PASSIONTIDE

JUDICA, THE FIRST SUNDAY OF THE PASSION

FIRST CLASS

VIOLET

INTROIT + PSALM 43.1-2,3

TONE VII



Judge me, O God, and plead my cause against an un-god - ly na - tion:



Oh, de - liver me from the deceitful and unjust man!



For You are the God of my strength.



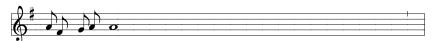
Oh, send out Your light and Your truth! Let them lead me:



Let them bring me to Your holy hill and to Your tab-er-na-cle.



Judge me, O God, and plead my cause against an un-god - ly na - tion:



Oh, de - liver me from the deceitful and unjust man!



For You are the God of my strength.

During Passiontide, the Gloria Patri and the Gloria in Excelsis are omitted.

COLLECT

We beseech You, almighty God:

mercifully to look upon Your people;

that by Your great goodness they may be governed and preserved evermore both in body and soul,

through Jesus Christ, Your Son, Our Lord;

who lives and reigns with You in the unity of the Holy Spirit: one God, now and forever.

OLD TESTAMENT + NUMBERS 21.4-9

A reading from the fourth book of Moses commonly called Numbers.

In those days, the children of Israel journeyed from Mount Hor by the Way of the Red Sea, to go around the land of Edom; and the soul of the people became very discouraged on the way. And 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 our soul loathes this worthless bread."

So the LORD sent fiery serpents among the people, and they bit the people; and many of the people of Israel died. Therefore the people came to Moses, and said, "We have sinned, for we have spoken against the LORD and against you; pray to the LORD that He take away the serpents from us." So Moses prayed for the people.

Then the LORD said to Moses, "Make a fiery serpent, and set it on a pole; and it shall be that everyone who is bitten, when he looks at it, shall live." So Moses made a bronze serpent, and put it on a pole; and so it was, if a serpent had bitten anyone, when he looked at the bronze serpent, he lived.

The Word of the Lord.

GRADUAL + PSALM 143.9,10; 18.48

TONE V



De- liv- er me, O Lord, from my en- e-mies:



Teach me to do Your will.



The Lord delivers me from my ene-mies,



and lifts me up above those who rise a-gainst me:



You have delivered me from the vio-lent man.

EPISTLE + HEBREWS 9.11-15

A reading from the epistle to the Hebrews.

Brethren: Christ came as High Priest of the good things to come, with the greater and more perfect tabernacle not made with hands, that is, not of this creation. Not with the blood of goats and calves, but with His own blood He entered the Most Holy Place once for all, having obtained eternal redemption. For if the blood of bulls and goats and the ashes of a heifer, sprinkling the unclean, sanctifies for the purifying of the flesh, how much more shall the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered Himself without spot to God, cleanse your conscience from dead works to serve the living God? And for this reason He is the Mediator of the new covenant, by means of death, for the redemption of the transgressions under the first covenant, that those who are called may receive the promise of the eternal inheritance.

The Word of the Lord.

<u> TRACT + PSALM 129.1-4</u>

TONE VIII



Ma-ny a time they have af-flict-ed me:



From my youth.



Let Israel now say:



Many a time they have afflicted me from my youth.



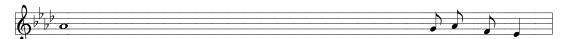
Yet they have not prevailed a-gainst me:



The plowers plowed on my back.



They made their fur-rows long:



The Lord is righteous; He has cut in pieces the cords of the wick-ed.

GOSPEL + ST. JOHN 8.46-59

The Lord be with you.

The continuation of the Holy Gospel according to St. John.

At that time Jesus spoke to the Jews saying: "Which of you convicts Me of sin? And if I tell the truth, why do you not believe Me? He who is of God hears God's words; therefore you do not hear, because you are not of God."

Then the Jews answered and said to Him, "Do we not say rightly that You are a Samaritan and have a demon?"

Jesus answered, "I do not have a demon; but I honor My Father, and you dishonor Me. And I do not seek My own glory; there is One who seeks and judges. Most assuredly, I say to you, if anyone keeps My word he shall never see death."

Then the Jews said to Him, "Now we know that You have a demon! Abraham is dead, and the prophets; and You say, 'If anyone keeps My word he shall never taste death.' Are You greater than our father Abraham, who is dead? And the prophets are dead. Whom do You make Yourself out to be?"

Jesus answered, "If I honor Myself, My honor is nothing. It is My Father who honors Me, of whom you say that He is your God. Yet you have not known Him, but I know Him. And if I say,

'I do not know Him,' I shall be a liar like you; but I do know Him and keep His word. Your father Abraham rejoiced to see My day, and he saw it and was glad."

Then the Jews said to Him, "You are not yet fifty years old, and have You seen Abraham?"

Jesus said to them, "Most assuredly, I say to you, before Abraham was, I AM." Then they took up stones to throw at Him; but Jesus hid Himself and went out of the temple.

The Gospel of the Lord.

CHIEF HYMN

"Lord Jesus, We Give Thanks to Thee" (Wir danken dir, Herr Jesu Christ); or

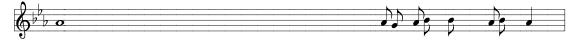
"The Royal Banners Forward Go" (Vexilla Regis prodeunt)

OFFERTORIUM + PSALM 111.1; 119.17,107

TONE II



I will praise the Lord with my whole heart.



Deal bountifully with Your servant, that I may live and keep Your word:



Re - vive me according to Your Word, O Lord.

SECRETA

Grant, O Lord, we pray: that our bounden duty and oblation may deliver us from every bond of iniquity; and obtain for us the bounteous gifts of Your mercy, through Jesus Christ, Your Son, Our Lord; who lives and reigns with You in the unity of the Holy Spirit: one God, now and forever.

PREFACE

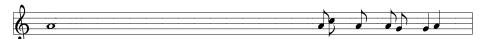
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COMMUNIO + 1 CORINTHIANS 11.24-25

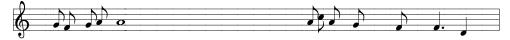
TONE I



This is My body which is broken for you;



this cup is the new Testament in My Blood, says the Lord:



This do, as often as you drink it, in re - mem-brance of Me.

POST COMMUNION COLLECT

Assist us mercifully, O Lord our God: that we whom You have refreshed with Your holy mysteries; may be defended by Your perpetual help, through Jesus Christ, Your Son, Our Lord; who lives and reigns with You in the unity of the Holy Spirit:

one God, now and forever.

MONDAY IN PASSION WEEK

THIRD CLASS VIOLET

INTROIT + PSALM 56.1-2

Be merciful to me, O God, for man would swallow me up; Fighting all day he oppresses me. Ps. My enemies would hound me all day,

Ps. My enemies would hound me all day,
For there are many who fight against me, O Most High.
Be merciful to me, O God, for man would swallow me up;
Fighting all day he oppresses me.

COLLECT

We beseech You, O Lord: let Your bountiful goodness sanctify our fasting; and effectually bestow on us the forgiveness of all our sins, through Jesus Christ, Your Son, Our Lord; who lives and reigns with You in the unity of the Holy Spirit: one God, now and forever.

EPISTLE + JONAH 3.1-10

A reading from the prophet Jonah.

In those days the word of the Lord came to Jonah the second time, saying, "Arise, go to Nineveh, that great city, and preach to it the message that I tell you." So Jonah arose and went to Nineveh, according to the word of the Lord. Now Nineveh was an exceedingly great city, a three-day journey in extent. And Jonah began to enter the city on the first day's walk. Then he cried out and said, "Yet forty days, and Nineveh shall be overthrown!" So the people of Nineveh believed God, proclaimed a fast, and put on sackcloth, from the greatest to the least of them. Then word came to the king of Nineveh; and he arose from his throne and laid aside his robe, covered himself with sackcloth and sat in ashes. And he caused it to be proclaimed and published throughout Nineveh by the decree of the king and his nobles, saying, Let neither man nor beast, herd nor flock, taste anything; do not let them eat, or drink water. But let man and beast be covered with sackcloth, and cry mightily to God; yes, let every one turn from his evil way and from the violence that is in his hands. Who can tell if God will turn and relent, and turn away from His fierce anger, so that we may not perish? Then God saw their works, that they turned from their evil way; and God relented from the disaster that He had said He would bring upon them, and He did not do it.

The Word of the Lord.

GRADUAL + PSALM 54.2,1

Save me, O God, by Your name, And vindicate me by Your strength. Hear my prayer, O God; Give ear to the words of my mouth.

TRACT + PSALM 103.10, 79.8-9

O Lord, deal not with us according to our sins:

Nor punish us according to our iniquities.

O Lord, do not remember former iniquities against us; let Your tender mercies come speedily to meet us:

For we have been brought very low.

Knee

Help us, O God of our salvation, for the glory of Your name, O Lord: And deliver us, and provide atonement for our sins, for Your name's sake!

GOSPEL + ST. JOHN 7.32-39

The Lord be with you.

The continuation of the Holy Gospel according to St. John.

*At that time the Pharisees heard the crowd murmuring these things concerning Him, and the Pharisees and the chief priests sent officers to take Him. Then Jesus said to them, "I shall be with you a little while longer, and then I go to Him who sent Me. You will seek Me and not find Me, and where I am you cannot come." Then the Jews said among themselves, "Where does He intend to go that we shall not find Him?

Does He intend to go to the Dispersion among the Greeks and teach the Greeks? What is this thing that He said, 'You will seek Me and not find Me, and where I am you cannot come'?" On the last day, that great day of the feast, Jesus stood and cried out, saying, "If anyone thirsts, let him come to Me and drink. He who believes in Me, as the Scripture has said, out of his heart will flow rivers of living water." But this He spoke concerning the Spirit, whom those believing in Him would receive.

The Gospel of the Lord.

OFFERTORIUM + PSALM 6.4

Return, O Lord, deliver me! Oh, save me for Your mercies' sake!

SECRETA

Grant, we beseech You, O Lord our God: that this saving victim may effectually avail, both to cleanse our souls from all their sins; and to obtain the favor of Your heavenly majesty, through Jesus Christ, Your Son, Our Lord; who lives and reigns with You, in the unity of the Holy Spirit: one God, now and forever.

PREFACE

Passiontide

COMMUNIO + PSALM 24.10

The Lord of hosts, He is the King of glory.

POST COMMUNION COLLECT

O Lord, who has made us partakers in this Sacrament of our salvation:

Grant, we beseech You;

That the same may be profitable to us both for the cleansing and the healing of our souls, through Jesus Christ, Your Son, Our Lord;

who lives and reigns with You in the unity of the Holy Spirit:

one God, now and forever.

PRAYER OVER THE PEOPLE

Let us bow our heads to the Lord.

Keep, we beseech You, O Lord, Your faithful people both in their bodies and in their souls: That they, cleaving steadfastly to all good works; May ever be defended by Your mighty power, through Jesus Christ, Your Son, Our Lord; who lives and reigns with You in the unity of the Holy Spirit: one God, now and forever.

TUESDAY IN PASSION WEEK

THIRD CLASS

VIOLET

INTROIT + PSALM 27.14,1

Wait on the Lord; be of good courage, and He shall strengthen your heart;

Wait, I say, on the Lord!

Ps. The Lord is my light and my salvation;

Whom shall I fear?

Wait on the Lord; be of good courage, and He shall strengthen your heart;

Wait, I say, on the Lord!

COLLECT

Grant, O Lord, we pray, the gift of Your Holy Spirit: that, being cleansed of all our sins and made worthy by Your grace; we may, in true repentance, be acceptable in Your sight and live in everlasting joy, through Jesus Christ, Your Son, Our Lord; who lives and reigns with You in the unity of the Holy Spirit: one God, now and forever.

EPISTLE + DANIEL 14.29-42 (APOCRYPHAL)

A reading from the prophet Daniel.

In those days, the people of Babylon came to the king and said, "Hand Daniel over to us, or else we will kill you and your household." The king saw that they were pressing him hard, and under compulsion he handed Daniel over to them. They threw Daniel into the lions' den, and he was there for six days. There were seven lions in the den, and every day they had been given two human bodies and two sheep; but now they were given nothing, so that they would devour Daniel. Now the prophet Habakkuk was in Judea; he had made a stew and had broken bread into a bowl, and was going into the field to take it to the reapers. But the angel of the Lord said to Habakkuk, "Take the food that you have to Babylon, to Daniel, in the lions' den." Habakkuk said, "Sir, I have never seen Babylon, and I know nothing about the den." Then the angel of the Lord took him by the crown of his head and carried him by his hair; with the speed of the wind he set him down in Babylon, right over the den. Then Habakkuk shouted, "Daniel, Daniel! Take the food that God has sent you." Daniel said, "You have remembered me, O God, and have not forsaken those who love you." So Daniel got up and ate. And the angel of God immediately returned Habakkuk to his own place. On the seventh day the king came to mourn for Daniel. When he came to the den he looked in, and there sat Daniel! The king shouted with a loud voice, "You are great, O Lord, the God of Daniel, and there is no other besides you!" Then he pulled Daniel out, and threw into the den those who had attempted his destruction, and they were instantly eaten before his eyes.

