

Communion: The Power of the Cross

1. O, to see the dawn of the darkest day
Christ on the road to Calvary Tried by sinful men, torn and beaten, then
Nailed to a cross of wood. This the power of the cross: Christ became sin for
us. Took the blame, bore the wrath; We stand forgiven at the cross.

2. O, to see the pain written on Your face, Bearing the awesome weight of
sin. Every bitter thought, every evil deed Crowning the bloodstained brow.
This the power of the cross: Christ became sin for us. Took the blame, bore
the wrath; We stand forgiven at the cross.

3. Now the daylight flees; now the ground beneath Quakes as the Maker
bows His head. Curtain torn in two, dead are raised to life. "Finished!" the
victory cry. This the power of the cross: Christ became sin for us. Took the
blame, bore the wrath; We stand forgiven at the cross.

Sending: Jesus Christ Is Risen Today

1. Jesus Christ is ris'n today, Alleluia!
Our triumphant holy day, Alleluia!
Who did once upon the cross, Alleluia!
Suffer to redeem our loss. Alleluia!

2. Hymns of praise then let us sing, Alleluia!
Unto Christ, our heav'nly King, Alleluia!
Who endured the cross and grave, Alleluia!
Sinners to redeem and save. Alleluia!

3. But the pains which he endured, Alleluia!
Our salvation have procured; Alleluia!
Now he reigns above as King, Alleluia!
Where the angels ever sing. Alleluia!

4. Sing we to our God above, Alleluia!
Praise eternal as his love, Alleluia!
Praise him, all ye heav'nly host, Alleluia!
Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Alleluia!

Easter Vigil

March 30, 2024

Our Mother of Sorrows & St. Michael's



Blessing of the Fire and Preparation of the Paschal Candle

Procession: *(Fr. Mark, altar servers, and Paschal Candle bearer will process up aisle pausing three times for Fr. Mark to sing, "The Light of Christ" to which we respond "Thanks be to God")*

Exsultet

First Reading: Genesis 1:1 - 2:2

Responsorial Psalm: You are my inheritance, you are my inheritance

Second Reading: Exodus 14:15-15:1

Responsorial Psalm: Let us sing to the Lord he has covered Himself in glory

Third Reading: Isaiah 5:5:1-11

Responsorial Psalm: We shall draw water joyfully, singing joyfully, singing joyfully; We shall draw water joyfully from the wellsprings of salvation.

Glory to God (Creation)

Refrain: 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. Amen.

Epistle: Romans 6:3-11

Celtic Alleluia:

Gospel : Matthew 28:1-10

Homily

Baptismal Liturgy:

- Prayer
- Litany of the Saints
 - * Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.
 - * Christ, have mercy. Christ, have mercy.
 - *Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.
 - *1-4. (Saint Invocation), pray for us. (sing 8 times)
 - *All you holy men and women, pray for us.
 - * (Invocations: Lord, be merciful,...) Lord, deliver us, we pray. (sing 8 times)
 - *All you holy men and women, pray for us.
 - *(Invocations: Be merciful to us sinners,...) Lord, we ask you, hear our prayer. (sing 4 times)
 - *Christ, hear us. Christ, graciously hear us.
- Blessing of Water
- Baptism (Response—Water of life, cleanse and refresh us,
Raise us to life in Christ Jesus.)
- Renewal of Baptismal Promises

Sprinkling Rite: Remember the Water

Remember the water. Remember we have become
Sons and daughters in the family of God
In the moments when you doubt you belong
Remember the water. Remember the water.

Remember the water. Our sin was buried with Christ.
And the Father gave us a new kind of life
Resurrection is our hope and delight
Remember the water. Remember the water.

Remember the water. Remember what has begun
When you falter, remember all He has done
Claim the victory that Jesus has won
Remember the water. Remember the water.

Celebration of Reception of Candidates for Confirmation:

- Invitation
- Laying on of Hands
- Anointing with Chrism

Confirmation: One Spirit, One Church

We are a pilgrim people
We are the church of God
A family of believers
Disciples of the Lord
United in one spirit
Ignited by the fire
Still burning through the ages
Still present in our lives
Amen

Response to Intercessions: *Risen Lord, hear our prayer*

Preparation: Christ Be Our Light

This is the night of new beginnings
This is the night when heaven meets earth
This is the night filled with God's glory
Promise of our new birth

Refrain: Christ, be our light!

Shine in our hearts.

Shine through the darkness.

Christ, be our light!

Shine in Your church gathered today.

This is the night Christ our redeemer
Rose from the grave triumphant and free
Leaving the tomb of evil and darkness
Empty for all to see

Now will the fire kindled in darkness
Burn to dispel the shadows of night
Star of the morning, Jesus our Savior
You are the world's true light

Sing of the hope deeper than dying
Sing of the power stronger than death
Sing of the love endless as heaven
Dawning throughout the earth