

THE CELEBRATION OF THE RITE OF ORDINATION TO THE TRANSITIONAL DIACONATE

Diocese of Rapid City



ST. STEPHEN'S ORDINATION AND HIS DISTRIBUTION OF ALMS FROM THE FRESCO BY FRA ANGELICO IN THE CHAPEL OF ST. LAWRENCE IN THE VATICAN, 1883

Cathedral of Our Lady of Perpetual Help, Rapid City, South Dakota
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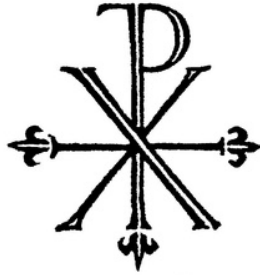
THE MOST REVEREND SCOTT E. BULLOCK
BISHOP OF THE DIOCESE OF RAPID CITY

Candidates for Ordination



Josiah Matthew Gregory Hanson

Blane Austin Blaise Schriock



Ordination to the Diaconate



Deacons are ordained by the laying on of hands, a tradition handed down from the Apostles, so that through sacramental grace they may effectively fulfill their ministry. Therefore, even from early Apostolic times, the Catholic Church has held the holy Order of the Diaconate in high honor.

“Insofar as competent authority assigns them, it pertains to the deacon: to administer Baptism solemnly; to protect and distribute the Eucharist, assist at and bless marriages in the name of the Church, bring Viaticum to the dying; read the Sacred Scriptures to the faithful, instruct and exhort the people; preside over the prayer and worship of the faithful, administer sacramentals, and officiate at funeral and burial rites. Dedicated to the duties of charity and administration, deacons should be mindful of the admonition of Saint Polycarp: ‘Be merciful and zealous, walking according to the truth of the Lord, who made himself the minister of all.’”

-The Roman Pontifical

Introductory Rites



PRELUDE

Ave Verum Corpus

Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

Alleluia! Sing to Jesus

Please Stand

William C. Dix



1. Al - le - lu - ia! Sing to Je - sus; His the scep - ter,
2. Al - le - lu - ia! Not as or - phans Are we left in
3. Al - le - lu - ia! Bread of heav - en, Here on earth our
4. Al - le - lu - ia! King e - ter - nal, You the Lord of



1. his the throne; Al - le - lu - ia! His the tri - umph,
2. sor - row now; Al - le - lu - ia! He is near us,
3. food, our stay; Al - le - lu - ia! Here the sin - ful
4. lords we own; Al - le - lu - ia! Born of Mar - y,



1. His the vic - to - ry a - lone. Hark! The songs of
2. Faith be - lieves, nor ques - tions how. Though the cloud from
3. Flee to you from day to day. In - ter - ces - sor,
4. Earth your foot-stool, heav'n your throne. You with-in the



1. peace - ful Zi - on Thun - der like a might - y flood:
2. sight re - ceived him, When the for - ty days were o'er:
3. Friend of sin - ners, Earth's Re - deem - er, plead for me,
4. veil have en - tered, Robed in flesh, our great High Priest,



1. "Je - sus out of ev - ery na - tion Has re -
2. Shall our hearts for - get his prom - ise, "I am
3. Where the songs of all the sin - less Sweep a -
4. Here on earth both Priest and Vic - tim In the



1. deemed us by his blood."
2. with you ev - er - more"?
3. cross the crys - tal sea.
4. eu - cha - ris - tic feast.

INTROIT

Join After Cantor Intones

Psalm 84: 10,11

Adam Bartlett



Turn your eyes, O God, our shield; and look on the face of



your a - noint-ed one; one day with-in your courts is bet-ter than



a thou-sand else -where.

