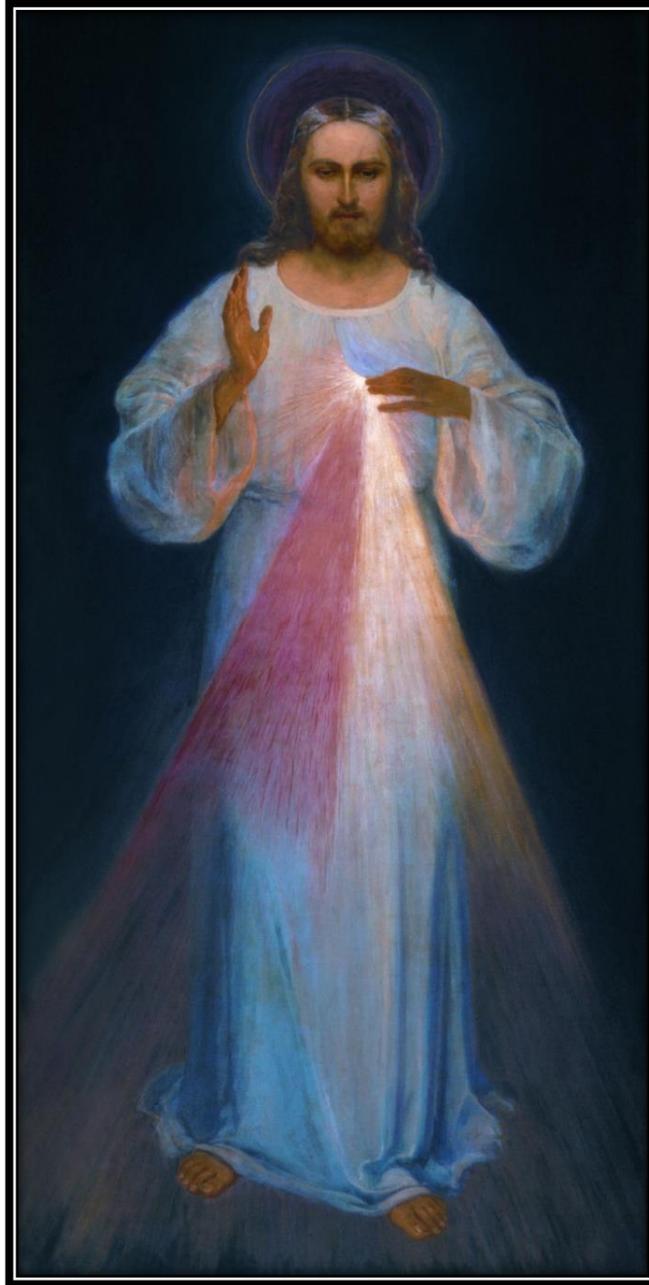


THE CHURCH OF SAINT MARY



2ND SUNDAY OF EASTER
or
DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

Rev. Vince Fernandez, Celebrant
April 11, 2021 – 10:30 am

Today, the 2nd Sunday of Easter, is known by many names: for example, Quasimodo Sunday, after the first word of the Introit below (“Like newborn infants...” / “Quasimodo geniti infantes...”). It is also known in Latin and Anglican traditions as Low Sunday, probably from the word “Laudes,” a word in the sequence that will be sung before the gospel. On 30 April 2000, it was also designated as Divine Mercy Sunday (or the Feast of Mercy) by Pope John Paul II, who fulfilled the wish which Jesus revealed to saint Faustina Kowalska, who was given the image of Divine Mercy appearing on the first page of this aid.

INTRODUCTORY RITE

All stand as the ministers process to the front of the church.

■ Hymn

Text: Charles Wesley, 1707-1788

Tune: LLANFAIR, 77 77 with alleluia; Robert Williams, 1781-1821



1. Christ the Lord is ris'n to - day, Al - le - lu - ia!
 2. Lives a - gain our glo - rious King; Al - le - lu - ia!
 3. Love's re - deem - ing work is__ done, Al - le - lu - ia!



All on earth with an - gels say, Al - le - lu - ia!
 Where, O death, is now your sting? Al - le - lu - ia!
 Fought the fight, the bat - tle__ won. Al - le - lu - ia!



