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THE FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT

MARCH 18, 2012

HIGH MASS AT 10:30 AM

Organ—Adagio in E Major

Frank Bridge (1879-1941)

Introit—Laetare

Mode 5

Laetare Jerusalem et conventum facite omnes qui diligitis eam: gaudete cum laetitia, qui in tristitia fuistis: ut exsultetis, et satiemi ab uberibus consolationis vestrae. *Ps.* Laetatus sum in his quae dicta sunt mihi: in domum Domini ibimus.

Rejoice with Jerusalem and be glad for her all you who love her: rejoice with exultation, all you who mourn for her: that you may suck and be satisfied by her consoling breasts. Ps. I was glad when they said to me: let us go to the house of the Lord. (Isaiab 66, Psalm 122)

Kyrie eleison—Missa Aeterna Christi munera G. P. da Palestrina (c.1525-1594)

Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

Gracious Father, whose blessed Son Jesus Christ came down from heaven to be the true bread which gives life to the world: Evermore give us this bread, that he may live in us, and we in him; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Reading—Numbers 21: 4-9

From Mount Hor the Israelites set out by the way to the Red Sea, to go around the land of Edom; but the people became impatient on the way. The people spoke against God and against Moses, 'Why have you brought us up out of Egypt to die in the wilderness? For there is no food and no water, and we detest this miserable food.' Then the LORD sent poisonous serpents among the people, and they bit the people, so that many Israelites died. The people came to Moses and said, 'We have sinned by speaking against the LORD and against you; pray to the LORD to take away the serpents from us.' So Moses prayed for the people. And the LORD said to Moses, 'Make a poisonous serpent, and set it on a pole; and everyone who is bitten shall look at it and live.' So Moses made a serpent of bronze, and put it upon a pole; and whenever a serpent bit someone, that person would look at the serpent of bronze and live.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Gradual—Psalm 107: 1-3, 17-22

setting by Bruce Ford (b.1947)

Refrain—*Cantor, then all repeat*



Give thanks to the Lord, whose mer-cies en- dure for ev- er.

Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good, and his mercy endures for ever. Let all those whom the LORD has redeemed proclaim that he redeemed them from the hand of the foe. He gathered them out of the lands; from the east and from the west, from the north and from the south. *All repeat the refrain*

Some were fools and took to rebellious ways; they were afflicted because of their sins. They abhorred all manner of food and drew near to death's door. *All repeat the refrain*

Then they cried to the LORD in their trouble, and he delivered them from their distress. He sent forth his word and healed them and saved them from the grave. *All repeat the refrain*

Let them give thanks to the LORD for his mercy and the wonders he does for his children. Let them offer a sacrifice of thanksgiving and tell of his acts with shouts of joy. *All repeat the refrain*

Second Reading—Ephesians 2: 1-10

You were dead through the trespasses and sins in which you once lived, following the course of this world, following the ruler of the power of the air, the spirit that is now at work among those who are disobedient. All of us once lived among them in the passions of our flesh, following the desires of flesh and senses, and we were by nature children of wrath, like everyone else. God, who is rich in mercy, out of the great love with which he loved us even when we were dead through our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ-- by grace you have been saved-- and raised us up with him and seated us with him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, so that in the ages to come he might show the immeasurable riches of his grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus. For by grace you have been saved through faith, and this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God-- not the result of works, so that no one may boast. For we are what he has made us, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand to be our way of life.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

A brief period of silence is observed.

Sequence Hymn 671

Tract

Mode 2

Those who trust in the Lord are like Mount Zion, which cannot be moved, but stands fast for ever. The hills stand about Jerusalem; so does the Lord stand round about his people, from this time forth for evermore. The scepter of the wicked shall not hold sway over the land allotted to the just, so that the just, so that the just shall not put their hands to evil. Show your goodness, O Lord, to those who are good and to those who are true of heart. (*Psalm 125*)

Holy Gospel—John 3: 14-21

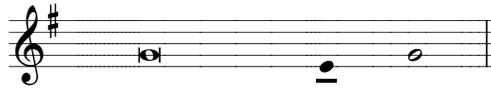
Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.



People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said to Nicodemus, 'Just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, that whoever believes in him may have eternal life. For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life. Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him. Those who believe in him are not condemned; but those who do not believe are condemned already, because they have not believed in the name of the only Son of God. And this is the judgment, that the light has come into the world, and people loved darkness rather than light because their deeds were evil. For all who do evil hate the light and do not come to the light, so that their deeds may not be exposed. But those who do what is true come to the light, so that it may be clearly seen that their deeds have been done in God.'

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.



People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Homily

Father Bates

The Nicene Creed—*Hymnal, inside back cover*

Prayers of the People—Form VII

Let us pray for the holy Catholic Church throughout the world: that the Lord God would deign to keep it in unity, peace, and safety.

Here and after each petition is sung



∇. Lord, in your mer-cy, ℞. Hear our prayer.