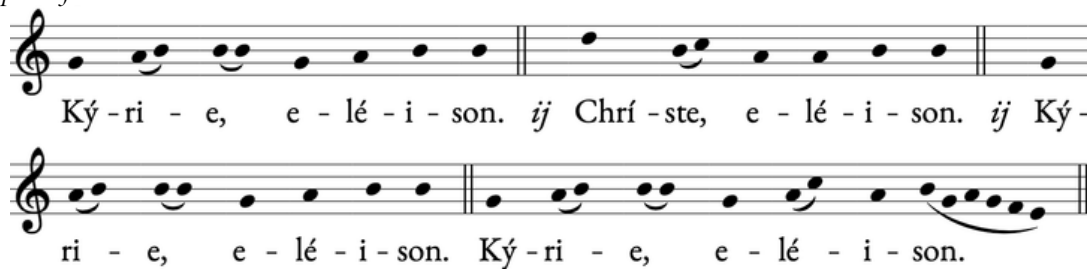


KYRIE

Repeat after Deacon Intones

Missa Primitiva

Roman Missal



Ký - ri - e, e - lé - i - son. *ij* Chrí - ste, e - lé - i - son. *ij* Ký -
ri - e, e - lé - i - son. Ký - ri - e, e - lé - i - son.

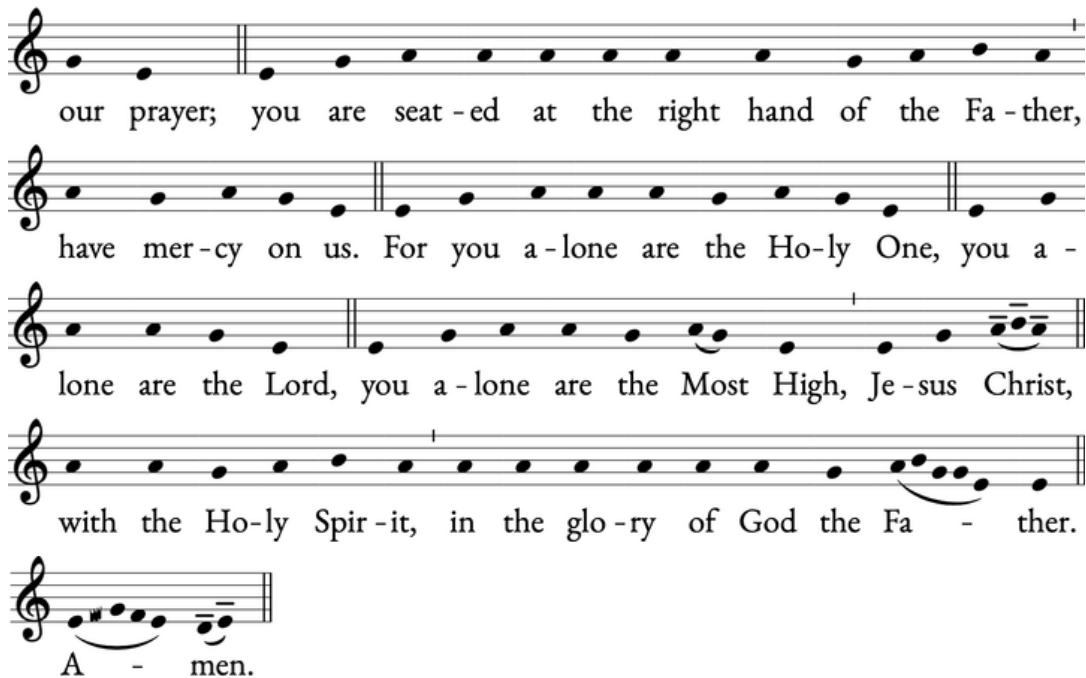
GLORIA

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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



Liturgy of the Word



FIRST READING

The Book of Numbers

3: 5-9

Summon the tribe of Levi and present them to Aaron the priest, as his assistants.

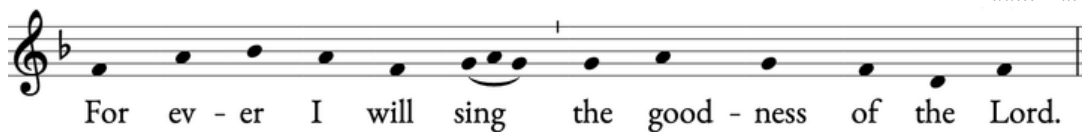
Lector: The word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalms 89: 2

Adam Bartlett



SECOND READING

The Acts of the Apostles

8: 26-40

Look, there is water. What is to prevent my being baptized?

