

Solemn High Mass

THE 2ND SUNDAY IN LENT
March 16, 2025 11 a.m.



Welcome to Atonement. We hope you will participate fully in today's service, as you feel comfortable. Customary times to stand, kneel, and sit are indicated by italic type. Words spoken by the people are indicated by bold type. Hymns can be found by number in the blue hymnal in the pewbacks.

The Mass setting is "Missa 'Ave Maris Stella'" by Josquin des Prez (c.1450/55–1521)

THE VOLUNTARY

I call to thee, Lord Jesus Christ

J. S. Bach (1685–1750)

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

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THE ENTRANCE RITE

When the bell rings, please stand, as able.

THE OPENING HYMN • 147

Now let us all with one accord

Bourbon

THE OPENING ACCLAMATION

Celebrant

Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

People

His mercy en - dures for ev - er.

A PENITENTIAL ORDER

The Celebrant says

Jesus said, "The first commandment is this: Hear, O Israel: The Lord your God is the only Lord. Love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all

your strength. The second is this: Love your neighbor as yourself. There is no commandment greater than these.”

THE CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

The People kneel, as able.

Most merciful God, 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 neighbors 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.**

Almighty God, have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life.
Amen.

The People stand, as able, and the Choir sings

THE KYRIE

Kyrie eleison. Christe eleison. Kyrie eleison.

Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

O God, whose glory it is always to have mercy: Be gracious to all who have gone astray from your ways, and bring them again with penitent hearts and steadfast faith to embrace and hold fast the unchangeable truth of your Word, Jesus Christ your Son; who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

THE WORD OF GOD

The People sit for the readings from scripture.

THE FIRST READING

Genesis 15:1–12, 17–18

The word of the Lord came to Abram in a vision, “Do not be afraid, Abram, I am your shield; your reward shall be very great.” But Abram said, “O Lord God, what will you give me, for I continue childless, and the heir of my house is Eliezer of Damascus?” And Abram said, “You have given me no offspring, and so a slave born in my house is to be my heir.” But the word of the Lord came to him, “This man shall not be your heir; no one but your very own issue shall be your heir.” He brought him outside and said, “Look toward heaven and count the stars, if you are able to count them.” Then he said to him, “So shall your descendants be.” And he believed the Lord; and the Lord reckoned it to him as righteousness.

Then he said to him, "I am the Lord who brought you from Ur of the Chaldeans, to give you this land to possess." But he said, "O Lord God, how am I to know that I shall possess it?" He said to him, "Bring me a heifer three years old, a female goat three years old, a ram three years old, a turtledove, and a young pigeon." He brought him all these and cut them in two, laying each half over against the other; but he did not cut the birds in two. And when birds of prey came down on the carcasses, Abram drove them away.

As the sun was going down, a deep sleep fell upon Abram, and a deep and terrifying darkness descended upon him.

When the sun had gone down and it was dark, a smoking fire pot and a flaming torch passed between these pieces. On that day the Lord made a covenant with Abram, saying, "To your descendants I give this land, from the river of Egypt to the great river, the river Euphrates."

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

The Choir sings

THE PSALM • 27:1–8

Dominus illuminatio

Setting: Plainsong

The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom then shall I fear? the Lord is the strength of my life; of whom then shall I be afraid? When evildoers came upon me to eat up my flesh, it was they, my foes and my adversaries, who stumbled and fell. Though an army should encamp against me, yet my heart shall not be afraid; And though war should rise up against me, yet will I put my trust in him. One thing have I asked of the Lord; one thing I seek; that I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life; To behold the fair beauty of the Lord and to seek him in his temple. For in the day of trouble he shall keep me safe in his shelter; he shall hide me in the secrecy of his dwelling and set me high upon a rock. Even now he lifts up my head above my enemies round about me.

THE SECOND READING

Philippians 3:17–4:1

Brothers and sisters, join in imitating me, and observe those who live according to the example you have in us. For many live as enemies of the cross of Christ; I have often told you of them, and now I tell you even with tears. Their end is destruction; their god is the belly; and their glory is in their shame; their minds are set on earthly things. But our citizenship is in heaven, and it is from there that we are expecting a Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ. He will transform the body of our humiliation that it may be conformed to the body of his glory, by the power that also enables him to make all things subject to himself. Therefore, my brothers and sisters, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm in the Lord in this way, my beloved.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Please stand, as able.

