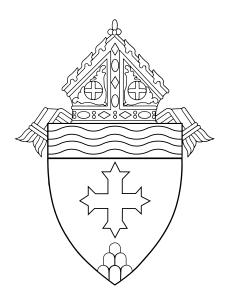
HOLY HOUR AND MASS TO CONSECRATE UKRAINE AND RUSSIA TO THE IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY



CATHEDRAL OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION IN THE CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF MEMPHIS IN TENNESSEE

Friday, The Twenty-fifth day of March, 2022



Music: werner, LM; Text: Thomas Aquinas, c. 1227-1274.

(Please kneel.)

ACT OF CONSECRATION TO THE IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY

O Mary, Mother of God

and our Mother,

in this time of trial we turn to you.

As our Mother, you love us and know us:

no concern of our hearts is hidden from you.

Mother of mercy,

how often we have experienced your watchful care and your peaceful presence!

You never cease to guide us to Jesus, the Prince of Peace.

Yet we have strayed from that path of peace.

We have forgotten the lesson learned from the tragedies of the last century,

the sacrifice of the millions who fell in two world wars.

We have disregarded the commitments we made as a community of nations.

We have betrayed peoples' dreams of peace and the hopes of the young.

We grew sick with greed, we thought only of our own nations and their interests,

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we grew indifferent and caught up in our selfish needs and concerns.

We chose to ignore God, to be satisfied with our illusions,

to grow arrogant and aggressive,

to suppress innocent lives and to stockpile weapons.

We stopped being our neighbour's keepers and stewards of our common home.

We have ravaged the garden of the earth with war

and by our sins we have broken the heart of our heavenly Father,

who desires us to be brothers and sisters.

We grew indifferent to everyone and everything except ourselves.

Now with shame we cry out: Forgive us, Lord!

Holy Mother,

amid the misery of our sinfulness,

amid our struggles and weaknesses,

amid the mystery of iniquity that is evil and war,

you remind us that God never abandons us,

but continues to look upon us with love,

ever ready to forgive us and raise us up to new life.

He has given you to us

and made your Immaculate Heart a refuge for the Church and for all humanity.

By God's gracious will, you are ever with us;

even in the most troubled moments of our history,

you are there to guide us with tender love.

We now turn to you and knock at the door of your heart.

We are your beloved children.

In every age you make yourself known to us, calling us to conversion.

At this dark hour, help us and grant us your comfort.

Say to us once more: "Am I not here, I who am your Mother?"

You are able to untie the knots of our hearts and of our times.

In you we place our trust.

We are confident that, especially in moments of trial,

you will not be deaf to our supplication

and will come to our aid.

That is what you did at Cana in Galilee,

when you interceded with Jesus and he worked the first of his signs.

To preserve the joy of the wedding feast,

you said to him: "They have no wine" (Jn 2:3).

Now, O Mother, repeat those words and that prayer,

for in our own day we have run out of the wine of hope, joy has fled, fraternity has faded.
We have forgotten our humanity and squandered the gift of peace.
We opened our hearts to violence and destructiveness.
How greatly we need your maternal help!

Therefore, O Mother, hear our prayer.

Star of the Sea, do not let us be shipwrecked in the tempest of war.

Ark of the New Covenant, inspire projects and paths of reconciliation.

Queen of Heaven, restore God's peace to the world.

Eliminate hatred and the thirst for revenge, and teach us forgiveness.

Free us from war, protect our world from the menace of nuclear weapons.

Queen of the Rosary, make us realize our need to pray and to love.

Queen of the Human Family, show people the path of fraternity.

Queen of Peace, obtain peace for our world.

O Mother, may your sorrowful plea stir our hardened hearts.

May the tears you shed for us
make this valley parched by our hatred blossom anew.

Amid the thunder of weapons,
may your prayer turn our thoughts to peace.

May your maternal touch
soothe those who suffer and flee from the rain of bombs.

May your motherly embrace
comfort those forced to leave their homes and their native land.

May your Sorrowful Heart
move us to compassion and inspire us to open our doors
and to care for our brothers and sisters who are injured and cast aside.

Holy Mother of God, as you stood beneath the cross,
Jesus, seeing the disciple at your side, said: "Behold your son" (Jn 19:26).
In this way he entrusted each of us to you.
To the disciple, and to each of us, he said: "Behold, your Mother" (v. 27).
Mother Mary, we now desire to welcome you into our lives and our history.
At this hour, a weary and distraught humanity
stands with you beneath the cross,
needing to entrust itself to you
and, through you, to consecrate itself to Christ.
The people of Ukraine and Russia,

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who venerate you with great love, now turn to you, even as your heart beats with compassion for them and for all those peoples decimated by war, hunger, injustice and poverty.

