

Easter Vigil in the time of Coronavirus  
3 April 2021 – 8:30pm Live-stream

## The Vigil of Easter

### INTRODUCTORY RITES

#### GREETING & INTRODUCTION

#### LIGHTING OF THE PASCHAL CANDLES

#### EASTER PROCLAMATION (EXSULTET)

### THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

#### **FIRST READING** [Short form]: Genesis 1:1-2:2

*In the beginning, when God created the heavens and the earth, God said: "Let us make man in our image, after our likeness. Let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, the birds of the air, and the cattle, and over all the wild animals and all the creatures that crawl on the ground." God created man in his image; in the image of God he created him; male and female he created them. God blessed them, saying: "Be fertile and multiply; fill the earth and subdue it. Have dominion over the fish of the sea, the birds of the air, and all the living things that move on the earth." God also said: "See, I give you every seed-bearing plant all over the earth and every tree that has seed-bearing fruit on it to be your food; and to all the animals of the land, all the birds of the air, and all the living creatures that crawl on the ground, I give all the green plants for food." And so it happened. God looked at everything he had made, and he found it very good.*

PSALM 104 **R/** Lord, send out Your Spirit and renew the face of the earth.

**Priest:** Let us pray. Almighty and ever-living God, who are wonderful in the ordering of all your works, may those you have redeemed understand that there exists nothing more marvelous than the world's creation in the beginning, except that, at the end of the ages, Christ our Passover has been sacrificed, Who lives and reigns for ever and ever.

**R/** Amen.

#### **SECOND READING:**

Exodus 14:15-15:1

*The LORD said to Moses, "Why are you crying out to me? Tell the Israelites to go forward. And you, lift up your staff and, with hand outstretched over the sea, split the sea in two, that the Israelites may pass through it on dry land. But I will make the Egyptians so obstinate that they will go in after them. Then I will receive glory through Pharaoh and all his army, his chariots and charioteers. The Egyptians shall know that I am the LORD, when I receive glory through Pharaoh and his chariots and charioteers."*

*The angel of God, who had been leading Israel's camp, now moved and went around behind them. The column of cloud also, leaving the front, took up its place behind them, so that it came between the camp of the Egyptians and that of Israel. But the cloud now became dark, and thus the night passed without the rival camps coming any closer together all night long. Then Moses stretched out his hand over the sea, and the LORD swept the sea with a strong east wind throughout the night and so turned it into dry land.*

*When the water was thus divided, the Israelites marched into the midst of the sea on dry land, with the water like a wall to their right and to their left. The Egyptians followed in pursuit; all Pharaoh's horses and chariots and charioteers went after them right into the midst of the sea. In the night watch just before dawn the LORD cast through the column of the fiery cloud upon the Egyptian force a glance that threw it into a panic; and he so clogged their chariot wheels that they could hardly drive. With that the Egyptians sounded the retreat before Israel, because the LORD was fighting for them against the Egyptians.*

Then the LORD told Moses, "Stretch out your hand over the sea, that the water may flow back upon the Egyptians, upon their chariots and their charioteers." So Moses stretched out his hand over the sea, and at dawn the sea flowed back to its normal depth. The Egyptians were fleeing head on toward the sea, when the LORD hurled them into its midst. As the water flowed back, it covered the chariots and the charioteers of Pharaoh's whole army which had followed the Israelites into the sea. Not a single one of them escaped. But the Israelites had marched on dry land through the midst of the sea, with the water like a wall to their right and to their left. Thus the LORD saved Israel on that day from the power of the Egyptians. When Israel saw the Egyptians lying dead on the seashore and beheld the great power that the LORD had shown against the Egyptians, they feared the LORD and believed in him and in his servant Moses. Then Moses and the Israelites sang this song to the LORD: I will sing to the LORD, for he is gloriously triumphant; horse and chariot he has cast into the sea.

PSALM Canticle of Ex. 15 **R/ Let us sing to the Lord; He has covered Himself in glory.**

**Priest:** Let us pray. O God, whose ancient wonders remain undimmed in splendor even in our day, for what you once bestowed on a single people, freeing them from Pharaoh's persecution by the power of your right hand, now you bring about as the salvation of the nations through the waters of rebirth. Grant, we pray, that the whole world may become children of Abraham and inherit the dignity of Israel's birthright. Through Christ our Lord.

**R/ Amen.**

**THIRD READING:** Ezekiel 36:16-17a, 18-28

The word of the LORD came to me, saying: Son of man, when the house of Israel lived in their land, they defiled it by their conduct and deeds. Therefore I poured out my fury upon them because of the blood that they poured out on the ground, and because they defiled it with idols. I scattered them among the nations, dispersing them over foreign lands; according to their conduct and deeds I judged them. But when they came

among the nations wherever they came, they served to profane my holy name, because it was said of them: "These are the people of the LORD, yet they had to leave their land." So I have relented because of my holy name which the house of Israel profaned among the nations where they came. Therefore say to the house of Israel: Thus says the Lord GOD: Not for your sakes do I act, house of Israel, but for the sake of my holy name, which you profaned among the nations to which you came. I will prove the holiness of my great name, profaned among the nations, in whose midst you have profaned it. Thus the nations shall know that I am the LORD, says the Lord GOD, when in their sight I prove my holiness through you. For I will take you away from among the nations, gather you from all the foreign lands, and bring you back to your own land. I will sprinkle clean water upon you to cleanse you from all your impurities, and from all your idols I will cleanse you. I will give you a new heart and place a new spirit within you, taking from your bodies your stony hearts and giving you natural hearts. I will put my spirit within you and make you live by my statutes, careful to observe my decrees. You shall live in the land I gave your fathers; you shall be my people, and I will be your God.

