# THE CATHEDRAL OF SAINT PAUL

## BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA

MOST REVEREND STEVEN J. RAICA, BISHOP Very Reverend Bryan W. Jerabek, Pastor & Rector

## THE THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

APRIL 14, 2024

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

#### **PRELUDE**

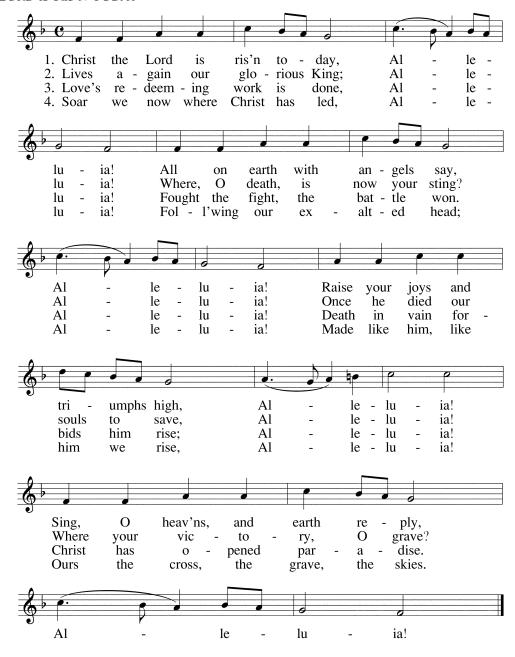
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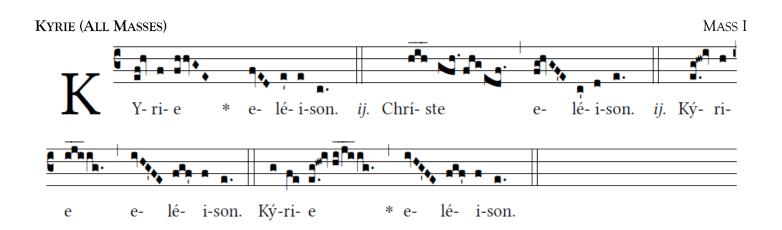
#### **ENTRANCE HYMN (ALL MASSES)**

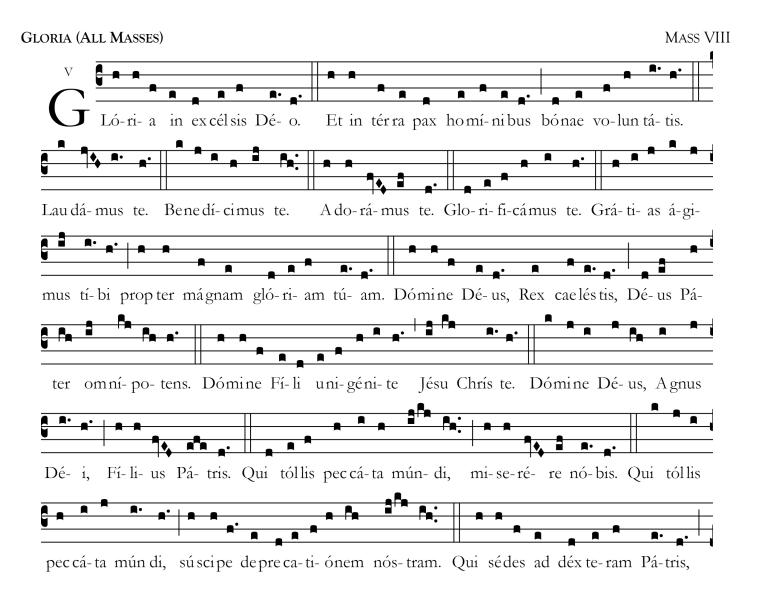
CHRIST THE LORD IS RIS'N TODAY

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Iubilate Deo, omnis terra, alleluia, psalmum dicite nomini eius, alleluia: date gloriam laudi eius, alleluia. Cry out with joy to God, all the earth, alleluia; sing to the glory of His name, alleluia. Render Him glorious praise, alleluia.









## THE LITURGY OF THE WORD



## ALLELUIA I (11:00AM) Cognoverunt

Luke 24:35

Alleluia, alleluia. V. Cognovérunt discípuli Dóminum Iesum in fractióne panis. Alleluia, alleluia. V. The disciples knew the Lord Jesus in the breaking of bread.