Raise your joys and tri - umphs high, Al - le - lu - ia!
 Once he died our souls to__ save, Al - le - lu - ia!
 Death in vain for - bids him rise; Al - le - lu - ia!



Sing, O heav'ns, and earth re - ply, Al - le - lu - ia!
 Where your vic - to - ry, O__grave? Al - le - lu - ia!
 Christ has o - pened par - a - dise. Al - le - lu - ia!

■ Introit – 1 Pt. 2:2

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

Music: Fr. Samuel F. Weber, O.S.B.

■ Greeting

All make the Sign of the Cross as the priest says:

In the name ✠ of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **℟. Amen.**

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **℟. And with your spirit.**

■ Sprinkling Rite

The priest introduces the rite with these words:

Dear brothers and sisters,
let us humbly beseech the Lord our God
to bless this water he has created,
which will be sprinkled on us as a memorial of our Baptism.
May he help us by his grace to remain faithful to the Spirit we have received.

And after a brief pause for silence, he continues with hands joined:

Lord our God,
in your mercy be present to your people's prayers,
and, for us who recall the wondrous work of our creation
and the still greater work of our redemption,
graciously ✠ bless this water.
For you created water to make the fields fruitful
and to refresh and cleanse our bodies.
You also made water the instrument of your mercy:
for through water you freed your people from slavery
and quenched their thirst in the desert;
through water the Prophets proclaimed the new covenant
you were to enter upon with the human race;
and last of all,
through water, which Christ made holy in the Jordan,
you have renewed our corrupted nature in the bath of regeneration.
Therefore, may this water be for us a memorial of the Baptism we have received,
and grant that we may share in the gladness of our brothers and sisters
who at Easter have received their Baptism.
Through Christ our Lord.

Afterward, taking the aspergillum, the Priest sprinkles himself and the ministers, then the clergy and people, moving through the church.

*Meanwhile, the choir sings the **Vidi aquam:***

**I saw water flowing from the Temple, from its right-hand side, alleluia:
and all to whom this water came were saved and they shall say: Alleluia, alleluia.**

The absolution by the Priest follows:

May almighty God cleanse us of our sins,
and through the celebration of this Eucharist
make us worthy to share at the table of his Kingdom. **℟. Amen.**

■ Gloria

Peter Latona

Mass in Honor of the Immaculate Conception

Celebrant: *Assembly in alternatum:*

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

We praise you, we bless you, we a - dore you,

we glo - ri - fy you, we give you thanks for your great glo - ry,

Lord God, heav-en - ly King, O God, al-might-y Fa - ther.

Lord Je-sus Christ, On-ly be-got-ten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Fa - ther,

you take a - way the sins of the world, have mer - cy on us;

you take a - way the sins of the world, re - ceive our prayer;

you are seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther, have mer-cy on us.

For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,

you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ,

with the Ho-ly Spir-it, in the glo-ry of God the Fa-ther. A - - - men.

Music: *Mass of the Immaculate Conception*, Peter Latona

■ Collect

When the Gloria is concluded, the Priest, with hands joined, says:

Let us pray.

God of everlasting mercy,

who in the very recurrence of the paschal feast

kindle the faith of the people you have made your own,

increase, we pray, the grace you have bestowed,

that all may grasp and rightly understand

in what font they have been washed,

by whose Spirit they have been reborn,

by whose Blood they have been redeemed.

Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,

who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,

one God, for ever and ever. **℟. Amen.**

■ **Second reading** – 1st John 5:1-6

A reading from the first Letter of Saint John.

Beloved:

Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ is begotten by God,
and everyone who loves the Father loves also the one begotten by him.

In this way we know that we love the children of God
when we love God and obey his commandments.

For the love of God is this, that we keep his commandments.

And his commandments are not burdensome,
for whoever is begotten by God conquers the world.

And the victory that conquers the world is our faith.

Who indeed is the victor over the world but the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God?

This is the one who came through water and blood, Jesus Christ,
not by water alone, but by water and blood.

The Spirit is the one that testifies, and the Spirit is truth.

The word of the Lord. **R.** Thanks be to God.

