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WELCOME VISITORS TO  
**SAINT JOHN THE BAPTIST CATHOLIC CHURCH**  
NEW BRIGHTON, MINNESOTA  
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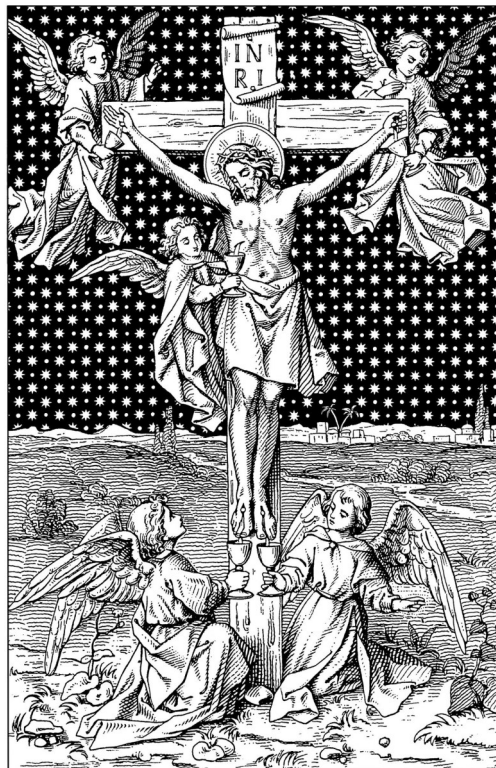
## THE THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

4:30 PM  
LIVE STREAMING

*Bearing witness to Jesus Christ  
who is the Way, the Truth and the Life:*

**GO. MAKE. TEACH.**

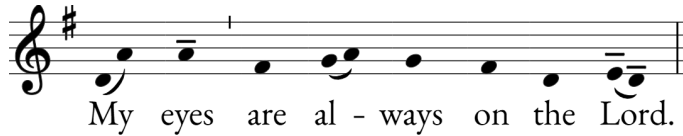
*Our Core Values:  
a reliance on prayer; a wiliness to grow; a generous spirit.*



# THE INTRODUCTORY RITES

INTROIT: Cf. Ps 25 (24): 15-16; 1-5 | *Graduale Romanum*

*My eyes are always on the Lord, for he rescues my feet from the snare. Turn to me and have mercy on me, for I am alone and poor.*



*To you, O LORD, I lift up my soul.  
In you, O my God, I have trusted;  
let me not be put to shame;  
let not my enemies exult over me.  
Let none who hope in you be put to shame;  
but shamed are those who wantonly break faith.*

*Glory be to the Father,  
and to the Son,  
and to the Holy Spirit.  
As it was in the beginning,  
is now, and ever shall be,  
world without end. Amen.*

*O LORD, make me know your ways.  
Teach me your paths.  
Guide me in your truth, and teach me;  
for you are the God of my salvation.  
I have hoped in you all day long.*

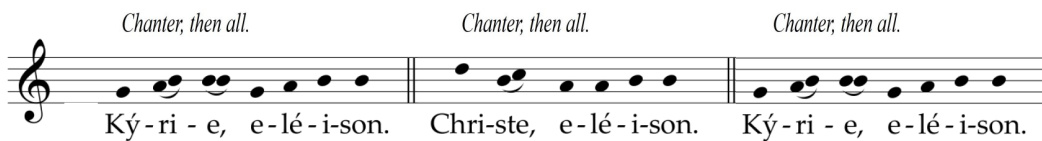
SIGN OF THE CROSS

GREETING

PENITENTIAL ACT

ABSOLUTION

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COLLECT

## THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING: Exodus 17:3-7

In those days, in their thirst for water, the people grumbled against Moses, saying, "Why did you ever make us leave Egypt? Was it just to have us die here of thirst with our children and our livestock?" So Moses cried out to the LORD, "What shall I do with this people? a little more and they will stone me!" The LORD answered Moses, "Go over there in front of the people, along with some of the elders of Israel, holding in your hand, as you go, the staff with which you struck the river. I will be standing there in front of you on the rock in Horeb. Strike the rock, and the water will flow from it for the people to drink." This Moses did, in the presence of the elders of Israel. The place was called Massah and Meribah, because the Israelites quarreled there and tested the LORD, saying, "Is the LORD in our midst or not?"