Therefore, Mother of God and our Mother, to your Immaculate Heart we solemnly entrust and consecrate ourselves, the Church and all humanity, especially Russia and Ukraine.

Accept this act that we carry out with confidence and love.

Grant that war may end and peace spread throughout the world.

The "Fiat" that arose from your heart opened the doors of history to the Prince of Peace.

We trust that, through your heart, peace will dawn once more.

To you we consecrate the future of the whole human family, the needs and expectations of every people, the anxieties and hopes of the world.

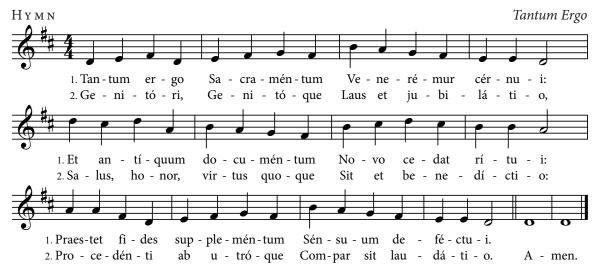
Through your intercession,
may God's mercy be poured out on the earth
and the gentle rhythm of peace return to mark our days.
Our Lady of the "Fiat", on whom the Holy Spirit descended,
restore among us the harmony that comes from God.
May you, our "living fountain of hope",
water the dryness of our hearts.
In your womb Jesus took flesh;
help us to foster the growth of communion.
You once trod the streets of our world;
lead us now on the paths of peace. Amen.

(A brief period of silence takes place.)

THE ROSARY FOR PEACE

(A period of silent reflection takes place.)

BENEDICTION



Text: St. Thomas Aquinas, 1225-1274, trans. by Edward Caswell, 1814-1878. Melody: ST THOMAS, 87 87 87, fr. Cantus Diversi, by John Francis Wade, 1711-1786.

You have given us bread from heaven. Bishop:

Having all sweetness within it. All:

PRAYER

EUCHARISTIC BLESSING

DIVINE PRAISES

Blessed be God.

Blessed be His Holy Name.

Blessed be Jesus Christ, true God and true man.

Blessed be the name of Jesus.

Blessed be His Most Sacred Heart.

Blessed be His Most Precious Blood.

Blessed be Jesus in the Most Holy Sacrament of the Altar.

Blessed be the Holy Spirit, the paraclete.

Blessed be the great Mother of God, Mary most holy.

Blessed be her holy and Immaculate Conception.

Blessed be her glorious Assumption.

Blessed be the name of Mary, Virgin and Mother.

Blessed be Saint Joseph, her most chaste spouse.

Blessed be God in His angels and in His Saints.

REPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT



Text: 78 78 77 with repeat; *Te Deum laudamus*, ca. 3rd cent.; *Grosser Gott, wir loben dich*, tr. ascr. to Ignaz Franz, 1719-1790; tr. by Clarence A. Walworth, 1820-1900. Music: GROSSER GOTT, *Katholisches Gesangbuch*, Vienna, ca. 1774.



Solemnity of the Annunciation of the Lord



Text: 11 11 with refrain; anon. in Parochial Hymn Book; Boston, 1897; rev. of Hail Virgin of virgins, by Jeremiah Cummings, 1814-1866, alt. Music: LOURDES HYMN, 11 11 with refrain; trad. Pyrenean melody, pub. Grenoble, 1882; alt. by Augustus Edmonds Tozer, 1857-1910.

GREETING

Bishop: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

All: Amen.

Bishop: Peace be with you.

All: And with your spirit.

PENITENTIAL ACT

Deacon: Lord Jesus, you are mighty God and Prince of peace:

Lord, have mercy.



All:

Lord, have mer - cy.

Deacon: Lord Jesus, you are the Son of God and Son of Mary:

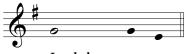
Christ, have mercy.



All:

Christ, have mer - cy.

Deacon: Lord Jesus, you are Word made flesh and splendor of the Father: Lord, have mercy.



All:

Lord, have mer - cy.

Bishop: May almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us our sins, and bring us to everlasting life.



All:

A - men.



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LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING

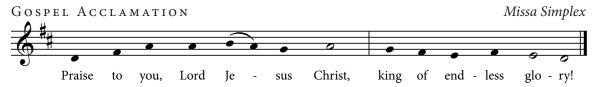
Isaiah 7:10-14; 8:10



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SECOND READING

Hebrews 10:4-10



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GOSPEL Luke 1:26-38

Deacon: The Lord be with you All: And with your spirit.

Deacon: A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke.

All: Glory to you, O Lord.