THE TRACT

Commovisti

Thou hast moved the land, O Lord: and divided it. Heal the sores thereof: for it shaketh. That they may triumph because of the truth: that thy beloved may be delivered.

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

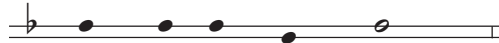
The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.



Glo - ry to you, Lord Christ.

Some Pharisees came and said to Jesus, “Get away from here, for Herod wants to kill you.” He said to them, “Go and tell that fox for me, ‘Listen, I am casting out demons and performing cures today and tomorrow, and on the third day I finish my work. Yet today, tomorrow, and the next day I must be on my way, because it is impossible for a prophet to be killed outside of Jerusalem.’ Jerusalem, Jerusalem, the city that kills the prophets and stones those who are sent to it! How often have I desired to gather your children together as a hen gathers her brood under her wings, and you were not willing! See, your house is left to you. And I tell you, you will not see me until the time comes when you say, ‘Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.’”

The Gospel of the Lord.



Praise to you, Lord Christ.

THE SERMON

The Rev'd Charles Everson
Rector

Please stand, as able.

THE NICENE CREED

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. 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 and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped 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

After each petition, the People respond

Hear our prayer.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

THE OFFERTORY SENTENCE

The People sit.

THE OFFERTORY PROPER

Meditábor

My delight shall be in thy commandments, which I have loved: my hands also will I lift up unto thy commandments, which I have loved.

THE OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Hear My Prayer, O Lord

Henry Purcell (c.1659–1695)

Hear my prayer, O Lord, and let my crying unto thee. [Psalm 102]

Please stand, as able, and sing

THE OFFERTORY HYMN • 691

My faith looks up to thee

Olivet

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING


Eucharistic Prayer C

Celebrant *People*




The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

Celebrant *People*




Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant



Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People



It is right to give him thanks and praise.

God of all power, Ruler of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and praise.



Glo - ry to you for ev - er and ev - er.

At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home.



By your will they were cre - a - ted and have their be - ing.

From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill. You made us the rulers of creation. But we turned against you, and betrayed your trust; and we turned against one another.



Have mer - cy, Lord, for we are sin - ners in your sight.

Again and again, you called us to return. Through prophets and sages you revealed your righteous Law. And in the fullness of time you sent your only Son, born of a woman, to fulfill your Law, to open for us the way of freedom and peace.



By his blood, he re - con - ciled us. By his wounds, we are healed.

And therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:

The Choir sings

THE SANCTUS & BENEDICTUS

Sanctus, Sanctus, Sanctus, Dominus Deus Sabaoth. Pleni sunt caeli et terra gloria tua. Hosanna in excelsis. Benedictus qui venit in nomine Domini, Hosanna in excelsis.

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.

Please kneel or stand, as able, as the Celebrant continues the prayer.

And so, Father, we who have been redeemed by him, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring before you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord.

On the night he was betrayed he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, and gave it to his friends, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper, he took the cup of wine, gave thanks, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving,



We ce - le - brate his death and re - sur - rec - tion, as we a -



wait the day of his com - ing.

Lord God of our Fathers: God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob; God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ: Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world about us. Deliver us from the presumption of coming to this Table for solace only, and not for strength; for pardon only, and not for renewal. Let the grace of this Holy Communion make us one body, one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the world in his name.



Ri - sen Lord, be known to us in the break - ing of the Bread.

Accept these prayers and praises, Father, through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to generation.



