

EASY PRINT – Fifth Sunday of Easter – May 7, 2023

Welcome – Fr. Daniel

Please rise in body or spirit & sing

Processional Hymn: #44– “I BELIEVE IN GOD ALMIGHTY”

I believe in God almighty, Father of all things that be,
maker of the earth and heavens, keeper of the sky and sea.
I believe in God's Son, Jesus, now for us both Lord and Christ,
of the Spirit and of Mary born to bring abundant life.

I believe that Jesus suffered, scourged and scorned and crucified;
taken from the cross, was buried – true life there had truly died.
I believe that on the third day Christ was raised up from the grave,
then ascended to God's right hand. He will come to judge and save.

I believe in God's own Spirit, bonding all the saints within
one church, catholic, and holy, where forgiveness frees from sin;
in the body's resurrection, for the breaking of death's chain
gives the life that's everlasting: this the faith that I have claimed.

The Easter Greeting

Priest: Alleluia! Christ is risen.

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

Priest: May his grace and peace be with you.

People: **May he fill our hearts with joy.**

Priest: Almighty God,

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

The Gloria: #366 – “GLORY IN THE HIGHEST GLORY”

All sing



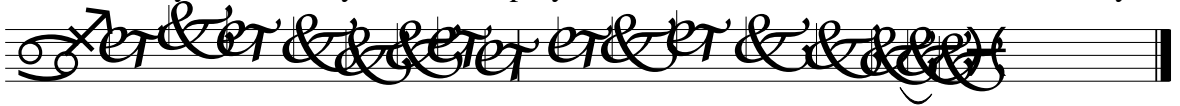
1. Glo-ry, in the high - est glo - ry, peace to all, in all their days.
2. Je - sus Christ, the world's Re-deem-er, Lamb of God, for sin-ners given,



Wor-ship, thanks, and praise un-ceas-ing to the Source of all we raise:
Word e - ter - nal, born of Ma-ry, Word made flesh, the face of heaven:



reign-ing in the sap-phire height, hid-den from our mor - tal sight,
ho - ly one, to you we pray, hear us in the realms of day,



now re-ceive our a-dor-a-tion, as we make our sup-pli-ca-tion.
with the Spir - it there u-nit-ed, and the God-head high ex-alt - ed.

Please kneel or be seated

Priest: Almighty God, your Son Jesus Christ is the way, the truth, and the life. Give us grace to love one another and walk in the way of his commandments, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

All: **Amen.**

Reader: A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles

Please be seated

Filled with the Holy Spirit, Stephen gazed into heaven and saw the glory of God and Jesus standing at the right hand of God. "Look," he said, "I see the heavens opened and the Son of Man standing at the right hand of God!" But they covered their ears, and with a loud shout all rushed together against him. Then they dragged him out of the city and began to stone him; and the witnesses laid their coats at the feet of a young man named Saul.

While they were stoning Stephen, he prayed, "Lord Jesus, receive my spirit." Then he knelt down and cried out in a loud voice, "Lord, do not hold this sin against them." When he had said this, he died.

Reader: The word of the Lord.

Acts 7.55-60

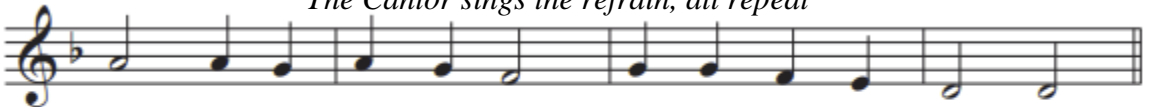
People: **Thanks be to God.**

A moment of silence is observed

Psalm#31.1-5,15-16

Please stand & sing

The Cantor sings the refrain, all repeat



In - to your hands, O God, I com-mend my spi - rit.

Cantor: In you, O Lord, have I taken refuge; let me never be put to shame, deliver me in your righteousness. Incline your ear to me; make haste to deliver me. *Refrain*

Cantor: Be my strong rock, a fortress to save me, for you are my rock and my stronghold; guide me, and lead me for your name's sake. *Refrain*

Cantor: Take me out of the net that they have laid secretly for me, for you are strength. Into your hands I commend my spirit, for you have redeemed me. O Lord, God of truth. *Refrain*

Cantor: "My times are in your hand; deliver me from the hand of my enemies, and from those who persecute me. Make your face to shine upon your servant, and save me for your mercy's sake." *Refrain*

Reader: A Reading from the First Letter of Peter

Please be seated

Like newborn infants, long for the pure, spiritual milk, so that by it you may grow into salvation if indeed you have tasted that the Lord is good. Come to him, a living stone, though rejected by mortals yet chosen and precious in God's sight, and like living stones, let yourselves be built into a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ. For it stands in scripture: "See, I am laying in Zion a stone, a cornerstone chosen and precious; and whoever believes in him will not be put to shame."