Lector: The word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia in Mode VII

Please Stand

Graduale Romanum



GOSPEL READING

The Holy Gospel according to John

21: 15-17

Feed my lambs, feed my sheep.

Deacon: The Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Please be seated after the bishop concludes his blessing over the people with the Book of the Gospels.



The Rite of Ordination



ELECTION OF CANDIDATES

Deacon: Let those to be ordained Deacons come forward.

*Then, the elect are called by name by the deacon.
Each candidate goes before the bishop, to whom he makes a sign of reverence.*

Director of Vocations: Most Reverend Father, holy Mother Church asks you to ordain these men, our brothers, to the responsibility of the Diaconate.

Bishop: Do you know them to be worthy?

Director of Vocations: After inquiry among the Christian people and upon the recommendation of those concerned with their formation, I testify that they have been found worthy.

Bishop: Relying on the help of the Lord God and of our Savior Jesus Christ, we choose these our brothers for the Order of the Diaconate.

All: Thanks be to God.

HOMILY

The Most Rev. Scott E. Bullock

After the homily, the elect alone rise and stand before the bishop.

PROMISE OF THE ELECT

*The bishop asks the candidates to declare their intention
to undertake the office of the diaconate, then concludes:*

Bishop: May God, who has begun the good work in you, bring it to fulfillment.

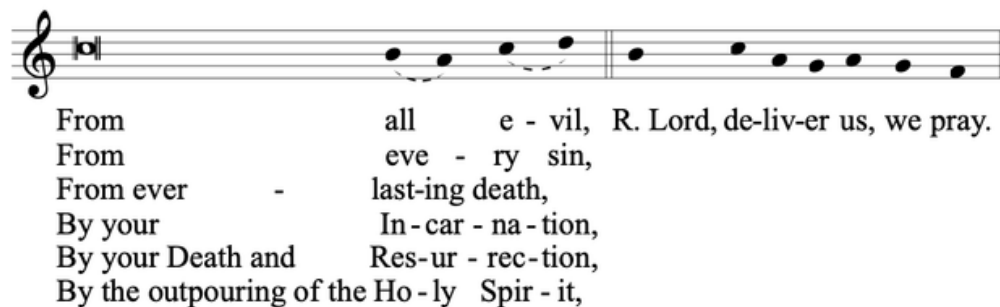
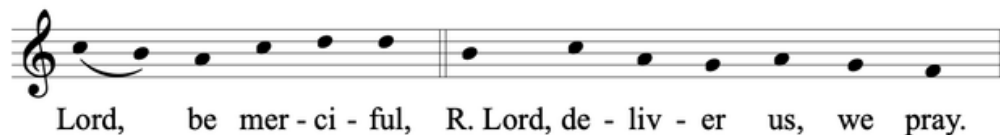
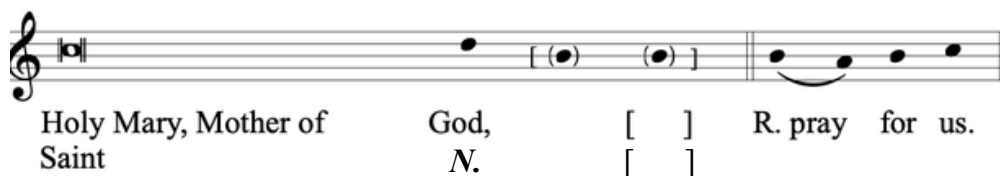
INVITATION TO PRAYER

Please Stand

Bishop: Let us pray, dearly beloved, that God the almighty Father will, in his mercy, pour out the grace of his blessing on these his servants, whom he is pleased to receive into the Sacred Order of the Diaconate.

