

The Ascension of the Lord

Sunday, May 12, 2024

*O Lord, hear my voice,
 for I have called to you;
 of you my heart has spoken:*

*Seek his face;
 hide not your face
 from me, alleluia.*



Blessed Pier Giorgio Frassati

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Our Vision: One joy-filled family on the good adventure.

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Processional Hymn: Hail the Day That Sees Him Rise

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1. Hail the day that sees him rise,
 2. There for him high tri - umph waits; Al - le - lu - ia!
 3. See, he lifts his hands a - bove;
 4. High-est heav'n its Lord re - ceives,



1. To the throne a - bove the skies;
 2. Lift your heads, e - ter - nal gates! Al - le - lu - ia!
 3. See, he shows the prints of love;
 4. Yet he loves the earth he leaves;



1. Pas - chal Lamb for sin - ners giv'n
 2. Christ has con - quered death and sin; Al - le - lu - ia!
 3. Though re - turn - ing to his throne,
 4. Hark, his gra - cious lips be - stow,



1. En - ters now the high - est heav'n.
 2. Take the King of glo - ry in! Al - le - lu - ia!
 3. Still he calls man - kind his own.
 4. Bless-ings on his church be - low.

Charles Wesley, 1707-1788, alt.

Attr. to Robert Williams, 1781-1821
 Joseph Parry's *Peroriaeth Hyfryd*, 1837

Gloria

Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and on earth peace to peo-ple of good will.

We praise you, we bless you, we a-dore you, we glo-ri - fy you,

we give you thanks for your great glo-ry, Lord God, heav-en - ly King,

O God, al-might-y Fa - ther. Lord Je - sus Christ,

On-ly Be-got-ten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Fa - ther,

you take a - way the sins of the world, have mer - cy on us;

you take a - way the sins of the world, re - ceive our prayer;

you are seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa-ther, have mer-cy on us.

For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,

you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spir - it,

in the glo-ry of God the Fa - ther. A - - men.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Reading

Reflection: The evangelist Luke wrote two books aiming to educate pagan converts to Christianity about their new religion and its roots. This is the introduction to his second book.

Acts 1:1-11

In the first book, Theophilus, I dealt with all that Jesus did and taught until the day he was taken up, after giving instructions through the Holy Spirit to the apostles whom he had chosen. He presented himself alive to them by many proofs after he had suffered, appearing to them during forty days and speaking about the kingdom of God. While meeting with them, he enjoined them not to depart from Jerusalem, but to wait for “the promise of the Father about which you have heard me speak; for John baptized with water, but in a few days you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit.”

When they had gathered together they asked him, “Lord, are you at this time going to restore the kingdom to Israel?” He answered them, “It is not for you to know the times or seasons that the Father has established by his own authority. But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, throughout Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.” When he had said this, as they were looking on, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him from their sight. While they were looking intently at the sky as he was going, suddenly two men dressed in white garments stood beside them. They said, “Men of Galilee, why are you standing there looking at the sky? This Jesus who has been taken up from you into heaven will return in the same way as you have seen him going into heaven.”

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 47

R. God mounts his throne to shouts of joy:

a blare of trum - pets for the Lord.

All you peoples, clap your hands,
shout to God with cries of gladness,
For the LORD, the Most High, the awesome,
is the great king over all the earth.

God mounts his throne amid shouts of joy;
the LORD, amid trumpet blasts.
Sing praise to God, sing praise;
sing praise to our king, sing praise.

For king of all the earth is God;
sing hymns of praise.
God reigns over the nations,
God sits upon his holy throne.

Second Reading

Reflection: Many early people believed that a complex hierarchy of angels and spiritual powers stood between God and themselves, both mediating and interfering. The author of Ephesians wants his audience to feel confident of their access to God in Christ, and in Christ's superiority over all other powers.

Ephesians 1:17-23

Brothers and sisters: May the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, give you a Spirit of wisdom and revelation resulting in knowledge of him. May the eyes of your hearts be enlightened, that you may know what is the hope that belongs to his call, what are the riches of glory in his inheritance among the holy ones, and what is the surpassing greatness of his power for us who believe, in accord with the exercise of his great might, which he worked in Christ, raising him from the dead and seating him at his right hand in the heavens, far above every principality, authority, power, and dominion, and every name that is named not only in this age but also in the one to come. And he put all things beneath his feet and gave him as head over all things to the church, which is his body, the fullness of the one who fills all things in every way.

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Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation



Verse: Go and teach all nations, says the Lord; I am with you
always, until the end of the world.

Holy Gospel

Reflection: This is the absolute conclusion of Saint Matthew's gospel. It does not describe the ascension of Jesus, but it tells of a mission and frankly describes the disciples' lingering doubts.

Mark 16:15-20

Jesus said to his disciples: "Go into the whole world and proclaim the gospel to every creature. Whoever believes and is baptized will be saved; whoever does not believe will be condemned. These signs will accompany those who believe: in my name they will drive out demons, they will speak new languages. They will pick up serpents with their hands, and if they drink any deadly thing, it will not harm them. They will lay hands on the sick, and they will recover."

So then the Lord Jesus, after he spoke to them, was taken up into heaven and took his seat at the right hand of God. But they went forth and preached everywhere, while the Lord worked with them and confirmed the word through accompanying signs.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.

The Nicene Creed

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,

Bow during the bolded words.

