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# INTRODUCTORY RITES

## ENTRANCE

Psalm 147:1; Matthew 21:9; V. Psalm 147  
Theodore Decker (d. 1930)



Lau-da, Je - ru-sa-lem, Do - mi - num, lau - da De-um tu-um, Si - on.  
Ho - san - na! Ho - san - na! Ho - san - na Fi-li-o Da - vid!

*Praise the Lord, Jerusalem; Zion, praise your God!  
Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna to the Son of David!*

Matthew 4:18-19

**D**OMINUS secus mare Galilææ  
vidit duos fratres,  
Petrum, et Andréam, et vocavit eos:  
Veníte post me,  
fáciam vos fieri piscatóres hóminum.

*By the shore of the Sea of Galilee  
the Lord saw two brothers,  
Peter and Andrew, and He called them:  
“Come after me,  
and I will make you fishers of men.”*

## PENITENTIAL ACT

**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, 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.

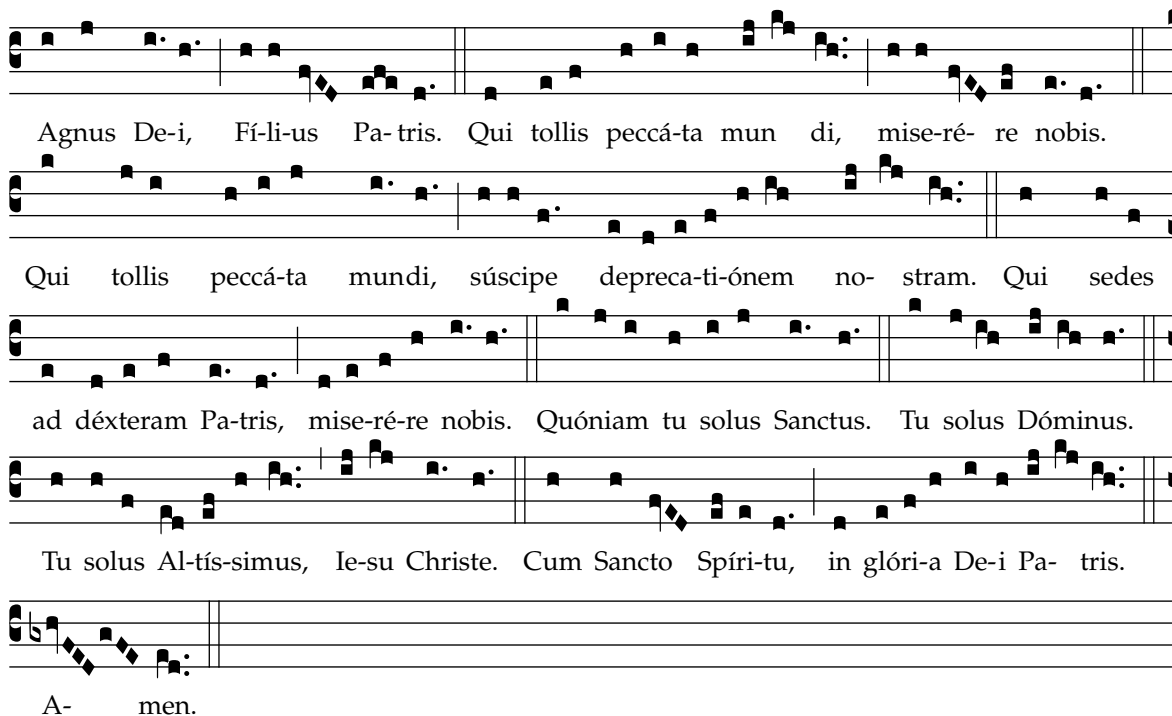
**K** <sup>v</sup> Y- ri-e, e- lé-i-son. bis Christe,  
e- lé-i-son. bis Kyri-e, e- lé-i-son. Kyri-e,  
e- lé-i-son.

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

## GLORIA

**G** <sup>v</sup> Lóri-a in excélsis De-o. Et in terra pax homínibus bonæ voluntá-tis.  
Laudá- mus te. Benedí-cimus te. Adorá- mus te. Glori-fi-cámus te. Gráti-as  
á-gimus ti-bi propter magnam glóriam tu-am. Dómine Deus, Rex cælé-stis,  
Deus Pater omnípotens. Dómine Fi-li u-nigéni-te Ie-su Christe. Dómine Deus,





Agnus De-i, Fí-li-us Pa-tris. Qui tollis peccá-ta mun di, mise-ré- re nobis.