The Word of the Lord.

GRADUAL + PSALM 43.1,3

Vindicate me, O God, and plead my cause against an ungodly nation;

Oh, deliver me from the deceitful and unjust man!

Oh, send out Your light and Your truth!

Let them lead me; let them bring me to Your holy hill.

GOSPEL + ST. JOHN 7.1-13

The Lord be with you.

The continuation of the Holy Gospel according to St. John.

**At that time Jesus walked in Galilee; for He did not want to walk in Judea, because the Jews sought to kill Him. Now the Jews' Feast of Tabernacles was at hand. His brothers therefore said to Him, "Depart from here and go into Judea, that Your disciples also may see the works that You are doing. For no one does anything in secret while he himself seeks to be known openly. If You do these things, show Yourself to the world." For even His brothers did not believe in Him. Then Jesus said to them, "My time has not yet come, but your time is always ready. The world cannot hate you, but it hates Me because I testify of it that its works are evil. You go up to this feast. I am not yet going up to this feast, for My time has not yet fully come." When He had said these things to them, He remained in Galilee. But when His brothers had gone up, then He also went up to the feast, not openly, but as it were in secret. Then the Jews sought Him at the feast, and said, "Where is He?" And there was much complaining among the people concerning Him. Some said, "He is good"; others said, "No, on the contrary, He deceives the people." However, no one spoke openly of Him for fear of the Jews.

The Gospel of the Lord.

OFFERTORIUM + PSALM 9.10,11,12

And those who know Your name will put their trust in You; For You, Lord, have not forsaken those who seek You:

Sing praises to the Lord, who dwells in Zion! He does not forget the cry of the humble.

SECRETA

Accept, O Lord, we pray, the sacrifice which we offer and present to You: humbly beseeching You, that it may be profitable to us for our comfort in this present life; that we may ever hold fast the promise which You have given us of life eternal, through Jesus Christ, Your Son, Our Lord; who lives and reigns with You, in the nity of the Holy Spirt: one God, now and forever.

PREFACE

Passiontide

COMMUNIO + PSALM 25.22

Redeem Israel, O God, Out of all their troubles!

POST COMMUNION COLLECT

Grant, we beseech You, almighty God:
That we, ever following diligently after things eternal;
May be found worthy to attain the gifts of Your heavenly bounty,
through Jesus Christ, Your Son, Our Lord;
who lives and reigns with You in the unity of the Holy Spirit:
one God, now and forever.

PRAYER OVER THE PEOPLE

Let us bow our heads to the Lord.

Grant to us, O Lord, we beseech You:

Grace to continue steadfastly in obedience to Your will;

That in our time the humber of the faithful may be multiplied and the worthiness of their service increased,

through Jesus Christ, Your Son, Our Lord;

who lives and reigns with You in the unity of the Holy Spirit:

one God, now and forever.

WEDNESDAY IN PASSION WEEK

THIRD CLASS VIOLET

INTROIT + PSALM 18.48,1,2

The Lord delivers me from my enemies. You also lift me up above those who rise against me:

You have delivered me from the violent man.

Ps. I will love You, O Lord, my strength:

The Lord is my rock and my fortress and my deliverer.

The Lord delivers me from my enemies. You also lift me up above those who rise against me:

You have delivered me from the violent man.

COLLECT

O merciful God:

sanctify our fasting toward the enlightenment of the hearts of Your faithful people;

that we, to whom You have given a hearty desire to pray, may obtain by Your loving-kindness the fulfillment of all our petitions,

through Jesus Christ, Your Son, Our Lord;

who lives and reigns with You in the unity of the Holy Spirit:

one God, now and forever.

EPISTLE + LEVITICUS 19.1-2,10-19

A reading from the third book of Moses, commonly called Leviticus.

In those days the Lord spoke to Moses, saying, "Speak to all the congregation of the children of Israel, and say to them: 'You shall be holy, for I the Lord your God am holy. You shall not steal, nor deal falsely, nor lie to one another. And you shall not swear by My name falsely, nor shall you profane the name of your God: I am the Lord. You shall not cheat your neighbor, nor rob him. The wages of him who is hired shall not remain with you all night until morning. You shall not curse the deaf, nor put a stumbling block before the blind, but shall fear your God: I am the Lord. You shall do no injustice in judgment. You shall not be partial to the poor, nor honor the person of the mighty. In righteousness you shall judge your neighbor. You shall not go about as a talebearer among your people; nor shall you take a stand against the life of your neighbor: I am the Lord. You shall not hate your brother in your heart. You shall surely rebuke your neighbor, and not bear sin because of him. You shall not take vengeance, nor bear any grudge against the children of your people, but you shall love your neighbor as yourself: I am the Lord. You shall keep My statutes. I am the Lord your God."

The Word of the Lord.

GRADUAL + PSALM 30.1-3

I will extol You, O Lord, for You have lifted me up:

And have not let my foes rejoice over me.

O Lord my God, I cried out to You, and You healed me:

O Lord, You brought my soul up from the grave; You have kept me alive, that I should not go down to the pit.

TRACT + PSALM 103.10, 79.8-9

O Lord, deal not with us according to our sins:

Nor punish us according to our iniquities.

O Lord, do not remember former iniquities against us; let Your tender mercies come speedily to meet us:

For we have been brought very low.

Kneel

Help us, O God of our salvation, for the glory of Your name, O Lord:

And deliver us, and provide atonement for our sins, for Your name's sake!

GOSPEL + ST. JOHN 10.22-38

The Lord be with you.

The continuation of the Holy Gospel according to St. John.

*At that time it was the Feast of Dedication in Jerusalem, and it was winter. And Jesus walked in the temple, in Solomon's porch. Then the Jews surrounded Him and said to Him, "How long do You keep us in doubt? If You are the Christ, tell us plainly." Jesus answered them, "I told you, and you do not believe. The works that I do in My Father's name, they bear witness of Me. But you do not believe, because you

are not of My sheep, as I said to you. My sheep hear My voice, and I know them, and they follow Me. And I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish; neither shall anyone snatch them out of My hand. My Father, who has given them to Me, is greater than all; and no one is able to snatch them out of My Father's hand. I and My Father are one."

Then the Jews took up stones again to stone Him. Jesus answered them, "Many good works I have shown you from My Father. For which of those works do you stone Me?" The Jews answered Him, saying, "For a good work we do not stone You, but for blasphemy, and because You, being a Man, make Yourself God." Jesus answered them, "Is it not written in your law, 'I said, "You are gods" '? If He called them gods, to whom the word of God came (and the Scripture cannot be broken), do you say of Him whom the Father sanctified and sent into the world, 'You are blaspheming,' because I said, 'I am the Son of God'? If I do not do the works of My Father, do not believe Me; but if I do, though you do not believe Me, believe the works, that you may know and believe that the Father is in Me, and I in Him."

The Gospel of the Lord.

OFFERTORIUM + PSALM 59.1

Deliver me from my enemies, O my God:

Defend me from those who rise up against me.

SECRETA

Grant, O most merciful God: that we, who bring to You this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving; may offer it in all singleness and lowliness of heart, through Jesus Christ, Your Son, Our Lord; who lives and reigns with You in the unity of the Holy Spirit: one God, now and forever.

PREFACE

Passiontide

COMMUNIO + PSALM 26.6-7

I will wash my hands in innocence; so I will go about Your altar, O Lord:

That I may proclaim with the voice of thanksgiving, and tell of all Your wondrous works.

POST COMMUNION COLLECT

We humbly beseech You, almighty God:

that since You have made us partakers of Your heavenly benediction:

so the pledge You have given us in this holy Sacrament may be fulfilled in us unto everlasting salvation, through Jesus Christ, Your Son, Our Lord;

who lives and reigns with You in the unity of the Holy Spirit:

one God, now and forever.

PRAYER OVER THE PEOPLE

Let us bow our heads to the Lord.

Assist us mercifully, almighty God, in these our supplication: that we, whom You permit to put our trust and confidence in Your mercy; may, by Your goodness, obtain the desired effects of Your compassion, through Jesus Christ, Your Son, Our Lord; who lives and reigns with You in the unity of the Holy Spirit: one God, now and forever.

THURSDAY IN PASSION WEEK

THIRD CLASS

VIOLET

INTROIT + DANIEL 3.31,30,43,42 (APOCRYPHAL); PSALM 119.1

Everything You have done to us, O Lord You have done in true judgment. For we have trespassed And not obeyed Your commandments.

But give glory to Your name, O Lord and deal with us according to the multitude of Your mercies.

Ps. Blessed are the undefiled in the way,

Who walk in the law of the Lord!

Everything You have done to us, O Lord You have done in true judgment. For we have trespassed And not obeyed Your commandments.

But give glory to Your name, O Lord and deal with us according to the multitude of Your mercies.

COLLECT

Grant, we beseech You, almighty God:

that the dignity of human nature which has been corrupted by our willful sin and immoderation; may be restored and renewed by Your boundless grace,

through Jesus Christ, Your Son, Our Lord;

who lives and reigns with You in the unity of the Holy Spirit:

one God, now and forever.

EPISTLE + DANIEL 3.34-45 (APOCRYPHAL)

A reading from the prophet Daniel.

In those days Azariah prayed aloud to the Lord saying: "For your name's sake do not give us up forever, and do not annul your covenant. Do not withdraw your mercy from us, for the sake of Abraham your beloved and for the sake of your servant Isaac and Israel your holy one, to whom you promised to multiply their descendants like the stars of heaven and like the sand on the shore of the sea. For we, O Lord, have become fewer than any other nation, and are brought low this day in all the world because of our sins. In our day we have no ruler, or prophet, or leader, no burnt offering, or sacrifice, or oblation, or incense, no place to make an offering before you and to find mercy. Yet with a contrite heart and a humble spirit may we be accepted, as though it were with burnt offerings of rams and bulls, or with tens of thousands of fat lambs; such may our sacrifice be in your sight today, and may we unreservedly follow you, for no shame will come to those who trust in you. And now with all our heart we follow you; we fear you and seek your presence. Do not put us to shame, but deal with us in your patience and in your abundant mercy. Deliver us in accordance with your marvelous works, and bring glory to your name, O Lord. Let all who do harm to your servants be put to shame; let them be disgraced and deprived of all power, and let their strength be broken. Let them know that you alone are the Lord God, glorious over the whole world."

The Word of the Lord.

GRADUAL + PSALM 96.8-9; PSALM 29.9

Bring an offering, and come into His courts.

Oh, worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness!
The voice of the Lord strips the forests bare;
And in His temple everyone says, "Glory!"

GOSPEL + ST. LUKE 7.36-50

The Lord be with you.

The continuation of the Holy Gospel according to St. Luke.

*At that time one of the Pharisees asked Jesus to eat with him. And He went to the Pharisee's house, and sat down to eat. And behold, a woman in the city who was a sinner, when she knew that Jesus sat at the table in the Pharisee's house, brought an alabaster flask of fragrant oil, and stood at His feet behind Him weeping; and she began to wash His feet with her tears, and wiped them with the hair of her head; and she kissed His feet and anointed them with the fragrant oil. Now when the Pharisee who had invited Him saw this, he spoke to himself, saying, "This man, if He were a prophet, would know who and what manner of woman this is who is touching Him, for she is a sinner." And Jesus answered and said to him, "Simon, I have something to say to you." So he said, "Teacher, say it." "There was a certain creditor who had two debtors. One owed five hundred denarii, and the other fifty. And when they had nothing with which to repay, he freely forgave them both. Tell Me, therefore, which of them will love him more?" Simon answered and said, "I suppose the one whom he forgave more." And He said to him, "You have rightly judged." Then He turned to the woman and said to Simon, "Do you see this woman? I entered

your house; you gave Me no water for My feet, but she has washed My feet with her tears and wiped them with the hair of her head. You gave Me no kiss, but this woman has not ceased to kiss My feet since the time I came in. You did not anoint My head with oil, but this woman has anointed My feet with fragrant oil. Therefore I say to you, her sins, which are many, are forgiven, for she loved much. But to whom little is forgiven, the same loves little." Then He said to her, "Your sins are forgiven." And those who sat at the table with Him began to say to themselves, "Who is this who even forgives sins?" Then He said to the woman, "Your faith has saved you. Go in peace."

The Gospel of the Lord.

OFFERTORIUM + PSALM 137

By the rivers of Babylon, there we sat down, yea, we wept When we remembered Zion.

