

4th Sunday of Lent

INTRODUCTORY RITES

GATHERING SONG

I Heard the Voice of Jesus



1. I heard the voice of Je - sus say, "Come un - to me and
2. I heard the voice of Je - sus say, "Be - hold, I free - ly
3. I heard the voice of Je - sus say, "I am this dark world's



1. rest; Lay down, thou wea - ry one, lay down Thy head up -
2. give The liv - ing wa - ter; thirst - y one, Stoop down, and
3. light; Look un - to me, thy morn shall rise, And all thy



1. on my breast." I came to Je - sus as I was, So
2. drink, and live." I came to Je - sus, and I drank Of
3. day be bright." I looked to Je - sus, and I found In



1. wea - ry, worn and sad; I found in him a
2. that life - giv - ing stream; My thirst was quenched, my
3. him my star, my sun; And in that light of



1. rest - ing place, And he has made me glad.
2. soul re - vived, And now I live in him.
3. life I'll walk Till trav - 'ling days are done.

Text: CMD; Horatius Bonar, 1808–1889, alt.

Music: trad. English melody, adapt. by Ralph Vaughan Williams, 1872–1958.

SIGN OF THE CROSS

Priest: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

All: Amen.

GREETING

Priest: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God,
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

All: And with your spirit.

PENITENTIAL ACT

All: 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,

And, striking their breast, they say:

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.

The absolution by the Priest follows:

Priest: May almighty God have mercy on us,
forgive us our sins,
and bring us to everlasting life.

All: Amen.

Cantor; All repeat Cantor; All repeat Cantor; All repeat

Lord, have mer - cy. Christ, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy.

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COLLECT

Priest: Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

All: Amen

LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING

1 Samuel 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a

A reading from the First Book of Samuel

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,
“Here—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.
Lector: The word of the Lord.
All: **Thanks be to God.**

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SECOND READING

Ephesians 5:8-14

A reading from the Letter of St. Paul to the Ephesians

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.”

Lector: The word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL

John 9:1-41

Deacon: The Lord be with you.

All: And with your spirit.

Deacon: A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

All: 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—.

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.
Deacon: The Gospel of the Lord.
All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

HOMILY

THE CREED

All: 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,
At the words that follow, up to and including ‘and became man’, all bow.
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.

SECOND SCRUTINY

THE PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL

All: Hear our prayer.

PRAYER OVER THE ELECT (EXORCISM)

DISMISSAL OF THE ELECT

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

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OFFERTORY SONG

Taste and See

Taste and see, taste and see the good-ness of the
Lord. O taste and see, taste and see the
good-ness of the Lord, of the Lord

Verses

1. I will bless the Lord at all times.
2. Glo-ri-fy the Lord with me.
3. Wor-ship the Lord, all you peo-ple.

Praise shall al-ways be on my lips;
To-ge-th-er let us all praise God's name.
You'll want for noth-ing if you ask.

my soul shall glo-ry in the Lord
I called the Lord who an-swered me;
Taste and see that the Lord is good;

for God has been so good to me.
from all my trou-bles I was set free.
in God we need put all our trust.

All: Blessed be God for ever (x2)

Priest: Pray, brethren (brothers and sisters),
that my sacrifice and yours
may be acceptable to God,
the almighty Father.

**All: 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.**

Priest: Through Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.

THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

Priest: The Lord be with you.

All: And with your spirit.

Priest: Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them up to the Lord.

Priest: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: It is right and just.

HOLY

Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly Lord God of hosts.
Heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry.
Ho - san - na in the high - est.
Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

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MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

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

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Priest: Through him, and with him, and in him,
O God, almighty Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
all glory and honor is yours, for ever and ever.

All: Amen.

THE COMMUNION RITE

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Priest: At the Savior's command and formed by divine teaching, we dare to say:

All: **Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name;
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread,
and forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.**

Priest: Deliver us, Lord, we pray, from every evil, graciously grant peace in our days,
that, by the help of your mercy, we may be always free from sin
and safe from all distress, as we await the blessed hope
and the coming of our Savior, Jesus Christ.

All: **For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours now and for ever.**

SIGN OF PEACE

Priest: Lord Jesus Christ, who said to your Apostles:
Peace I leave you, my peace I give you, look not on our sins,
but on the faith of your Church, and graciously grant her peace and unity
in accordance with your will.
Who live and reign for ever and ever.

