

## INTRODUCTORY RITES

PROCESSIONAL [STAND]

OUT OF DARKNESS

*Out of darkness God has called us,  
claimed by Christ as God's own people.  
Holy nation, royal priesthood,  
walking in God's maro'lous light.*

1. Let us take the words you give.  
Strong and faithful words to live.  
Words that in our hearts are sown;  
words that bind us as your own.
2. Let us take the Christ you give.  
Broken Body, Christ we live.  
Christ the risen from the tomb;  
Christ, who calls us your own.
3. Let us take the love you give,  
that the way of love we live.  
Love to bring your people home;  
love to make us all your own.

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### SPRINKLING RITE

#### 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 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

### READING I

ACTS 9:26-31

When Saul arrived in Jerusalem he tried to join the disciples,  
but they were all afraid of him,  
not believing that he was a disciple.  
Then Barnabas took charge of him and brought him to the apostles,  
and he reported to them how he had seen the Lord,

and that he had spoken to him,  
and how in Damascus he had spoken out boldly in the name of  
Jesus.

He moved about freely with them in Jerusalem,  
and spoke out boldly in the name of the Lord.  
He also spoke and debated with the Hellenists,  
but they tried to kill him.  
And when the brothers learned of this,  
they took him down to Caesarea  
and sent him on his way to Tarsus.

The church throughout all Judea, Galilee, and Samaria was at peace.  
It was being built up and walked in the fear of the Lord,  
and with the consolation of the Holy Spirit it grew in numbers.

PSALMODY (*chanted by cantor*)

PS 22

*I will praise you, Lord, in the assembly of your people.*

I will fulfill my vows before those who fear the LORD.  
The lowly shall eat their fill;  
they who seek the LORD shall praise him:  
"May your hearts live forever!"

All the ends of the earth  
shall remember and turn to the LORD;  
all the families of the nations  
shall bow down before him.

To him alone shall bow down  
all who sleep in the earth;  
before him shall bend  
all who go down into the dust.

And to him my soul shall live;  
my descendants shall serve him.  
Let the coming generation be told of the LORD  
that they may proclaim to a people yet to be born  
the justice he has shown.

### READING II

1 JOHN 3:18-24

Children, let us love not in word or speech  
but in deed and truth.

Now this is how we shall know that we belong to the truth  
and reassure our hearts before him  
in whatever our hearts condemn,  
for God is greater than our hearts and knows everything.  
Beloved, if our hearts do not condemn us,  
we have confidence in God  
and receive from him whatever we ask,  
because we keep his commandments and do what pleases him.  
And his commandment is this:  
we should believe in the name of his Son, Jesus Christ,  
and love one another just as he commanded us.

Those who keep his commandments remain in him, and he in them,  
and the way we know that he remains in us  
is from the Spirit he gave us.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION [STAND]

*Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!*

GOSPEL

JN 15:1-8

Jesus said to his disciples:  
"I am the true vine, and my Father is the vine grower.  
He takes away every branch in me that does not bear fruit,  
and every one that does he prunes so that it bears more fruit.  
You are already pruned because of the word that I spoke to you.  
Remain in me, as I remain in you.  
Just as a branch cannot bear fruit on its own  
unless it remains on the vine,  
so neither can you unless you remain in me.  
I am the vine, you are the branches.  
Whoever remains in me and I in him will bear much fruit,  
because without me you can do nothing.  
Anyone who does not remain in me  
will be thrown out like a branch and wither;  
people will gather them and throw them into a fire  
and they will be burned.  
If you remain in me and my words remain in you,  
ask for whatever you want and it will be done for you.  
By this is my Father glorified,  
that you bear much fruit and become my disciples."

HOMILY [SIT]

PROFESSION OF FAITH [STAND]

Nicene Creed

I believe in one God,  
the Father, the 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 and for our salvation  
he came down from heaven,  
*All bow at the following words up to and including: and became man.*  
by the power of 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.  
With the Father and the Son he is adored and glorified.  
He 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.

