather Us In
You Are The Voice
There’s a Wideness in God’s Mercy
Blest Be the Lord

Preparation of the Altar and Gifts:
There is A Balm in Gilead
Eye Has Not Seen
He Has Anointed Me
The Cry of the Poor
Prayer of St. Francis

Communion Song:
Blest Are They
Peace Prayer
We Remember
Taste and See
We Shall Rise Again

Song of Praise or Sending Forth:
I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say
We Are the Light of the World
Though the Mountains May Fall
I Sing the Mighty Power of God
O God, Our Help in Ages Past

February 14/15 - Sixth Sunday of the Year (B)
Focus: Jesus is the one who welcomes the outcasts home. We pray on the Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time for those who bring healing and comfort to the sick, but we also think about the ministry that we share in Christ, to provide inner healing for all those who are exiled because of “a scab or pustule or blotch” which others might find offensive.

Lectionary #77

Leviticus 13:1-2, 44-46. The rules for dealing with someone marked by leprosy are, in fact, rules for protecting the community from the spread of disease. Since there was, until the twentieth century, no way to treat this disease or to prevent its spread, the only option the community had was to exile the person until all signs of the disease disappeared.

Psalm of the Day: Ps 32 [R. I turn to you, Lord, in time of trouble, and you fill me with the joy of salvation.] One of the traditional penitential psalms, this wisdom text treats sin as a disease—like leprosy—whose effects can only be taken away by the mercy of God.

February 21/22 - Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

Focus: A model of service (and one that the church’s deacons have always embraced) is found in today’s Gospel: The friends of the paralyzed man find a way to bring him into contact with Jesus. This is the model for humble service to be embraced by all the baptized.

Singing the Gloria and Alleluia today:
This year, this is the last Sunday before the beginning of Lent. We sing farewell to the Alleluia (and to the Gloria), from which we ‘fast’ during Lent. Make sure to make their singing today particularly festive.
Isaiah 43:18-19, 21-22, 24b-25. The “something new” that the prophet celebrates is the return of the people from exile in Babylon. This surprising event is interpreted as an act of forgiveness for the sinfulness which caused the exile in the first place.

Psalm of the Day: Ps 41:2-3, 4-5, 13-14 [R.]
The psalm begins with a teaching about how God cares for the sick, moves into the prayer of a sick person, and ends with an affirmation that God has cured the sickness.

- Lord, Heal My Soul (Alstott)
- Lord, Heal My Soul (Carroll / Gelineau)
- Lord, Heal My Soul (Guimont)
- Lord, Heal My Soul (Kreutz)
- Lord, Heal My Soul /Saname, Señor (Krisman)
- Lord, Heal My Soul (Schiavone)

or

Suggested Common Psalm: Ps 51 [R. Be Merciful, O Lord, for We Have Sinned]

2 Corinthians 1:18-22. In response to the community’s questioning about some of Paul’s teaching (specifically about the return of Christ in glory), Paul calls the community to trust in God. Interpretations of God’s plan may be mistaken, but God is always “Yes,” and our response to God in Christ should always be “Amen.”

Mark 2:1-12. The forgiveness of sin is a divine prerogative. By claiming it, Jesus is claiming divine power. To prove that he has such power, he does a less significant thing—he cures paralysis.

Gathering Song:
- Glory & Praise to Our God
- Praise to the Lord
- Alleluia! Sing to Jesus
- There’s A Wideness in God’s Mercy

Preparation of the Gifts:
- Silence or Instrumental music
- There is A Balm in Gilead
- Come to the Feast
- We Remember
- You Are Mine

Communion Song:
- Jesus Wine of Peace
- I Am the Bread of Life
- Song of the Body of Christ
- One Bread, One Body
- Pan De Vida
- In the Breaking of the Bread

Song of Praise or Sending Forth:
- Bring Forth the Kingdom

The Season of Lent

Lent is a preparation for the celebration of Easter. The Lenten liturgy disposes both catechumens and the faithful to celebrate the paschal mystery: catechumens, through the several stages of Christian initiation; the faithful, through reminders of their own baptism and through penitential practices.

The season of Lent has a twofold character: primarily by recalling or preparing for baptism and by penance, it disposes the faithful, who more diligently hear the word of God and devote themselves to prayer, to celebrate the paschal mystery. This twofold character is to be brought into greater prominence both in the liturgy and by liturgical catechesis. Hence:

a) More use is to be made of the baptismal features proper to the Lenten liturgy; some of them, which used to flourish in bygone days, are to be restored as may seem good.

b) The same is to apply to the penitential elements. As regards instruction it is important to impress on the minds of the faithful not only a social consequences of sin but also that essence of the virtue of penance which leads to the detestation of sin as an offense against God; the role of the Church in penitential practices is not to be passed over, and the people must be exhorted to pray for sinners.