Qui tollis peccá-ta mundi, súscipe depreca-ti-ónem no- stram. Qui sedes

ad délixteram Pa-tris, mise-ré-re nobis. Quóniam tu solus Sanctus. Tu solus Dóminus.

Tu solus Al-tís-simus, Ie-su Chreste. Cum Sancto Spíri-tu, in glóri-a De-i Pa- tris.

A- men.

*Glory to God in the highest,  
and on earth peace to people of good will.  
We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you,  
We give you thanks for your great glory,  
Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father.  
Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,  
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,  
You take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us;  
You take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer;  
You are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us.  
For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,  
You alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,  
With the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father.  
Amen.*

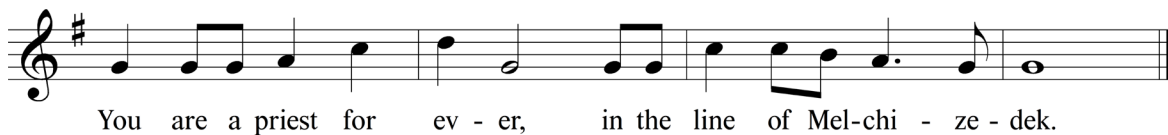
# LITURGY *of the* WORD

## FIRST READING

Acts 20:17-18a, 28-32, 36

## RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 110:1-4



## SECOND READING

Hebrews 5:1-10

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



## GOSPEL

John 21:15-17



# RITE *of* ORDINATION *to the* PRIESTHOOD

## ELECTION OF THE CANDIDATES

Reverend Andrew Hofer, O.P.

*Immediately after the Gospel, the candidates are presented to the Archbishop, who formally chooses them for the Sacred Order of Priests.*

**Archbishop:** Relying on the help of the Lord God and of our Savior Jesus Christ, we choose these, our brothers, for the Order of the Priesthood.

**Congregation:** **Thanks be to God.**

## HOMILY

Most Reverend Anthony C. Fisher, O.P.

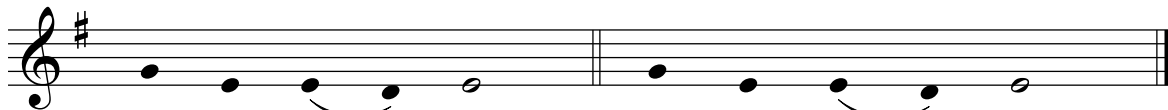
## EXAMINATION

*At the end of the homily, the Archbishop questions the elect about their resolve to undertake and fulfill faithfully the ministry to which they are about to be ordained and their willingness to unite themselves more closely to Christ, the High Priest.*

## PROMISE OF OBEDIENCE

*The elect kneel before the Archbishop and promise respect and obedience to the diocesan bishop and their religious superiors.*

## LITANY OF THE SAINTS



Lord, have mer - cy.

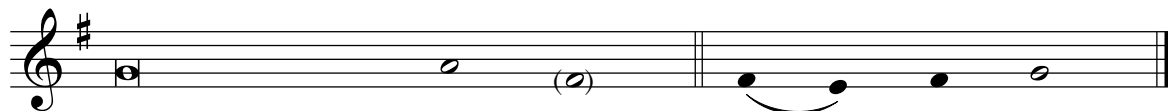
Christ, have mer - cy.

Lord, have mer - cy.

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Christ, have mer - cy.

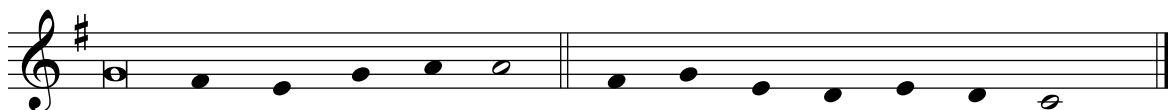
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Holy Mary, Mother of God,

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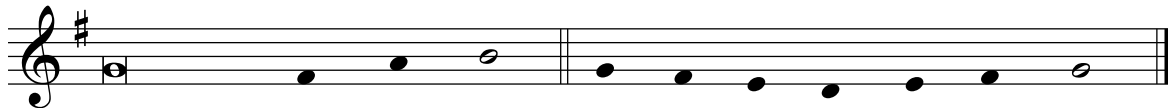
pray for us.



Lord, be mer - ci - ful,

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Lord, de - liv - er us, we pray.



Be merciful to us sin - ners,

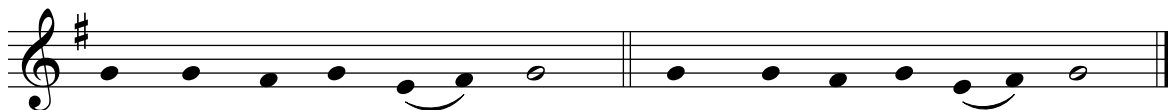
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Lord, we ask you, hear our prayer.