## UNIVERSAL PRAYER

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## LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

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### PREPARATION OF THE ALTAR [SIT]

FESTIVAL CANTICLE: WORTHY IS CHRIST

*This is the feast of victory for our God.  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.*

1. Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain,  
whose blood set us free to be people of God.
2. Power, riches, wisdom, and strength,  
and honor, blessing, and glory are his.
3. Sing with all the people of God,  
and join in the hymn of all creation.
4. Blessing, honor, glory, and might  
be to God and the Lamb for ever. Amen.
5. For the Lamb who was slain  
has begun his reign. Alleluia.

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## EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

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standing during the Eucharistic Prayer.

Preface Acclamation  
The Mystery of Faith  
The Lord's Prayer  
Lamb of God

### Invitation to Communion

PRIEST: Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who takes away the  
sins of the world. Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.

ALL: Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof,  
but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.

## COMMUNION PROCESSION

RECEIVE THE BODY OF CHRIST

*PLEASE REMAIN IN YOUR PEW UNTIL THE USHER ARRIVES.*

Receive the Body of Christ,  
Receive the Body of Christ,  
Oh taste the Fountain of Immortality!  
Alleluia!

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## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

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## CONCLUDING RITES

### FINAL BLESSING

### DISMISSAL

*PLEASE REMAIN IN YOUR PEW UNTIL YOU ARE DISMISSED*

### RECESSIONAL

LOVE DIVINE, ALL LOVES EXCELLING

1. Love divine, all loves excelling,  
Joy of heav'n, to earth come down!  
Fix in us thy humble dwelling;  
All thy faithful mercies crown.  
Jesu, thou art all compassion,  
Pure unbounded, love thou art;  
Visit us with thy salvation,  
Enter ev'ry trembling heart.
3. Finish then thy new creation,  
Pure and spotless, let us be;  
Let us see thy great salvation  
Perfectly restored in thee,  
Changed from glory into glory,  
Till in heav'n we take our place,  
Till we cast our crowns before thee,  
Lost in wonder, love, and praise!

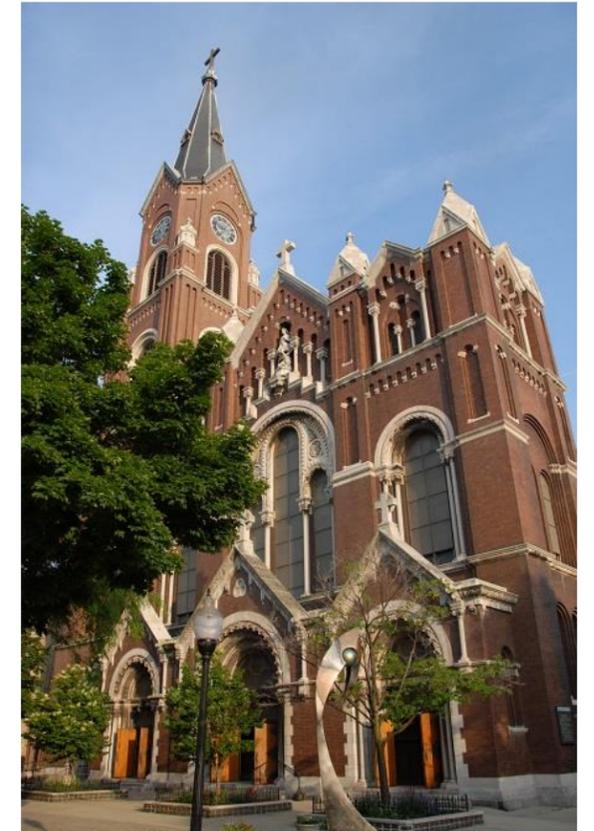
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# Saint Michael in Old Town

## Fifth Sunday of Easter

## The Sacrament of First Holy Communion




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