LITANY OF SUPPLICATION

Please Kneel





Be merciful to us sin - ners, R. Lord, we ask you, hear our prayer.
Govern and
protect your ho - ly Church,
Keep the
Pope and
all the
ordained in
faithful ser - vice to your Church.
Bless - these cho-sen men,
Bless and
sanctify these cho-sen men,
Bless,
sanctify, and
consecrate these cho-sen men,



Bring all peoples
together in
peace and true har - mo - ny, R. Lord, we ask you, hear our prayer.
Comfort all
the troubled
and afflicted with your mer - cy, R. Lord, we ask you, hear our prayer.
Strengthen
us and
keep us
in your ho - ly ser-vice,
Jesus, Son of the liv - ing God,



Christ, hear us. R. Christ, hear us.



Christ, gra-cious-ly hear us. R. Christ, gra-cious-ly hear us.

CONCLUSION OF LITANY

Please Stand

Bishop: Lord God, mercifully hear our prayers, and kindly accompany with your help what we are about to do by virtue of our office; sanctify with your blessing those whom, in our judgment, we believe are worthy to be offered for the exercise of sacred ministries. Through Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.

LAYING ON OF HANDS AND PRAYER OF ORDINATION

*The bishop lays his hands upon the head of each of the elect without saying anything.
With the elect kneeling before him, the bishop puts aside the miter,
and with hands extended, he sings or says the Prayer of Ordination.*

Bishop: Draw near, we pray, almighty God, giver of every grace, who apportion every order and assign every office. While remaining unchanged, you make all things new and, setting all things in order with everlasting providence, you make due provision for every age, through your Word, your Power, and your Wisdom, Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord. You grant that your Church, his Body, adorned with manifold heavenly graces, drawn together in the diversity of her members, and united by a wondrous bond through the Holy Spirit, should grow and spread forth to build up a new temple. As once you chose the sons of Levi to minister in the former tabernacle, so now you establish three ranks of ministers in their sacred offices to serve your name. Thus, in the first days of your Church, your Son's Apostles, led by the Holy Spirit, appointed seven men of good repute to help them in the daily ministry, so that they might devote themselves more fully to prayer and the preaching of the word. By prayer and the laying on of hands they entrusted to these chosen men the ministry of serving at table. Look favorably also on these your servants, we pray, O Lord, whom we humbly dedicate to serve at your holy altars in the office of the Diaconate. **Send forth the Holy Spirit upon them, O Lord, we pray, that they may be strengthened by the gift of your sevenfold grace to carry out faithfully the work of the ministry.** May every evangelical virtue abound in them: unfeigned love, concern for the sick and the poor, unassuming authority, the purity of innocence, and the observance of spiritual discipline. May your precepts shine forth in their conduct, that by the example of their manner of life they may inspire the imitation of your holy people. In offering the witness of a good conscience, may they remain firm and steadfast in Christ, so that, imitating your Son on earth, who came not to be served but to serve, they may be found worthy to reign with him in heaven. Who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.

All: Amen.

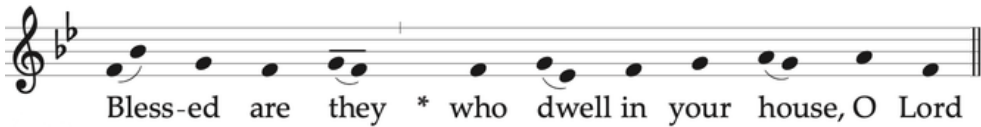
HANDING ON OF THE BOOK OF THE GOSPELS

Please Sit

The bishop puts on the miter and the newly ordained deacons stand.

*Some of the assisting deacons or other ministers
put a diaconal stole and then a dalmatic on each of them.*

As the deacons are vested, psalm 84 is sung by all.



Vested as deacons, the newly ordained go to the bishop and kneel before him.

He places the Book of Gospels in the hands of each one and says:

Bishop: Receive the Gospel of Christ, whose herald you have become. Believe what you read, teach what you believe, and practice what you teach.