Christ, hear us.

Christ, hear us.



Christ, gra - cious - ly hear us.

Christ, gra - cious - ly hear us.



## LAYING ON OF HANDS

Veni Creator Spiritus  
Rabanus Maurus (d. 856)  
arr. Michael O'Connor, O.P.

*In the ancient apostolic gesture of ordination, the Archbishop imposes his hands on the heads of the elect and prays for an outpouring of the Holy Spirit. Those priests present also impose their hands.*

## PRAYER OF ORDINATION

*In this prayer, the Archbishop beseeches God to raise the ordinandi to the priesthood. He prays that God will make them co-workers with the bishops in the proclamation of the Gospel, and for the sanctification of the people. Through the imposition of hands and the prayer of ordination, the elect are ordained priests.*

## INVESTITURE WITH STOLE AND CHASUBLE

Come Down, O Love Divine  
Bianco da Siena (d. 1434)

*The newly ordained are invested with the priestly stole and the chasuble. By this investiture, the ministry they will henceforth fulfill in the Liturgy is outwardly manifested.*

## ANOINTING OF THE HANDS

Sacerdos in Æternum  
Psalm 110:4; ✠. Psalm 116, 118

*The Archbishop anoints the hands of the newly ordained with the Sacred Chrism, symbolizing their distinctive participation in Christ's priesthood. During the anointing, the Archbishop prays: "The Lord Jesus Christ, whom the Father anointed with the Holy Spirit and power, guard and preserve you that you may sanctify the Christian people and offer sacrifice to God."*

## HANDING OVER OF THE BREAD AND WINE

Conform Your Life  
Philippians 2

*The gifts of bread and wine are brought forward to the Archbishop, who hands them over to each new priest, saying: "Receive the oblation of the holy people, to be offered to God. Understand what you do, imitate what you celebrate, and conform your life to the mystery of the Lord's cross."*

## FRATERNAL KISS

You Are My Friends  
John 15:14; ✠. Psalm 100

*The ordination rite concludes with the Archbishop giving the newly ordained the fraternal kiss. The newly ordained take their places with the other concelebrating priests.*



# LITURGY *of the* EUCHARIST

## OFFERTORY

Daniel 3:39-40

**A**S THOUGH it were holocausts of rams and bullocks, or thousands of fat lambs,  
so let our sacrifice be in your presence today  
as we follow you unreservedly;  
for those who trust in you cannot be put to shame.

## O Sacrum Convivium

St. Thomas Aquinas, O.P. (d. 1274)

Tomás Luis de Victoria (d. 1611)

**O** SACRUM CONVÍVIUM,  
in quo Christus súmitur:  
recólitur memória passiónis eius:  
mens implétur grátia:  
et futúráe glóriæ nobis pignus datur,  
allelúia.

*O sacred banquet,  
in which Christ is received,  
the memory of his Passion is renewed,  
the soul is filled with grace,  
and a pledge of future glory is given to us,  
alleluia.*

## SANCTUS

VI

**S** An- ctus, \* Sanctus, San- ctus, Dó- minus De- us Sa-  
baoth. Pleni sunt cæ- li et ter- ra gló- ri-a tu- a. Hosán-na in excél- sis.  
Benedí- ctus qui ve- nit in nómine Dó-mini. Hosán- 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.*



## MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

**M** Ortem tuam annunti-ámus, Dó-mine, et tuam resurrecti-ónem confi-  
témur, donec vénias.

*We proclaim your death, O Lord, and profess your resurrection,  
until you come again.*

## AGNUS DEI

**A** - gnus De- i, \* qui tol-lis peccá-ta mun-di: mise-ré- re no-bis.  
Agnus De- i, \* qui tol- lis peccá-ta mun-di: mise-ré- re no-bis.  
A- gnus De- i, \* qui tol-lis peccá-ta mun-di: dona 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.*



## COMMUNION

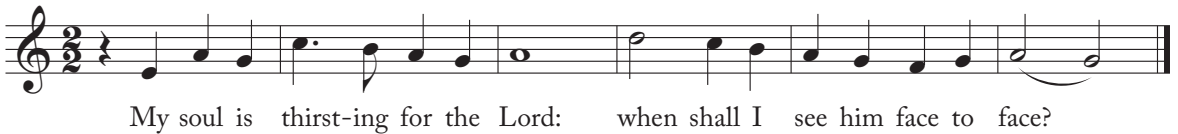
John 21:15, 17

**S**IMON Ioánnis,  
diligis me plus his?  
Dómine, tu ómnia nosti:  
tu scis, Dómine, quia amo te,  
alleluia.

*Simon son of John,  
lovest thou me more than these?  
Lord, thou knowest all things:  
thou knowest that I love thee,  
alleluia.*