Lent runs from Ash Wednesday until the Mass of the Lord’s Supper exclusive.

Lenten Planning Considerations

Before preparing music for the Sundays of Lent, be sure to check with the parish liturgy team on the selection of readings. The readings for the first two Sundays will be always be taken from the current cycle of the Lectionary—A, B, or C. But if your parish has catechumens preparing to be initiated at this year’s Easter Vigil, then the Scrutinies are celebrated on the Third, Fourth, and Fifth Sundays of Lent, and the readings to be used with the Scrutinies are drawn from Cycle A because of their intimate connection to preparation for baptism. If you have no catechumens preparing for baptism, then you may use the readings from the current cycle on these Sundays or you may choose to use the readings from Cycle A. The Lectionary gives communities the freedom to use the readings of either cycle at the Masses on those three Sundays.

Seasonal Music

Before selecting any music, reflect on some of the words found in the Scripture readings of Lent: return, mercy,
reconciliation, fasting, prayer, giving, covenant, test, light, mercy, kindness. The music of the season should express a penitential stance, while at the same time giving voice to our hope and confidence in the God whose will is always to save, redeem, and reconcile.

Whatever instrumental accompaniment you normally use, Lent is a good time to do some unaccompanied singing. Remember that the General Instruction of the Roman Missal calls us to use instruments conservatively during Lent, usually “only to support the singing” (GIRM, 313). Choose acclamations and responses that can be sung with little or no accompaniment and stick with them for the entire season. A few simple Latin chants would be appropriate for the liturgies of the season, perhaps some of the unchanging Mass parts such as the Kyrie, Sanctus, and Agnus Dei; or perhaps a seasonal hymn such as “Parce, Domine.” (But don’t think of Lent as the only time to use Latin or chant!)

**Rite of Election/Parish Rite of Sending**

On or around the First Sunday of Lent, catechumens and baptized candidates will be sent from their parishes to diocesan celebrations of the Rite of Election and the Call to Continuing Conversion. If there are just a few catechumens who are signing the Book of the Elect, use a strong acclamation as their names are called out; e.g., David Haas’s “Who Calls You By Name” (GIA), Margaret Daly’s “Church of God,” or Christopher Walker’s “Out of Darkness.” If there are many catechumens to sign the book, one or more songs may be sung; e.g., “Sign Me Up” (found in Lead Me, Guide Me) or “Church of God” (found in most current hymnals and service books).

**Music for the Scrutinies**

The scrutinies are celebrated with the catechumens (not candidates!) on the Third, Fourth, and Fifth Sundays. On the Second Sunday of Lent, the RCIA provides a penitential rite for baptized candidates. The most important musical element in these rites is the litany called “Prayer for the Elect (Candidates).” The response to the litany should be very strong, evoking a sense of confidence in God’s power to overcome sin and evil. The petitions may also be written to reflect the concerns of the praying community as it names the evils and faces them with trust in God.

N.B. The Alleluia is not used from the beginning of Lent until the Easter Vigil. The Gloria is not sung on Ash Wednesday nor on the Sundays of Lent.

**February 25- Ash Wednesday**

**Focus:** This day and Palm Sunday and two of the more popular Lenten celebrations. It seems that some people come to church on these days because we’re giving things away: ashes and palm. Clearly, this opening to the “forty days” was added to Lent after the practice of adult initiation had ceased to guide the meaning of the season. The texts focus on repentance by those already baptized rather than on preparation for those to be initiated.

**Lectionary #219**

NOTE: The Lectionary includes this rubric: “If the blessing and distribution of ashes takes place outside Mass, it is appropriate that the Liturgy of the Word precede it, using texts assigned to the Mass of Ash Wednesday.”

Joel 2:12-18. In response to a current calamity, the prophet calls for an act of communal repentance. This reading describes the ritual act itself as well as the prophet’s sense, in the final verse, that the Lord will hear the people’s prayer.

**Psalm of the Day: Ps 51 [R. Be Merciful, O Lord, for We Have Sinned]**

The great “penitential psalm” that becomes the Church’s Lenten prayer. Consider not only using a memorable setting of this psalm but also encouraging the parish staff to have copies of the text of the psalm available for personal prayer during Lent and for use by those preparing for sacramental reconciliation.