At the end of the reading,

Deacon: The Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

After the proclamation of the Gospel, please remain standing until the Book of the Gospels has been returned to its place of honor.

HOMILY

PROFESSION OF FAITH

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, (At the words that follow, up to and including "and became man," all bow.) 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.

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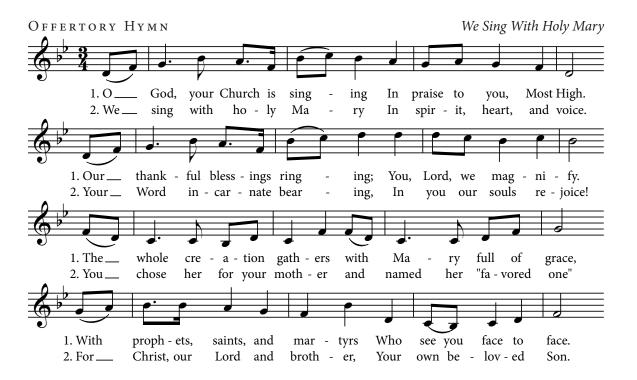
who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

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.

UNIVERSAL PRAYER

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST





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After the altar is prepared,

Bishop: Pray brothers and sisters, that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.

All: May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands for the praise and glory of his name, for our good and the good of all his holy Church.

PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

PREFACE DIALOG

Bishop: The Lord be with you.

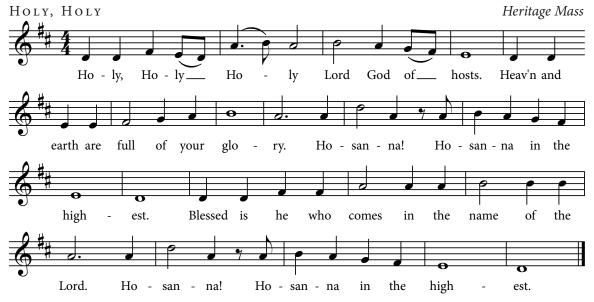
All: And with your spirit.

Bishop: Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them up to the Lord.

Bishop: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: It is right and just.



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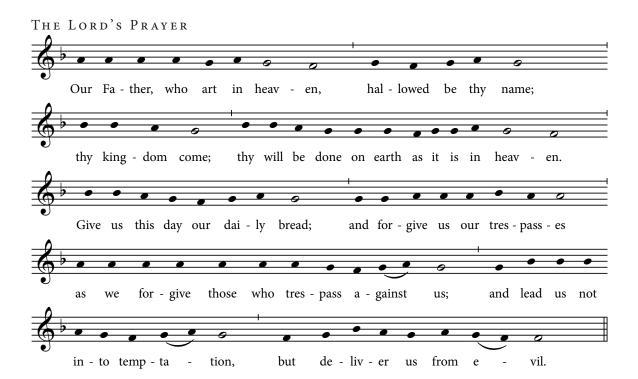
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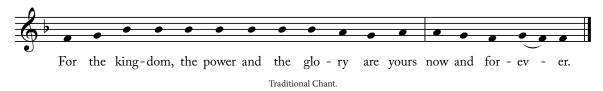
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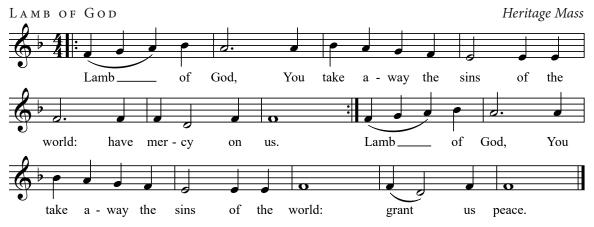
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Deliver us, Lord, we pray, from every evil, graciously grant peace in our days, that, by the help of your mercy, we may be always free from sin and safe from all distress, as we await the blessed hope and the coming of our Savior, Jesus Christ.



SIGN OF PEACE



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Bishop: 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.



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CONCLUDING RITES

FINAL BLESSING

Bishop: The Lord be with you. And with your spirit. All:

Deacon: Bow down for the blessing.

May God, who through the childbearing of the Blessed Virgin Mary willed in his great Bishop:

kindness to redeem the human race, be pleased to enrich you with his blessing.

All: Amen.

Bishop: May you know always and everywhere the protection of her, through whom you have

found worthy to receive the author of life.

All: Amen.

May you, who have devoutly gathered on this day, carry away with you the gifts of spiri-Bishop:

tual joys and heavenly rewards.

All: Amen.

And may the blessing of almighty God, ★ the Father, ★ and the Son, ★ and the Holy Bishop:

Spirit, come down on you and remain with you for ever.

All: Amen.

DISMISSAL

Go and announce the Gospel of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.



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