A - men. A - men. A - - - men.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,



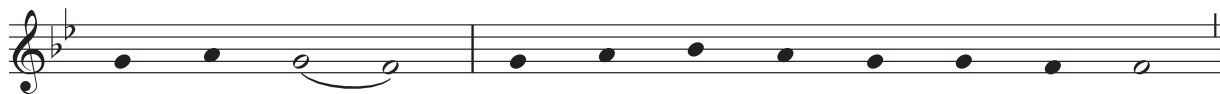
Our Fa - ther, who art in hea - ven, hal - low - ed



be thy Name, thy king - dom come, thy will be done,



on earth as it is in hea - ven. Give us this day our



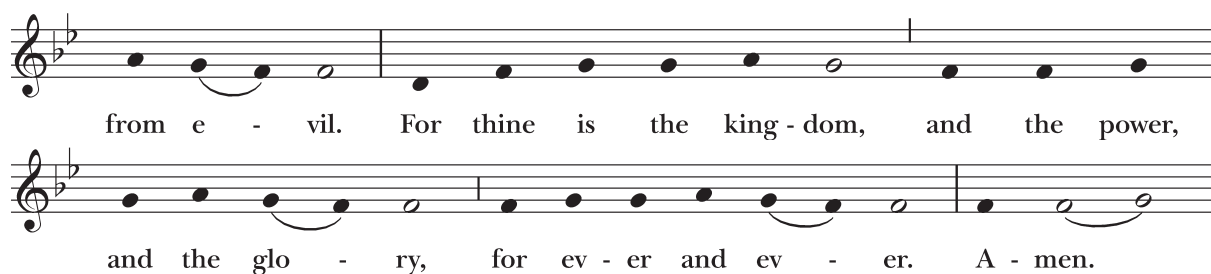
dai - ly bread. And for - give us our tres - pas - ses,



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



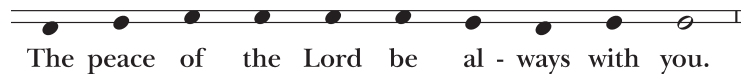
from e - vil. For thine is the king - dom, and the power,
and the glo - ry, for ev - er and ev - er. A - men.

Music: Plainsong, adapt. Charles Winfred Douglas (1867–1944). Setting: © Church Publishing Inc.

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.

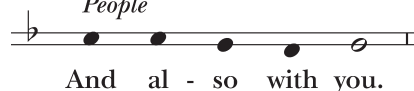
THE PEACE

Celebrant



The peace of the Lord be al - ways with you.

People



And al - so with you.

Music: Ambrosian chant, adapt. Mason Martens (1933–1991). ©1971 Mason Martens.

The People remain kneeling as the Choir sings

THE AGNUS DEI

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, miserere nobis. Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, miserere nobis. Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, dona nobis pacem.

Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world, have mercy on us. Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world, have mercy on us. Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world, grant us peace.

THE PRAYER OF HUMBLE ACCESS

We do not presume to come to this your table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in your abundant and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under your table; but you are the same Lord whose character is always to have mercy. Grant us, therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of your dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that our sinful bodies may be made clean by his body, and our souls washed through his most precious blood, and that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.

THE INVITATION TO COMMUNION

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

Everyone is welcome to come forward at this time. All baptized Christians are invited to receive Communion in both bread and wine. Please do not dip your bread in the wine. Gluten-free bread is available; please notify the priest as they come to you.

If you are not baptized, or if you prefer, you may receive a blessing from the priest instead: cross your arms over your chest to indicate this. If you do not wish to receive wine, cross your arms over your chest after receiving the bread. Please remain in place until the person next to you has received Communion.

THE COMMUNION PROPER

Visionem

Tell the vision to no man, until the Son of Man be risen again from the dead.

THE COMMUNION ANTHEM

I will lift up mine eyes unto the hills

Caleb Burhans (b.1980)

I will lift up mine eyes unto the hills, from whence cometh my help. My help cometh from the Lord, which made heaven and earth. He will not suffer thy foot to be moved: he that keepeth thee will not slumber. Behold, he that keepeth Israel shall neither slumber nor sleep. The Lord is thy keeper: the Lord is thy shade upon thy right hand. The sun shall not smite thee by day, nor the moon by night. The Lord shall preserve thee from all evil: he shall preserve thy soul. The Lord shall preserve thy going out and thy coming in from this time forth, and even for evermore. [Psalm 121]

THE COMMUNION HYMN • 469

There's a wideness in God's mercy

St Helena

THE COMMISSION OF EUCHARISTIC VISITORS

From time to time, a Eucharistic Visitor is sent forth with the Body of Christ to those unable to be present with us on Sundays.

N., in the name of Christ, we send you forth bearing these holy gifts, that those to whom you go may share with us in the communion of Christ's body.