Psalm 42:3

Joseph Gelineau (d. 2008)



Ave Maria

Franz Biebl (d. 2001)

**A**NGELUS Dómini nuntiávit Maríæ,  
et concépit de Spíritu Sancto.

*The Angel of the Lord declared unto Mary,  
and she conceived of the Holy Spirit.*

Ave María, grátia plena,  
Benedícta tu in muliéribus,  
et benedíctus fructus ventris tui, Iesus.

*Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with you.  
Blessed are you among women,  
and blessed is the fruit of your womb, Jesus.*

∞. María dixit:  
Ecce ancílla Dómini  
Fiat mihi secúndum verbum tuum.

∞. *Mary said:*  
*Behold the handmaid of the Lord,*  
*Be it done unto me according to your Word.*

∞. Et Verbum caro factum est  
Et habitávit in nobis.

∞. *And the Word was made flesh,*  
*and dwelt among us.*

Sancta María, Mater Dei,  
ora pro nobis peccatóribus  
nunc et in hora mortis nostræ. Amen.

*Holy Mary, Mother of God,*  
*pray for us sinners*  
*now and at the hour of our death. Amen.*



## GUIDELINES *for the* RECEPTION of HOLY COMMUNION

### **For Catholics**

As Catholics, we fully participate in the celebration of the Eucharist when we receive Holy Communion. We are encouraged to receive Communion devoutly and frequently. In order to be properly disposed to receive Communion, participants should not be conscious of grave sin and normally should have fasted for one hour.

### **For our fellow non-Catholic Christians**

We welcome our fellow Christians to pray with us in this Mass as our brothers and sisters in Christ, but we cannot admit them to Holy Communion. We believe that the celebration and communion of the Eucharist is a sign of the reality of the oneness of faith, life, and worship; therefore, it would be a falsehood to partake together of the one Eucharist when that unity of faith, life, and worship is absent. We pray that our common baptism and the action of the Holy Spirit will draw us closer to one another and begin to dispel the sad divisions that separate us. We pray that these will lessen and finally disappear, in keeping with Christ's prayer for us "that they may all be one" (John 17:21).

Members of the Orthodox Churches, the Assyrian Church of the East, and the Polish National Catholic Church are urged to respect the discipline of their own Churches. According to Roman Catholic discipline and the Code of Canon Law, the reception of communion by Christians of these Churches is permitted (c. 844).

### **For those not receiving Holy Communion**

All who are not receiving Holy Communion are encouraged to express in their hearts a prayerful desire for unity with the Lord Jesus and with one another.

### **For non-Christians**

We also welcome to this celebration those who do not share our faith in Jesus Christ. While we cannot admit them to Holy Communion, we ask them to offer their prayers for the peace and the unity of the human family.



## RECESSIONAL HYMN

O God, Beyond All Praising

Michael Perry (d. 1996); Irvin Udulutsch, O.F.M. Cap. (d. 2010)

Gustav Holst (d. 1934)



1. O God be-yond all prais-ing, We wor-ship you to-day
2. The flow'r of earth-ly splen-dor In time must sure-ly die,
3. Then hear, O gra-cious Sav-ior, Ac-cept the love we bring,
4. O God, Al-migh-ty Fa-ther, Cre-a-tor of all things,



And sing the love a-maz-ing That songs can-not re-pay;  
Its frag-ile bloom sur-ren-der To you, the Lord most high;  
That we who know your fa-vor May serve you as our King;  
The hea-vens stand in won-der, While earth Your glo-ry sings;



For we can on-ly won-der At ev-'ry gift you send,  
But hid-den from all na-ture Th'e-ter-nal seed is sown,  
And wheth-er our to-mor-rows Be filled with good or ill,  
O Je-sus, Word In-car-nate, Re-deem-er most a-dored,



At bless-ings with-out num-ber And mer-cies with-out end:  
Though small in mor-tal stat-ure, To heav-en's gar-den grown:  
We'll tri-umph through our sor-rows And rise to bless you still:  
All glo-ry, praise and ho-nor Be Yours, O sov-'reign Lord;







We lift our hearts be - fore you And wait up - on your word,  
For Christ who came from heav - en From death has set us free,  
To mar - vel at your beau - ty And glo - ry in your ways,  
O God, the Ho - ly Spi - rit, Who lives with - in our soul,



We hon - or and a - dore you, Our great and might - y Lord.  
And we through him are giv - en The fi - nal vic - to - ry.  
And make a joy - ful du - ty Our sac - ri - fice of praise.  
Send forth Your light and lead us To our e - ter - nal goal!

