

FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

INTRODUCTORY RITES

Please
Stand

Be Thou My Vision



1. Be Thou my vi - sion, O Lord of my heart;
2. Be Thou my wis - dom, and Thou my true word;
3. Rich - es I heed not, or man's emp - ty praise,
4. High King of heav - en, my vic - to - ry won,



1. Naught be all else to me, save that Thou art:
2. I ev - er with Thee and Thou with me, Lord:
3. Thou mine in - her - i - tance, now and al - ways:
4. May I reach heav - en's joys, O bright heav'n's Sun!



1. Thou my best thought, — by day or by night,
2. Thou my great Fa - ther, I Thy true son,
3. Thou and Thou on - ly, first in my heart,
4. Heart of my own heart, what - ev - er be - fall,



1. Wak - ing or sleep - ing, Thy pres - ence my light.
2. Thou in me dwell - ing, and I with Thee one.
3. High King of heav - en, my trea - sure Thou art.
4. Still be my vi - sion, O Rul - er of all.

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Music: Trad. Irish Melody; adapt. from *The Church Hymnary*, 1927.

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

Penitential Act: I confess to almighty God and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have greatly sinned in my thoughts and in my words, in what I have done and in what I have failed to do,

through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault; therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin, all the Angels and Saints, and you, my brothers and sisters, to pray for me to the Lord our God.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Reading: 1 Samuel 16: 1, 6-7, 10-13

The LORD said to Samuel: “Fill your horn with oil, and be on your way. I am sending you to Jesse of Bethlehem, for I have chosen my king from among his sons.” As Jesse and his sons came to the sacrifice, Samuel looked at Eliab and thought, “Surely the LORD’s anointed is here before him.” But the LORD said to Samuel: “Do not judge from his appearance or from his lofty stature, because I have rejected him. Not as man sees does God see, because man sees the appearance but the LORD looks into the heart.” In the same way Jesse presented seven sons before Samuel, but Samuel said to Jesse,

“The LORD has not chosen any one of these.” Then Samuel asked Jesse, “Are these all the sons you have?” Jesse replied, “There is still the youngest, who is tending the sheep.” Samuel said to Jesse, “Send for him; we will not begin the sacrificial banquet until he arrives here.” Jesse sent and had the young man brought to them. He was ruddy, a youth handsome to behold and making a splendid appearance. The LORD said, “There—anoint him, for this is the one!” Then Samuel, with the horn of oil in hand, anointed David in the presence of his brothers; and from that day on, the spirit of the LORD rushed upon David.

℣The Word of the Lord. ℟**Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 23

The Lord is my shep - herd; there is noth - ing I shall want.



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| <p>1. He lets me rest in open fields so green.
He leads me to the quiet streams.
He gives me strength
and guides me in his ways.
He renews his promises each day.</p> <p>2. He is my guide, my shepherd and my king,
and in my fear he offers peace.
Though I walk through the valley,
I will not be afraid.
You will protect me; I'll be saved.</p> | <p>3. He goes before me;
my enemies will fall.
He is my shepherd and my shield.
His anointing is upon me,
and I will overcome.
His blessing cannot be undone.</p> <p>4. You set a table before me.
My cup overflows.
Goodness and love will follow me
everywhere I go.</p> |
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Second Reading: Ephesians 5:8-14

Brothers and sisters: You were once darkness, but now you are light in the Lord. Live as children of light, for light produces every kind of goodness and righteousness and truth. Try to learn what is pleasing to the Lord. Take no part in the fruitless works of darkness; rather expose

them, for it is shameful even to mention the things done by them in secret; but everything exposed by the light becomes visible, for everything that becomes visible is light. Therefore, it says: “Awake, O sleeper, and arise from the dead, and Christ will give you light.”
∞The Word of the Lord. ∞Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation

Christopher Walker

Please
Stand



Praise and hon-or, hon-or and glo-ry, glo-ry to you, Lord Je-sus Christ!

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

Gospel: John 9:1-41

∞The Lord be with you. ∞And with your spirit.
∞A reading [...]. ∞Glory to you, O Lord.
As Jesus passed by he saw a man blind from birth. His disciples asked him, “Rabbi, who sinned, this man or his parents, that he was born blind?” Jesus answered, “Neither he nor his parents sinned; it is so that the works of God might be made visible through him. We have to do the works of the one who sent me while it is day. Night is coming when no one can work. While I am in the world, I am the light of the world.” When he had said this, he spat on the ground and made clay with the saliva, and smeared the clay on his eyes, and said to him, “Go wash in the Pool of Siloam” —which means Sent—.

the cistern is deep; where then can you get this So he went and washed, and came back able to see. His neighbors and those who had seen him earlier as a beggar said, “Isn’t this the one who used to sit and beg?” Some said, “It is,” but others said, “No, he just looks like him.” He said, “I am.” So they said to him, “How were your eyes opened?” He replied, “The man called Jesus made clay and anointed my eyes and told me, ‘Go to Siloam and wash.’ So I went there and washed and was able to see.” And they said to him, “Where is he?” He said, “I don’t know.” They brought the one who was once blind to the Pharisees. Now Jesus had made clay and opened his eyes on a sabbath. So then the Pharisees also asked him how he was able to see. He said to them, “He put clay on my eyes, and I washed, and now I can see.”