From now on you do know him and have seen him.” Philip said to him, “Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied.” Jesus said to him, “Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know me? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, ‘Show us the Father’? Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own; but the Father who dwells in me does his works. Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; but if you do not, then believe me because of the works themselves. Very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father. I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it.”

Leader: The Gospel of Christ.

John 14.1-14

People:



Praise to you, Lord Je-sus Christ.

The last verse will be sung; after the Gospel

Come, my Joy, my Love, my Heart: such a joy as none can move,
such a love as none can part, such a heart as joys in love.

Sermon

Please be seated

Anthem - “SING TO GOD A SONG OF GLADNESS”

sung by the Choir Leads

text: Michael Forster/ Music: Andrew Moore

Sing to God a song of gladness, tell his glory, tell all the earth;
tell all the robed in truth and full of beauty he who wrought creation's birth!

Once in deepest darkness living, we have seen a wondrous light;
all the brightness of salvation bursts upon our waiting singing.
Alleluia, alleluia, see the darkness put to flight.

From the pride and predilections which the holy church divide,
we are called to true communion in the light of him who died

A song of gladness alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

The Nicene Creed

Please rise in body or spirit

Leader: Let us confess our faith as we say,

All: **We believe in one God, the Father, the almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one being with the Father.**

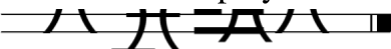
All: **Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the scriptures; he ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father. With the Father and the Son he is worshipped and glorified. He has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

The Prayers of the People

Please kneel or be seated

The Leader offers prayers for the church, the world, the sick and the suffering, and those who have died.

Leader: Let us offer our prayers to the source of all love and all life, singing,

All: 

Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader: Merciful Lord, we pray for all who call themselves Christians: for Andrew and Kevin our bishops, and each of us in our ministries: that we faithfully live out our calling and rightly proclaim the word of truth. We pray this week in the Mississauga Deanery for Trinity, Streetsville and the Reverend Robert Hurkmans and in our parish for The Mississauga Services for Seniors. Let us pray.

All: 

Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader: We pray for Charles our King, for the leaders of the nations, and all in authority: for the nations of the earth, that you will show your goodwill to all. Let us pray.

All: **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader: We pray for the victims of our society and those who minister to them: the poor and oppressed, the captive and the refugee and for all who are sick and suffering, Don Latimer, Roselyn Walcott, Flo Ellis, Fay Williams, Hazel Deane, Lorna Weiba, Patricia Jordan, Judy Alleyne, Angela Boyce, Timothy Sterling, Dorothy Williams, and John Collinson, that you will be their help and defense. Let us pray.

All: **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader: Grant a peaceful end and eternal rest to all who have died, Jim and Phyllis Vann for whom the memorial flowers are given and your comfort to those who mourn. Let us pray.

All: **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader: We pray for those preparing for baptism, and for those recently baptized: that they may join the saints who have found favour in your sight from earliest times, prophets, apostles, martyrs, and those whose names are known to you alone: and we pray that we too may be counted among your faithful witnesses. Let us pray.

All: **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader: Almighty God,

All: **you have given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplications to you, and you have promised through your well-beloved Son that when two or three are gathered together you will hear their requests. Fulfil now our desires and petitions, as may be best for us, granting us in this world knowledge of your truth, and in the age to come eternal life; for you, Father, are good and loving, and we glorify you through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord, in the Holy Spirit, now and for ever. Amen.**

Confession and Absolution

Please kneel or be seated

Priest: Dear friends in Christ, God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy; he welcomes sinners and invites them to his table. Let us confess our sins, confident in God's forgiveness.