SECRETA

O Lord God almighty, who chose the gifts set apart for sacrifice to Your name from these substances intended to sustain our weak frames: grant, we beseech You; that for us they may become both present help and an eternal pledge, through Jesus Christ, Your Son, Our Lord; who lives and reigns with You, in the unity of the Holy Spirit: one God, now and forever.

PREFACE

Passiontide

COMMUNIO + PSALM 119.49-50

Remember the word to Your servant, Upon which You have caused me to hope. This is my comfort in my affliction.

POST COMMUNION COLLECT

Grant, O Lord, that those things which we have taken with our lips: We may inwardly receive in purity of heart; That as we partake in this life of Your gifts, we may be healed by them unto life everlasting, through Jesus Christ, Your Son, Our Lord; who lives and reigns with You in the unity of the Holy Spirit: one God, now and forever.

PRAYER OVER THE PEOPLE

Let us bow our heads to the Lord.

We beseech You, O Lord, mercifully to have compassion on Your people: That we, eschewing those things that are contrary to Your good pleasure; May be filled with gladness by walking according to Your commandments, through Jesus Christ, Your Son, Our Lord; who lives and reigns with You in the unity of the Holy Spirit: one God, now and forever.

FRIDAY IN PASSION WEEK

THIRD CLASS

VIOLET

<u>INTROIT + PSALM 31.9,15,17,1</u>

Have mercy on me, O Lord, for I am in trouble; Deliver me from the hand of my enemies, and from those who persecute me.

Do not let me be ashamed, O Lord, For I have called upon You;

Ps. In You, O Lord, I put my trust; let me never be ashamed;

Deliver me in Your righteousness.

Have mercy on me, O Lord, for I am in trouble; Deliver me from the hand of my enemies, and from those who persecute me.

Do not let me be ashamed, O Lord, For I have called upon You.

COLLECT

We beseech You, O Lord, mercifully pour out Your grace upon us: that we, who in true contrition mortify our flesh by resisting sin; may rejoice in Your saving mercy, through Jesus Christ, Your Son, Our Lord; who lives and reigns with You in the unity of the Holy Spirit: one God, now and forever.

EPISTLE + JEREMIAH 17.13-18

A reading from the prophet Jeremiah.

In those days Jeremiah said: "O Lord, the hope of Israel, all who forsake You shall be ashamed. Those who depart from Me shall be written in the earth, because they have forsaken the Lord, the fountain of living waters. Heal me, O Lord, and I shall be healed; save me, and I shall be saved, for You are my praise. Indeed they say to me, 'Where is the word of the Lord? Let it come now!' As for me, I have not hurried away from being a shepherd who follows You, nor have I desired the woeful day; You know what came out of my lips; it was right there before You. Do not be a terror to me; You are my hope in the day of doom. Let them be ashamed who persecute me, but do not let me be put to shame; let them be dismayed, but do not let me be dismayed. Bring on them the day of doom, and destroy them with double destruction!"

The Word of the Lord.

GRADUAL + PSALM 35.20

My enemies do not speak peace,

But they devise deceitful matters

This You have seen, O Lord; do not keep silence.

O Lord, do not be far from me.

TRACT + PSALM 103.10, 79.8-9

O Lord, deal not with us according to our sins:

Nor punish us according to our iniquities.

O Lord, do not remember former iniquities against us; let Your tender mercies come speedily to meet us:

For we have been brought very low.

Kneel

Help us, O God of our salvation, for the glory of Your name, O Lord:

And deliver us, and provide atonement for our sins, for Your name's sake!

GOSPEL + ST. JOHN 11.47-54

The Lord be with you.

The continuation of the Holy Gospel according to St. John.

*At that time the chief priests and the Pharisees gathered a council and said, "What shall we do? For this Man works many signs. If we let Him alone like this, everyone will believe in Him, and the Romans will come and take away both our place and nation." And one of them, Caiaphas, being high priest that year, said to them, "You know nothing at all, nor do you consider that it is expedient for us that one man should die for the people, and not that the whole nation should perish." Now this he did not say on his own authority; but being high priest that year he prophesied that Jesus would die for the nation, and not for that nation only, but also that He would gather together in one the children of God who were

scattered abroad. Then, from that day on, they plotted to put Him to death. Therefore Jesus no longer walked openly among the Jews, but went from there into the country near the wilderness, to a city called Ephraim, and there remained with His disciples.

The Gospel of the Lord.

OFFERTORIUM + PSALM 119.12,121,42

Blessed are You, O Lord! Teach me Your statutes!

Do not leave me to my oppressors. So shall I have an answer for him who reproaches me,

SECRETA

Grant, we beseech You, merciful God: that we may be always found worthy to serve You at Your holy altar; and may continually be made partakers of Your saving mysteries, through Jesus Christ, Your Son, Our Lord; who lives and reigns with You in the unity of the Holy Spirit: one God, now and forever.

PREFACE

Passiontide

COMMUNIO + PSALM 27.12

Do not deliver me to the will of my adversaries:

For false witnesses have risen against me, and such as breathe out violence.

POST COMMUNION COLLECT

We pray, O Lord, that this holy sacrifice of which we have been made partakers: May never fail to comfort and defend us; And may evermore drive far from us all things that may hurt us, through Jesus Christ, Your Son, Our Lord; who lives and reigns with You in the unity of the Holy Spirit: one God, now and forever.

PRAYER OVER THE PEOPLE

Let us bow our heads to the Lord.

Grant, we beseech You, almighty God:
That we, who seek the grace of Your protection;
May ever be delivered from all evils and faithfully serve You with a quiet mind, through Jesus Christ, Your Son, Our Lord;
who lives and reigns with You in the unity of the Holy Spirit: one God, now and forever.

SATURDAY IN PASSION WEEK

THIRD CLASS

VIOLET

<u>INTROIT + PSALM 31.9,15,17,1</u>

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Ps. In You, O Lord, I put my trust; let me never be ashamed:

Deliver me in Your righteousness.

Have mercy on me, O Lord, for I am in trouble; deliver me from the hand of my enemies, and from those who persecute me.

Do not let me be ashamed, O Lord, for I have called upon You;

COLLECT

Grant, O Lord, that Your people, who are consecrated to Your service may continually increase in all godly affections:

that they, being duly instructed in all holy learning;

may both be made more acceptable to Your divine majesty, and prosper more abundantly in the gifts of Your bounty,

through Jesus Christ, Your Son, Our Lord;

who lives and reigns with You in the unity of the Holy Spirit:

one God, now and forever.

EPISTLE + JEREMIAH 18.18-23

A reading from the prophet Jeremiah.

In those days the wicked Jews said to one another: "Come and let us devise plans against Jeremiah; for the law shall not perish from the priest, nor counsel from the wise, nor the word from the prophet. Come and let us attack him with the tongue, and let us not give heed to any of his words."

Give heed to me, O Lord, and listen to the voice of those who contend with me! Shall evil be repaid for good? For they have dug a pit for my life. Remember that I stood before You to speak good for them, to turn away Your wrath from them. Therefore deliver up their children to the famine, and pour out their blood by the force of the sword; let their wives become widows and bereaved of their children. Let their men be put to death, their young men be slain by the sword in battle. Let a cry be heard from their houses, when You bring a troop suddenly upon them; for they have dug a pit to take me, and hidden snares for my feet. Yet, Lord, You know all their counsel which is against me, to slay me. Provide no atonement for their iniquity, nor blot out their sin from Your sight; but let them be overthrown before You. Deal thus with them in the time of Your anger, O Lord our God.

The Word of the Lord.

GRADUAL + PSALM 35.20

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But they devise deceitful matters.

This You have seen, O Lord; do not keep silence:

O Lord, do not be far from me.

GOSPEL + ST. JOHN 12.10-36

The Lord be with you.

The continuation of the Holy Gospel according to St. John.

** At that time the chief priests plotted to put Lazarus to death also, because on account of him many of the Jews went away and believed in Jesus. The next day a great multitude that had come to the feast, when they heard that Jesus was coming to Jerusalem, took branches of palm trees and went out to meet Him, and cried out: "Hosanna! 'Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord!' The King of Israel!"

Then Jesus, when He had found a young donkey, sat on it; as it is written:

"Fear not, daughter of Zion; Behold, your King is coming, Sitting on a donkey's colt."

His disciples did not understand these things at first; but when Jesus was glorified, then they remembered that these things were written about Him and that they had done these things to Him. Therefore the people, who were with Him when He called Lazarus out of his tomb and raised him from

the dead, bore witness. For this reason the people also met Him, because they heard that He had done this sign. The Pharisees therefore said among themselves, "You see that you are accomplishing nothing. Look, the world has gone after Him!"

Now there were certain Greeks among those who came up to worship at the feast. Then they came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida of Galilee, and asked him, saying, "Sir, we wish to see Jesus."

Philip came and told Andrew, and in turn Andrew and Philip told Jesus. But Jesus answered them, saying, "The hour has come that the Son of Man should be glorified. Most assuredly, I say to you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the ground and dies, it remains alone; but if it dies, it produces much grain. He who loves his life will lose it, and he who hates his life in this world will keep it for eternal life. If anyone serves Me, let him follow Me; and where I am, there My servant will be also. If anyone serves Me, him My Father will honor. Now My soul is troubled, and what shall I say? 'Father, save Me from this hour'? But for this purpose I came to this hour. Father, glorify Your name."

Then a voice came from heaven, saying, "I have both glorified it and will glorify it again." Therefore the people who stood by and heard it said that it had thundered. Others said, "An angel has spoken to Him."

Jesus answered and said, "This voice did not come because of Me, but for your sake. Now is the judgment of this world; now the ruler of this world will be cast out. And I, if I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all peoples to Myself." This He said, signifying by what death He would die.

The people answered Him, "We have heard from the law that the Christ remains forever; and how can You say, 'The Son of Man must be lifted up'? Who is this Son of Man?"

Then Jesus said to them, "A little while longer the light is with you. Walk while you have the light, lest darkness overtake you; he who walks in darkness does not know where he is going. While you have the light, believe in the light, that you may become sons of light."

These things Jesus spoke, and departed, and was hidden from them.

The Gospel of the Lord.

OFFERTORIUM + PSALM 119.12,121,42

Blessed are You, O Lord! Teach me Your statutes:

Do not leave me to my oppressors. So shall I have an answer for him who reproaches me,

SECRETA

O Lord, who permits us to partake of Your wondrous mysteries: grant, we beseech You; that by Your mercy we may be absolved from all our iniquities, and defended against all adversities, through Jesus Christ, Your Son, Our Lord; who lives and reigns with You in the unity of the Holy Spirit: one God, now and forever.

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COMMUNIO + PSALM 27.12

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For false witnesses have risen against me, and such as breathe out violence.

POST COMMUNION COLLECT

O Lord our God, who has satisfied us with the bounty of Your heavenly gifts: grant, we beseech You; that we may ever live by partaking of them, through Jesus Christ, Your Son, Our Lord; who lives and reigns with You in the unity of the Holy Spirit: one God, now and forever.

PRAYER OVER THE PEOPLE

Let us bow our heads to the Lord.

Stretch forth, O Lord, we pray, Your right hand to defend Your people who call upon You:

that they, being cleansed from all their sins and instructed in Your holy will;

may obtain Your comfort in this present life, and grow in grace unto the attainment of everlasting gladness,

through Jesus Christ, Your Son, Our Lord;

who lives and reigns with You in the unity of the Holy Spirit:

one God, now and forever.

PALMARUM, THE SECOND SUNDAY OF THE PASSION

FIRST CLASS

VIOLET

The Solemn Procession with Palms

Palm (or olive) branches are laid on a table near the doors of the Church.

The congregation gathers near the door of the Church.

The celebrant, with the attending clergy, stands behind the table facing the faithful.

THE ANTIPHON + ST. MATTHEW 21.9; ST. JOHN 12.13

MODE VII



Ho-san- na to the Son of Da-vid!



Bless-ed is He who comes in the name of the Lord!



Oh, King of Is - ra - - - el:



Ho-san- na in the high-est

THE BLESSING OF THE PALMS

The Lord be with you.

Let us pray.

Bless, ♥ O Lord, we beseech You, these palm branches:

and grant that as Your people on this day perform this ceremony to honor You;

they may do so inwardly with reverence and purity of heart, and so win the victory over the enemy, and continually abound in all good works,

through Jesus Christ, Your Son, Our Lord;

who lives and reigns with You in the unity of the Holy Spirit:

one God, now and forever.

The Palms are sprinkles the palms, and (after preparing the thurible) censes them.

The palms are distributed first to the clergy, and then to the faithful.

During the Distribution, the following Psalms may be sung.

FIRST PSALM + PSALM 24.1-2, 7-10

TONE I

ANTIPHO

The children of Israel, bearing olive branches, went out to meet the Lord, crying | out and saying: Hosanna | in the highest.



The earth is the LORD's, and | all its fullness, * The world and | those who dwell therein.