So some of the Pharisees said, “This man is not from God, because he does not keep the sabbath.” But others said, “How can a sinful man do such signs?” And there was a division among them. So they said to the blind man again, “What do you have to say about him, since he opened your eyes?” He said, “He is a prophet.” Now the Jews did not believe that he had been blind and gained his sight until they summoned the parents of the one who had gained his sight. They asked them, “Is this your son, who you say was born blind? How does he now see?” His parents answered and said, “We know that this is our son and that he was born blind. We do not know how he sees now, nor do we know who opened his eyes. Ask him, he is of age; he can speak for himself.” His parents said this because they were afraid of the Jews, for the Jews had already agreed that if anyone acknowledged him as the Christ, he would be expelled from the synagogue. For this reason his parents said, “He is of age; question him.” So a second time they called the man who had been blind and said to him, “Give God the praise! We know that this man is a sinner.” He replied, “If he is a sinner, I do not know. One thing I do know is that I was blind and now I see.” So they said to him, “What did he do to you? How did he open your eyes?”

He answered them, “I told you already and you did not listen. Why do you want to hear it again? Do you want to become his disciples, too?” They ridiculed him and said, “You are that man’s disciple; we are disciples of Moses! We know that God spoke to Moses, but we do not know where this one is from.” The man answered and said to them, “This is what is so amazing, that you do not know where he is from, yet he opened my eyes. We know that God does not listen to sinners, but if one is devout and does his will, he listens to him. It is unheard of that anyone ever opened the eyes of a person born blind. If this man were not from God, he would not be able to do anything.” They answered and said to him, “You were born totally in sin, and are you trying to teach us?” Then they threw him out. When Jesus heard that they had thrown him out, he found him and said, “Do you believe in the Son of Man?” He answered and said, “Who is he, sir, that I may believe in him?” Jesus said to him, “You have seen him, the one speaking with you is he.” He said, “I do believe, Lord,” and he worshiped him. Then Jesus said, “I came into this world for judgment, so that those who do not see might see, and those who do see might become blind.” Some of the Pharisees who were with him heard this and said to him, “Surely we are not also blind, are we?” Jesus said to them, “If you were blind, you would have no sin; but now you are saying, ‘We see,’ so your sin remains.

✠ The Gospel of the Lord.

✠ **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

Please
Sit

HOMILY

Please
Stand

PROFESSION OF FAITH & UNIVERSAL PRAYER

Apostles Creed: I believe in God, the Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried; he descended into hell; on the third day he rose again from the dead;

he ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty; from there he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting. Amen.

Offertory Antiphon

The Lord _____ a - noint - ed my eyes:

I went, _____ I _____ washed, _____

I saw _____ and I be - lieved _____ in God. _____

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

Please
Stand

R 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.

V The Lord be with you.

R And with your spirit.

V Lift up your hearts.

R We lift them up to the Lord.

V Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God. **R** It is right and just.

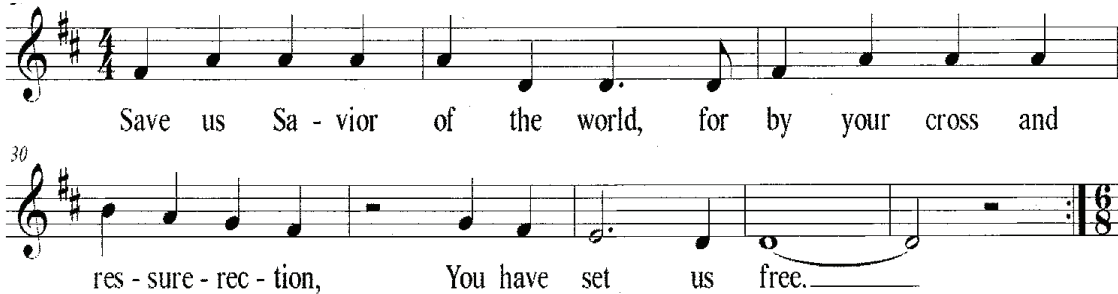
Sanctus



San-ctus, San-ctus, San-ctus Dó-mi-nus De-us Sá-ba-oth.
Ple-ni sunt cæ-li et ter-ra gló-ri-a tu-a. Ho-sán-na in ex-cél-sis.
Be-ne-dí-ctus qui ve-nit in nó-mi-ne Dó-mi-ni. Ho-sán-na in
ex-cél-sis.

Please
Kneel

Memorial Acclamation



Save us Sa - vior of the world, for by your cross and
30 res - sure - rec - tion, You have set us free.

Please
Stand

Agnus Dei



Mass XVII Chant

A - gnus De - i, qui tol - lis pe - ca - ta - mun - di, mi - se - re - re no - bis.
2 A - gnus De - i, qui tol - lis pe - ca - ta - mun - di, do - na - no - bis pa - cem.

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

Open My Eyes

Please remain standing during the Communion Procession

Verses

1. O - pen my eyes, Lord. Help me to see your
2. O - pen my ears, Lord. Help me to hear your
3. O - pen my heart, Lord. Help me to love like
4. I live with - in you. Deep in your heart, O

1. face. O - pen my eyes, Lord. Help me to
2. voice. O - pen my ears, Lord. Help me to
3. you. O - pen my heart, Lord. Help me to
4. Love. I live with - in you. Rest now in

1. see. 3. love.
2. hear.
4. me.

Bridge

And the first shall be last, and our eyes are o - pened, and we'll

hear like nev - er be - fore. And we'll speak in new ways, and we'll

see God's face in plac - es we've nev - er known.

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Please Sit

TIME OF PERSONAL PRAYER AND REFLECTION

Please Stand

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

BLESSING AND DISMISSAL

Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)

Amazing grace how sweet the sound
That saved a wretch like me
I once was lost but now I'm found
Was blind but now I see

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear
And grace my fears relieved
How precious did that grace appear
The hour I first believed

**My chains are gone I've been set free
My God my Savior has ransomed me
And like a flood His mercy rains
Unending love amazing grace**

The Lord has promised good to me
His word my hope secures
He will my shield and portion be
As long as life endures

The earth shall soon dissolve like snow
The sun forbear to shine
But God who called me here below
Will be forever mine
Will be forever mine
You are forever mine

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