Priest: Most merciful God,

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

Priest: Almighty God have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

People: **Amen.**

The Peace

Please rise in body or spirit

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

People: **And also with you.**

Offertory Hymn: (AAH # 291) - "O HOW I LOVE JESUS"

All sing

There is a name I love to hear, I love to sing its worth;
It sounds like music in my ear, The sweetest name on earth.

*Refrain: O how I love Jesus, O how I love Jesus,
O how I love Jesus, because He first loved me!*

It tells me of Saviour's love, who died to set me free;
It tells me of His precious blood, The sinner's perfect plea. *Refrain:*

It tells me what my Father has in store for ev'ry day,
And though I tread a gloomy path, yields sunshine all the way. *Refrain:*

It tells of One whose loving heart can feel my deepest woe,
Who in each sorrow bears a part, that one can bear below. *Refrain:*

Offertory Sentence

All sing

Yours be the glo - ry Yours be all we give.
Bless O Lord our hum - ble offe - ring and the lives we live.

✠ The Celebration of the Eucharist

Priest: Gracious God, you show us your way and give us your divine life. May everything we do be directed by the knowledge of your truth. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the risen Lord.

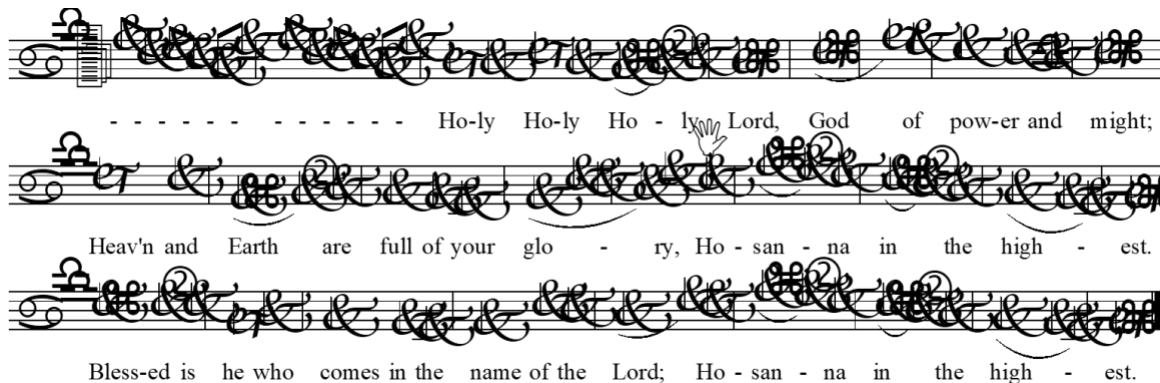
All: **Amen.**

Presider: The Lord be with you. *People:* And also with you.
Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give our thanks and praise

Priest: Holy God, Lover of creation, we give you thanks and praise for in the ocean of your steadfast love you bear us and place the song of your Spirit in our hearts. When we turn from your love and defile the earth, you do not abandon us. Your Spirit speaks through Huldah and Micah, through prophets, sages, and saints in every age, to confront our sin and reveal the vision of your new creation. Joining in the song of the universe we proclaim your glory singing:

Sanctus

All sing



----- Ho-ly Ho-ly Ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and might;
Heav'n and Earth are full of your glo - ry, Ho - san - na in the high - est.
Bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord; Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Please kneel or be seated

Priest: Gracious God, in the fullness of time you sent Jesus the Christ to share our fragile humanity. Through Jesus' life, death, and resurrection you open the path from brokenness to health, from fear to trust, from pride and conceit to reverence for you. Rejected by a world that could not bear the Gospel of life, Jesus knew death was near. His head anointed for burial by an unknown woman, Jesus gathered together those who loved him. He took bread, gave thanks to you, broke it and gave it to his friends, saying, "Take and eat: this is my body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me." After supper, Jesus took the cup of wine, gave you thanks, and said "Drink this all of you, this is my blood of the new covenant which is shed for you and for many. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

And now we gather at this table in response to his commandment, to share the bread and cup of Christ's undying love, and to proclaim our faith.

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

Priest: Breathe your Holy Spirit the wisdom of the universe, upon these gifts that we bring to you: this bread, this cup, ourselves, our soul and bodies, that we may be signs of your love for all the world and ministers of your transforming purpose. Through Christ, with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all glory is yours, Creator of all, and we bless your holy name for ever.