For He has | founded it upon the seas, * And established it up | on the waters.

The Antiphon may be repeated.

Lift up your heads, O you gates! †
And be lifted up, you | everlasting doors! *
And the King of | glory shall come in.

Who is this | King of glory? *
The LORD strong and mighty, the LORD migh | ty in battle.

The Antiphon may be repeated.

Lift up your heads, O you gates! †
Lift up, you | everlasting doors! *
And the King of | glory shall come in.

Who is this | King of glory? *
The LORD of hosts, He is the | King of glory.

The Antiphon may be repeated.

GLORIA PATRI:

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the | Holy Spirit: As it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for | ever. Amen

ANTIPHON

The children of Israel, bearing olive branches, went out to meet the Lord, crying | out and saying: Hosanna | in the highest.

SECOND PSALM + PSALM 47

TONE I

ANTIPHON

The children of Israel spread garments on the road and | cried out saying: Hosanna to the Son of David; blessed is He who comes in the | Name of the Lord.



Oh, clap your hands, | all you peoples! * Shout to God with the | voice of triumph!

For the LORD Most | High is awesome; * He is a great King | over all the earth.

The Antiphon may be repeated.

He will subdue the | peoples under us, *

And the nations | under our feet.

He will choose our in | heritance for us, * The excellence of | Jacob whom He loves.

The Antiphon may be repeated.

God has gone | up with a shout, *
The LORD with the sound | of a trumpet.

Sing praises to | God, sing praises! *
Sing praises to our | King, sing praises!

The Antiphon may be repeated.

For God is the | King of all the earth; * Sing praises with | understanding.

God reigns | over the nations; * God sits | on His holy throne.

The Antiphon may be repeated.

The princes of the people have | gathered together, * The people of the | God of Abraham.

For the shields of the | earth belong to God; * He is great | ly exalted.

The Antiphon may be repeated.

GLORIA PATRI

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the | Holy Spirit: As it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for | ever. Amen

ANTIPHON

The children of Israel spread garments on the road and | cried out saying: Hosanna to the Son of David; blessed is He who comes in the | Name of the Lord.

THE PROCESSIONAL GOSPEL + ST. MATTHEW 21.1-9

A continuation of the Holy Gospel according to Saint Matthew.

*At that time when Jesus drew near Jerusalem, and came to Bethphage, at the Mount of Olives, then He sent two disciples, saying to them, "Go into the village opposite you, and immediately you will find a donkey tied, and a colt with her. Loose them and bring them to Me. And if anyone says anything to you, you shall say, 'The Lord has need of them,' and immediately he will send them." All this was done that it might be fulfilled which was spoken by the prophet, saying: "Tell the daughter of Zion, 'Behold, your King is coming to you, lowly, and sitting on a donkey, a colt, the foal of a donkey."

So the disciples went and did as Jesus commanded them. They brought the donkey and the colt, laid their clothes on them, and set Him on them. And a very great multitude spread their clothes on the road; others cut down branches from the trees and spread them on the road. Then the multitudes who went before and those who followed cried out, saying: "Hosanna to the Son of David! 'Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord!' Hosanna in the highest!"

The Gospel of the Lord.

THE PROCESSION

After putting incense in the thurible, the Celebrant sings:



Let us go forth in peace.

In the Name of the Lord!

While the hymn is sung, the Clergy lead the faithful into the Church.

The following antiphons may precede the processional hymn.

FIRST ANTIPHON

The multitudes, with flowers and palms, go forth to meet the Redeemer And give homage worthy of the triumphant Conqueror.

The Gentiles with their lips proclaim the Son of God,

And their voices thunder through the skies in praise of Christ

Hosanna!

SECOND ANTIPHON

May we be found faithful, with the angels and the children, crying to the Conqueror of death Hosanna in the highest!

THIRD ANTIPHON

A great multitude, which had come together for the feast, cried to the Lord:

Blessed is He who comes in the Name of the Lord!

Hosanna in the highest!

FOURTH ANTIPHON

The whole multitude of those who descended began to rejoice and praise God with a loud voice,

For all the mighty works which they had seen, saying:

Blessed is the King who comes in the Name of the Lord;

Peace on earth, and glory in the highest.

THE PROCESSIONAL HYMN + GLORIA, LAUS, ET HONOR

All glory, laud and honor to Thee Redeemer King, To whom the lips of children made sweet hosannas ring.

Thou art the King of Israel, Thou David's royal Son, Who in the Lord's name comest, Thou King and Blessed One.

All glory, laud and honor to Thee Redeemer King, To whom the lips of children made sweet hosannas ring.

The company of angels are praising Thee on high, And mortal men and all things created make reply.

All glory, laud and honor to Thee Redeemer King, To whom the lips of children made sweet hosannas ring.

The people of the Hebrews with palms before Thee went; Our praise and prayer and anthems before Thee we present.

All glory, laud and honor to Thee Redeemer King, To whom the lips of children made sweet hosannas ring.

To Thee, before Thy Passion, they sang their hymns of praise; To Thee, now high exalted, our melody we raise.

All glory, laud and honor to Thee Redeemer King, To whom the lips of children made sweet hosannas ring.

Thou didst accept their praises; accept the prayers we bring, Who in all good delightest, Thou good and gracious King.

All glory, laud and honor to Thee Redeemer King, To whom the lips of children made sweet hosannas ring.

FIFTH ANTIPHON

ANTIPHON

All men praise Your name and say: Blessed is He who comes in the Name of the Lord: Hosanna in the highest!

PSALM

Praise the LORD, O Jerusalem! * Praise your God, O Zion!

For He has strengthened the bars of your gates: * He has blessed your children within you.

He makes peace in your borders: * And fills you with the finest wheat.

He sends out His command to the earth: * His word runs very swiftly.

He gives snow like wool: *
He scatters the frost like ashes.

He casts out His hail like morsels: *
Who can stand before His cold?

He sends out His word and melts them: *
He causes His wind to blow, and the waters flow.

He declares His word to Jacob: *

His statutes and His judgments to Israel.

He has not dealt thus with any nation: *

And as for His judgments, they have not known them.

GLORIA PATRI

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the | Holy Spirit:

As it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for | ever. Amen

ANTIPHO

All men praise Your name and say:

Blessed is He who comes in the Name of the Lord:

Hosanna in the highest!

SIXTH ANTIPHON

With splendid palms we are bow before the Lord:

Let us all go forth to meet Him with hymns and songs, glorifying Him and saying:

Blessed is the Lord.

SEVENTH ANTIPHON

Hail, our King, Son of David, Redeemer of the world

Whom the prophets foretold as the coming Savior of the house of Israel.

For the Father sent You into the world to be the saving Victim

Whom all the saints awaited from the foundation of the world, and now:

Hosanna to the Son of David.

Blessed is He who comes in the Name of the Lord.

If the procession has gone outside, the Celebrant leads the procession into the church while the final antiphon is sung.

EIGHTH ANTIPHON

When the Lord entered the holy city,

The children of Israel foretold the resurrection of life.

Carrying palm branches, they cried out:

Hosanna in the highest.

When the people heard that Jesus was coming to Jerusalem

They went forth to meet Him.

Carrying palm branches, they cried out:

Hosanna in the highest.

When the Celebrant arrives before the altar, he and the clergy genuflect.

When the hymn has ended, the Celebrant prays the following collect.

THE COLLECT

The Lord be with you.

Let us pray.

O Lord Jesus Christ, our King and Redeemer, in whose honor we carry these branches and sing these solemn praises:

Mercifully grant that the grace of Your blessing may descend wherever these branches are carried;

and with all the wickedness and craft of the devil put to flight, Your right hand may protect those whom You have redeemed,

who lives and reigns with the Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit: one God, now and forever.

During the Introit, the Celebrant goes to the altar and reverences it with a kiss. The Altar is incensed as usual.

The Mass

<u>INTROIT + PSALM 22.19,21,1</u>

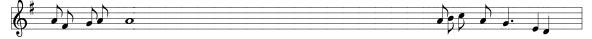
TONE VII



O Lord, do not be far from Me;



O My Strength, has -ten to help Me:



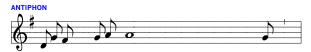
Save Me from the lion's mouth and from the horns of the wild o- xen!



My God, My God, why have You for-sak-en Me:



Why are You so far from helping Me, and from the words of My groan-ing?



O Lord, do not be far from Me;



O My Strength, has -ten to help Me:



Save Me from the lion's mouth and from the horns of the wild o- xen!

COLLECT

Almighty and everlasting God, who caused our Savior to take upon Himself our flesh, and to suffer death on the cross, that all mankind should imitate His great humility: mercifully grant;

that we may both follow the example of His patience, and also be made partakers of His resurrection,

through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, Our Lord;

who lives and reigns with You in the unity of the Holy Spirit:

one God, now and forever.

EPISTLE + PHILIPPIANS 2.5-11

A reading from the epistle of blessed Paul the Apostle to the Philippians.

Brethren: Let this mind be in you which was also in Christ Jesus, who, being in the form of God, did not consider it robbery to be equal with God, but made Himself of no reputation, taking the form of a bondservant, and coming in the likeness of men. And being found in appearance as a man, He humbled Himself and became obedient to the point of death, even

the death of the cross. Therefore God also has highly exalted Him and given Him the name which is above every name, that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of those in heaven, and of those on earth, and of those under the earth, and that every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

The Word of the Lord.

GRADUAL + PSALM 73.23,24,1-3

TONE V



You hold me by my right hand:



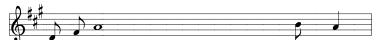
You will guide me with Your counsel, and afterward re-ceive me to glo-ry.



Tru- ly God is good to Is- ra- el:



To such as are pure in heart.



But as for me, my feet had almost stum-bled:



My steps had near-ly slipped.



For I was envious of the boast-ful:



When I saw the prosperity of the wick-ed.

TRACT + PSALM 22.1-8,17,18,21,23,30,31

TONE VIII



My God, My God:



Why have You for-sak-en Me?



Why are You so far from help-ing Me:



And from the words of My groan-ing?



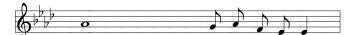
O My God, I cry in the daytime, but You do not hear:



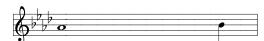
And in the night season, and am not si-lent.



But You are ho-ly:



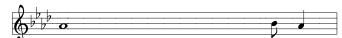
Enthroned in the prais-es of Is-ra-el.



Our fathers trusted in You:



They trusted, and You de-li-vered them.



They cried to You, and were de-li-vered:



They trusted in You, and were not a-shamed.



But I am a worm, and no man:



A reproach of men, and despised by the peo-ple.



All those who see Me ridicule Me:



They shoot out the lip, they shake the head, say-ing;



He trusted in the Lord, let Him res-cue Him:



Let Him deliver Him, since He de-lights in Him!



They look and stare at Me:



They divide My garments among them, and for My cloth-ing they cast lots.



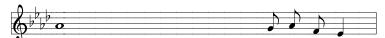
Save Me from the li-on's mouth:



And from the horns of the wild ox-en!



You who fear the Lord, praise Him:



All you descendants of Jacob, glo-ri - fy Him.



It will be recounted of the Lord to the next gene-ra-tion:



They will come and de-clare His right-eous-ness.



To a people who will be born:



That He has done this.

The Passion Narrative is read without Salutation or the usual liturgical introduction and response.

GOSPEL +ST. MATTHEW 26.36-27.60

The Passion of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to St. Matthew.

The congregation is seated.