■ **Sequence** – *Victimae paschali laudes*

ALL



1. Chris-tians, praise the pas - chal vic - tim! Of - fer thank - ful sac - ri - fice!

ALL



2. Christ the Lamb has saved the sheep, Christ the just one paid the price,
3. Death and life fought bit - ter - ly For this won - drous vic - to - ry;

Tenor/Bass



Rec - on - cil - ing sin - ners to the Fa - ther. 4. O Mar - y come and say ____
The Lord of life who died reigns glo - ri - fied! 6. Bright an - gels tes - ti - fied, ____

Soprano/Alto



what you saw at break of day. 5. "The emp - ty tomb of my liv - ing Lord!
Shroud and grave clothes side by side! 7. "Yes, Christ my hope rose glo - ri - ous - ly.

ALL



I saw Christ Je - sus ris - en and a - dored! 8. Share the good news, sing joy - ful - ly:
He goes be - fore you in - to Gal - i - lee."



His death is vic - to - ry! Lord Je - sus, Vic - tor King, Show us mer - cy.

■ **Gospel Acclamation** – *John 20:29*

All stand as the deacon asks the priest for his blessing to proclaim the Gospel.

Meanwhile, the cantor intones the Gospel Acclamation, and all repeat it:

Music: *Christ ist erstanden*, adapt. Leo Nestor (Refrain); Lyndon J. Meyer (verses)



✠. 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*

The Lord be with you. ✠. **And with your spirit.**

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to John. ✠. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

On the evening of that first day of the week,
when the doors were locked, where the disciples were,
for fear of the Jews,
Jesus came and stood in their midst
and said to them, "Peace be with you."
When he had said this, he showed them his hands and his side.
The disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord.
Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you.
As the Father has sent me, so I send you."
And when he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them,
"Receive the Holy Spirit.
Whose sins you forgive are forgiven them,
and whose sins you retain are retained."
Thomas, called Didymus, one of the Twelve,
was not with them when Jesus came.
So the other disciples said to him, "We have seen the Lord."
But he said to them,
"Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands
and put my finger into the nailmarks
and put my hand into his side, I will not believe."
Now a week later his disciples were again inside
and Thomas was with them.
Jesus came, although the doors were locked,
and stood in their midst and said, "Peace be with you."
Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands,
and bring your hand and put it into my side,
and do not be unbelieving, but believe."
Thomas answered and said to him, "My Lord and my God!"

Jesus said to him, "Have you come to believe because you have seen me?
Blessed are those who have not seen and have believed."
Now, Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples
that are not written in this book.
But these are written that you may come to believe
that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God,
and that through this belief you may have life in his name.

The Gospel of the Lord. **Rx. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

After the Book of the Gospels has been returned to its place, all are seated for the homily.

■ **Homily**



■ Nicene Creed

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

I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the Only Begotten Son of God,
born of the Father before all ages.
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father;
through him all things were made.
For us men and for our salvation
he came down from heaven,

At the words that follow, up to and including and became man, *all bow.*
and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary,
and became man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate,
he suffered death and was buried,
and rose again on the third day
in accordance with the Scriptures.
He ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory
to judge the living and the dead
and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church.
I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins
and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

■ The Universal Prayer (Prayers of the Faithful)

All stand as we prepare to make our petitions unto God.
After each petition, all respond Lord, hear our prayer.

THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

■ Offertory Motet

Alleluia. Christians to the Paschal Victim, offer your thankful praises,
A Lamb the sheep redeemeth: Christ who only is sinless.
Reconcileth sinners to the Father. Christ indeed from death is risen. Alleluia.

Text: from the Easter sequence

Music: David Isele

■ Prayer over the offerings

All stand as the priest asks God to bless the offerings of bread and wine:

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

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

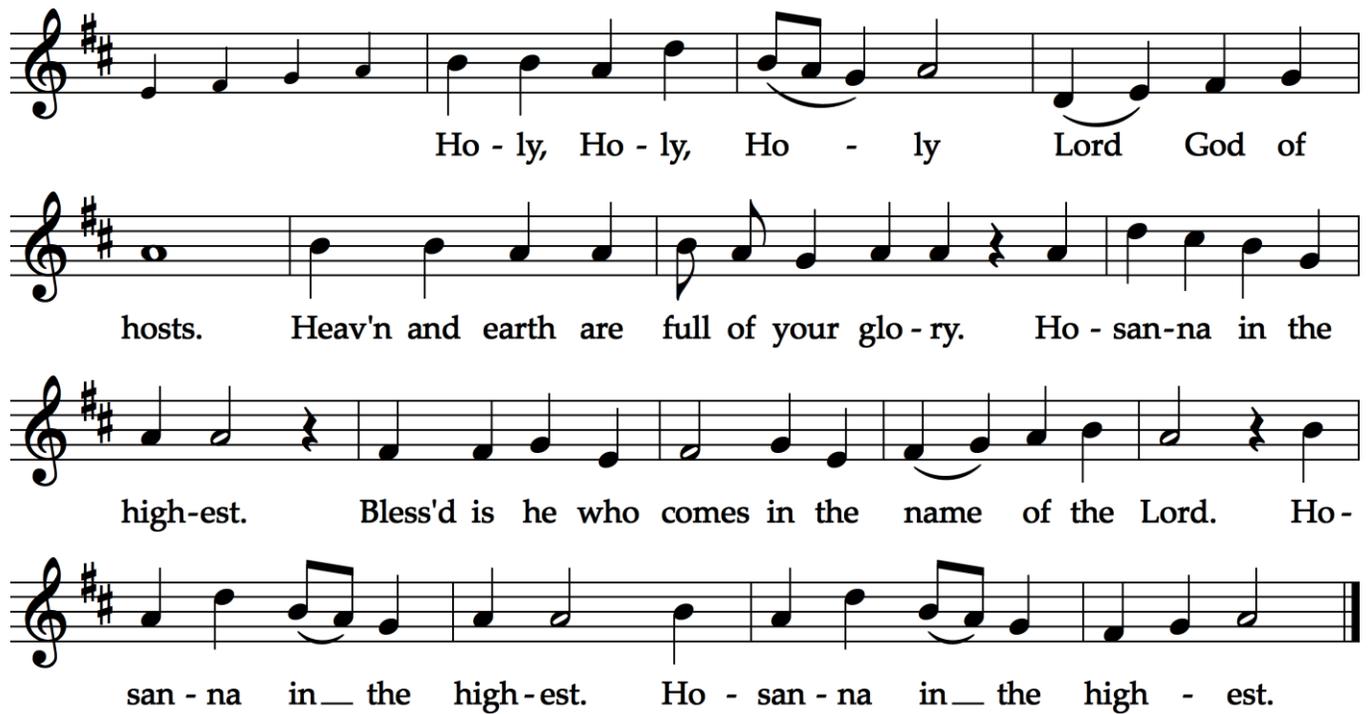
Accept, O Lord, we pray,
the oblations of your people
and of those you have brought to new birth,
that, renewed by confession of your name and by Baptism,
they may attain unending happiness.
Through Christ our Lord. **℟. Amen.**

■ Preface dialogue



■ Preface and Sanctus

It is truly right and just, our duty and our salvation, at all times to acclaim you, O Lord, but on this day above all to laud you yet more gloriously, when Christ our Passover has been sacrificed. For he is the true Lamb who has taken away the sins of the world; by dying he has destroyed our death, and by rising, restored our life. Therefore, overcome with paschal joy, every land, every people exults in your praise and even the heavenly Powers, with the angelic hosts, sing together the unending hymn of your glory, as they acclaim:



Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly Lord God of
 hosts. Heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the
 high - est. Bless'd is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -
 san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Music: *Mass of the Immaculate Conception*, Peter Latona

All kneel for the Eucharistic Prayer.

To you, therefore, most merciful Father, we make humble prayer and petition through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord: that you accept and bless these gifts, these offerings, these holy and unblemished sacrifices, which we offer you firstly for your holy catholic Church.

Be pleased to grant her peace, to guard, unite and govern her throughout the whole world, together with your servant Francis our Pope and David our Bishop, and all those who, holding to the truth, hand on the catholic and apostolic faith.

Remember, Lord, your servants gathered here, whose faith and devotion are known to you. For them we offer you this sacrifice of praise or they offer it for themselves and all who are dear to them: for the redemption of their souls, in hope of health and well-being, and paying their homage to you, the eternal God, living and true.

