



The Raising of Lazarus, Oil on canvas, ca 1616, Jusepe de Ribera,
Museo del Prado, Madrid, Spain

THE FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT
11 a.m. Solemn Mass + March 26, 2023
Church of the Ascension, Chicago, IL

Sun	Mar 26	The Fifth Sunday in Lent
	9 a.m.	Sung Mass
	10 a.m.	Confession available
	11 a.m.	Solemn Mass
	12:45 p.m.	Lenten Study: <i>Entering the Passion of Jesus</i> (St Michael Hall)
Wed	Mar 29	
	6:30 p.m.	Said Mass: John Keble, priest
Fri	Mar 31	
	12 p.m.	Stations of the Cross
Sun	Apr 2	The Sunday of the Passion: Palm Sunday
	9 a.m.	Sung Mass
	10 a.m.	Confession available
	11 a.m.	Solemn Mass
	3:30 p.m.	Organ Recital
	4 p.m.	Solemn Evensong & Benediction

- Please join us for **Coffee Hour in Wheeler Hall** after the Mass.
- If you are a visitor, please consider completing one of the blue visitor cards in the pews.

UPCOMING AT ASCENSION
Stations of the Cross on March 3, 10, 17, 24, 31 & April 7
Fridays at 12 p.m.

*More Lenten offerings for Prayer and Spiritual Growth may be found on
the inside back cover of this bulletin.*

Please silence all electronic devices that may distract you or others from worship.
Cameras in the church are for the purposes of live-streaming and/or recording our
liturgies and music, but anyone in the church may be incidentally viewed.



ORGAN By custom, organ voluntaries are omitted on this day.

THE ENTRANCE RITE

The People stand as able. During the hymn the ministers enter and go to the altar. During the Introit the altar is censed.

The Opening Hymn 635

WER NUR DEN LIEBEN GOTT

Introit "Iudica me Deus" (Ps. 43) Mode IV

Iudica me Deus, et discerne causam meam de gente non sancta: ab homine iniquo et doloso eripe me: quia tu es Deus meus, et fortitudo mea. Ps. Emitte lucem tuam, et veritatem tuam, ipsa me deduxerunt, et adduxerunt in montem sanctum tuum, et in tabernacula tua. V. Gloria Patri, et Filio, et Spiritui Sancto. Sicut erat in principio, et nunc, et semper, et in saecula saeculorum. Amen. Iudica me Deus...

Give sentence with me, O God, and defend my cause against the ungodly people: O deliver my soul from the deceitful and wicked man: for thou art the God of my strength. Ps. O send out thy light and thy truth, that they may lead me: and bring me unto thy holy hill, and to thy dwelling. V. Glory be to the Father and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be: world without end. Amen. Give sentence with me...

THE PENITENTIAL ORDER

The Opening Acclamation

Celebrant

Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins;

People

His mercy en - dures for ev - er.

The Summary of the Law

Celebrant Jesus said, "The first commandment is this: Hear, O Israel: The Lord your God is the only Lord. Love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength. The second is this: Love your neighbor as yourself. There is no commandment greater than these." **Mark 12:29-31**

Confession of Sin

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

Silence may be kept

Minister and People

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 Priest 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.**

Kyrie Eleison

Kyrie eleison. Christe eleison. Kyrie eleison.

Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.

Setting: Healey Willan (1880-1968) *Missa Brevis No V in F# minor* (1935)

The Salutation and Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty God, you alone can bring into order the unruly wills and affections of sinners: Grant your people grace to love what you command and desire what you promise; that, among the swift and varied changes of the world, our hearts may surely there be fixed where true joys are to be found; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

The People are seated.

The First Lesson

Ezekiel 37:1-14

The hand of the Lord came upon me, and he brought me out by the spirit of the Lord and set me down in the middle of a valley; it was full of bones. He led me all around them; there were very many lying in the valley, and they were very dry. He said to me, “Mortal, can these bones live?” I answered, “O Lord GOD, you know.” Then he said to me, “Prophesy to these bones, and say to them: O dry bones, hear the word of the Lord. Thus says the Lord GOD to these bones: I will cause breath to enter you, and you shall live. I will lay sinews on you, and will cause flesh to come upon you, and cover you with skin, and put breath in you, and you shall live; and you shall know that I am the Lord.” So I prophesied as I had been commanded; and as I prophesied, suddenly there was a noise, a rattling, and the bones came together, bone to its bone. I looked, and there were sinews on them, and flesh had come upon them, and skin had covered them; but there was no breath in them. Then he said to me, “Prophesy to the breath, prophesy, mortal, and say to the breath: Thus says the Lord GOD: Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe upon these slain, that they may live.” I prophesied as he commanded me, and the breath came into them, and they lived, and stood on their feet, a vast multitude. Then he said to me, “Mortal, these bones are the whole house of Israel. They say, ‘Our bones are dried up, and our hope is lost; we are cut off completely.’ Therefore prophesy, and say to them, Thus says the Lord GOD: I am going to open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people; and I will bring you back to the land of Israel. And you shall know that I am the Lord, when I open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people. I will put my spirit within you, and you shall live, and I will place you on your own soil; then you shall know that I, the Lord, have spoken and will act,” says the Lord.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Gradual “Eripe me Domine” (Ps. 143) Mode III