All: Amen.

Priest: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

All: **And with your spirit.**

Deacon: Let us offer each other the sign of peace.

LAMB OF GOD

The image shows two staves of musical notation in 3/4 time. The first staff begins with a treble clef, a key signature of one flat (B-flat), and a 3/4 time signature. The melody consists of quarter and eighth notes. Below the staff, the lyrics are: "Lamb of God, you take a-way the sins of the world, have mer - cy,". The second staff continues the melody with quarter and eighth notes, ending with a double bar line. Below this staff, the lyrics are: "mer - cy on us. world, grant us, grant us peace." A bracket labeled "Final" is placed above the second staff, indicating the end of the piece.

COMMUNION

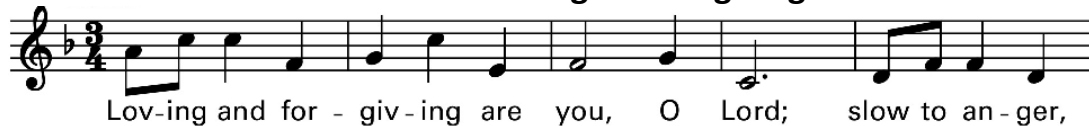
Priest: Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who takes away the sins of the world.
Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.

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

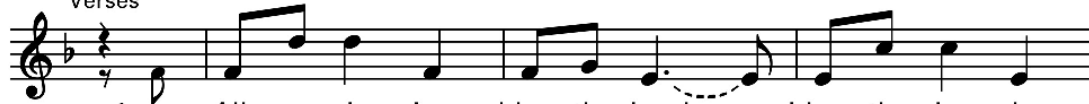
PRAYER FOR SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

My Jesus,
I believe that you are truly present in the most Blessed Sacrament.
I love you above all things and I desire to possess You within my soul.
Since I am unable at this moment to receive You sacramentally,
come at least spiritually into my heart.
I embrace You as being already there,
and unite myself wholly to You.
Never permit me to be separated from you. Amen

COMMUNION SONG Loving and Forgiving



Verses



1. All my be - ing, bless the Lord, ___ bless the ho - ly
2. God for-gives us all our sins, ___ heal - ing those who
3. Good and gra-cious is the Lord, ___ slow to an - ger,
4. As heav-en soars a - bove the earth, so great the love of



1. name of God. ___ All my be - ing, bless the Lord, re -
2. live in pain, ___ sav - ing us from fi - nal death. God
3. rich in love. ___ God re-mem - bers not our sins; for -
4. God for us. As far as east is from the west, the

to Refrain



1. mem - b'ring the good - ness of God.
2. fills us with good - ness and love.
3. giv - ing and lov - ing is God.
4. Lord takes our sins ___ from us.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Priest: Through Christ our Lord.

All: Amen

FINAL BLESSING

Priest: The Lord be with you.

All: **And with your spirit.**

Priest: May almighty God bless you,
the Father, and the Son, ✠ and the Holy Spirit.

All: **Amen.**

DISMISSAL

Deacon: Go in peace, glorifying the Lord by your life.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

RECESSIONAL SONG

Glory And Praise To Our God

Refrain




Glo - ry and praise to our God, who a - lone gives light to our days.



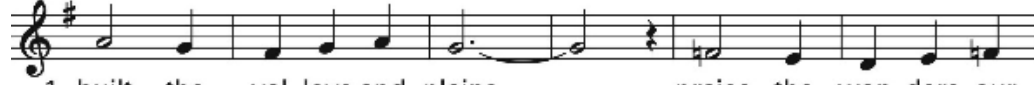
Man - y are the bless - ings he bears to those who trust in his

Verses 1-3




ways.

1. We, the daugh - ters and sons of him who
2. In his wis - dom he strength - ens us, like
3. Ev - 'ry mo - ment of ev - 'ry day our



1. built the val - leys and plains, praise the won - ders our
2. gold that's test - ed in fire. Though the pow - er of
3. God is wait - ing to save, al - ways read - y to




to Refrain

1. God has done in ev - 'ry heart that sings.
2. sin pre - vails, our God is there to save.
3. seek the lost, to an - swer those who pray.

Verse 4



4. God has wa - tered our bar - ren land and spent his mer - ci - ful rain.



to Refrain

4. Now the riv - ers of life run full for an - y - one to drink.