**Gathering Song:**

- Come Back To Me (Hosea)
- Turn to Me
- Change Our Hearts
- Again We Keep this Solemn Fast
- Lord, Who Throughout These Forty Days

**Distribution of Ashes:**

- Litany of the Saints
- Ashes
- Dust and Ashes
- Prodigal Children
- Now We Remain

**Preparation of the Altar and Gifts:**

- Silence/Instrumental
- Remember Your Mercy, Lord
- Turn to Me
- Change Our Hearts

**Communion Song:**

- All Who Hunger
- Blest Are You
- Now in this Banquet
- One Bread, One Body
- Ubi Caritas/Where Charity and Love are Found

**Song of Praise or Sending Forth**

- Lead Us on, O Lord
- The Glory of These Forty Days
- Lord, Who Throughout These Forty Days
we send our catechumens to the cathedral for the rite of election. The Rite of Election at the Cathedral today at 3:30 p.m. Celebrate the Rite of Sending for Election in your parishes. (If you need help with this call the Office of Worship.)

Gn 9:8-15 Sign of the covenant.
1 Pt 3:18-22 Power of the resurrection.
Mark 1:12-15 Jesus stayed in the desert forty days.

Gathering Song:
- Again We Keep This Solemn Fast GC 382
- Lord Who Throughout These Forty Days 148/GC 392
- Be Not Afraid 27/GC 608
- Lord, Have Mercy 283

Eternal Lord of Love GC 385

Responsorial Psalm:
- Psalm 25: Your ways, O Lord, are love and truth....
  Respond and Acclaim: 48
  Psalms for the Church Year, Vol I, pg.4
  Gather Comprehensive: 35, 36, 37

Preparation of the Altar and Gifts:
- Turn To Me 254/255
- God of Day and God of Darkness GC 761
- Psalm 89 202/GC 82
- Remember Your Mercy, Lord GC 885

Communion Song:
- I Lift Up My Soul 111/GC 35, 36
- Deep Within GC 399
- We Remember 266/GC 593
- Eternal Lord of Love GC 385

Song of Praise or Sending Forth
- Lord, Who Throughout These Forty Days 148/GC 392
- Lead Us On, O Lord 128
- Silence/Instrumental

March 12 - Second Sunday of Lent (B)
Gn 22:1-2,9,10-13,15-18 God put Abraham to the test.
Rom 8:31-34 If God is for us, who can be against us?
Mark 9:2-10 Jesus is transfigured on the mountain top.

Gathering Song:
- There’s A Wideness in God’s Mercy 246/GC 626

March 5 - First Sunday of Lent (B)
If God Is For Us 117
Jerusalem, My Destiny GC 390
Holy, Holy, Holy 101/GC 474
Responsorial Psalm:
Psalm 116: I will walk in the presence of the Lord.
Respond and Acclaim: 50
Psalms for the Church Year, Vol I, pg. 27
Gather Comprehensive: 108, 109, 110

Preparation of the Altar and Gifts:
Eye Has Not Seen 69/GC 638
How Lovely Is Your Dwelling Place GC 855
I Lift Up My Soul 111
Remember Your Mercy, Lord GC 885
Let All mortal Flesh Keep Silence GC 540

Communion Song:
Now In This Banquet GC 833
Father, We Come Here 72
Tree of Life GC 397
You Are Near 279/GC 604

Song of Praise or Sending Forth:
Lift High the Cross 136/GC 791
Though the Mountains May Fall 250/GC 602
The Glory of These Forty Days GC 239

March 16 - Third Sunday of Lent (B) - RCIA - First Scrutiny
(If you have catechumens use cycle A readings.)
Ex 20:1-17 or 20:1-3,7,12-17 Ten commandments.
1 Cor 1:22-25 Christ, the power of God.
Gathering Song:
The Glory of These Forty Days GC 239

Turn To Me 254/255
I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say GC 109

All Who Are Thirsty GC 501

Responsorial Psalm:
Psalm 19: Lord, you have the words of everlasting life.
Respond and Acclaim: 52
Psalms for the Church Year, Vol I, pg.57
Gather Comprehensive: 27

Preparation of the Altar and Gifts:
He Is The Lord 98
Remember Your Mercy, Lord GC 885
God of Day and God of Darkness GC 761
Silence/Instrumental

Communion Song:
Take Lord, Receive 231

Lord, To Whom Shall We Go GC 146
How Lovely Is Your Dwelling Place GC 855
Dwelling Place 66/GC 594