Eripe me, Domine, de inimicis meis: doce me facere voluntatem tuam. Ps. 18. Liberator meus, Domine, de gentibus iracundis: ab insurgentibus in me exaltabis me: a viro iniquo eripies me.

Deliver me, O Lord, from mine enemies: teach me to do the thing that pleaseth thee. Ps. 18. It is the Lord that delivereth me from my cruel enemies, and setteth me up above mine adversaries: thou shalt rid me from the wicked man.

The Epistle

Romans 6:16-23

Do you not know that if you present yourselves to anyone as obedient slaves, you are slaves of the one whom you obey, either of sin, which leads to death, or of obedience, which leads to righteousness? But thanks be to God that you, having once been slaves of sin, have become obedient from the heart to the form of teaching to which you were entrusted, and that you, having been set free from sin, have become slaves of righteousness. I am speaking in human terms because of your natural limitations. For just as you once presented your members as slaves to impurity and to greater and greater iniquity, so now present your members as slaves to righteousness for sanctification. When you were slaves of sin, you were free in regard to righteousness. So what advantage did you then get from the things of which you now are ashamed? The end of those things is death. But now that you have been freed from sin and enslaved to God, the advantage you get is sanctification. The end is eternal life. For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Sub-deacon The Word of the Lord. *People* **Thanks be to God.**

The People Stand as able.

Tract “Saepe expugnaverunt” (Ps. 129) Mode VIII

Saepe expugnaverunt me a iuventute mea. V. Dicat nunc Israel: saepe expugnaverunt me a iuventute mea. V. Etenim non potuerunt mihi: supra dorsum meum fabricaverunt peccatores. V. Prolongaverunt iniquitatem sibi: Dominus iustus concidet cervices peccatorum.

Many a time have they fought against me from my youth up. V. May Israel now say: yea, many a time have they vexed me from my youth up. V. But they have not prevailed against me: the plowers plowed upon my back. V. And made long furrows: but the righteous Lord hath hewn the snares of the ungodly in pieces.

The Holy Gospel

John 11:1-44

Deacon The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

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

People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Now a certain man was ill, Lazarus of Bethany, the village of Mary and her sister Martha. Mary was the one who anointed the Lord with perfume and wiped his

feet with her hair; her brother Lazarus was ill. So the sisters sent a message to Jesus, "Lord, he whom you love is ill." But when Jesus heard it, he said, "This illness does not lead to death; rather it is for God's glory, so that the Son of God may be glorified through it." Accordingly, though Jesus loved Martha and her sister and Lazarus, after having heard that Lazarus was ill, he stayed two days longer in the place where he was. Then after this he said to the disciples, "Let us go to Judea again." The disciples said to him, "Rabbi, the Judeans were just now trying to stone you, and are you going there again?" Jesus answered, "Are there not twelve hours of daylight? Those who walk during the day do not stumble, because they see the light of this world. But those who walk at night stumble, because the light is not in them." After saying this, he told them, "Our friend Lazarus has fallen asleep, but I am going there to awaken him." The disciples said to him, "Lord, if he has fallen asleep, he will be all right." Jesus, however, had been speaking about his death, but they thought that he was referring merely to sleep. Then Jesus told them plainly, "Lazarus is dead. For your sake I am glad I was not there, so that you may believe. But let us go to him." Thomas, who was called the Twin, said to his fellow disciples, "Let us also go, that we may die with him." When Jesus arrived, he found that Lazarus had already been in the tomb four days. Now Bethany was near Jerusalem, some two miles away, and many of the Jews had come to Martha and Mary to console them about their brother. When Martha heard that Jesus was coming, she went and met him, while Mary stayed at home. Martha said to Jesus, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died. But even now I know that God will give you whatever you ask of him." Jesus said to her, "Your brother will rise again." Martha said to him, "I know that he will rise again in the resurrection on the last day." Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. Those who believe in me, even though they die, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this?" She said to him, "Yes, Lord, I believe that you are the Messiah, the Son of God, the one coming into the world." When she had said this, she went back and called her sister Mary, and told her privately, "The Teacher is here and is calling for you." And when she heard it, she got up quickly and went to him. Now Jesus had not yet come to the village, but was still at the place where Martha had met him. The Jews who were with her in the house, consoling her, saw Mary get up quickly and go out. They followed her because they thought that she was going to the tomb to weep there. When Mary came where Jesus was and saw him, she knelt at his feet and said to him, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have