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Ps 95 (94): 8



*Come, let us sing joyfully to the LORD;  
let us acclaim the Rock of our salvation.  
Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving;  
let us joyfully sing psalms to him.*

*Come, let us bow down in worship;  
let us kneel before the LORD who made us.  
For he is our God,  
and we are the people he shepherds, the flock he  
guides.*

*Oh, that today you would hear his voice:  
"Harden not your hearts as at Meribah,  
as in the day of Massah in the desert,  
Where your fathers tempted me;  
they tested me though they had seen my works."*



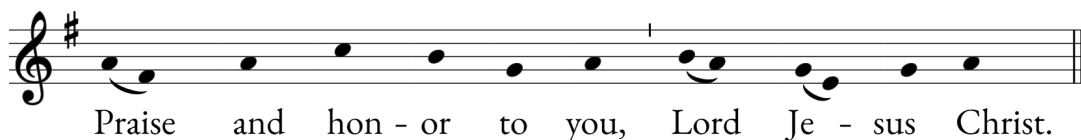
SECOND READING: Romans 5:1-2, 5-8

Brothers and sisters: Since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have gained access by faith to this grace in which we stand, and we boast in hope of the glory of God. And hope does not disappoint, because the love of God has been poured out into our hearts through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us. For Christ, while we were still helpless, died at the appointed time for the ungodly. Indeed, only with difficulty does one die for a just person, though perhaps for a good person one might even find courage to die. But God proves his love for us in that while we were still sinners Christ died for us.

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: John 4:42, 15



Lord, you are truly the Savior of the world;  
give me living water, that I may never thirst again.

GOSPEL READING: John 4:5-42

Jesus came to a town of Samaria called Sychar, near the plot of land that Jacob had given to his son Joseph. Jacob's well was there. Jesus, tired from his journey, sat down there at the well. It was about noon. A woman of Samaria came to draw water. Jesus said to her, "Give me a drink." His disciples had gone into the town to buy food. The Samaritan woman said to him, "How can you, a Jew, ask me, a Samaritan woman, for a drink?" —For Jews use nothing in common with Samaritans.— Jesus answered and said to her, "If you knew the gift of God and who is saying to you, 'Give me a drink,' you would have asked him and he would have given you living water." The woman said to him, "Sir, you do not even have a bucket and the cistern is deep; where then can you get this living water? Are you greater than our father Jacob, who gave us this cistern and drank from it himself with his children and his flocks?" Jesus answered and said to her, "Everyone who drinks this water will be thirsty again; but whoever drinks the water I shall give will never thirst; the water I shall give will become in him a spring of water welling up to eternal life." The woman said to him, "Sir, give me this water, so that I may not be thirsty or have to keep coming here to draw water."

Jesus said to her, "Go call your husband and come back." The woman answered and said to him, "I do not have a husband." Jesus answered her, "You are right in saying, 'I do not have a husband.' For you have had five husbands, and the one you have now is not your husband. What you have said is true." The woman said to him, "Sir, I can see that you are a prophet. Our ancestors worshiped on this mountain; but you people say that the place to worship is in Jerusalem." Jesus said to her, "Believe me, woman, the hour is coming when you will worship the Father neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem. You people worship what you do not understand; we worship what we understand, because salvation is from the Jews. But the hour is coming, and is now here, when true worshipers will worship the Father in Spirit and truth; and indeed the Father seeks such people to worship him. God is Spirit, and those who worship him must worship in Spirit and truth." The woman said to him, "I know that the Messiah is coming, the one called the Christ; when he comes, he will tell us everything." Jesus said to her, "I am he, the one speaking with you." At that moment his disciples returned, and were amazed that he was talking with a woman, but still no one said, "What are you looking for?" or "Why are you talking with her?" The woman left her water jar and went into the town and said to the people, "Come see a man who told me everything I have done. Could he possibly be the Christ?" They went out of the town and came to him. Meanwhile, the disciples urged him, "Rabbi, eat." But he said to them, "I have food to eat of which you do not know." So the disciples said to one another, "Could someone have brought him something to eat?" Jesus said to them, "My food is to do the will of the one who sent me and to finish his work. Do you not say, 'In four months the harvest will be here'? I tell you, look up and see the fields ripe for the harvest. The reaper is already receiving payment and gathering crops for eternal life, so that the sower and reaper can rejoice together. For here the saying is verified that 'One sows and another reaps.' I sent you to reap what you have not worked for; others have done the work, and you are sharing the fruits of their work." Many of the Samaritans of that town began to believe in him because of the word of the woman who testified, "He told me everything I have done." When the Samaritans came to him, they invited him to stay with them; and he stayed there two days. Many more began to believe in him because of his word, and they said to the woman, "We no longer believe because of your word; for we have heard for ourselves, and we know that this is truly the savior of the world."

Gospeler: The Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to You, Lord Jesus Christ.