- N: At that time Jesus came with them to a place called Gethsemane, and said to the disciples,
- +: "Sit here while I go and pray over there."
- N: And He took with Him Peter and the two sons of Zebedee, and He began to be sorrowful and deeply distressed. Then He said to them,
- +: "My soul is exceedingly sorrowful, even to death. Stay here and watch with Me."
- N: He went a little farther and fell on His face, and prayed, saying,
- +: "O My Father, if it is possible, let this cup pass from Me; nevertheless, not as I will, but as You will."
- N: Then He came to the disciples and found them asleep, and said to Peter,
- +: "What, could you not watch with Me one hour? Watch and pray, lest you enter into temptation. The spirit indeed is willing, but the flesh is weak."
- N: He went away again a second time and prayed, saying,
- +: "O My Father, if this cup cannot pass away from Me unless I drink it, Your will be done."
- N: And He came and found them asleep again, for their eyes were heavy. So He left them, went away again, and prayed the third time, saying the same words. Then He came to His disciples and said to them,
- +: "Are you still sleeping and resting? Behold, the hour is at hand, and the Son of Man is being betrayed into the hands of sinners. Rise, let us be going. See, he who betrays Me is at hand."
- N: And while He was still speaking, behold, Judas, one of the twelve, with a great multitude with swords and clubs, came from the chief priests and elders of the people. Now His betrayer had given them a sign, saying,
- C: "Whomever I kiss, He is the One; seize Him."
- N: Then immediately he went up to Jesus and said,
- **C:** "Greetings, Rabbi!"
- N: and kissed Him. And Jesus said to him,

- +: "Friend, why have you come?"
- N: Then they came and laid hands on Jesus and took Him. And suddenly, one of those who were with Jesus stretched out his hand and drew his sword, struck the servant of the high priest, and cut off his ear. Then Jesus said to him,
- +: "Put your sword in its place, for all who take the sword will perish by the sword. Or do you think that I cannot now pray to My Father, and He will provide Me with more than twelve legions of angels? How then could the Scriptures be fulfilled, that it must happen thus?"
- N: In that hour Jesus said to the multitudes,
- +: "Have you come out, as against a robber, with swords and clubs to take Me? I sat daily with you, teaching in the temple, and you did not seize Me. But all this was done that the Scriptures of the prophets might be fulfilled."
- N: Then all the disciples forsook Him and fled. And those who had laid hold of Jesus led Him away to Caiaphas the high priest, where the scribes and the elders were assembled. But Peter followed Him at a distance to the high priest's courtyard. And he went in and sat with the servants to see the end. Now the chief priests, the elders, and all the council sought false testimony against Jesus to put Him to death, but found none. Even though many false witnesses came forward, they found none. But at last two false witnesses came forward And said,
- c: "This fellow said, 'I am able to destroy the temple of God and to build it in three days."
- N: And the high priest arose and said to Him,
- c: "Do You answer nothing? What is it that these men testify against You?"
- N: But Jesus kept silent. And the high priest answered and said to Him,
- c: "I adjure You by the living God that You tell us if You are the Christ, the Son of God."
- N: Jesus said to him,
- +: "It is as you said. Nevertheless, I say to you, hereafter you will see the Son of Man sitting at the right hand of the Power, and coming on the clouds of heaven."
- N: Then the high priest tore his clothes, saying,
- C: "He has spoken blasphemy! What further need do we have of witnesses? Look, now you have heard His blasphemy! "What do you think?"
- N: They answered and said,
- C: "He is deserving of death."
- N: Then they spat in His face and beat Him; and others struck Him with the palms of their hands, saying,
- **C:** "Prophesy to us, Christ! Who is the one who struck You?"
- N: Now Peter sat outside in the courtyard. And a servant girl came to him, saying,
- **C:** "You also were with Jesus of Galilee."
- N: But he denied it before them all, saying,
- C: "I do not know what you are saying."
- N: And when he had gone out to the gateway, another girl saw him and said to those who were there,
- **C:** "This fellow also was with Jesus of Nazareth."
- N: But again he denied with an oath,
- C: "I do not know the Man!"

- N: And after a while those who stood by came to him and said to Peter,
- **C:** "Surely you also are one of them, because your speech betrays you."
- N: Then he began to curse and swear, saying,
- **C:** "I do not know the Man!"
- N: And immediately a rooster crowed. And Peter remembered the word of Jesus who had said to him, "Before the rooster crows, you will deny Me three times." Then he went out and wept bitterly. When morning came, all the chief priests and elders of the people took counsel against Jesus to put Him to death. And when they had bound Him, they led Him away and delivered Him to Pontius Pilate the governor. Then Judas, His betrayer, seeing that He had been condemned, was remorseful and brought back the thirty pieces of silver to the chief priests and elders, saying,
- C: "I have sinned by betraying innocent blood."
- N: And they said,
- C: "What is that to us? You see to it!"
- N: Then he threw down the pieces of silver in the temple and departed, and went and hanged himself. But the chief priests took the silver pieces and said,
- c: "It is not lawful to put them into the treasury, because they are the price of blood."
- N: And they took counsel and bought with them the potter's field, to bury strangers in. Therefore that field has been called the Field of Blood to this day. Then was fulfilled what was spoken by Jeremiah the prophet, saying, "And they took the thirty pieces of silver, the value of Him who was priced, whom they of the children of Israel priced, and gave them for the potter's field, as the Lord directed me." Now Jesus stood before the governor. And the governor asked Him, saying,
- C: "Are You the King of the Jews?"
- N: So Jesus said to him,
- +: "It is as you say."
- N: And while He was being accused by the chief priests and elders, He answered nothing. Then Pilate said to Him,
- C: "Do You not hear how many things they testify against You?"
- N: And He answered him not one word, so that the governor marveled greatly. Now at the feast the governor was accustomed to releasing to the multitude one prisoner whom they wished. And they had then a notorious prisoner called Barabbas. Therefore, when they had gathered together, Pilate said to them,
- c: "Whom do you want me to release to you? Barabbas, or Jesus who is called Christ?"
- N: For he knew that because of envy they had delivered Him. While he was sitting on the judgment seat, his wife sent to him, saying,
- C: "Have nothing to do with that just Man, for I have suffered many things today in a dream because of Him."
- N: But the chief priests and elders persuaded the multitudes that they should ask for Barabbas and destroy Jesus. The governor answered and said to them,
- **C:** "Which of the two do you want me to release to you?"
- N: They said,
- C: "Barabbas!"
- N: Pilate said to them,

- C: "What then shall I do with Jesus who is called Christ?"
- N: They all said to him,
- **C:** "Let Him be crucified!"
- N: Then the governor said,
- C: "Why, what evil has He done?"
- N: But they cried out all the more, saying,
- **C:** "Let Him be crucified!"
- N: When Pilate saw that he could not prevail at all, but rather that a tumult was rising, he took water and washed his hands before the multitude, saying,
- C: "I am innocent of the blood of this just Person. You see to it."
- N: And all the people answered and said,
- **C:** "His blood be on us and on our children."
- N: Then he released Barabbas to them; and when he had scourged Jesus, he delivered Him to be crucified. Then the soldiers of the governor took Jesus into the Praetorium and gathered the whole garrison around Him. And they stripped Him and put a scarlet robe on Him. When they had twisted a crown of thorns, they put it on His head, and a reed in His right hand. And they bowed the knee before Him and mocked Him, saying,
- **C:** "Hail, King of the Jews!"
- N: Then they spat on Him, and took the reed and struck Him on the head. Then when they had mocked Him, they took the robe off Him, put His own clothes on Him, and led Him away to be crucified. Now as they came out, they found a man of Cyrene, Simon by name. Him they compelled to bear His cross. And when they had come to a place called Golgotha, that is to say, Place of a Skull, they gave Him sour wine mingled with gall to drink. But when He had tasted it, He would not drink. Then they crucified Him, and divided His garments, casting lots, that it might be fulfilled which was spoken by the prophet: "They divided My garments among them, and for My clothing they cast lots." Sitting down, they kept watch over Him there. And they put up over His head the accusation written against Him: THIS IS JESUS THE KING OF THE JEWS. Then two robbers were crucified with Him, one on the right and another on the left. And those who passed by blasphemed Him, wagging their heads and saying,
- C: "You who destroy the temple and build it in three days, save Yourself! If You are the Son of God, come down from the cross."
- N: Likewise the chief priests, also mocking with the scribes and elders, said,
- C: "He saved others; Himself He cannot save. If He is the King of Israel, let Him now come down from the cross, and we will believe Him. He trusted in God; let Him deliver Him now if He will have Him; for He said, 'I am the Son of God.'"
- N: Even the robbers who were crucified with Him reviled Him with the same thing. Now from the sixth hour until the ninth hour there was darkness over all the land. And about the ninth hour Jesus cried out with a loud voice, saying,
- +: "Eli, Eli, lama sabachthani?"
- N: that is,
- +: "My God, My God, why have You forsaken Me?"
- N: Some of those who stood there, when they heard that, said,
- C: "This Man is calling for Elijah!"

- N: Immediately one of them ran and took a sponge, filled it with sour wine and put it on a reed, and gave it to Him to drink. The rest said,
- C: "Let Him alone; let us see if Elijah will come to save Him."
- N: Jesus, when He had cried out again with a loud voice, yielded up His spirit.

All kneel silently to the Altar Cross.

- N: And behold, the veil of the temple was torn in two from top to bottom; and the earth quaked, and the rocks were split, and the graves were opened; and many bodies of the saints who had fallen asleep were raised; and coming out of the graves after His resurrection, they went into the holy city and appeared to many. Now when the centurion and those with him, who were guarding Jesus, saw the earthquake and the things that had happened, they feared greatly, saying,
- **C:** "Truly this was the Son of God!"
- N: And many women who followed Jesus from Galilee, ministering to Him, were there looking on from afar, among whom were Mary Magdalene, Mary the mother of James and Joses, and the mother of Zebedee's sons. Now when evening had come, there came a rich man from Arimathea, named Joseph, who himself had also become a disciple of Jesus. This man went to Pilate and asked for the body of Jesus. Then Pilate commanded the body to be given to him. And when Joseph had taken the body, he wrapped it in a clean linen cloth, and laid it in his new tomb which he had hewn out of the rock; and he rolled a large stone against the door of the tomb, and departed.

The Response after the Gospel is omitted.

At subsequent celebrations of the same Mass, the Passion Narrative may be reduced to the following:

GOSPEL +ST. MATTHEW 27.45-52

The Passion of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to St. Matthew.

After they crucified Jesus, from the sixth hour until the ninth hour there was darkness over all the land. And about the ninth hour Jesus cried out with a loud voice, saying, "Eli, Eli, lama sabachthani?" that is, "My God, My God, why have You forsaken Me?"

Some of those who stood there, when they heard that, said, "This Man is calling for Elijah!" Immediately one of them ran and took a sponge, filled it with sour wine and put it on a reed, and gave it to Him to drink. The rest said, "Let Him alone; let us see if Elijah will come to save Him."

Jesus, when He had cried out again with a loud voice, yielded up His spirit.

All kneel silently to the Altar Cross.

And behold, the veil of the temple was torn in two from top to bottom; and the earth quaked, and the rocks were split, and the graves were opened; and many bodies of the saints who had fallen asleep were raised.

The Creed is said.

OFFERTORIUM + PSALM 69.20-21

TONE I



Re-proach has broken my heart, and I am full of heavi-ness;



I looked for someone to take pity, but there was no one:



And for comforters, but I found none; they also gave me gall for my food,



and for my thirst they gave me vi - ne- gar to drink.

SECRETA

Grant, we beseech You, almighty God: that these gifts which we offer in the sight of Your divine majesty; may obtain for us grace to serve You in this life with all godliness, and bring us in the end to everlasting felicity, through Jesus Christ, Your Son, Our Lord; who lives and reigns with You in the unity of the Holy Spirit: one God, now and forever.

PREFACE

Passiontide

COMMUNIO + ST. MATTHEW 26.42

TONE



O My Father, if this cup cannot pass away from Me un-less I drink it:



Your will be done.

POST COMMUNION COLLECT

Grant, O Lord, that by the operation of these Your mysteries: we may be cleansed from all our sins; and receive all that we ask according to Your will, through Jesus Christ, Your Son, Our Lord; who lives and reigns with You in the unity of the Holy Spirit: one God, now and forever.

HOLY MONDAY

FIRST CLASS VIOLET

INTROIT + PSALM 35.1-2,3

Plead my cause, O Lord, with those who strive with me; fight against those who fight against me. Take hold of shield and buckler, and stand up for my help.

Ps. Draw out the spear, and stop those who pursue me:

Say to my soul, "I am your salvation."

Plead my cause, O Lord, with those who strive with me; fight against those who fight against me. Take hold of shield and buckler, and stand up for my help.

COLLECT

Grant, we beseech You, almighty God:

that we, who amid so many adversities do fail through our own infirmities; may be restored through the Passion and intercession of Your only-begotten Son; who lives and reigns with You in the unity of the Holy Spirit:

one God, now and forever.

READING + ISAIAH 50.5-10

A reading from the prophet Isaiah.

In those days Isaiah said: "The Lord God has opened My ear; and I was not rebellious, nor did I turn away. I gave My back to those who struck Me, and My cheeks to those who plucked out the beard; I did not hide My face from shame and spitting. For the Lord God will help Me; therefore I will not be disgraced; therefore I have set My face like a flint, and I know that I will not be ashamed. He is near who justifies Me; who will contend with Me? Let us stand together. Who is My adversary? Let him come near Me. Surely the Lord God will help Me; who is he who will condemn Me? Indeed they will all grow old like a garment; the moth will eat them up. Who among you fears the Lord? Who obeys the voice of His Servant? Who walks in darkness and has no light? Let him trust in the name of the Lord and rely upon his God."

The Word of the Lord.

GRADUAL + PSALM 35.23,3

Stir up Yourself, and awake to my vindication:

To my cause, my God and my Lord.

Draw out the spear:

And stop those who pursue me.

TRACT + PSALM 103.10, 79.8-9

O Lord, deal not with us according to our sins:

Nor punish us according to our iniquities.