Celebrating the most sacred day of the Resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ in the flesh, and in communion with those whose memory we venerate, especially the glorious ever-Virgin Mary, Mother of our God and Lord, Jesus Christ, and blessed Joseph, her Spouse; your blessed Apostles and Martyrs,

Peter and Paul, Andrew, James, John, Thomas, James, Philip, Bartholomew, Matthew, Simon and Jude; Linus, Cletus, Clement, Sixtus, Cornelius, Cyprian, Lawrence, Chrysogonus, John and Paul, Cosmas and Damian and all your Saints; we ask that through their merits and prayers, in all things we may be defended by your protecting help.

Therefore, Lord, we pray: graciously accept this oblation of our service, that of your whole family, which we make to you also for those to whom you have been pleased to give the new birth of water and the Holy Spirit, granting them forgiveness of all their sins; order our days in your peace, and command that we be delivered from eternal damnation and counted among the flock of those you have chosen.

Be pleased, O God, we pray, to bless, acknowledge, and approve this offering in every respect; make it spiritual and acceptable, so that it may become for us the Body and Blood of your most beloved Son, our Lord Jesus Christ.

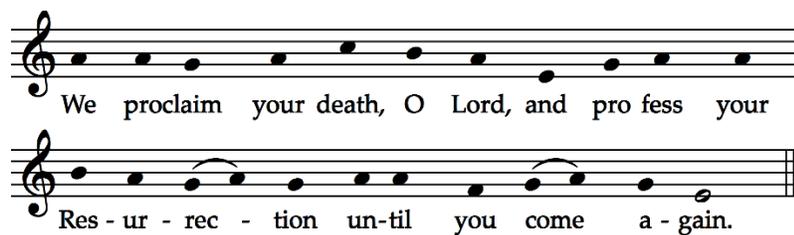
On the day before he was to suffer, he took bread in his holy and venerable hands, and with eyes raised to heaven to you, O God, his almighty Father, giving you thanks, he said the blessing, broke the bread and gave it to his disciples, saying:

TAKE THIS, ALL OF YOU, AND EAT OF IT, FOR THIS IS MY BODY,
WHICH WILL BE GIVEN UP FOR YOU.

In a similar way, when supper was ended, he took this precious chalice in his holy and venerable hands, and once more giving you thanks, he said the blessing and gave the chalice to his disciples, saying:

TAKE THIS, ALL OF YOU, AND DRINK FROM IT, FOR THIS IS THE CHALICE OF MY BLOOD, THE BLOOD OF THE
NEW AND ETERNAL COVENANT, WHICH WILL BE Poured OUT FOR YOU AND FOR MANY FOR THE
FORGIVENESS OF SINS.
DO THIS IN MEMORY OF ME.

The mystery of faith.



Therefore, O Lord, as we celebrate the memorial of the blessed Passion, the Resurrection from the dead, and the glorious Ascension into heaven of Christ, your Son, our Lord, we, your servants and your holy people, offer to your glorious majesty from the gifts that you have given us, this pure victim, this holy victim, this spotless victim, the holy Bread of eternal life and the Chalice of everlasting salvation.

Be pleased to look upon these offerings with a serene and kindly countenance, and to accept them, as once you were pleased to accept the gifts of your servant Abel the just, the sacrifice of Abraham, our father in faith, and the offering of your high priest Melchizedek, a holy sacrifice, a spotless victim.

In humble prayer we ask you, almighty God: command that these gifts be borne by the hands of your holy Angel to your altar on high in the sight of your divine majesty, so that all of us, who through this participation at the altar receive the most holy Body and Blood of your Son, may be filled with every grace and heavenly blessing.

Remember also, Lord, your servants who have gone before us with the sign of faith and rest in the sleep of peace. Grant them, O Lord, we pray, and all who sleep in Christ, a place of refreshment, light and peace.

To us, also, your servants, who, though sinners, hope in your abundant mercies, graciously grant some share and fellowship with your holy Apostles and Martyrs: with John the Baptist, Stephen, Matthias, Barnabas, Ignatius, Alexander, Marcellinus, Peter, Felicity, Perpetua, Agatha, Lucy, Agnes, Cecilia, Anastasia and all your Saints; admit us, we beseech you, into their company, not weighing our merits, but granting us your pardon, through Christ our Lord.

Through whom you continue to make all these good things, O Lord; you sanctify them, fill them with life, bless them, and bestow them upon us.