Let us pray for Mark our bishop, for all bishops, priests, and deacons, and for all who minister in Christ's holy Church: that in their various callings they may serve God faithfully and devoutly.

Let us pray for all who do not know God as he is revealed in Jesus Christ: that the light of the Gospel may shine in their hearts.

Let us pray for all the nations and peoples of the world, and for those who bear authority among them: that in all their doings they may seek both peace and justice.

Let us pray for the sick and the sorrowful, the hungry and the homeless, the desolate and the oppressed: that the Father of mercies would strengthen, support, and relieve them.

Let us pray for the faithful departed: that the Lord our God would grant them refreshment, light, and peace.

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

Confession of Sin

Celebrant Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. *Amen.*

The Celebrant says

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. *Amen.*

The Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

Offertory Antiphon—Laudate Dominum

Mode 2

Laudate Dominum, quia benignus est: psallite nomini ejus, quoniam suavis est: omnia quaecumque voluit, fecit in caelo et in terra.

Praise the Lord, for he is good: sing praises to his name, for it is lovely: he does whatever pleases him, in heaven and on earth. (Psalm 135)

Motet—Sicut cervus

Palestrina

Sicut cervus desiderat ad fontes aquarum, ita desiderat anima mea ad te, Deus.

As the deer longs for the water-brooks, so longs my soul for you, O God. (Psalm 42)

Hymn 620

Eucharistic Prayer A

Sanctus arr. by James McGregor

Memorial Acclamation arr. by Mason Martens

∩ The Lord be with you ∩ And al- so with you ∩ Lift up your
hearts. ∩ We lift them to the Lord. ∩ Let us give thanks to
the Lord our God. ∩ It is right to give him thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, through Jesus Christ our Lord; who was tempted in every way as we are, yet did not sin. By his grace we are able to triumph over every evil, and to live no longer for ourselves alone, but for him who died for us and rose again. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Ho-ly, ho-ly, ho-ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,
 heav'n 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.

The people remain standing. The celebrant continues

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all. He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world. On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, 'Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.' After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, 'Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me.'

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People

Christ has died. Christ is ris- en. Christ will come a- gain.

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom. All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. *AMEN.*

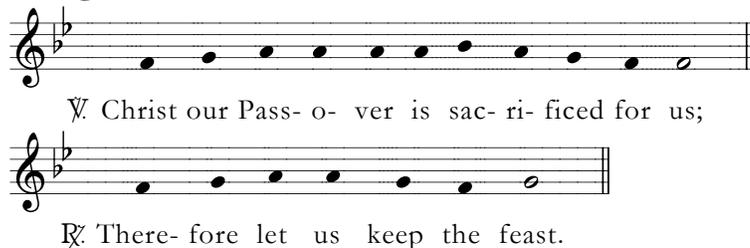
Lord's Prayer

The Celebrant begins



And now as our Sa-vior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,
Our Fa-ther, who art in hea-ven, hal-low-ed be thy Name,
thy king-dom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in
hea-ven. Give us this day our dai-ly bread, and for-give us our tres-
pass-es, as we for-give those who tres-pass a-gainst us. And lead us
not in-to temp-ta-tion, but de-liv-er us from e-vil. For thine is the
king-dom and the pow'r and the glo-ry, for ev-er and ev-er. A-men.

Breaking of the Bread



V. Christ our Pass-o-ver is sac-ri-ficed for us;
R. There-fore let us keep the feast.

Agnus Dei—Missa Aeterna Christi munera

Palestrina

Holy Communion

Communicants may receive the bread directly onto the tongue or into folded hands, and then after consuming the bread, may drink the wine from the chalice. If the bread is retained in one's hands, a chalice bearer will dip it into the wine, and place it on the tongue.

Antiphon—Jerusalem, quae aedificatur

Mode 4

Jerusalem, quae aedificatur ut civitas, cujus participatio ejus in idipsum: illuc enim ascenderunt tribus, tribus Domini, ad confitendum nomini tuo, Domine.

Jerusalem is built as a city that is at unity with itself, to which the tribes go up, the tribes of the Lord, to praise your name, O Lord. (Psalm 122)

Anthem

Herbert Howells (1892-1983)

O pray for the peace of Jerusalem; they shall prosper that love thee. Peace be within thy walls, and plenteousness within thy palaces. (*Psalm 122*)

Postcommunion Prayer

Almighty and eternal God, the light of all who come into the world: fill our hearts, we pray, with the light of your heavenly grace, that our thought may always please you, and our words and deeds may bear witness to our love for you; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Solemn Prayer Over the People and Dismissal

Bow down before the Lord.

Look down in mercy, Lord, on your people who kneel before you; and grant that those whom you have nourished by your Word and Sacraments may bring forth fruit worthy of repentance; through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Deacon Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Hymn 690**Organ**—Toccatà from *Dix Pièces* (Ten Pieces)

Eugène Gigout (1844-1925)