#### ALLELUIA

Gregorian Chant, Mode II



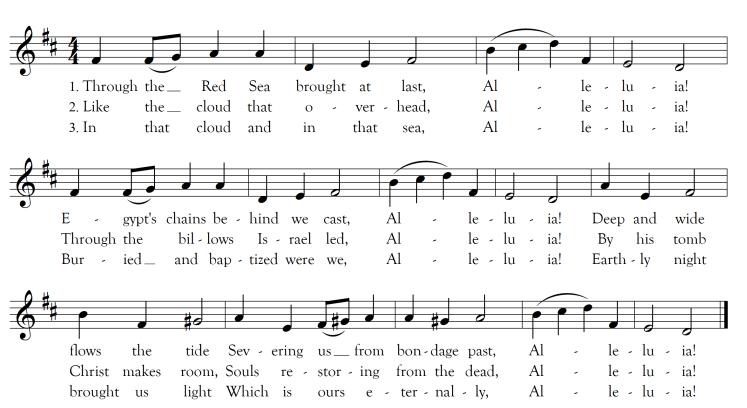
Lord Jesus, open the Scriptures to us; make our hearts burn while you speak to us.

## LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

#### OFFERTORY (ALL MASSES)

THROUGH THE RED SEA BROUGHT AT LAST

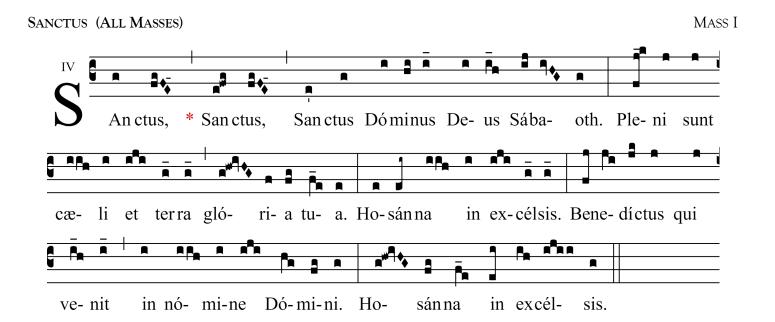
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## OFFERTORY ANTIPHON (11:00AM) Lauda anima mea

PSALM 146:2

Lauda anima mea Dominum: laudabo Dominum in vita mea: psallam Deo meo, quamdiuero, alleluia. Praise the Lord, O my soul; I will praise the Lord throughout my life; I will sing to my God for as long as I live, alleluia.



#### Mysterium Fidei



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



## **HOLY COMMUNION**

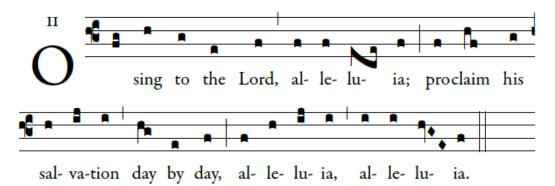
We invite all Catholics who are properly disposed (i.e., in the state of grace and having fasted for one hour before communion) to come forward in the usual way to receive Holy Communion.

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) Cantate Domino

PSALM 96:2

Please join in the antiphon below after the cantor introduction and in between psalm verses.



## POSTCOMMUNION (11:00AM)

AVE VERUM CORPUS WILLIAM BYRD

Ave, verum corpus natum de Maria Virgine: vere passum, immolatum in cruce pro homine: cuius latus perforatum unda fluxit et sanguine: esto nobis praegustatum, in mortis examine. O dulcis, o pie, O Jesu fili Mariae; miserere mei. Amen. / Hail, true Body, born of the Virgin Mary, having truly suffered, sacrificed on the cross for mankind, from whose pierced side water and blood flowed: Be for us a foretaste [of the Heavenly banquet] in the trial of death! O sweet Jesus, O holy Jesus, O Jesus, son of Mary; have mercy on me. Amen.

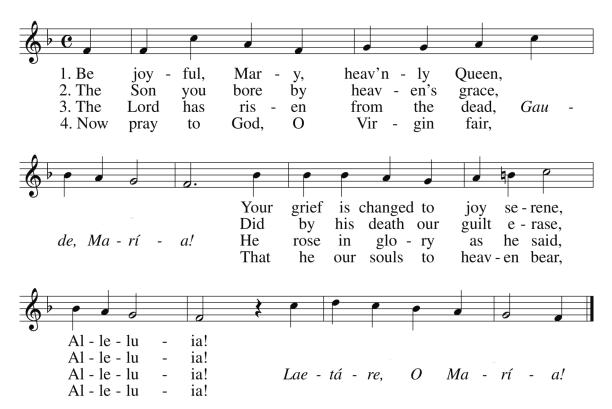


PLEASE RESPECT OUR CUSTOM OF STAYING THROUGH THE CONCLUSION OF THE CLOSING HYMN.
THIS IS OUR CORPORATE ACT OF THANKSGIVING AFTER MASS. THANK YOU!