FRATERNAL KISS

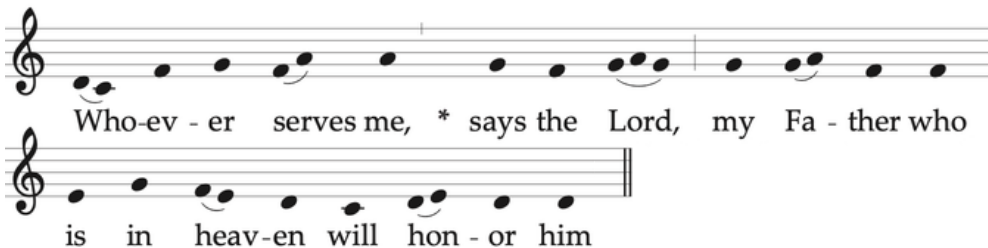
Lastly, the bishop gives each of the newly ordained the fraternal kiss.

Bishop: Peace be with you.

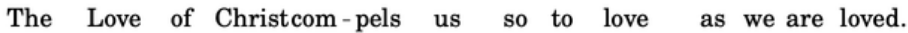
Deacon: And with your spirit.

Likewise, all the deacons present give the fraternal kiss to the newly ordained.

As the deacons receive the fraternal kiss, psalm 146 is sung by all.



Urszla Rogala, OP

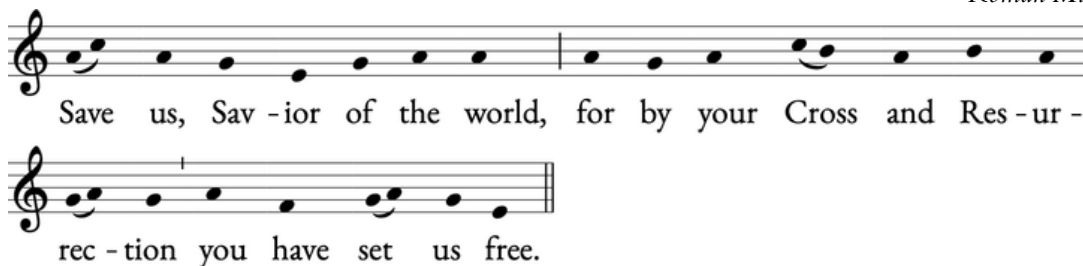


san - na in the high - est.

MYSTERIUM FIDEI

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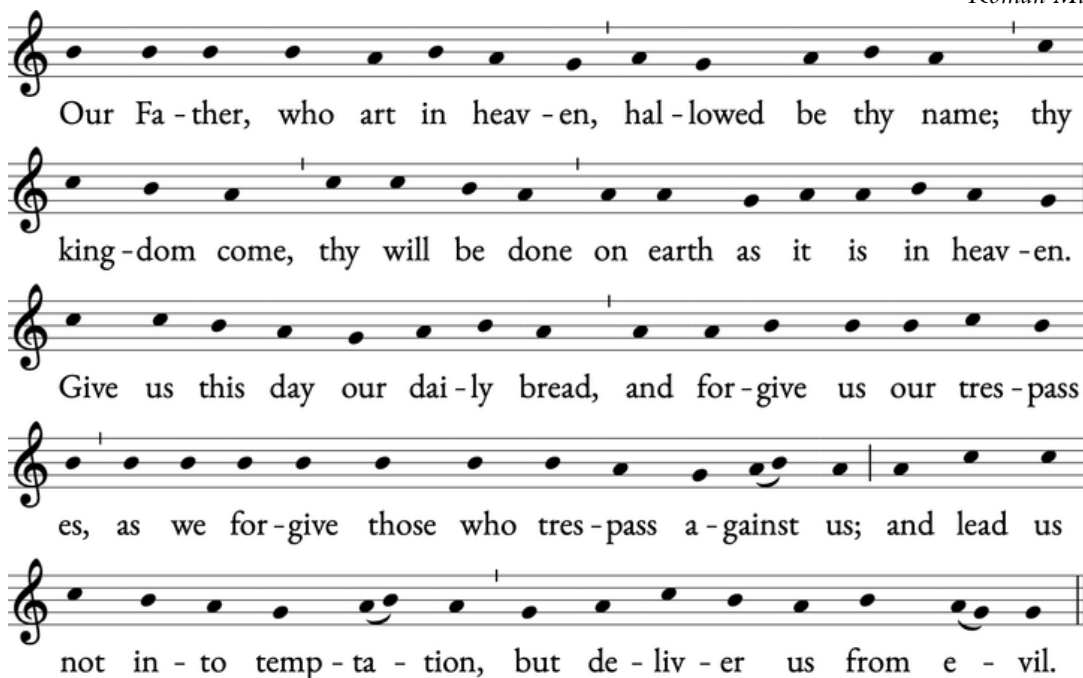


Save us, Sav - ior of the world, for by your Cross and Res - ur -
rec - tion you have set us free.