**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.

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

Offertory: See the Conqueror Mounts in Triumph

HYMN TO JOY



1. See the Con-qu'ror mounts in tri-umph, See the King in roy - al state
2. Who is this that comes in glo - ry, With the trump of ju - bi-lee?
3. Glo-ry be to God the Fa - ther; Glo-ry be to God the Son,



1. Rid-ing on the clouds his char-iot To his heav'n-ly pal - ace gate;
2. Lord of bat-tles, God of ar-mies, He has gained the vic - to - ry;
3. Dy-ing, ris'n, as - cend-ing for us, Who the heav'n-ly realm has won;



1. Hark! the choirs of an - gel voic-es Joy - ful al - le - lu - ias sing.
2. He who on the Cross did suf-fer, He who from the grave a - rose,
3. Glo-ry to the Ho - ly Spir-it; To one God in Per-sons three;



1. And the por - tals high are lift - ed To re-ceive their heav'n - ly King.
2. He has van-quished sin and Sa - tan, He by death has spoiled his foes.
3. Glo-ry both in earth and heav-en, Glo-ry, end - less glo - ry be.

Christopher Wordsworth, 1807–1885

Ludwig van Beethoven, 1770–1827
Arr. by Edward Hodges, 1796–1867

Holy, Holy, 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. Ho-san-na in the high - est.

Memorial Acclamation

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

Great Amen

A - men, a - men, a - men.

Lamb of God

Lamb of God, you take a-way the sins of the world, have mer-cy on us.
Lamb of God, you take a-way the sins of the world, have mer-cy on us.
Lamb of God, you take a-way the sins of the world, grant us peace.

For the reception of Holy Communion, please remain at your seat.

Communion Hymn: Christ is Made the Sure Foundation WESTMINSTER ABBEY

1. Christ is made the sure foun-da - tion, Christ the head and
2. To this tem - ple, where we call thee, Come, O Lord of
3. Grant, we pray, to all thy peo - ple, All the grace they
4. Laud and hon - or to the Fa - ther, Laud and hon - or
1. cor - ner - stone; Cho - sen of the Lord, and pre - cious,
2. hosts, to - day; With thy wont - ed lov - ing-kind - ness
3. ask to gain; What they gain from thee for - ev - er
4. to the Son. Laud and hon - or to the Spir - it,
1. Bind - ing all the Church in one; Ho - ly Zi - on's
2. Hear thy ser - vants as they pray, And thy full - est
3. With the bless - ed to re - tain, And here - af - ter
4. Ev - er three and ev - er one. One in might and
1. help for - ev - er, And her con - fi - dence a - lone.
2. ben - e - dic - tion Shed in all its bright ar - ray.
3. in thy glo - ry Ev - er - more with thee to reign.
4. one in glo - ry, while un - end - ing a - ges run.

Urbs beata Jerusalem
Latin, 7th cent.
Tr. by John M. Neale, 1818–1866, alt.

Henry Purcell, 1659–1695

After Communion Prayer

A silent meditation based on a letter by Pier Giorgio Frassati

Lord Jesus, I believe you are truly present in the Holy Eucharist. Through this Bread of Angels, grant me the strength to fight inner struggles, the struggles against my sinful passions and against all adversities. When I receive you in the Eucharist, I receive the food of eternal life and the necessary graces to obtain it. Thank you for calling me to be part of your flock. Grant me the peace that those who are happy according to the world have never tasted, for true happiness does not consist in the pleasures of the world or in earthly things, but in peace of conscience which we can have only if we are pure in heart and in mind. Allow me to become totally consumed by your Eucharistic Fire.

Recessional Hymn: Hail Thee, Festival Day

SALVE FESTA DIES

REFRAIN

Hail thee, fes - ti - val day! Blest day that art
hal - lowed for - ev - er, Day when our Lord was
raised, Break - ing the king - dom of death.

VERSES 1, 3

1. All the fair beau - ty of earth From the death of the
3. God the Al - might - y, the Lord, The rul - er of
1. win - ter a - ris - ing! Ev - 'ry good gift of the
3. earth and the heav - ens, Guard us from harm with -
1. year Now with its mas - ter re - turns:
3. out; Cleanse us from e - vil with - in:

VERSES 2, 4

2. Rise from the grave now, O Lord, The au - thor of
4. Je - sus, the health of the world, En - light - en our
2. life and cre - a - tion. Tread - ing the path - way of
4. minds, great Re - deem - er, Son of the Fa - ther su -
2. death, New life you give to us all:
4. preme, On - ly - be - got - ten of God.

Please refrain from leaving before the Priest has recessed out.



Pier (PEE-air) Giorgio (GEORGE-o)
Frassati (Fra-SAH-tee)

Prayer for the Courage to be Great

Heavenly Father, give me the courage to strive for the highest goals, to flee every temptation to be mediocre. Enable me to aspire to greatness, as Pier Giorgio did, and to open my heart with joy to Your call to holiness. Free me from the fear of failure. I want to be, Lord, firmly and forever united to You. Grant me the graces I ask You through Pier Giorgio's intercession, by the merits of Our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

Prayer to Saint Michael

Saint Michael the Archangel defend us in battle. Be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him we humbly pray, and do thou, O Prince of the Heavenly Host, by the power of God, cast into hell, Satan and all the evil spirits who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.

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