### GIVING THANKS

WE would like to express our deepest gratitude to the Lord, our Great High Priest, for the ineffable gift of his priesthood that he shares with us today. We are also profoundly grateful to our families, our Dominican confreres, our benefactors, and our friends and loved ones who have encouraged and supported us along the way. We extend our special thanks to Archbishop Anthony Fisher, O.P., for graciously agreeing to be our ordaining prelate. The Lord has chosen each of these individuals, in one way or another, to play an instrumental role in our journey to this glorious day. They and everyone in this basilica have participated in something very sacred: a generous outpouring of God's love into us, his unworthy servants, for the benefit of his precious flock.

May the Good Shepherd continue to shower his blessings upon you and your loved ones. Please pray for us and for all those we will serve in our ministry as we embrace, in a new way, the beautiful work of the salvation of souls.

In Our Holy Father Dominic,  
The Newly Ordained Dominican Fathers

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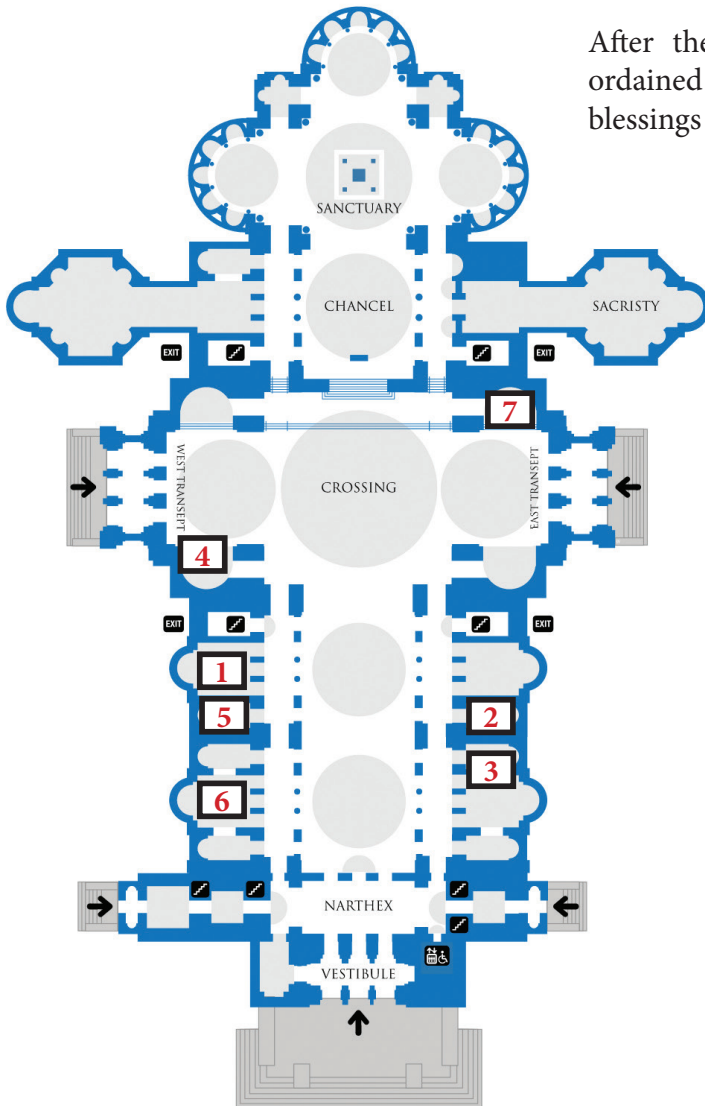
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# FIRST BLESSINGS

After the Mass of Ordination, the newly ordained will be giving their first priestly blessings in the following chapels:



1. Rev. Louis Bethea, O.P.  
*Our Lady of Czestochowa*
2. Rev. Gregory Santy, O.P.  
*Our Mother of Sorrows*
3. Rev. Bertrand Hebert, O.P.  
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*The priest is not a priest for himself;  
He does not give himself absolution;  
He does not administer the Sacraments to himself.  
He is not for himself, he is for you.*

*The priesthood is the love of the Heart of Jesus Christ.  
When you see the priest, think of Our Lord Jesus Christ.*

— St. John Vianney (1786-1859)

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