Song of Praise or Sending Forth
Psalm 89 202/GC 82
Canticle of Zachray 42/GC 775
Change Your Hearts GC394
The Glory of These Forty Days 239

March 26 - Fourth Sunday of Lent (B) - RCIA - Second Scrutiny
(If you have catechumens use cycle A readings.)
2 Chr 36:14-17,19-23 Punishment for infidelity.
Eph 2:4-10 God is rich in mercy.
John 3:14-21 God so loved the world/salvation for all.
Gathering Song:
Lift High the Cross 136/GC 791
There’s A Wideness in God’s Mercy GC 246
Silence/Instrumental

Communion Song:
Let Us Walk In The Light 135
Eye Has Not Seen 69/GC 638
What You Hear in the Dark 272
O Taste and See GC 835

Song of Praise or Sending Forth:
We Are the Light of the World GC 260
Silence/Instrumental

April 2 - Fifth Sunday of Lent (B) - RCIA - Third Scrutiny
(If you have catechumens use cycle A readings.)
Jer 31:31-34 A new covenant.
Heb 5:7-9 Christ’s obedience.
John 12:20-33 If you serve me, follow me, says the Lord.

Gathering Song:
Behold, The Royal Cross on High 31
Lift High the Cross 136/GC 791
Lord, Have Mercy 283

Responsorial Psalm:
Psalm 51: Create a clean heart in me, O God.
Respond and Acclaim: 60
Psalms for the Church Year, Vol I, pg.20
Gather Comprehensive: 55, 56, 57

Preparation of the Altar and Gifts:
Redeemer Lord 208
Only In God 187/GC 621
Turn To Me 254/255
We Have Been Told 262/GC 699
Unless A Grain of Wheat GC 697

Communion Song:
Amazing Grace 16/GC 612
You Are Near 279/GC 604
Eye Has Not Seen 69/GC 638
The Cry of the Poor 235

Song of Praise or Sending Forth:
I Will Not Die GC 657
The Glory of These Forty Days 239/GC 388
Silence/Instrumental

April 9 - Passion (Palm) Sunday
Is 50:4-7 Christ’s suffering foretold.
Phil 2:6-11 Your attitude must be Christ’s - As Christ, so I.
(see enclosed copy.)

Gathering Song:
All Glory Laud and Honor 5/GC 402
Hosanna, Loud Hosanna 102
Let the King of Glory Come 133

Responsorial Psalm:
Psalm 22: My God, my God, why have you abandoned me?
Respond and Acclaim: 64
Psalms for the Church Year, Vol I, pg.30
Gather Comprehensive: 29

Preparation of the Altar and Gifts:
Rise Up Jerusalem 209
Christ is the King 46/GC 481
Ride On, Jesus, Ride GC 405

Stay Here and Keep Watch GC 41
Jesus the Lord GC 418
Silence/Instrumental

Communion Song:
Were You There 270/GC 416
Jesus Shall Reign 134/GC 482
O Sacred Head Surrounded 178/GC 415
We Remember 266/GC 593
Unless A Grain of Wheat GC 697
Take Up Your Cross GC 698

Song of Praise or Sending Forth:
Lift High the Cross 136/GC 791

Chrism Mass - Monday, April 10 -7:00 pm.
Rehearsals for the year 2006. Come join us as we learn the
music for our annual Chrism Mass.

St. Joseph, Red Lake Falls March 10 - 7:00 p.m.
St. Joe, Moorhead March 13 - 7:00 p.m.
Cathedral, Crookston March 19 - 7:00 p.m.
St. Joseph’s, Oslo March 24 – 7:00 p.m.

April 13 - Holy Thursday
Ex 12:1-8,11-14 The first Passover.
1 Cor 11:23-26 The Lord’s Supper.