O Lord, do not remember former iniquities against us; let Your tender mercies come speedily to meet us:

For we have been brought very low.

Kneel

Help us, O God of our salvation, for the glory of Your name, O Lord:

And deliver us, and provide atonement for our sins, for Your name's sake!

GOSPEL + ST. JOHN 12.1-9

The Lord be with you.

The continuation of the Holy Gospel according to St. John.

* Six days before the Passover, Jesus came to Bethany, where Lazarus was who had been dead, whom He had raised from the dead. There they made Him a supper; and Martha served, but Lazarus was one of those who sat at the table with Him. Then Mary took a pound of very costly oil of spikenard, anointed the feet of Jesus, and wiped His feet with her hair. And the house was filled with the fragrance of the oil.

Then one of His disciples, Judas Iscariot, Simon's son, who would betray Him, said, "Why was this fragrant oil not sold for three hundred denarii and given to the poor?" This he said, not that he cared for the poor, but because he was a thief, and had the money box; and he used to take what was put in it.

But Jesus said, "Let her alone; she has kept this for the day of My burial. For the poor you have with you always, but Me you do not have always."

Now a great many of the Jews knew that He was there; and they came, not for Jesus' sake only, but that they might also see Lazarus, whom He had raised from the dead.

The Gospel of the Lord.

OFFERTORIUM + PSALM 143.9,10

Deliver me, O Lord, from my enemies; in You I take shelter:

Teach me to do Your will, for You are my God.

SECRETA

Grant, we beseech You, almighty God: that the effectual power of this sacrifice may cleanse us from all our iniquities; that we may, in all purity, attain unto Him who instituted it, through Jesus Christ, Your Son, Our Lord; who lives and reigns with You in the unity of the Holy Spirit: one God, now and forever.

PREFACE

Passiontide

COMMUNIO + PSALM 35.26

Let them be ashamed and brought to mutual confusion who rejoice at my hurt: Let them be clothed with shame and dishonor who exalt themselves against me.

POST COMMUNION COLLECT

Grant, O Lord, we pray:

that Your holy mysteries may kindle our hearts with heavenly fire; that we may delight in receiving them, and in bringing forth their fruits, through Jesus Christ, Your Son, Our Lord; who lives and reigns with You in the unity of the Holy Spirit: one God, now and forever.

PRAYER OVER THE PEOPLE

Let us bow our heads to the Lord.

Help us, O God of our salvation:

and grant that we, whom You have deigned to redeem by Your inestimable benefits; may come with gladness to commemorate them, through Jesus Christ, Your Son, Our Lord; who lives and reigns with You in the unity of the Holy Spirit: one God, now and forever.

HOLY TUESDAY

FIRST CLASS VIOLET

INTROIT + GALATIANS 6.14; PSALM 67.1

It behooves us to glory in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ:

In Whom is our salvation, life and resurrection; and by Whom we are saved and set at liberty.

Ps. God be merciful to us and bless us:

And cause His face to shine upon us, and be merciful unto us.

It behooves us to glory in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ:

In Whom is our salvation, life and resurrection; and by Whom we are saved and set at liberty.

COLLECT

Almighty and everlasting God:

grant us grace so to celebrate the mysteries of the Passion of Our Lord;

that we may worthily obtain Your pardon,

through Jesus Christ, Your Son, Our Lord;

who lives and reigns with You in the unity of the Holy Spirit:

one God, now and forever.

READINGS + JEREMIAH 11.18-20

A reading from the prophet Jeremiah.

In those days Jeremiah said: "Now the Lord gave me knowledge of it, and I know it; for You showed me their doings. But I was like a docile lamb brought to the slaughter; and I did not know that they had devised schemes against me, saying, 'Let us destroy the tree with its fruit, and let us cut him off from the land of the living, that his name may be remembered no more.' But, O Lord of hosts, You who judge righteously, testing the mind and the heart, let me see Your vengeance on them, for to You I have revealed my cause, O Lord, my God."

The Word of the Lord.

GRADUAL + PSALM 35.13,1-2

When they were sick my clothing was sackcloth; I humbled myself with fasting:

And my prayer would return to my own heart.

Plead my cause, O Lord, with those who strive with me; fight against those who fight against me:

Take hold of shield and buckler, and stand up for my help.

The Passion Narrative is read without Salutation or the usual liturgical introduction and response.

GOSPEL + ST. MARK 14.32-15.46

The Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St. Mark.

The congregation is seated.

- N: At that time Jesus and His disciples came to a place which was named Gethsemane; and He said to His disciples,
- +: "Sit here while I pray."
- N: And He took Peter, James, and John with Him, and He began to be troubled and deeply distressed. Then He said to them,
- +: "My soul is exceedingly sorrowful, even to death. Stay here and watch."
- N: He went a little farther, and fell on the ground, and prayed that if it were possible, the hour might pass from Him. And He said,
- +: "Abba, Father, all things are possible for You. Take this cup away from Me; nevertheless, not what I will, but what You will."
- N: Then He came and found them sleeping, and said to Peter,
- +: "Simon, are you sleeping? Could you not watch one hour? Watch and pray, lest you enter into temptation. The spirit truly is ready, but the flesh is weak."
- N: Again He went away and prayed, and spoke the same words. And when He returned, He found them asleep again, for their eyes were heavy; and they did not know what to answer Him. Then He came the third time and said to them,

- +: "Are you still sleeping and resting? It is enough! The hour has come; behold, the Son of Man is being betrayed into the hands of sinners. Rise up, let us go. See, My betrayer is at hand."
- N: And immediately, while He was still speaking, Judas, one of the twelve, with a great multitude with swords and clubs, came from the chief priests and the scribes and the elders. Now His betrayer had given them a signal, saying,
- c: "Whomever I kiss, He is the One; take Him and lead Him away safely."
- N: And as soon as He had come, immediately he went up to Him and said to Him,
- c: "Rabbi, Rabbi!"
- N: and kissed Him. Then they laid their hands on Him and took Him. And one of those who stood by drew his sword and struck the servant of the high priest, and cut off his ear. Then Jesus answered and said to them,
- +: "Have you come out, as against a robber, with swords and clubs to take Me? I was daily with you in the temple teaching, and you did not take Me. But the Scriptures must be fulfilled."
- N: Then they all forsook Him and fled. Now a certain young man followed Him, having a linen cloth thrown around his naked body. And the young men laid hold of him, and he left the linen cloth and fled from them naked. And they led Jesus away to the high priest; and with him were assembled all the chief priests, the elders, and the scribes. But Peter followed Him at a distance, right into the courtyard of the high priest. And he sat with the servants and warmed himself at the fire. And the chief priests and all the council sought testimony against Jesus to put Him to death, and found none. For many bore false witness against Him, but their testimonies did not agree. And some rose up and bore false witness against Him, saying,
- C: "We heard Him say, `I will destroy this temple that is made with hands, and within three days I will build another made without hands."
- N: But not even then did their testimony agree. And the high priest stood up in the midst and asked Jesus, saying,
- c: "Do You answer nothing? What is it these men testify against You?"
- N: But He kept silent and answered nothing. Again the high priest asked Him, saying to Him,
- **C:** "Are You the Christ, the Son of the Blessed?"
- N: And Jesus said,
- +: "I am. And you will see the Son of Man sitting at the right hand of the Power, and coming with the clouds of heaven."
- N: Then the high priest tore his clothes and said,
- c: "What further need do we have of witnesses? You have heard the blasphemy! What do you think?"
- N: And they all condemned Him to be worthy of death. Then some began to spit on Him, and to blindfold Him, and to beat Him, and to say to Him,
- **C:** "Prophesy!"
- N: And the officers struck Him with the palms of their hands. Now as Peter was below in the courtyard, one of the servant girls of the high priest came. And when she saw Peter warming himself, she looked at him and said,
- **C:** "You also were with Jesus of Nazareth."
- N: But he denied it, saying,
- c: "I neither know nor understand what you are saying."
- N: And he went out on the porch, and a rooster crowed. And the servant girl saw him again, and began to say to those who stood by,
- **C:** "This is one of them."
- N: But he denied it again. And a little later those who stood by said to Peter again,
- c: "Surely you are one of them; for you are a Galilean, and your speech shows it."
- N: But he began to curse and swear,

- c: "I do not know this Man of whom you speak!"
- N: And a second time the rooster crowed. And Peter called to mind the word that Jesus had said to him, "Before the rooster crows twice, you will deny Me three times." And when he thought about it, he wept. Immediately, in the morning, the chief priests held a consultation with the elders and scribes and the whole council; and they bound Jesus, led Him away, and delivered Him to Pilate. Then Pilate asked Him,
- **C:** "Are You the King of the Jews?"
- N: And He answered and said to him,
- +: "It is as you say."
- N: And the chief priests accused Him of many things, but He answered nothing. Then Pilate asked Him again, saying,
- c: "Do You answer nothing? See how many things they testify against You!"
- N: But Jesus still answered nothing, so that Pilate marveled. Now at the feast he was accustomed to releasing one prisoner to them, whomever they requested. And there was one named Barabbas, who was chained with his fellow insurrectionists; they had committed murder in the insurrection. Then the multitude, crying aloud, began to ask him to do just as he had always done for them. But Pilate answered them, saying,
- c: "Do you want me to release to you the King of the Jews?"
- N: For he knew that the chief priests had handed Him over because of envy. But the chief priests stirred up the crowd, so that he should rather release Barabbas to them. And Pilate answered and said to them again,
- c: "What then do you want me to do with Him whom you call the King of the Jews?"
- N: So they cried out again,
- **C:** "Crucify Him!"
- N: Then Pilate said to them,
- **C:** "Why, what evil has He done?"
- N: And they cried out more exceedingly,
- **C:** "Crucify Him!"
- N: So Pilate, wanting to gratify the crowd, released Barabbas to them; and he delivered Jesus, after he had scourged Him, to be crucified. Then the soldiers led Him away into the hall called Praetorium, and they called together the whole garrison. And they clothed Him with purple; and they twisted a crown of thorns, put it on His head, And began to salute Him, "Hail, King of the Jews!" Then they struck Him on the head with a reed and spat on Him; and bowing the knee, they worshiped Him. And when they had mocked Him, they took the purple off Him, put His own clothes on Him, and led Him out to crucify Him. Now they compelled a certain man, Simon a Cyrenian, the father of Alexander and Rufus, as he was coming out of the country and passing by, to bear His cross. And they brought Him to the place Golgotha, which is translated, Place of a Skull. Then they gave Him wine mingled with myrrh to drink, but He did not take it. And when they crucified Him, they divided His garments, casting lots for them to determine what every man should take. Now it was the third hour, and they crucified Him. And the inscription of His accusation was written above: THE KING OF THE JEWS. With Him they also crucified two robbers, one on His right and the other on His left. So the Scripture was fulfilled which says, "And He was numbered with the transgressors." And those who passed by blasphemed Him, wagging their heads and saying,
- C: "Aha! You who destroy the temple and build it in three days, save Yourself, and come down from the cross!"
- N: Likewise the chief priests also, together with the scribes, mocked and said among themselves,
- C: "He saved others; Himself He cannot save. Let the Christ, the King of Israel, descend now from the cross, that we may see and believe."
- N: And those who were crucified with Him reviled Him. Now when the sixth hour had come, there was darkness over the whole land until the ninth hour. And at the ninth hour Jesus cried out with a loud voice, saying,

- +: "Eloi, Eloi, lama sabachthani?"
- N: which is translated,
- +: "My God, My God, why have You forsaken Me?"
- N: Some of those who stood by, when they heard it, said,
- **C:** "Look, He is calling for Elijah!"
- N: Then someone ran and filled a sponge full of sour wine, put it on a reed, and offered it to Him to drink, saying,
- c: "Let Him alone; let us see if Elijah will come to take Him down."
- N: And Jesus cried out with a loud voice, and breathed His last.

All kneel silently to the Altar Cross.

- N: Then the veil of the temple was torn in two from top to bottom. Now when the centurion, who stood opposite Him, saw that He cried out like this and breathed His last, he said,
- **C:** "Truly this Man was the Son of God!"
- N: There were also women looking on from afar, among whom were Mary Magdalene, Mary the mother of James the Less and of Joses, and Salome, who also followed Him and ministered to Him when He was in Galilee; and many other women who came up with Him to Jerusalem. Now when evening had come, because it was the Preparation Day, that is, the day before the Sabbath, Joseph of Arimathea, a prominent council member, who was himself waiting for the kingdom of God, coming and taking courage, went in to Pilate and asked for the body of Jesus. Pilate marveled that He was already dead; and summoning the centurion, he asked him if He had been dead for some time. And when he found out from the centurion, he granted the body to Joseph. Then he bought fine linen, took Him down, and wrapped Him in the linen. And he laid Him in a tomb which had been hewn out of the rock, and rolled a stone against the door of the tomb.

The Response after the Gospel is omitted.

