Saint Cecilia

P A R I S H



Good Friday of the Lord's Passion

April 7, 2023

GOOD FRIDAY THE CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S PASSION

Prelude | Cello Suite No. 2 in D-minor, BWV 1008 Kelly Knox, *cello* J.S. Bach (1685=1750)

PROCESSION

The priests enter in silence and prostrate themselves before the altar.

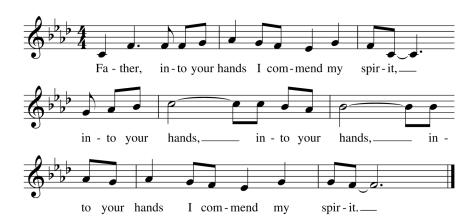
We invite you to kneel and pray silently.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING | Isaiah 52: 13- 53: 12

RESPONSORIAL PSALM | Psalm 31: Into Your Hands

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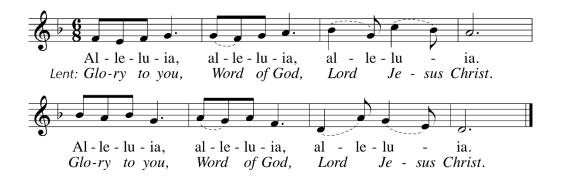
- 1. In you, O Lord, I take refuge. Let me never be put to shame. In your justice, set me free. Into your hands I commend my spirit. You will redeem me, O Lord, O faithful God.
- 2. Because of all my foes I have become a reproach, an object of scorn to my neighbors and of fear to my friends. Those who see me in the street flee from me. I am forgotten, like someone dead and have become a broken vessel.
- 3. But as for me, I trust in you, O Lord; I say, "You are my God. My lot is in your hands, deliver me from the hands of my enemies and those who pursue me."

4. "Let your face shine on your servant. Save me in your merciful love." Be strong, let your heart take courage, all who hope in the Lord.

SECOND READING | Hebrews 4: 14-16, 5: 7-9

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION | Christ, Light of the Nations

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THE PASSION OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST | John 18: 1-19:42

HOMILY Rev. James Shaughnessy, SJ

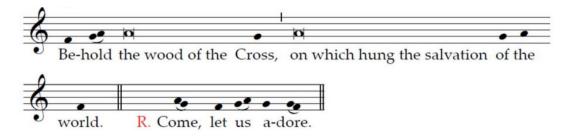
SOLEMN INTERCESSIONS

Response:



THE ADORATION OF THE HOLY CROSS

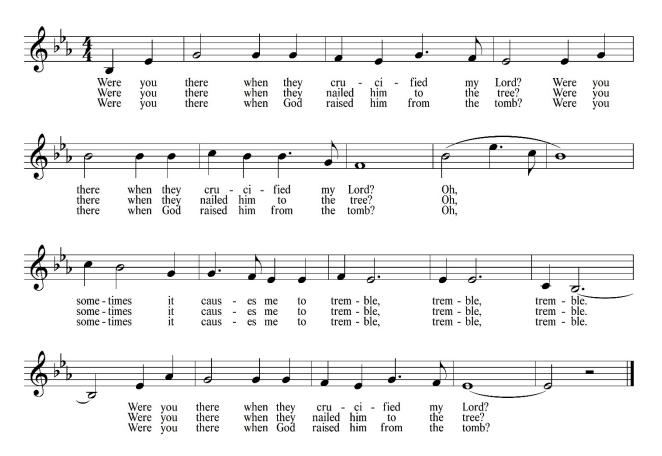
THE SHOWING OF THE HOLY CROSS



We invite those present in the church to come forward and venerate the cross with a simple genuflection (one knee), bow or by making the sign of the cross before it. For those not able to worship with us in person, we invite you to use this time to venerate a cross in your home.

Were You There?

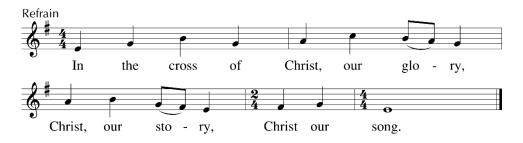
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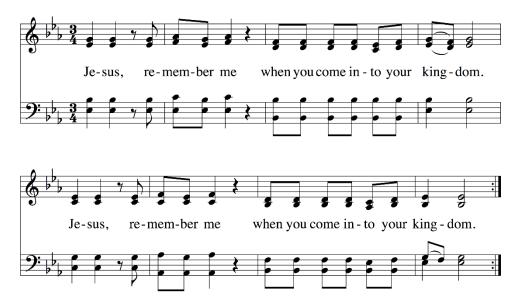




In the Cross of Christ

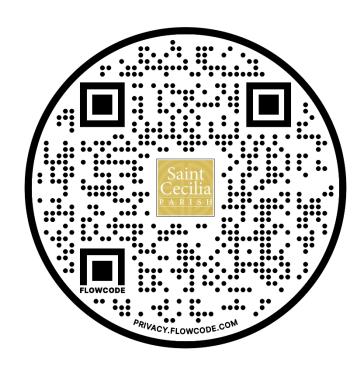
Marty Haugen





OFFERTORY

Today's collection is designated for the support of the Holy Land. The church has asked all parishes to contribute to the Pontifical Good Friday Collection which helps fund the upkeep and maintenance of Holy Land shrines and supports pastoral, charitable, and educational works for Christians in the Middle East. To contribute, please cut and paste this link in your browser: https://www.osvhub.com/stceciliaboston/giving/funds/good-friday-2023-holy-land or use the Flowcode below. Thank you for your generosity.



HOLY COMMUNION

THE PREPARATION OF THE TABLE

The altar is covered with a cloth and prepared. Please stand when the Blessed Sacrament, which has been reserved from the Holy Thursday Liturgy, is brought to the altar in silence.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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.

For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

It is a long-held Catholic belief that when circumstances prevent one from receiving Holy Communion, it is possible to make an "Act of Spiritual Communion." When we are unable to be physically present at the celebration of the Eucharist, the church invites Catholics to say this prayer as a source of grace. We can be assured that when we express our desire to receive Jesus in the Eucharist, God will be with us spiritually in a special way. Here is an Act of Spiritual Communion that we encourage you to pray as you participate in our live-streamed liturgies:

ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

Loving Jesus,
I believe that you
are present in the Most Holy Sacrament of the Eucharist.
I love you above all things,
and I desire to receive you into my soul.
Since I cannot at this moment receive you sacramentally,
come at least spiritually into my heart.
I embrace you as if you were already there
and unite myself wholly to you.
Never permit me to be separated from you.
Amen.



COMMUNION MEDITATION | Tristis Est Anima Mea

Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina (c. 1525-1594)

Tristis est anima mea usque ad mortem: sustinete hic et vigilate mecum. Nunc videbitis turbam quæ circumdabit me. Vos fugam capietis, et ego vadam immolari pro vobis. Sorrowful is my soul even unto death.
Stay here and watch with me.
Now you shall see the mob that will surround me.
You shall take flight, and I shall go to be sacrificed for you.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

PRAYER OVER THE PEOPLE

We invite you to keep a few moments of silence following this evening's liturgy.