died." When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who came with her also weeping, he was greatly disturbed in spirit and deeply moved. He said, "Where have you laid him?" They said to him, "Lord, come and see." Jesus began to weep. So the Jews said, "See how he loved him!" But some of them said, "Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man have kept this man from dying?" Then Jesus, again greatly disturbed, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone was lying against it. Jesus said, "Take away the stone." Martha, the sister of the dead man, said to him, "Lord, already there is a stench because he has been dead four days." Jesus said to her, "Did I not tell you that if you believed, you would see the glory of God?" So they took away the stone. And Jesus looked upward and said, "Father, I thank you for having heard me. I knew that you always hear me, but I have said this for the sake of the crowd standing here, so that they may believe that you sent me." When he had said this, he cried with a loud voice, "Lazarus, come out!" The dead man came out, his hands and feet bound with strips of cloth, and his face wrapped in a cloth. Jesus said to them, "Unbind him, and let him go."

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The People Sit.

The Sermon

The Rev. Thomas Heard

The People stand as able.

The Nicene Creed (S-104 Contemporary)



We be - lieve in one God, the Fa - ther, the Al-might - y, ma - ker of
heav - en and earth, of all that is, seen and un - seen. We be - lieve
in one Lord, Je - sus Christ, the on - ly Son of God, e - ter - nal - ly
be - got - ten of the Fa - ther, God from God, Light from Light, true God
from true God, be - got - ten, not made, of one Be - ing with the Fa - ther.

Through him all things were made. For us and for our sal - va - tion
he came down from hea - ven: by the pow - er of the Ho - ly Spi - rit
he be - came in - car - nate from the Vir - gin Ma - ry, and was made man.
For our sake he was cru - ci - fied un - der Pon - tius Pi - late;
he suf - fered death and was bur - ied. On the third day he rose a - gain
in ac - cord - ance with the Scrip - tures; he a - scend - ed in - to hea - ven
and is seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther. He will come a -
gain in glo - ry to judge the liv - ing and the dead, and his king - dom
will have no end. We be - lieve in the Ho - ly Spi - rit, the Lord,
the giv - er of life, who pro - ceeds from the Fa - ther and the Son.
With the Fa - ther and the Son he is wor - shiped and glo - ri - fied.
He has spo - ken through the Pro - phets. We be - lieve in one ho - ly
cath - o - lic and a - po - sto - lic Church. We ac - know - ledge one bap - tism

for the for-give-ness of sins. We look for the re-sur-rec-tion of the dead,
 and the life of the world to come. Amen.

The Prayers of the People

Deacon With all our heart and with all our mind, let us pray to the Lord, saying, "Lord, have mercy."

The Response by the People to each petition is "Lord, have mercy."

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

O Lord our God, accept the fervent prayers of your people; in the multitude of your mercies, look with compassion upon us and all who turn to you for help; for you are gracious, O lover of souls, and to you we give glory, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The Peace

All stand. The Celebrant says to the people



The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

Then the Ministers and People greet one another in the name of the Lord.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Offertory Motet

Confitebor tibi, Domine, in toto corde meo: retribue servo tuo: vivam, et custodiam sermones tuos: vivifica me secundum verbum tuum, Domine.

I will give thanks unto the Lord with my whole heart: O do well unto thy servant, that I may live, and keep thy word: quicken thou me, according to thy word, O Lord.

Setting: Giovanni Battista Casali (1715-1792) *Confitebor tibi*

The People Stand as able.

Offertory Hymn 457

ST. JAMES

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Eucharistic Prayer A

Orate Fratres

Celebrant Pray, beloved, that this my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God the Father Almighty.

People May the Lord receive this sacrifice at your hands, to the praise and glory of his Name, both to our benefit and that of all his holy Church.

Celebrant Amen.

Sursum corda

Celebrant
The Lord be with you. And also with you.