OFFERTORIUM + PSALM 140.4

Keep me, O Lord, from the hands of the wicked:

Preserve me from violent men.

SECRETA

Grant, we beseech You, O Lord: that this sacrifice which we offer You in this time of fasting which is ordained for the healing of our souls; may effectually avail for our salvation, through Jesus Christ, Your Son, Our Lord; who lives and reigns with You in the unity of the Holy Spirit: one God, now and forever.

PREFACE

Passiontide

COMMUNIO + PSALM 69.12-13

Those who sit in the gate speak against me, and I am the song of the drunkards:

But as for me, my prayer is to You, O Lord, in the acceptable time; O God, in the multitude of Your mercy, hear me.

POST COMMUNION COLLECT

Grant, we beseech You, almighty God:

that Your sanctifying grace may effectually cleanse us from all our sins;

and be profitable for our healing unto life everlasting,

through Jesus Christ, Your Son, Our Lord;

who lives and reigns with You in the unity of the Holy Spirit:

one God, now and forever.

PRAYER OVER THE PEOPLE

Let us bow our heads to the Lord.

We beseech You, O Lord: that we, being cleansed by Your mercy from the corruption of our former sins; may be renewed in all holiness of living, through Jesus Christ, Your Son, Our Lord; who lives and reigns with You in the unity of the Holy Spirit: one God, now and forever.

HOLY WEDNESDAY

FIRST CLASS

VIOLET

INTROIT + PHILIPPIANS 2.10,8,11; PSALM 102.1

At the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of those in heaven, and of those on earth, and of those under the earth:

For the Lord became obedient to the point of death, even the death of the cross. Therefore Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Ps. Hear my prayer, O Lord:

And let my cry come to You.

At the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of those in heaven, and of those on earth, and of those under the earth:

For the Lord became obedient to the point of death, even the death of the cross. Therefore Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

COLLECT

Let us pray. Let us kneel.

Let us stand.

Grant, we beseech You, almighty God: that we, who for our evil deeds are continually afflicted; may mercifully be relieved by the Passion of Your only-begotten Son; who lives and reigns with You in the unity of the Holy Spirit: one God, now and forever.

FIRST READING + ISAIAH 62.11, 63.1-7

A reading from the prophet Isaiah.

Thus says the Lord God: "Say to the daughter of Zion, 'Surely your salvation is coming; behold, His reward is with Him, and His work before Him.'"

Who is this who comes from Edom, with dyed garments from Bozrah, this One who is glorious in His apparel, traveling in the greatness of His strength?

"I who speak in righteousness, mighty to save."

Why is Your apparel red, and Your garments like one who treads in the winepress?

"I have trodden the winepress alone, and from the peoples no one was with Me. For I have trodden them in My anger, and trampled them in My fury; their blood is sprinkled upon My garments, and I have stained all My robes. For the day of vengeance is in My heart, and the year of My redeemed has come. I looked, but there was no one to help, and I wondered that there was no one to uphold; therefore My own arm brought salvation for Me; and My own fury, it sustained Me. I have trodden down the peoples in My anger, made them drunk in My fury, and brought down their strength to the earth."

I will mention the loving-kindnesses of the Lord and the praises of the Lord, according to all that the Lord has bestowed on us.

The Word of the Lord.

GRADUAL + PSALM 69.17,1-2

Do not hide Your face from Your servant, for I am in trouble:

Hear me speedily.

Save me, O God! For the waters have come up to my neck:

I sink in deep mire, where there is no standing.

COLLECT

The Lord be with you.

Let us pray.

O God, who for our sakes willed that Your Son should suffer death on the Cross that You may drive from us the power of the enemy:

grant to us Your servants;

that we may receive the grace of His resurrection,

through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, Our Lord;

who lives and reigns with You in the unity of the Holy Spirit:

one God, now and forever.

SECOND READING + ISAIAH 53.1-12

A reading from the prophet Isaiah.

In those days Isaiah said: Who has believed our report? And to whom has the arm of the Lord been revealed? For He shall grow up before Him as a tender plant, and as a root out of dry ground. He has no form or comeliness; and when we see Him, there is no beauty that we should desire Him.

He is despised and rejected by men, a Man of sorrows and acquainted with grief. And we hid, as it were, our faces from Him; He was despised, and we did not esteem Him. Surely He has borne our griefs and carried our sorrows; yet we esteemed Him stricken, smitten by God, and afflicted. But He was wounded for our transgressions, He was bruised for our iniquities; the chastisement for our peace was upon Him, and by His stripes we are healed.

All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned, every one, to his own way; and the Lord has laid on Him the iniquity of us all. He was oppressed and He was afflicted, yet He opened not His mouth; He was led as a lamb to the slaughter, and as a sheep before its shearers is silent, so He opened not His mouth.

He was taken from prison and from judgment, and who will declare His generation? For He was cut off from the land of the living; for the transgressions of My people He was stricken. And they made His grave with the wicked—but with the rich at His death, because He had done no violence, nor was any deceit in His mouth. Yet it pleased the Lord to bruise Him; He has put Him to grief.

When You make His soul an offering for sin, He shall see His seed, He shall prolong His days, and the pleasure of the Lord shall prosper in His hand. He shall see the labor of His soul, and be satisfied. By His knowledge My righteous Servant shall justify many, for He shall bear their iniquities. Therefore I will divide Him a portion with the great, and He shall divide the spoil with the strong, because He poured out His soul unto death, and He was numbered with the transgressors, and He bore the sin of many, and made intercession for the transgressors.

The Word of the Lord.

TRACT + PSALM 102.1-4,13

Hear my prayer, O Lord:

And let my cry come to You.

Do not hide Your face from me:

In the day of my trouble.

Incline Your ear to me in the day that I call:

Answer me speedily.

For my days are consumed like smoke:

And my bones are burned like a hearth.

My heart is stricken and withered like grass:

So that I forget to eat my bread.

You will arise and have mercy on Zion:

For the time to favor her has come.

The Passion Narrative is read or sung without Salutation or the usual liturgical introduction and response.

GOSPEL + ST. LUKE 22.39-23.53

The Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St. Luke.

The congregation is seated.

- N: At that time, Jesus went to the Mount of Olives, as He was accustomed, and His disciples also followed Him. When He came to the place, He said to them,
- +: "Pray that you may not enter into temptation."
- N: And He was withdrawn from them about a stone's throw, and He knelt down and prayed, saying,
- +: "Father, if it is Your will, remove this cup from Me; nevertheless not My will, but Yours, be done."
- N: Then an angel appeared to Him from heaven, strengthening Him. And being in agony, He prayed more earnestly. And His sweat became like great drops of blood falling down to the ground. When He rose up from prayer, and had come to His disciples, He found them sleeping from sorrow. Then He said to them.
- +: "Why do you sleep? Rise and pray, lest you enter into temptation."

- N: And while He was still speaking, behold, a multitude; and he who was called Judas, one of the twelve, went before them and drew near to Jesus to kiss Him. But Jesus said to him,
- +: "Judas, are you betraying the Son of Man with a kiss?"
- N: When those around Him saw what was going to happen, they said to Him,
- **C:** "Lord, shall we strike with the sword?"
- N: And one of them struck the servant of the high priest and cut off his right ear. But Jesus answered and said,
- +: "Permit even this."
- N: And He touched his ear and healed him. Then Jesus said to the chief priests, captains of the temple, and the elders who had come to Him,
- +: "Have you come out, as against a robber, with swords and clubs? When I was with you daily in the temple, you did not try to seize Me. But this is your hour, and the power of darkness."
- N: Then, having arrested Him, they led Him and brought Him into the high priest's house. And Peter followed at a distance. Now when they had kindled a fire in the midst of the courtyard and sat down together, Peter sat among them. And a certain servant girl, seeing him as he sat by the fire, looked intently at him and said,
- C: "This man was also with Him."
- N: But he denied Him, saying,
- **C:** "Woman, I do not know Him."
- N: And after a little while another saw him and said,
- **C:** "You also are of them."
- N: But Peter said,
- C: "Man, I am not!"
- N: Then after about an hour had passed, another confidently affirmed, saying,
- c: "Surely this fellow also was with Him, for he is a Galilean."
- N: But Peter said.
- **C:** "Man, I do not know what you are saying!"
- N: And immediately, while he was still speaking, the rooster crowed. And the Lord turned and looked at Peter. And Peter remembered the word of the Lord, how He had said to him, "Before the rooster crows, you will deny Me three times." Then Peter went out and wept bitterly. Now the men who held Jesus mocked Him and beat Him. And having blindfolded Him, they struck Him on the face and asked Him, saying,
- **C:** "Prophesy! Who is it that struck You?"
- N: And many other things they blasphemously spoke against Him. As soon as it was day, the elders of the people, both chief priests and scribes, came together and led Him into their council, saying,
- c: "If You are the Christ, tell us."
- N: But He said to them,
- +: "If I tell you, you will by no means believe. And if I also ask you, you will by no means answer Me or let Me go. Hereafter the Son of Man will sit on the right hand of the power of God."
- N: Then they all said,
- **C:** "Are You then the Son of God?"
- N: And He said to them,
- +: "You rightly say that I am."
- N: And they said,
- c: "What further testimony do we need? For we have heard it ourselves from His own mouth."

N: Then the whole multitude of them arose and led Him to Pilate. And they began to accuse Him, saying,

- **C:** "We found this fellow perverting the nation, and forbidding to pay taxes to Caesar, saying that He Himself is Christ, a King."
- N: So Pilate asked Him, saying,
- **C:** "Are You the King of the Jews?"
- N: And He answered him and said,
- +: "It is as you say."
- N: Then Pilate said to the chief priests and the crowd,
- **C:** "I find no fault in this Man."
- N: But they were the more fierce, saying,
- c: "He stirs up the people, teaching throughout all Judea, beginning from Galilee to this place."
- N: When Pilate heard of Galilee, he asked if the Man were a Galilean. And as soon as he knew that He belonged to Herod's jurisdiction, he sent Him to Herod, who was also in Jerusalem at that time. Now when Herod saw Jesus, he was exceedingly glad; for he had desired for a long time to see Him, because he had heard many things about Him, and he hoped to see some miracle done by Him. Then he questioned Him with many words, but He answered him nothing. And the chief priests and scribes stood and vehemently accused Him. Then Herod, with his men of war, treated Him with contempt and mocked Him, arrayed Him in a gorgeous robe, and sent Him back to Pilate. That very day Pilate and Herod became friends with each other, for before that they had been at enmity with each other. Then Pilate, when he had called together the chief priests, the rulers, and the people, said to them,
- C: "You have brought this Man to me, as one who misleads the people. And indeed, having examined Him in your presence, I have found no fault in this Man concerning those things of which you accuse Him; no, neither did Herod, for I sent you back to him; and indeed nothing worthy of death has been done by Him. I will therefore chastise Him and release Him"
- N: (for it was necessary for him to release one to them at the feast). And they all cried out at once, saying,
- C: "Away with this Man, and release to us Barabbas"--
- N: Who had been thrown into prison for a certain insurrection made in the city, and for murder. Pilate, therefore, wishing to release Jesus, again called out to them. But they shouted, saying,
- **C:** "Crucify Him, crucify Him!"
- N: And he said to them the third time,
- c: "Why, what evil has He done? I have found no reason for death in Him. I will therefore chastise Him and let Him go."
- N: But they were insistent, demanding with loud voices that He be crucified. And the voices of these men and of the chief priests prevailed. So Pilate gave sentence that it should be as they requested. And he released to them the one they requested, who for insurrection and murder had been thrown into prison; but he delivered Jesus to their will. Now as they led Him away, they laid hold of a certain man, Simon a Cyrenian, who was coming from the country, and on him they laid the cross that he might bear it after Jesus. And a great multitude of the people followed Him, and women who also mourned and lamented Him. But Jesus, turning to them, said,
- +: "Daughters of Jerusalem, do not weep for Me, but weep for yourselves and for your children. For indeed the days are coming in which they will say, `Blessed are the barren, the wombs that never bore, and the breasts which never nursed!' Then they will begin `to say to the mountains, "Fall on us!" and to the hills, "Cover us!" For if they do these things in the green wood, what will be done in the dry?"
- N: There were also two others, criminals, led with Him to be put to death. And when they had come to the place called Calvary, there they crucified Him, and the criminals, one on the right hand and the other on the left. Then Jesus said,
- +: "Father, forgive them, for they do not know what they do."
- N: And they divided His garments and cast lots. And the people stood looking on. But even the rulers with them sneered, saying,
- c: "He saved others; let Him save Himself if He is the Christ, the chosen of God."
- N: And the soldiers also mocked Him, coming and offering Him sour wine, and saying,

- c: "If You are the King of the Jews, save Yourself."
- N: And an inscription also was written over Him in letters of Greek, Latin, and Hebrew: THIS IS THE KING OF THE JEWS. Then one of the criminals who were hanged blasphemed Him, saying,
- c: "If You are the Christ, save Yourself and us."
- N: But the other, answering, rebuked him, saying,
- c: "Do you not even fear God, seeing you are under the same condemnation? And we indeed justly, for we receive the due reward of our deeds; but this Man has done nothing wrong."
- N: Then he said to Jesus,
- c: "Lord, remember me when You come into Your kingdom."
- N: And Jesus said to him,
- +: "Assuredly, I say to you, today you will be with Me in Paradise."
- N: And it was about the sixth hour, and there was darkness over all the earth until the ninth hour. Then the sun was darkened, and the veil of the temple was torn in two. And when Jesus had cried out with a loud voice, He said,
- +: "Father, `into Your hands I commend My spirit."
- N: And having said this, He breathed His last.