HOMILY

## PROFESSION OF FAITH

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,

*all bow during these two lines:*

***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.

## UNIVERSAL PRAYER

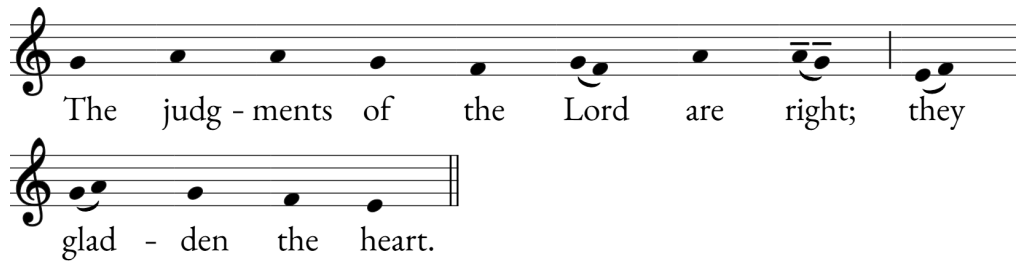
*Cantor*                      *All*

Lord, in your mer - cy,    hear    our   pray'r.

# THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

OFFERTORIUM: Ps 19 (18): 9, 10, 11, 12; v. 8-13 | *Graduale Romanum*

*The judgments of the Lord are right; they gladden the heart, and are sweeter than honey and the honeycomb. And so, your servant shall keep them.*



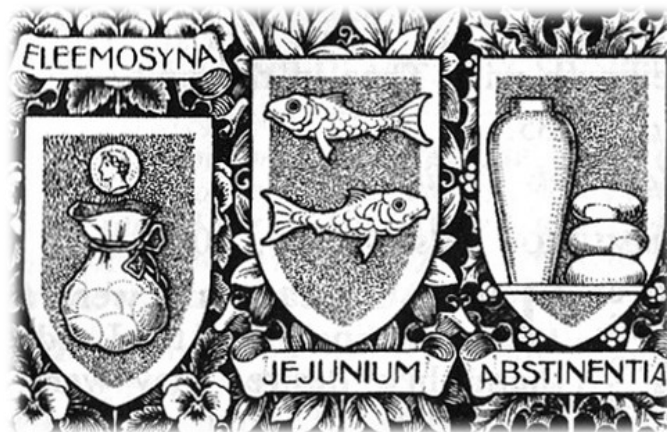
*The law of the LORD is perfect;  
it revives the soul.  
The decrees of the LORD are steadfast;  
they give wisdom to the simple.*

*The precepts of the LORD are right;  
they gladden the heart.  
The command of the LORD is clear;  
it gives light to the eyes.*

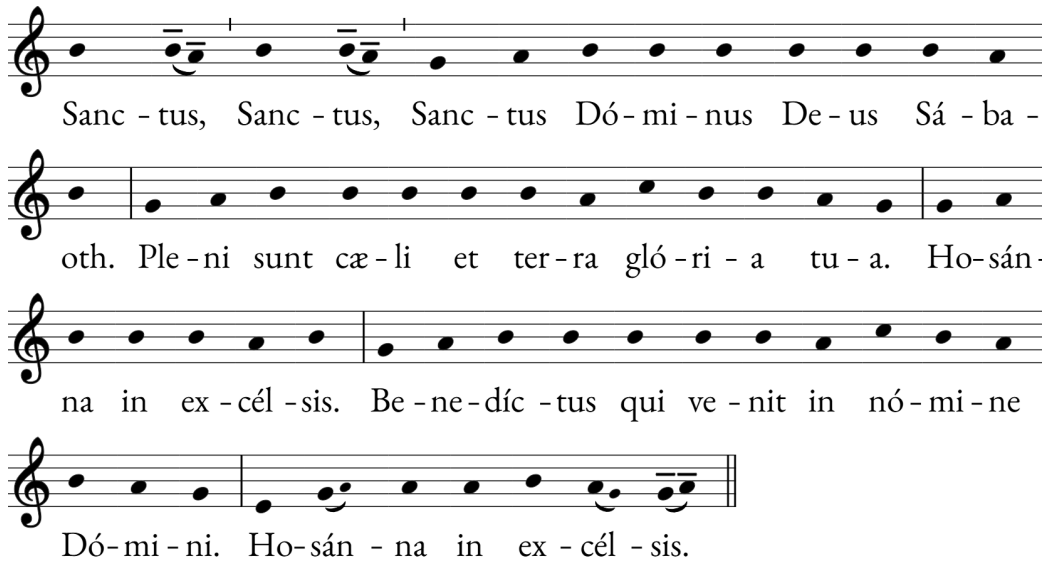
*The fear of the LORD is pure,  
abiding forever.  
The judgments of the LORD are true;  
they are, all of them, just.*

*They are more to be desired than gold,  
than quantities of gold.  
And sweeter are they than honey,  
than honey flowing from the comb.*