Celebrant
People
Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People
It is right to give him thanks and praise.

Then facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds

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; You bid your faithful people cleanse their hearts, and prepare with joy for the Paschal feast; that, fervent in prayer and in works of mercy, and renewed by your Word and Sacraments, they may come to the fullness of grace which you have prepared for those who love you. 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:

Sanctus and Benedictus

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of Hosts: Heaven and earth are full of thy glory. Glory be to thee, O Lord most high. Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Setting: Healey Willan (1880-1968) Missa Brevis No V in F# minor (1935)

The People stand or kneel. Then 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.”

The image contains two lines of musical notation. The top line, labeled 'Celebrant', consists of a single staff with a treble clef, a key signature of one sharp (F#), and a common time signature. It features a series of black dots representing quarter notes. The lyrics 'There - fore we pro - claim the mys - ter - y of faith:' are written below the staff. The bottom line, labeled 'Celebrant and People', also has a treble clef, one sharp key signature, and common time. It features a mix of black dots and open circles (hollow notes). The lyrics 'Christ has died. Christ is ris - en. Christ will come a - gain.' are written below this staff.

The Celebrant continues

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.**

And now, as our Savior 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 - pas - ses,
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 power,
and the glo - ry, for ev - er and ev - er. A - men.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.

Celebrant
Christ our Pass - o - ver is sac - ri - ficed for us;

People
There - fore let us keep the feast.

The Invitation to Communion

Celebrant Behold the Lamb of God; behold him that takes away the sins of the world. Happy are they who are called to his supper.
Lord, I am not worthy that you should come under my roof.

People **But speak the word only, and my soul shall be healed.**

Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God.

† All baptized Christians are welcome to receive Communion, and all may come forward. Those who are not baptized or who do not wish to receive may indicate a desire for a blessing by crossing arms on the chest upon approaching the priest. If you prefer not to receive the Chalice, please cross your arms on your chest and remain until the minister has said the words of reception, “The Blood of Christ, the cup of salvation.” If you require a gluten-free host, put your right hand over your heart.

- Please alert an usher if you need the Sacrament brought to you in the pew.

Agnus Dei

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world: have mercy upon us.

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world: have mercy upon us.

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world: grant us thy peace.

Setting: Healey Willan (1880-1968) *Missa Brevis No V in F# minor* (1935)

THE COMMUNION

Communion Motet

Be pleased to deliver me; make haste to help me. Let those who seek my life be ashamed and be dismayed. I am poor and needy; come to me. You are my helper and my deliverer.

Setting: Patricia Van Ness (b. 1951) *Psalm 70: Be Pleased to Deliver Me* (rev. 2019)

Text adapted from The Psalter, *The Book of Common Prayer*

Communion “Videns Dominus” (Jn. 11) Mode I

Videns Dominus flentes soroles Lazari ad monumentum, lacrimatus est coram Iudeis, et clamabat: Lazare, veni foras: et prodiit ligatis manibus et pedibus, qui fuerat quatriduanus mortuus. Ps. 130. De profundis clamavi ad te Domine, Domine exaudi vocem meam. V. Fiant aures tuae intendentes, in vocem deprecationis meae. V. Si iniquitates observabis Domine, Domine quis sustinebit. V. Quia apud te propitiatio est, propter legem tuam sustinui te Domine. V. Gloria Patri.

The Lord, seeing the sisters of Lazarus weeping at the tomb, wept before the Jews, and cried: Lazarus, come forth: and he came forth, bound head and foot, he that had been dead four days. Ps. 130. Out of the depths I have cried to thee, O Lord: Lord, hear my voice. V. Let thy ears be attentive to the voice of my supplication. V. If thou, O Lord, wilt mark iniquities: Lord, who shall stand it. V. For with thee there is merciful forgiveness: and by reason of thy law, I have waited for thee, O Lord. V. Glory be.

Communion Hymn 314

ADORO DEVOTE

The People stand or kneel. The Celebrant says Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

Almighty and everliving God,
we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food
of the most precious Body and Blood
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ;
and for assuring us in these holy mysteries
that we are living members of the Body of your Son,
and heirs of your eternal kingdom.
And now, Father, send us out
to do the work you have given us to do,
to love and serve you
as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord.
To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit,
be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

The Solemn Prayer over the People

Deacon Let us pray for God's blessing.

