# The Cathedral of Saint Paul 

BirmingHam, Alabama<br>Most Reverend Steven J. Raica, Bishop<br>Very Reverend Bryan W. Jerabek, Pastor \& Rector<br>\title{ The Fourth Sunday of LENT «LAETARE»<br><br>March 10,2024 }



Welcome to the Cathedral of Saint Paul. The order of Mass can be found on page 3 in the Sunday's Word booklets.

## Voluntary

Toccatas
Frescobaldi

Entrance Antiphon (5:00pm \& 8:30AM) Laetare Ierusalem
Please join in the antiphon below after the cantor introduction and in between psalm verses.

5. Re- joice, O Je-ru-sa-lem, all you who love her.

Entrance Antiphon (11:00AM) Laetare Ierusalem
CF. ISAIAH 66:10-11
Laetare Ierúsalem: et convéntum fácite, omnes qui dilígitis eam: gaudéte cum lætítia, qui in tristítia fuístis: ut exsultétis, et satiémini ab ubéribus consolatiónis vestræ. V. Lætátus sum in his, quæ dicta sunt mihi: in domum Dómini íbimus. / Rejoice, Jerusalem, and all who love her. Be joyful, all who were mourning; exult and be satisfied at her consoling breast. X. I rejoiced when it was said unto me: let us go to the house of the Lord.

KyRIE (5:00PM \& 8:30AM)
Mass XVII



## Verse before the Gospel



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

CREED (11:00AM)
Credo III

li- um ómni- um, et in vi- sibí- li- um. Et in unum Dóminum Ie- sum Chri stum, Fíli- um


De- i unigéni-tum. Et ex Patre na- tum ante ómni- a sae- cula. De-um de De-o, lumen

de lúmine, De-um verum de De-o vero. Géni-tum, non fa- ctum, consubstan ti- á-lem


Patri: per quem ómni- a fa- cta sunt. Qui propter nos hómines, et propter nostram sa-

lútem descén dit de cæ lis. Et in carná tus est de Spí- ri-tu Sán cto ex Ma-rí-a Vírgine, et

homo factus est. Cru- ci-fí- xus ét-i-am pro nobis sub Pónti-o Pi-láto; passus, et sepúl-

tus est. Et resur réxit tér ti- a di- e, secún dum Scrip tú- ras. Et ascén dit in cx- lum, sedet

ad déx te- ram Pa- tris. Et í-terum ven tú rus est cum glóri- a, ju dicáre vivos et mórtu-os:

ex Patre Fi-li-óque pro-cédit. Qui cum Patre et Fí-li- o simul adorátur et conglori-fi-

cátur: qui locútus est per prophétas. Et unam, san ctam, cathó-licam et apostó-licam


Ecclé- si- am. Con fí-te- or unum baptísma in remissi- ónem pec catórum. Et ex spéc to

resur recti- ónem mortu- órum. Et vi- tam ven tú ri sae- cu-li. A-
men.


## Liturgy of the Eucharist

Offertory Hymn (All Masses)
Parce Domine


Spare Your people, spare Your people, Lord: do not be angry with us forever.

Offertory Antiphon (11:00Am) Laudate Dominum
PSALM 135:3-6
Laudáte Dóminum, quia benígnus est: psállite nómini eius, quóniam suávis est: ómnia, quaecúmque vóluit, fecit in caelo et in terra. / Praise the Lord, for He is good: Sing a psalm to His name, for He is delightful: The Lord does whatever He wills, in heaven and on earth.


## Mysterium Fidei



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


Agnus Dei (5:00PM \& 8:30AM)
MAss XVII


- gnus Dé- i, * qui tól- lis peccá- ta mún di: mi- se- ré- re nó- bis. i


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## HOLY COMMUNION

We invite all Catholics who are properly disposed (i.e., in the state of grace and having fasted for one hour before communion) to come forward in the usual way to receive Holy Communion.

All others, including our non-Catholic guests, may remain in their pews and join us in prayer. Alternatively, to participate in the communion procession and receive a blessing, come forward in the line and cross your arms over your chest as you approach the minister. Thank you.

Communion Antiphon (All Masses) Dominus linivit oculus
CF. JOHN 9:11,36
Please join in the refrain below after the cantor introduction and between each verse of Psalm 27.


POSTCOMMUNION (5:00PM \& 8:30AM)
Ave Regina Caelorum
Simple Tone

ex qua mun do lux est orta. Gau de Virgo glo-ri- ó-sa, su- per omnes spe-ci-ó-sa;


Va- le, o valde decó- ra. et pro no- bis Chri stum exó- ra.