All: **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

All sing unaccompanied

Presider: *People:*



As our Sav-iour taught us let us pray. Our Fath - er in hea-ven,
hal - lowed be your name, your king - dom come, your will be done,
on earth as in hea-ven, Give us to - day our dai - ly bread,
For - give us our sins, as we for - give those who sin a - gainst us.
Save us from the time of trial. And de - liv - er us from e - vil.
For the king - dom, the pow - er and the glo - ry are yours,



now and for ev - er. A - men.

Music: M. Robinson
Theodore Presser Co.

Priest: "I am the bread which has come down from heaven," says the Lord.

All: **Give us this bread for ever.**

Priest: "I am the vine, you are the branches."

All: **May we dwell in him, as he lives in us.**

Priest: The gifts of God for the People of God.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

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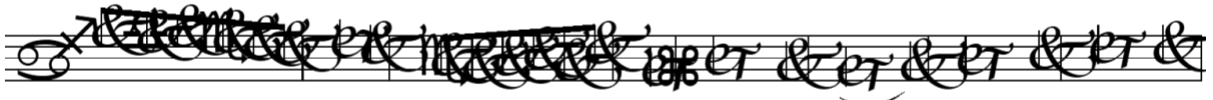
All sing



Lamb of God, Lamb of God, you



take a - way the sin of the world, have mer-cy, have mer - cy on us.



Lamb of God, Lamb of God, you



take a - way the sin of the world; grant us your peace. Grant us your peace.

The Communion

Communion Hymn: #59 – "JESUS CALLS US HERE TO MEET HIM"

All sing

Jesus calls us here to meet him, as through word and song and prayer we affirm God's promised presence where his people live and care.

Praise the God who keeps his promise; praise the Son who calls us friends; praise the Spirit who, among us, to our hopes and fears attends.

Jesus calls us to each other: found in him are no divides.
Race and class and sex and language – such are barriers he derides.
Join the hand of friend and stranger; join the hands of age and youth;
join the faithful and the doubter in their common search for truth.

Jesus calls us to his table rooted firm in time and space,
where the church in earth and heaven finds a common meeting place.
Share the bread and wine, his body; share the love of which we sing;
share the feast for saints and sinners hosted by our Lord and King.

Communion Hymn (AAHH # 681) - “LET US TALENTS AND TONGUES EMPLOY”

Let us talents and tongues employ. Reaching out with a shout of joy:
Bread is broken, the wine is poured, Christ is spoken and seen and heard.
Jesus lives again, earth can breathe again, pass the Word around: loaves abound!

Christ is able to make us one, At the table He sets the tone,
Teaching people to live to bless, love is word and in deed express.
Jesus lives again, earth can breathe again, pass the Word around: loaves abound!

Jesus calls us in, sends us out Bearing fruit in a world of doubt,
Gives us love to tell, bread to share; God Immanuel ev’rywhere!
Jesus lives again, earth can breathe again, pass the Word around: loaves abound!

Prayer after Communion

Priest: God of love, in this eucharist we have heard your truth and shared in your life. May we always walk in your way, in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord.

All: **Amen.**

Please rise in body or spirit

Priest: Glory to God,

All: **whose power working in us can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine. Glory to God from generation to generation, in the Church and in Christ Jesus for ever and ever. Amen.**

The Blessing & Announcements

Prayer for the King

Hymn: #660 - "GOD SAVE OUR GRACIOUS KING" *Please rise in body or spirit & sing*

God save our gracious King, long live our noble King:
God save the King. Send him victorious, happy and glorious,
long to reign over us, God save the King.

Thy choicest gifts in store on his be pleased to pour;
long may he reign. May he defend our laws, and ever give us cause
to sing with heart and voice, God save the King.

Closing Hymn: #381- "PRAISE, MY SOUL, THE KING OF HEAVEN"

All sing

Praise, my soul, the King of heaven; to his feet your tribute bring;
ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven, evermore his praises sing.
Alleluia, alleluia, praise the everlasting King.

Praise him for his grace and favour to our forebears in distress;
praise him, still the same forever, slow to chide and swift to bless;
alleluia, alleluia, glorious in his faithfulness.

Angels, help us to adore him; you behold him face to face;
Sun and moon bow down before him, dwellers all in time and space.
Alleluia, alleluia, praise with us the God of grace.

Dismissal

Priest: Let us bless the Lord. Alleluia, Alleluia!

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