*So in them your servant finds instruction;  
great reward is in their keeping.  
But who can detect their own errors?  
From hidden faults acquit me.*



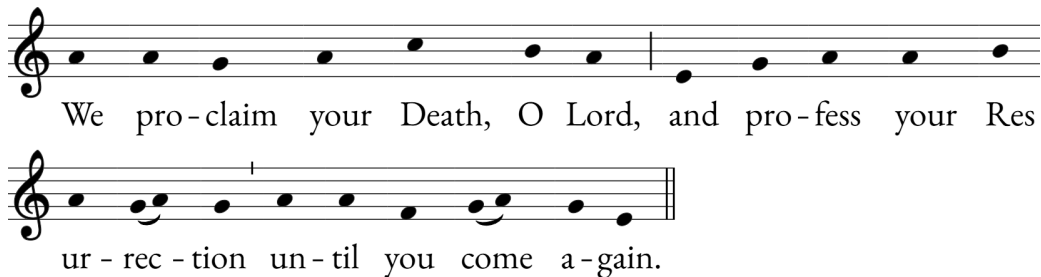
## SANCTUS



Sanc - tus, Sanc - tus, Sanc - tus 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 - díc - tus qui ve - nit in nó - mi - ne  
Dó - mi - ni. Ho - sán - na in ex - cél - sis.

*Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts. Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.*

## MYSTERIUM FIDEI



We pro - claim your Death, O Lord, and pro - fess your Res  
ur - rec - tion un - til you come a - gain.

## THE COMMUNION RITE

### AGNUS DEI



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

*Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.  
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.  
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, grant us peace.*

## AN ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

My Jesus,

I believe that you are present in the Blessed Sacrament.

I love you above all things and I desire you in my soul.

Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally,  
come at least spiritually into my heart.

As though you were already there,  
I embrace you and unite myself wholly to you;  
permit not that I should ever be separated from you.

Amen



COMMUNIO: Jn 4: 13, 14 | *Graduale Romanum*

*(Sung in Latin)*

*For anyone who drinks it, says the Lord, the water I shall give will become in him a spring welling up to eternal life.*

*D. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.*

*As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,  
world without end. Amen.*

COMMUNION MEDITATION: *Attende Domine*

At - tén - de Dó - mi - ne, et mis - e - ré - re, Qui - a pec -  
cá - vi - mus ti - bi.

The image shows two staves of musical notation in treble clef. The first staff contains the melody for the first line of text, and the second staff contains the melody for the second line. The notes are simple quarter and eighth notes, with a final double bar line at the end of the second staff.

*Attend to us, O Lord, and give your mercy, for we have sinned against you.*

MARIAN ANTIPHON: *Ave Regina Caelorum*

A - ve, Re - gí - na cæ - ló - rum, A - ve, Dó - mi - na an -  
ge - ló - rum: Sal - ve, ra - dix, sal - ve, por - ta Ex qua mun -  
do lux est or - ta: Gau - de, Vir - go glo - ri - ó - sa, Su - per  
om - nes spe - ci - ó - sa, Va - le, o val - de de - có - ra,  
Et pro no - bis Chris - tum ex - ó - ra.

The image shows five staves of musical notation in treble clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#). The melody is written in a simple, rhythmic style using quarter and eighth notes. The text is aligned with the notes across the staves, with a final double bar line at the end of the fifth staff.

*Hail, Queen of heaven, hail Lady of the angels. Hail root and gate from which the Light of the world was born. Rejoice glorious Virgin, fairest of all. Fare thee well, most beautiful, and pray for us to Christ.*

HYMN OF THANKSGIVING: Forty Days And Forty Nights



1. For - ty days and for - ty nights You were  
 2. Shall not we your sor - row share, And from  
 3. And if Sa - tan, armed for war, Flesh or  
 4. So shall we have peace di - vine, Ho - lier  
 5. Keep, O keep us, Sav - ior dear, Ev - er



1. fast - ing in the wild; For - ty days and  
 2. earth - ly joys ab - stain, Fast - ing with un -  
 3. spir - it should as - sail, You, his Van - quish -  
 4. strength, and glad - ness true; Round us, too, shall  
 5. con - stant by your side; That with you we



1. for - ty nights Tempt - ed, and yet un - de - filed.  
 2. ceas - ing prayer, Glad with you to suf - fer pain?  
 3. er be - fore, Grant we may not faint or fail.  
 4. an - gels shine, Such as min - is - tered to you.  
 5. may ap - pear At the e - ter - nal East - er - tide.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION, PRAYER TO ST. MICHAEL

*St. Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle. Be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the Devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray, and do thou, O Prince of the heavenly hosts, by the power of God, cast into hell Satan, and all the evil spirits, who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.*