PATER NOSTER

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Our Fa - ther, who art in heav - en, hal - lowed be thy name; thy
king - dom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heav - en.
Give us this day our dai - ly bread, and for - give us our tres - pass
es, as we for - give those who tres - pass a - gainst us; and lead us
not in - to temp - ta - tion, but de - liv - er us from e - vil.

Bishop: 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.

All: For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever.

SIGN OF PEACE

Bishop: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

All: And with your spirit.

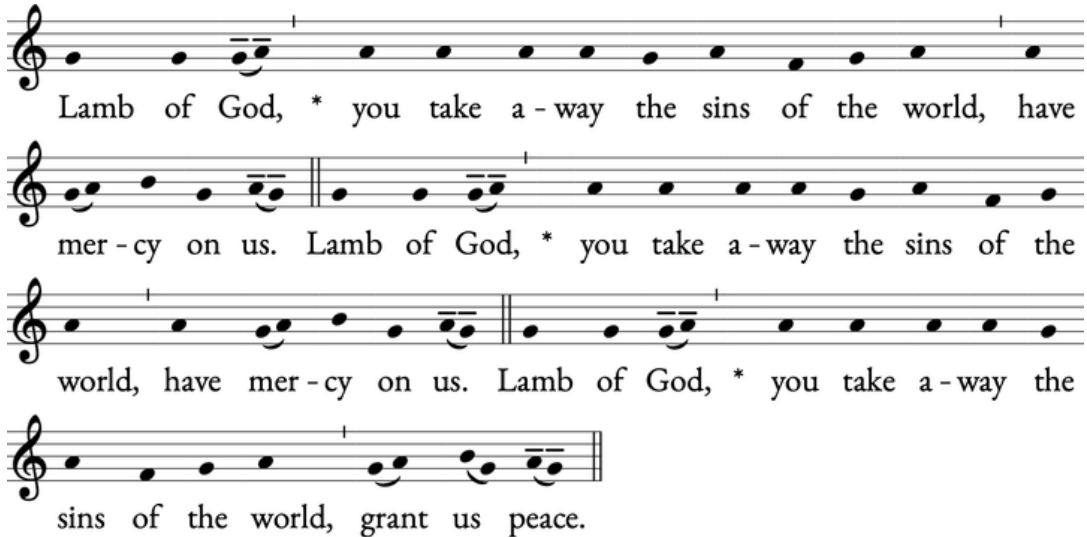
Deacon: Let us offer each other the sign of peace.

The faithful are now invited to exchange a sign of peace, usually in the form of a hand shake or embrace. This liturgical action is an exchange and sharing of the peace of Christ with each other. It is a symbol of union and love, and particularly a petition of forgiveness of each other prior to the reception of Holy Communion.

AGNUS DEI

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



COMMUNION

A note regarding Communion:

As Catholics, we believe that receiving the Eucharist expresses not only a personal relationship with Christ but also full unity in faith and life with the Catholic Church.

For this reason, Holy Communion is received only by practicing Catholics who are properly prepared and disposed—that is, in a state of grace.