PSALM 42 **R/ Like a deer that longs for running streams, my soul longs for you, my God.**

**Priest:** Let us pray. God of unchanging power and light, look with favor on the wondrous mystery of the whole Church, and serenely accomplish the work of human salvation, which you planned from all eternity; may the whole world know and see that what was cast down is raised up, what had become old is made new, and all things are restored to integrity through Christ, just as by him they came into being, Who lives and reigns for ever and ever.

**R/ Amen.**

**GLORIA**

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 sin of the

world, have mercy on us; You take away the sin 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

## OPENING PRAYER

### EPISTLE

Romans 6:3-11

Brothers and sisters: Are you unaware that we who were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? We were indeed buried with him through baptism into death, so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might live in newness of life. For if we have grown into union with him through a death like his, we shall also be united with him in the resurrection. We know that our old self was crucified with him, so that our sinful body might be done away with, that we might no longer be in slavery to sin. For a dead person has been absolved from sin. If, then, we have died with Christ, we believe that we shall also live with him. We know that Christ, raised from the dead, dies no more; death no longer has power over him. As to his death, he died to sin once and for all; as to his life, he lives for God. Consequently, you too must think of yourselves as being dead to sin and living for God in Christ Jesus.

### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

**R. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good,  
for his mercy endures forever.

Let the house of Israel say,  
"His mercy endures forever."

**R/ Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

The right hand of the LORD has struck with power;  
the right hand of the LORD is exalted.

I shall not die, but live,  
and declare the works of the LORD.

**R/ Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

The stone the builders rejected  
has become the cornerstone.  
By the LORD has this been done;  
it is wonderful in our eyes.

**R/ Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

### GOSPEL

Mark 16:1-7

When the sabbath was over, Mary Magdalene, Mary, the mother of James, and Salome bought spices so that they might go and anoint him. Very early when the sun had risen, on the first day of the week, they came to the tomb. They were saying to one another, "Who will roll back the stone for us from the entrance to the tomb?" When they looked up, they saw that the stone had been rolled back; it was very large. On entering the tomb they saw a young man sitting on the right side, clothed in a white robe, and they were utterly amazed. He said to them, "Do not be amazed! You seek Jesus of Nazareth, the crucified. He has been raised; he is not here. Behold the place where they laid him. But go and tell his disciples and Peter, 'He is going before you to Galilee; there you will see him, as he told you.'"

### HOMILY

## THE BAPTISMAL LITURGY

### PRESENTATION OF THE ELECT (those to be baptized)

### INTRODUCTION TO BAPTISMAL RITE

### LITANY OF THE SAINTS ~ *omitted*

### BLESSING OF BAPTISMAL WATER

### PRAYER OF EXORCISM & ANOINTING BEFORE BAPTISM

*Fr. Leonardo will pray over the Elect and anoint with the sacred Oil of Salvation.*

## THE RENUNCIATION OF SIN *(Elect)* & THE PROFESSION OF FAITH *(Assembly)*

- Priest:** Do you renounce sin, so as to live in the freedom of the children of God?
- Elect:** I do.
- Priest:** Do you renounce the lure of evil, so that sin may have no mastery over you?
- Elect:** I do.
- Priest:** Do you renounce Satan, the author and prince of sin?
- Elect:** I do.
- Priest:** I now ask everyone here present to please stand and join our Elect and their Godparents in responding to the following questions of faith:  
Do you believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth?
- All:** I do.
- Priest:** Do you believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, Who was born of the Virgin Mary, suffered death and was buried, rose again from the dead, and is seated at the right hand of the Father?
- All:** I do.
- Priest:** Do you believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Catholic Church, the Communion of Saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body and life everlasting?
- All:** I do.

**Priest:** And may almighty God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, Who has given us new birth by water and the Holy Spirit and bestowed on us forgiveness of our sins, keep us by His grace, in Christ Jesus our Lord, for eternal life.

R/Amen.

## INDIVIDUAL BAPTISMS

### PRESENTATION OF A LIGHTED CANDLE

*Godparents present a lighted Baptismal candle to the newly Baptized, sharing the Light of Christ!*

**EPHPHETHA [prayer over ears and mouth]** ~ *Ephphetha means "Be opened" so that the newly Baptized will hear and proclaim the Lord wherever they go!!*

## RECEPTION OF CANDIDATE for FULL COMMUNION

### PRESENTATION OF THE CANDIDATE

### INTRODUCTION TO THE RITE

### PROFESSION OF FAITH

## THE CONFIRMATION RITE

### PRESENTATION OF THE CANDIDATES

### INTRODUCTION TO THE RITE

### ANOINTING WITH CHRISM

**CREED** ~ *omitted because we all made a profession of faith.*

# **THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST**

## **PREPARATION OF THE ALTAR**

## **SANCTUS**

## **EUCHARISTIC PRAYER**

## **LORD'S PRAYER**

## **SIGN OF PEACE**

## **LAMB OF GOD**

## **COMMUNION**

*Make a Spiritual Communion.*

## **PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

## **BLESSING AND DISMISSAL**

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