Gathering Song:
A Banquet is Prepared 1
Gift of Finest Wheat 80/GC 815
At The Lamb’s High Feast 24/GC 433
Lord, Who At Your First Eucharist 147
No Greater Love GC 628

Responsorial Psalm:
Psalm 116: Our blessing-cup is a communion
with the blood of Christ.
Respond and Acclaim: 66
Psalms for the Church Year, Vol I, pg.33
Gather Comprehensive: 107

Foot Washing:
Ubi Charitas GC 408,631
The Servant Song GC 669
Jesus Took A Towel GC 414

Preparation of the Altar and Gifts:
To Be Your Bread 252
We Remember 266/GC 593
Now in This Banquet GC 833
Silence/Instrumental
Communion Song:
One Bread, One Body 186/GC 830
When We Eat This Bread 274
Bread Blessed and Broken 35
Taste and See 232/GC 814,837
Jesus, Wine of Peace  GC 817
Seed Scattered and Sown  GC 834
Transfer of the Eucharist
Sing My Tongue the Savior’s Glory 220
DEPART IN SILENCE

April 14 - Good Friday
Is 52:13-53:12 Suffering and glory.
Heb 4:14-16; 5:7-9 Access to Christ.
GATHER IN SILENCE
Responsorial Psalm:
Psalm 31: Father, I put my life in your hands
Respond and Acclaim: 68
Psalms for the Church Year, Vol I, pg.36
Gather Comprehensive: 42, 43
Veneration of the wood of the Cross:
Adoramus Te Christe GC 396
Behold the Wood 32/GC 420
Behold the Royal Cross on High 31
Were Your There 270/GC 416
O Sacred Head 178/GC 415
Tree of Glory (choir) GIA #3779
Jesus, Remember Me GC 404
Behold the Lamb of God GC 823
Communion Song:
We Remember 266/GC 593
Redeemer Lord 208
We are Many Parts 259/GC 733
No Greater Love GC 628
We Should Glory in the Cross OCP #553
DEPART IN SILENCE

April 15 - Easter Sunday
Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6-8 Change of heart.
John 20:1-9 Christ is risen!
Gathering Song:
Easter Hymns
13,14,15,23,47,60,104,122,132,179,232,237
Gather Comprehensive 422-452
Responsorial Psalm:
Psalm 118: This is the day the Lord has made;
let us rejoice and be glad.
Respond and Acclaim: 80
Psalms for the Church Year, Vol I, pg 45
Gather Comprehensive: 113, 114, 115
Preparation of the Altar and Gifts:
I Know That My Redeemer Lives  GC 430,854,857
Easter Hymns
13,14,15,23,47,60,104,122,132,179,232,237
Gather Comprehensive 422-452
Communion Song:
This is the Feast of Victory GC 429
I Am the Bread of Life 105/GC 828
Jesus, Wine of Peace GC 817
Now in This Banquet GC 833
(Any communion song)
Song of Praise or Sending Forth:
April 23 - Second Sunday of Easter (B)
Acts 4:32-35  The community of believers were of one heart & mind.
1 John 5:1-6  The power of faith in Jesus.
John 20:19-31  “Peace be with you.”  Thomas, why doubt?
Gathering Song:  
Easter Hymns
13,14,15,23,47,60,95,104,122,179,237  
Gather Comprehensive 422-452
Responsorial Psalm:  
Psalm 118: Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, his love is everlasting.  
Respond and Acclaim: 82
Psalms for the Church Year, Vol I, pg 45
Gather Comprehensive:  113, 114, 115
Preparation of the Altar and Gifts:  
We Walk By Faith  GC 590  
We Have Been Told  262/GC 699  
Silence/Instrumental  
Communion Song:  
We Remember  266/GC 593  
In the Breaking of the Bread  GC 841  
Gift of Finest Wheat  80
Song of Praise or Sending Forth:  
Easter Hymns
13,14,15,23,47,60,95,104,122,179,237  
Gather Comprehensive 422-452
May 7- Fourth Sunday of Easter (B)
Acts 3:13-15,17-19  Reform your lives! Turn to God...  
1 Jn 2:1-5  Fruitful knowledge.
Gathering Song:  
Easter Hymns
13,14,15,23,47,60,95,104,122,179,237  
Gather Comprehensive 422-452
Responsorial Psalm:  
Psalm 4: Lord, let your face shine upon us.  
Respond and Acclaim: 84
Psalms for the Church Year, Vol I, pg 45
Gather Comprehensive:  19
Preparation of the Altar and Gifts:  
Bread Blessed and Broken  35  
In the Breaking of the Bread  GC 841  
We Walk by Faith  GC 590  
I Am The Bread Of Life  105/GC 828  
One Bread, One Body  186/GC 830  
You Are Our Living Bread  280/GC 819  
Taste and See  232/GC 814,837
Song of Praise or Sending Forth:  
Easter Hymns
13,14,15,23,47,60,95,104,122,179,237  
Gather Comprehensive 422-452
May 14 - Fifth Sunday of Easter (B)
1 Jn 3:18-24  Love one another in deed and in truth.
John 15:1-8  I am the vine, you are the branches.
Gathering Song:  
Praise to the Lord  199/GC 527  
Anthem  19/GC 690  
Easter Hymns
13,14,15,23,47,60,95,104,122,179,237
Gather Comprehensive 422-452