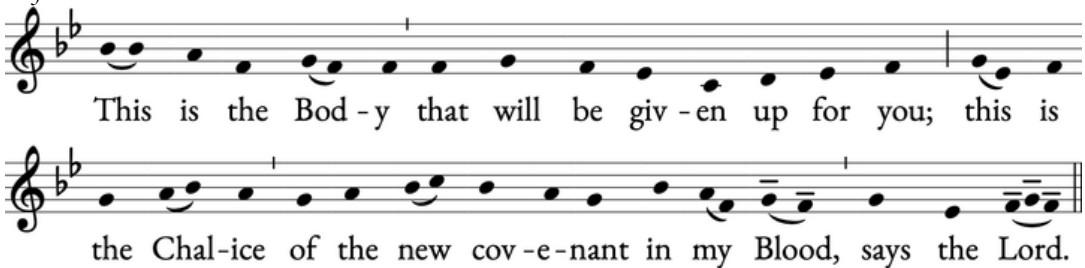
If you are not Catholic, or if you are Catholic but not prepared to receive Communion today, you are warmly invited to remain in your pew and join us in prayer, or you may come forward with your arms crossed over your chest to receive a blessing from the priest.

COMMUNIO

First Corinthians 11: 24-25

Join After Cantor Intones

Adam Bartlett



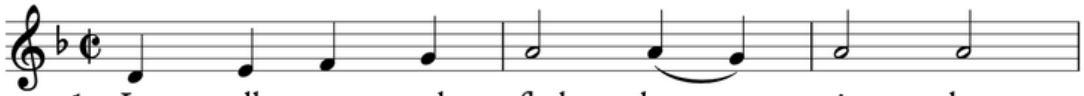
This is the Bod - y that will be giv - en up for you; this is
the Chal-ice of the new cov - e - nant in my Blood, says the Lord.



COMMUNION HYMN

Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence

from the Liturgy of Saint James



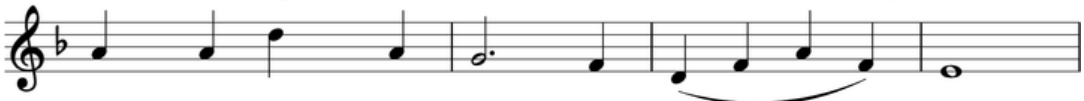
1. Let all mor - tal flesh keep si - lence,
2. King of kings, yet born of Mar - y,
3. Rank on rank the host of heav - en
4. At his feet the six - winged ser - aph,



1. And with fear and trem - bling stand; Pon - der noth - ing
2. As of old on earth he stood, Lord of lords, in
3. Spreads its van - guard on the way, As the Light of
4. Cher - u - bim with sleep - less eye, Veil their fac - es



1. earth - ly mind - ed, For with bless - ing in his hand,
2. hu - man ves - ture, In the Bod - y and the Blood;
3. light de - scend - eth From the realms of end - less day,
4. to the pres - ence, As with cease - less voice they cry:



1. Christ our God to earth de - scend - - - eth,
2. He will give to all the faith - - - ful
3. That the pow'rs of hell may van - - - ish
4. "Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - - - ia,



1. Our full hom - age to de - mand.
2. His own self for heav'n - ly food.
3. As the dark - ness clears a - way.
4. Al - le - lu - ia, Lord Most High!"

Concluding Rite



RECESSIONAL HYMN

O God Beyond All Praising

Michael Perry



1. O God be - yond all prais - ing, we wor - ship you to - day And
2. The flow'r of earth - ly splen - dor in time must sure - ly die, Its
3. Then hear, O gra - cious Sav - ior, ac - cept the love we bring, That

1. sing the love a - maz - ing that songs can - not re - pay; For
2. frag - ile bloom sur - ren - der to you the Lord most high; But
3. we who know your fa - vor may serve you as our King; And

1. we can on - ly won - der at eve - ry gift you send, At
2. hid - den from all na - ture th'e - ter - nal seed is sown Though
3. wheth - er our to - mor - rows be filled with good or ill, We'll

1. bless - ings with - out num - ber and mer - cies with - out end: We
2. small in mor - tal stat - ure, to heav - en's gar - den grown: For
3. tri - umph through our sor - rows and rise to bless you still: To

1. lift our hearts be - fore you and wait up - on your Word, We
2. Christ the Man from heav - en from death has set us free, And
3. mar - vel at your beau - ty and glo - ry in your ways, And

1. hon - or and a - dore you, our great and might - y Lord.
2. we through him are giv - en the fi - nal vic - to - ry!
3. make a joy - ful du - ty our sac - ri - fice of praise.