#### CLOSING HYMN (ALL MASSES)

Be joyful, Mary

REGINA CAELI JUBILA



### **ABOUT TODAY'S MUSIC**

Unbelievably, we are nearing the mid-point of the Easter season. Beginning with proclamation of the Exsultet on Easter Vigil, we journey through many beautiful Gregorian chants associated with this holy season. You may have noticed a change in Mass ordinary to Mass I, sometimes known by its Latin nickname "Lux et origo", and suggested by the Church as the appropriate Mass ordinary for Eastertide. But what's in a name? "Lux et origo" is a "trope". Tropes, which basically ceased to be used in the Mass following the Council of Trent, had been a feature of the Kyrie eleison for many centuries (especially in the Sarum Rite in England, which is why there are seldom polyphonic Kyries in Masses there predating the 16th Century). "Lux et origo" is just one of these tropes, and it "donated" its melody to the Kyrie of Mass I. So, its original ethos lives on in the nickname! Mass I is also notable because its Sanctus and Agnus Dei share the same mode (IV, indicated above the first letter of the chant) and melodic material. This has the function of structural unification and also ease of learning. Indeed, the Agnus is the same thing presented three times—which is a reminder that the Agnus developed from a Litany! Another characteristic of this season is the use of two Alleluias: one in the usual place just prior to the proclamation of the Holy Gospel, and another in place of the Gradual (which itself is allowed to replace the responsorial psalm we use most weeks). These alleluias, especially the 1st Alleluias, are unusually lush in melody and in text, so it would be a shame not to present them. Cognoverunt is, like last week's In die Resurrectionis, very beautiful. We hear Byrd's classic Ave verum corpus this morning. His most famous composition, and surely one of the most popular pieces of polyphony ever written, it is a masterpiece of subtlety and expression. The opening "Ave" ("Hail!") statement immediately grabs the listeners attention, and then we are led on a journey, ending in a plea for mercy sung solemnly by the altos and tenors. A last "amen" provides a fitting conclusion. The voluntaries before and after Mass deserve mention. Louis-Nicolas Clerambault was one of the key figures of French baroque music in the first half of the 18th Century. Eventually titular organist of St. Sulpice in Paris, he also (like Vivaldi) worked in a girls' school. Like Charpentier, he wrote a great deal of choral music; unlike Charpentier, he was an organist, and so he left an organ book that has stood the test of time. The form and elegance of his Suite du Premier Ton is striking, with a great deal of energy in each movement as well as over the arc of the suite. As with all French baroque organ music, the pieces are descriptive and indicate (generally) what registration the organist should use. The Grand Plein Jeu indicates this slow-moving, majestic piece is played on the combined principal choruses of the organ; interestingly, the Fugue in this repertoire is played not on the chorus (as in Bach, for example), but on a reed stop. The musical ornamentation is intense! Duo indicates a brisk movement, while Trio is more of a courtly dance. The Basse et Dessus de Trompette is a dialogue between bass and treble registers of the chief trumpet stop on the organ; this piece is the most famous of the suite, and shows off our own trumpet in the style of Clicquot, the foremost builder of French baroque organs. The Recit is always a very vocal style, in this case presented as a haunting dialogue between the cromorne and the cornet. The final movement is a stunning Dialogue for the grand jeu, the combined reeds and cornets of the instrument. One of the most unique parts of the French repertoire, the sound (when one has the authentic stops we have on our instrument) is one of the most thrilling in the repertoire. D minor (which translates to the Second Tone, or Dorian mode) is a favorite key for these because the French organ often had a ravalement, which is usually a single 32' series A note—adding a thunderous note to the final cadence of the piece!

## MUSIC REMINDERS

- -Interested in what is coming up next? Visit the Orders of Worship and Music List page, conveniently located under the "Sacred Music" tab of the parish website, www.stpaulsbhm.org.
- -The next concert of the 2023-2024 *DOWNTOWN CONCERT SERIES* season at the Cathedral is given by organist *Isabelle Demers NEXT SUNDAY, April 21, at 4:00pm*. Dr. Demers is professor of organ at McGill University in Montreal, QC, Canada, and is one of the foremost organ virtuosos of North America. <u>Please join us for this FREE concert!</u>
- -Speaking of choirs, new members are always desired for Cathedral Choir. If you can read music and commit to weekly rehearsals and Masses September-June, you will love this high-achieving, fulfilling choral experience! Contact the Director of Music (Ludwick@stpaulsbhm.org, 205.251.1279x107) for more information!



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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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