Responsorial Psalm:
Psalm 22: I will praise you, Lord in the assembly of your people.
Respond and Acclaim: 88
Psalms for the Church Year, Vol I, pg 30
Gather Comprehensive: 28

Preparation of the Altar and Gifts:
We Have Been Told 262/GC 699
No Greater Love GC 628
Love One Another GC 630
Silence/Instrumental

Communion Song:
Be Not Afraid 27/GC 608
We Are Many Parts 259/GC 733
Unless a Grain of Wheat GC 697

Song of Praise or Sending Forth:
Easter Hymns
13,14,15,23,47,60,95,104,122,179,237
Gather Comprehensive 422-452

May 21 - Sixth Sunday of Easter (B)
1 Jn 4:7-10 God is love.
John 15:9-17 Love one another.

Gathering Song:
Easter Hymns
13,14,15,23,47,60,95,104,122,179,237
Gather Comprehensive 422-452

Responsorial Psalm:
Psalm 98: The Lord has revealed to the nation his saving power.
Respond and Acclaim: 90
Psalms for the Church Year, Vol I, pg 12
Gather Comprehensive: 95

Preparation of the Altar and Gifts:
We Have Been Told 262/GC 699
Love One Another GC 630
I Have Loved You 108/GC 504
Bring Forth the Kingdom GC 658

Communion Song:
Faith, Hope and Love GC 624
Life Giving Bread, Saving Cup GC 822
No Greater Love GC 628

Song of Praise or Sending Forth:
Easter Hymns
13,14,15,23,47,60,95,104,122,179,237
Gather Comprehensive 422-452
Love Divine, All Loves Excelling GC 622

(Ascension Day will hereafter replace the Seventh Sunday of Easter.)
May 28 - Ascension of the Lord
Acts 1:1-11 Christ’s Ascension.
Eph 1:17-23 Glorification of Jesus.
Matthew 28:16-20 Preaching the Good News.

Gathering Song:
Hail the Day that Sees Him Rise 94/GC 457
Hail the Festival Day 95/GC 450
Sing We Triumphant Hymns of Praise 224
Alleluia, Sing to Jesus GC 853
A Hymn of Glory Let Us Sing GC 453

Responsorial Psalm:
Psalm 47: God mounts his throne to shouts of joy; a blare of trumpets for the Lord.
Respond and Acclaim: 92
Psalms for the Church Year, Vol I, pg 51
Gather Comprehensive: 53

Preparation of the Altar and Gifts:
This is the Day 249/GC 449
We Are Many Parts 259/GC 733
May We Praise You 153/GC 519
I Will Be With You GC 455
Jesus Shall Reign GC 482

Communion Song:
All My Days 8
All the Ends of the Earth 9/GC 520
How Lovely Is Your Dwelling Place OCP/GC 855

Before the Sun Burned Bright 30

Song of Praise or Sending Forth:
Hail the Day that Sees Him Rise 94/GC 457
Hail the Festival Day 95/GC 450
Sing We Triumphant Hymns of Praise 224
Sing Out Earth and Skies GC 499

June 4 - Pentecost Sunday (B)
1 Cor 12:3-7,12-13 Grace of the Spirit.
John 20:19-23 Christ imparts the Spirit.

Gathering Song:
Come Holy Ghost 50/GC 469
O Holy Spirit, Lord of Grace 175
One Spirit, One Church OCP
Song of Gathering GC 740
The Spirit of God GC 458

Responsorial Psalm:
Psalm 104: Lord, send out your spirit, and renew the face of the earth.

Respond and Acclaim: 98
Psalms for the Church Year, Vol I, pg 53
Gather Comprehensive: 101

Preparation of the Altar and Gifts:
Send Us Your Spirit 214/GC 470
Creator Spirit, Lord of Grace 63
Spirit of God Within Me GC 468
Send Down the Fire GC 466
You Have Anointed Me GC 676
Silence/Instrumental

Communion Song:
One Bread, One Body 186/GC 830
We Are Many Parts 259/GC 733
On Eagle’s Wings 182/GC 611
Bread For the World GC 827

Song of Praise or Sending Forth:
Anthem 19/GC 690
City of God 48/GC 678
Send Us as Your Blessing, Lord OCP
Bring Forth the Kingdom GC 658
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