Through him, and with him, and in him, O God, almighty Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honor and glory is yours,



COMMUNION RITE

■ The Lord's Prayer

All stand as the priest introduces the Lord's Prayer:

At the Savior's command, and formed by divine teaching, we dare to say:

**Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name;
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread,
and forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.**

Deliver us, Lord, we pray, from every evil, graciously grant peace in our days, that, by the help of your mercy, we may be always free from sin and safe from all distress, as we await the blessed hope and the coming of our Savior, Jesus Christ.

**For the kingdom,
the power and the glory are yours
now and for ever.**

Lord Jesus Christ, who said to your Apostles: Peace I leave you, my peace I give you, look not on our sins, but on the faith of your Church, and graciously grant her peace and unity in accordance with your will. Who live and reign for ever and ever. **℟. Amen.**

■ The Sign of Peace

The peace of the Lord be with you always. **℟. And with your spirit.**

Deacon: Let us offer one another the sign of peace.

■ Agnus Dei



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



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

Music: *Mass of the Immaculate Conception*, Peter Latona

The priest genuflects and takes the host and presents it to the people, saying:

Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who takes away the sins of the world.

Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.

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

■ Communion Antiphon – *cf. Jn 20:27*

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

Music: Richard J. Clark

■ Communion Hymn – *O sons and daughters*



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.



1. O sons and daugh - ters, let us sing!
 2. That East - er morn, at break of day,
 3. An an - gel clad in white they see,
 4. That night the a - pos - tles met in fear;
 5. When Thom - as, first the ti - dings heard,



The King of heav'n, the glo - rious King,
 The faith - ful wom - en went their way
 Who sat, and spoke un - to the three,
 A - midst them came their Lord most dear,
 How they had seen the ris - en Lord,



O'er death to - day rose tri - umph - ing. Al - le - lu - ia!
 To seek the tomb where Je - sus lay. Al - le - lu - ia!
 "Your Lord has gone to Gal - i - lee." Al - le - lu - ia!
 And said, "My peace be on all here." Al - le - lu - ia!
 He doubt - ed the dis - ci - ples' word. Al - le - lu - ia!

6. "My wounded side, O Thomas, see;
 Behold my hands, my feet," said he,
 "Not faithless, but believing be." Alleluia!

7. No longer Thomas then denied,
 He saw the feet, the hands, the side;
 "You are my Lord and God," he cried. Alleluia!

8. How blest are they who have not seen,
 And yet whose faith has constant been,
 For they eternal life shall win. Alleluia!

9. On this most holy day of days,
 To God your hearts and voices raise,
 In laud, and jubilee and praise. Alleluia!

■ Marian Antiphon – *Regina caeli*

VI



R E-gína cæ-li * lætá-re, alle-lú-ia: Qui- a quem me-
ru- ísti portá-re, alle-lú-ia: Re-surré-xit, sic-ut di-xit,
alle- lú-ia: O-ra pro no-bis De- um, alle-lú- ia.

O QUEEN of heaven rejoice! alleluia: For He whom thou didst merit to bear, alleluia, Hath arisen as he said, alleluia. Pray for us to God, alleluia.

■ Prayer after Communion

A period of silent prayer follows. Then, all stand as the priest says:

Let us pray.

Grant, we pray, almighty God,
that our reception of this paschal Sacrament
may have a continuing effect
in our minds and hearts.

Through Christ our Lord. **℟: Amen.**

■ Solemn Blessing and Dismissal

*The priest may optionally use this formula for Solemn Blessing, in which case the deacon says **Bow down for the blessing**, while the priest continues:*

May God, who by the Resurrection of his Only Begotten Son was pleased to confer on you the gift of redemption and of adoption, give you gladness by his blessing. **℟. Amen.**

May he, by whose redeeming work you have received the gift of everlasting freedom, make you heirs to an eternal inheritance. **℟. Amen.**

And may you, who have already risen with Christ in Baptism through faith, by living in a right manner on this earth, be united with him in the homeland of heaven.. **℟. Amen.**

And may the blessing of almighty God, the Father, and the Son, **✠** and the Holy Spirit, come down on you and remain with you for ever. **℟. Amen.**

The deacon chants: Go in peace, Alleluia, Alleluia. To which the people respond:



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