## Postcommunion (11:00AM)

Ave Regina Caelorum À 5
Hail, Queen of Heaven; Hail, Lady of the Angels; Hail, the root; Hail the gate; From which the Light dawned upon the world. Rejoice, O glorious Virgin, Lovely above all; Fare thee well, O most beautiful: And pray for us to Christ.

Please respect our custom of staying through the conclusion of the Closing Hymn. This is our corporate act of thanksgiving after Mass. Thank you!

Closing
The Glory of these Forty Days
Erhalt uns, Herr
 lov-ing God who gave the law; And to E - li - jah, liv - ered from the li - ons' might; And John, the Bride-groom's turn in fast and prayer to you. Our spir - its strength-en


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## Music AnNouncements

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## Our Next Concert isn’t a Concert...but a Devotion!

# Please join us for <br> Stations of the Cross with Cathedral Choir! <br> THIS FRIDAY, MARCH 15, 2024 AT 5:30PM 

All CONCERTS ARE FREE TO THE PUBLIC; All ARE WELCOME!
THIS IS AN IDEAL OPPORTUNITY TO BRING A VISITOR TO THE CATHEDRAL, OR TO INTRODUCE SOMEONE TO our Catholic Faith! As always, a Fish Fry courtesy of our Knights of Columbus follows

## About Today's Music

This weekend, we celebrate the liturgy for Laetare Sunday, so named for the text of the entrance antiphon of the day: "Rejoice, O Jerusalem!" The introit text shows us the inner, joyful meaning of this day, and casts the entire Lenten season within the redemptive mission of Our Lord Jesus Christ. Musically, this foresees a respite from the Lenten strictures of no instrumental music in the Sacred Liturgy, and so we hear organ voluntaries before and after Mass as usual. The music presented today has links to the Renaissance and early Baroque tradition with an especial link to St. Peter's Basilica in Rome. The prelude and voluntary after Mass are toccatas by Girolamo Frescobaldi, the most famous organist of St. Peter's Basilica. Surely one of the first composers to achieve acclaim chiefly through his music for keyboard instruments, Frescobaldi had a large output of pieces based on vocal counterpoint. "Toccata" means "to touch", and so Toccatas were his way of showing virtuosity. His music has great imagination, but nonetheless owes a great deal to his predecessors, including Giovanni da Palestrina. The music, at times, is somewhat hard for us to comprehend, but one must think of the vast space of St. Peter's Basilica, where the acoustic melds these pieces into something altogether different than they appear on the score. There are exotic chromatic harmonies, as well as long, virtuosic phrases in one hand or another. Organists always say, "The room is the best stop [sound]", and Frescobaldi's music shows that he was truly exploring the magnificent (and then still-new) room that is St. Peter's. The most famous Renaissance polyphonist, Giovanni da Palestrina is the supreme model of "Roman polyphony". His music possesses brilliant architecture: arch forms develop and subside in each voice, lines unfold-all in the service of the text. The Mass presented at 11am today is based on an Ambrosian hymn for feasts of Apostles and martyrs; it "parodies" (or quotes) the tune of the hymn in all four parts of the Mass. These are deployed in various ways typical of the composer, including a double canon in the Agnus Dei II movement, which also features a quotation of the chant hymn in parallel motion in three voices. The Sanctus, typical of Palestrina, seems to make time stop-encouraging us to discard worldly cares during the Sunday liturgy. It foreshadows the heavenly reality that awaits us if we persevere! The postcommunion at 11 am is a polyphonic setting of the Marian antiphon for Lent (sung in the simple tone setting at the non-choral Masses) by Alonso Lobo, a Spanish composer who is a contemporary of Victoria. His music is of equal quality of his Spanish contemporary, but of rather different character. While Victoria ably uses homophony for expression, Lobo seems more the master of polyphony. The voices frequently pivot around just one vocal part in an extraordinarily elegant way. The entire piece is composed as a canon (exact imitation) between the two soprano parts; this is an homage to fellow Spaniard Francisco Guerrero's motet Ave virgo sanctissima, which uses this canon as well. This is a triumph of music architecture, and echoes the (Catholic) culture of the time, in which coherence and beauty were prioritized. The canon is the kernel of truth; the beauty of its deployment shows forth the faith (and ability) of Lobo.


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Liturgical Schedule

Sunday Masses
SATURDAY 5:00PM (ANTICIPATED), SUNDAY 7:15, 8:30, \& 11:00AM
Weekday Masses
MONDAY-FRIDAY, 12:10PM
Confessions
MONDAY-FRIDAY, 11:30AM-12:00PM; SATURDAY, 3:00-4:30PM OR BY APPOINTMENT


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