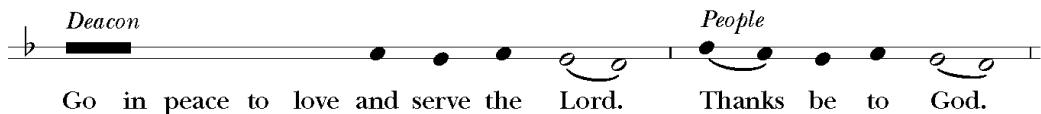
Celebrant Look with compassion, O Lord, upon this your people; that, rightly observing this holy season, they may learn to know you more fully, and to serve you with a more perfect will; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The People stand as they are able.

The Dismissal

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you



Closing Hymn 641

SOUTHWELL

ORGAN *By custom, organ voluntaries are omitted on this day.*

Ascension Prayer List

For our prayers: MB Hwang, Luis & Rocio Hernandez, Juanita Malone, Oksana, Eric Magnuson, Mary W., Tyler, David S. Jones, Richard Francis Tracz, Thom Racina, Robert Browning, Natalia & Victor, Dorothy, David Schrader, Victor Fernandez, Claire Green, Beth Hall, Sue Lenz, Brenda Martins

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Prayer requests

Do you have a need for special prayer in your life? Whether your prayer needs are because you have an upcoming surgery, an ill family member, or you're just feeling particularly lonely lately, Fr. Heard and Mtr. Murphy-Gill would like to know. We've created a way for letting us know about your requests for prayers in a way we hope makes it easy for you to reach out, though you can always call the church or reach out to one of the priests personally. Check out the link in TWAA to share your prayer requests.



Please do remember your financial offerings to the church. At this time, they may be placed in the offering plates as they are passed. You may also write a check and mail it to the church or make a gift by scanning this QR Code.

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Offerings for Prayer and Spiritual Growth for the Season of Lent

Book Study Sundays: Entering the Passion of Jesus

Following the Solemn Mass, we prepare for Holy Week by prayerfully studying the Passion of Jesus. New Testament scholar Amy-Jill Levine is our guide for this journey, as we are using her book, *Entering the Passion of Jesus: A Beginner's Guide to Holy Week* for our study. While all the copies we had have been claimed, you can purchase a copy on your own from an independent bookseller through Bookshop or find a copy on Amazon.

Prayer for the Rector Search Committee

Almighty and everliving God, ruler of all things in heaven and earth, hear our prayers for this parish family. Strengthen the faithful, arouse the careless, and restore the penitent. Look graciously on your Church, and so guide the minds of those who shall choose a rector for The Church of the Ascension that we may receive a faithful pastor, who will care for your people and equip us for our ministries; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.



Welcome to worship at the
Church of the Ascension
An Anglican-Episcopal parish in the
city and Diocese of Chicago

SOME WHO HAVE GATHERED HERE TODAY may have traveled from afar and visited before. Church of the Ascension has long been a destination for those who feel blessed by the Anglo-Catholic worship here. Others may have made a shorter trip, and those here for the first time may ask, "What's Anglo-Catholic?" The term refers to two aspects of our history and ongoing faith and worship.

Anglican churches are those in the tradition of, and with ongoing ties to, the Church of England. (In the United States we are mainly called Episcopalians.)

The 'Catholic' part of our identity is evident all around us here, in the church interior and in our worship.

- + We value and relish liturgy and music that engage and nourish the heart the mind and all the senses.
- + Our reverence for the sacrament of the Eucharist, the Mass, Christ's Body and Blood, is emphasized by the architecture of the space and many elements of our worship.
- + We have a strong sense of taking part, as Christ's people, in the Communion of Saints, including Blessed Mary and our patron saint, Michael the Archangel. Our faith is inspired and sustained by remembering the lives and witness of those who are now eternally with God.

We hope and pray that our sense of grateful, divine fellowship translates to our welcome of all and to faithfulness in the ministries that we share beyond our life of worship.

Your questions about our parish community, our worship and other ministries may be found by inquiring with our clergy or parishioners, or on our website – www.ascensionchicago.org.

Thank you and bless you for joining us.



The mosaic on the door of the altar tabernacle, Church of the Ascension

- **All baptized Christians are welcomed to receive Communion.** Others are welcomed to come forward at the time of Communion to receive a blessing.
- **Please join us for Coffee Hour in Wheeler Hall** after the Mass.
- **If you are a visitor**, please consider completing one of the blue visitor cards found in the pews.
- **Live-Streaming** of select liturgies is available on Facebook and YouTube. Links for these can be found on our website Home page.
- **Please ask an usher about a parking permit** if your car will be in our parking lot after 1:30 pm today.

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