We, who are many are one body, because we all share in one bread.

Please kneel or stand, as able, for

THE POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

Let us pray.

Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

THE BLESSING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

The Celebrant offers God's blessing on the congregation, to which the People respond

Amen.

Please stand, as able, for

THE DISMISSAL

The Deacon dismisses the congregation, to which the People respond

Thanks be to God.

THE CLOSING HYMN • 441

In the cross of Christ I glory

Rathburn

THE VOLUNTARY

Prélude

Gabriel Pierné (1863–1937)



*Please join us for coffee and refreshments after the service in Montgomery Hall,
through the double doors on the right side of the church.*



TODAY'S MINISTERS

Celebrant & Preacher: The Rev'd Charles Everson; *Deacon:* The Rev'd Scott Elliott; *Subdeacon:* Peg Taylor; *Assisting:* The Rev'd Kate Guistolise; *Organist:* Charlie Segal; *Choirmaster:* Dr Christopher Windle; *Choral Scholar:* Annamarie Collins; *Lectors:* Tim Fox, Barbara Newman; *Intercessor:* Ryan Strand-Prewit

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Forum: Desert Spirituality: Solitude & Solidarity. Join us for our parish forum on Sun., Mar. 16 at 10 a.m. in the Elizabethan Room, Christ in his temptation, the desert fathers/mothers of the early Church, and spiritual writers such as Terry Tempest Williams have this in common: they spend time in solitude but remain in solidarity with their people and their traditions. Facilitator Richard Kieckhefer will lead us in exploring some of the ways the desert has figured in Christian spirituality.

Walk in the footsteps of Jesus' final hours. Beginning Fri., Mar. 14 at 7 p.m., and on the following Fridays throughout Lent, Atonement will commemorate the Stations of the Cross, an ancient tradition whereby Christians retrace the final steps of Jesus' walk through Jerusalem to the site of his Crucifixion. The service will include a short Lenten reflection and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament.

Simple soup suppers before Stations. You're invited to join us for a simple soup supper at Fridays 6 p.m. in Montgomery Hall prior to our service of Stations of the Cross. Members of the parish will provide vegetarian soup and bread.

Private confession during Lent. Father Charles will hear confessions Wednesdays in Lent, 6-6:45 p.m. (preceding Low Mass), and Mother Kate Guistolise will hear confessions on Fridays, 6-6:45 p.m. (preceding the Stations). Father Charles is also available to hear confessions by appointment. Go to frcharleseverson.appointlet.com to make an appointment. If you would prefer to make your confession to someone other than Father Charles, that is perfectly fine. He's happy to connect you with another priest. Please email him to make arrangements.

Friendly Seniors: Theater in Edgewater. Meet with old friends and make new friends at our Friendly Seniors Lunch on Fri., Mar. 28 at 11:30 a.m. in Montgomery Hall. Our presenter, Eileen Tull, is a drama instructor with the Chicago Park District. She is a storyteller, director, and one-woman-show person who teaches the very young as well as older adults. She will speak about her role at the Berger Park Cultural Center, as well as some of the projects she is working on. You'll also have an opportunity to win two tickets to an upcoming play at Jackalope Theatre which is located at the Broadway Armory.

Bring a dish to share for our potluck. Coffee will be provided. Email Dennis Pattey-Warner or call him (847) 890-8110 and let him know what you will bring: appetizer/salad, side dish, main course, or dessert so we have all courses available. Please notify Dennis several days in advance so he can ask you to switch to something else if we already have too many offers of the same course.

Save the Date. The St Cecilia Choir will sing Choral Evensong on Wed., Apr. 2 at 7 p.m.

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Clergy, Staff & Leadership

CLERGY AND STAFF

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Worship Schedule

SUNDAYS Low Mass 8 a.m., Family Mass 9 a.m., Solemn High Mass 11 a.m.

WEEKDAYS Monday and Friday 7:30 a.m., Tuesday and Thursday 12 noon, Wednesday 7 p.m.

SATURDAYS The Holy Rosary 9:30 a.m., Healing Mass 10 a.m.

MORNING PRAYER Daily 8:30 a.m. *on Google Meet*

EVENING PRAYER Tuesday 5:30 p.m. *on Google Meet*

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