All kneel silently to the Altar Cross.

- N: Now when the centurion saw what had happened, he glorified God, saying,
- **C:** "Certainly this was a righteous Man!"
- N: And the whole crowd who came together to that sight, seeing what had been done, beat their breasts and returned. But all His acquaintances, and the women who followed Him from Galilee, stood at a distance, watching these things. And behold, there was a man named Joseph, a council member, a good and just man. He had not consented to their counsel and deed. He was from Arimathea, a city of the Jews, who himself was also waiting for the kingdom of God. This man went to Pilate and asked for the body of Jesus. Then he took it down, wrapped it in linen, and laid it in a tomb that was hewn out of the rock, where no one had ever lain before.

The Response after the Gospel is omitted.

OFFERTORIUM + PSALM 102.1-2

Hear my prayer, O Lord, and let my cry come to You:

Do not hide Your face from me.

SECRETA

We beseech You, O Lord, to accept our oblations, and be pleased to work in us: that as we proclaim in this mystery the Passion of Your Son, Our Lord; we may, by our devout affection, receive the benefit of His redemption, through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, Our Lord; who lives and reigns with You in the unity of the Holy Spirit: one God, now and forever.

PREFACE

Passiontide

COMMUNIO + PSALM 102.9,10,11,12,13

I have mingled my drink with weeping, for You have lifted me up and cast me away; and I wither away like grass:

But You, O Lord, shall endure forever; You will arise and have mercy on Zion; for the time to favor her has come.

POST COMMUNION COLLECT

Almighty God, we beseech You to enlighten our understanding: that as these mysteries testify to the temporal death of Your Son; so we may believe that, through them, You have bestowed upon us life eternal, through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, Our Lord; who lives and reigns with You in the unity of the Holy Spirit: one God, now and forever.

PRAYER OVER THE PEOPLE

Let us bow our heads to the Lord.

Almighty God, we beseech You graciously to behold this, Your family: for whom Our Lord Jesus Christ was content to be betrayed and given up into the hands of wicked men; and to suffer death upon the Cross,

through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, Our Lord;

who lives and reigns with You in the unity of the Holy Spirit:

one God, now and forever.

HOLY THURSDAY

The Chrism Mass

FIRST CLASS VIOLET

INTROIT + EXODUS 30.25,31; PSALM 89.1

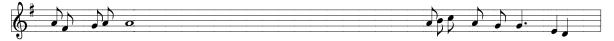
TONE VII



You shall make a holy anointing oil



and shall speak thus to the child-ren of Is-ra - el:



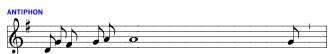
This shall be a holy anointing oil to Me throughout your gen-er- a- tions.



I will sing of the mercies of the Lord for-ev- er:



With my mouth will I make known Your faithfulness to all gen-er- a-tions.



You shall make a holy anointing oil



and shall speak thus to the child-ren of Is-ra - el:



This shall be a holy anointing oil to Me throughout your gen-er- a- tions.

The Gloria in Excelsis is omitted.

COLLECT

Lord God, who for the regeneration of Your people instituted the Holy Ministry: grant that, by Your grace, Your ministers may faithfully serve You; that Your people may increase in number and true godliness, through Jesus Christ, Your Son, Our Lord; who lives and reigns with You in the unity of the Holy Spirit: one God, now and forever.

OLD TESTAMENT + ISAIAH 61.1-9

A reading from the prophet Isaiah.

In those days, Isaiah said:

"The Spirit of the Lord God is upon Me, because the Lord has anointed Me to preach good tidings to the poor; He has sent Me to heal the brokenhearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives, and the opening of the prison to those who are bound; to proclaim the acceptable year of the Lord, and the day of vengeance of our God; to comfort all who mourn, to console those who mourn in Zion, to give them beauty for ashes, the oil of joy for mourning, the garment of praise for the spirit of heaviness; that they may be called trees of righteousness, the planting of the Lord, that He may be glorified."

And they shall rebuild the old ruins, they shall raise up the former desolations, and they shall repair the ruined cities, the desolations of many generations. Strangers shall stand and feed your flocks, and the sons of the foreigner shall be your plowmen and your vinedressers. But you shall be named the priests of the Lord, they shall call you the servants of our God. You shall eat the riches of the Gentiles, and in their glory you shall boast. Instead of your shame you shall have double honor, and instead of confusion they shall rejoice in their portion. Therefore in their land they shall possess double; everlasting joy shall be theirs.

"For I, the Lord, love justice; I hate robbery for burnt offering; I will direct their work in truth, and will make with them an everlasting covenant. Their descendants shall be known among the Gentiles, and their offspring among the people. All who see them shall acknowledge them, that they are the posterity whom the Lord has blessed."

The Word of the Lord.

GRADUAL + PSALM 28.7-8



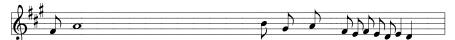
My heart trusted in the Lord, and I am helped:



Therefore my heart greatly rejoices, and with my song I will praise Him.



The Lord is their strength:



And He is the saving refuge of His a-noint-ed.

EPISTLE + JAMES 5.13-16

A reading from the epistle of blessed James the Apostle.

Brethren: Is anyone among you suffering? Let him pray. Is anyone cheerful? Let him sing psalms. Is anyone among you sick? Let him call for the presbyters of the church, and let them pray over him, anointing him with oil in the name of the Lord. And the prayer of faith will save the sick, and the Lord will raise him up. And if he has committed sins, he will be forgiven.

Confess your trespasses to one another, and pray for one another, that you may be healed. The effective, fervent prayer of a righteous man avails much.

The Word of the Lord.

<u> TRACT + PSALM 133.1-3</u>

TONE VIII



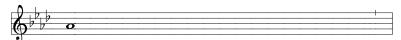
Be-hold, how good and how pleasant it is:



For brethren to dwell togeth-er in un - i - ty!



It is like the precious oil up-on the head:



Running down on the beard, the beard of Aaron,



running down on the edge of his gar-ments.



It is like the dew of Hermon descending upon the mountains of Zi- on:



For there the Lord commanded the blessing—life for-ev- er-more.

GOSPEL + ST. LUKE 4.16-22

The Lord be with you.

The continuation of the Holy Gospel according to St. Luke.

*At that time Jesus came to Nazareth, where He had been brought up. And as His custom was, He went into the synagogue on the Sabbath day, and stood up to read. And He was handed the book of the prophet Isaiah. And when He had opened the book, He found the place where it was written: "The Spirit of the LORD is upon Me, because He has anointed Me to preach the gospel to the poor; He has sent Me to heal the brokenhearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to set at liberty those who are oppressed; to proclaim the acceptable year of the LORD."

Then He closed the book, and gave it back to the attendant and sat down. And the eyes of all who were in the synagogue were fixed on Him. And He began to say to them, "Today this Scripture is fulfilled in your hearing."

So all bore witness to Him, and marveled at the gracious words which proceeded out of His mouth.

The Gospel of the Lord.

The Creed is omitted.

The Blessing of the Oil of Infirmity and Sacred Chrism

After the intercessions, while the oils are prepared, the following hymn is sung.

THE HYMN + O REDEMPTOR

Refrain

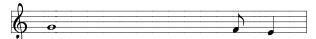
O Redeemer, hear us praising Thee with hymns in concert.

- 1. Hear us, Judge of dead and living, hope of mortals, hear us sing! Hear the voices bringing tribute, bearing forth the gift of peace. *Refrain*
- 2. Malformed olive, sweet light yielding. Sacred gift! Bowed down in prayer. Throngs of worshippers now bring it to the Savior of the world. *Refrain*
- 3. Deign to consecrate, O Master, King of our eternal home! This, our oil, a living symbol, pledge against the devil's hold. *Refrain*
- 4. By this sacred Chrism's unction servants, handmaids, both are healed. So that mankind's wounded glory may be made whole and renewed. *Refrain*
- 5. First the sacred Font's outpouring washes clean the soul of sin. Then by Holy Oil's sweet unction Charismatic grace streams in. *Refrain*
- 6. May this festive day be for us like eternity's first sight!

 May our consecrated nature not grow weak, but timeless be. *Refrain*

THE BLESSING OF OIL OF INFIRMITY

Only pure olive oil (used for anointing the sick and dying) is to be blessed.



Our help is in the Name of the Lord.

Who made heaven and earth.

The Lord be with you.

And with your spirit.

Let us pray.

O Lord, who in Your kindness produced oil from the olive tree:

we beseech You to send from heaven the Holy Spirit, Your Comforter, into this rich oil; that, by Your holy ♣ blessing, it may defend and refresh all who are anointed with heavenly medicine, and so relieve them in every pain and weakness and infirmity of mind and body; and by Your benediction, may this oil, with which You anointed priests, kings, prophets and martyrs, be your wholesome chrism permeating every fiber of our being in the Name of Our Lord Jesus Christ;

who lives and reigns with You in the unity of the Holy Spirit: one God, now and forever.

THE BLESSING OF SACRED CHRISM

Only pure olive oil mixed with balm or balsom (to make Chrism for use at Holy Baptism) is to be blessed.

The Lord be with you.

And with your spirit.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up unto the Lord.

Let us give thanks unto the Lord Our God.

It is meet and right so to do.

It is truly meet, right and salutary;

that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You;

O Lord, holy Father, almightÿ, everlasting God.

In the beginning, among the other gifts of Your goodness, You commanded the earth to bring forth fruit-bearing trees;

and among these produced the olives to provide us with this rich oil used fôr the säcred Chrism.

For David also, foreseeing Your grace;

in prophetic spirit sang that our faces would be made glad with oil;

and when the sins of the world had been wiped out by the Flood;

it was by bringing an olive-branch that a dove announced that peace had returned to earth; thus offering an image of Your grace.

And all this has been made clear by visible effects in these latter days;

when, after the waters of Baptism have washed away all stains of sin, the anointing of this oil makes our fâces gläd and peaceful.

And so also, You commanded Moses, Your servant, after his brother Aaron had washed himself with water;

to make him high priest by pouring on him this ointment.

And to this anointing came a far greater honor when Your Son, Our Lord Jesus Christ, required John to baptize Him in the waters of the Jordan;

so that, by sending down upon Him the Holy Spirit in the likeness of a dove and by the witness of the voice then heard;

You might show Him to be Your only Son in whom you were well pleased.

And so You most clearly proved that it was He of whom David the prophet had sung; that He might be anointed with the oil of gladness above all His companions.

We therefore implore You, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, through Jesus Christ Your Son, Our Lord;

that in Your kindness You may \ sanctify with Your \ blessing this oil;

that it may be a symbol of the outpouring of the Holy Spirit;

and of the grâce of Christ Your Son.

From His sacred name this oil receives the name of Chrism;

with which You anointed priests, kings, prophets, and martyrs;

so that all those who are given the new birth of water and the Holy Spirit;

may receive the Chrism of salvation, so that they are partakers in Christ and heirs ôf His heavenly glory.

Through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, Our Lord:

who lives and reigns with You in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

OFFERTORIUM + PSALM 45.7

TONE I



You love right-eousness and hate wick- ed-ness:



There-fore God, Your God, has anointed You with the oil of glad-ness.

SECRETA

Mercifully grant, O Lord, we beseech You: that the power of this holy Sacrament may cleanse our former nature; and lead us both to newness of life and to salvation, through Jesus Christ, Your Son, Our Lord; who lives and reigns with You in the unity of the Holy Spirit: one God, now and forever.

PREFACE

It is truly meet, right and salutary;

that we humbly implore Your mercy;

that this chrism may confirm with perfect salvation;

those who have been restored to the sacrament of life by the spiritual bâth of baptïsm.

Grant that those on whom this sacred oil is poured;

after the corruption of the first birth has been submerged;

may be a holy temple redolent with the sweet fragrance of innocent life which plëases You.

And as You have established by this mystery;

richly bestow on them royal, priestly and prophetic honor;

and clothe them with the robe of immortality;

thröugh Christ Our Lord.

through Whom the Angels acclaim your majesty, Dominions adore, and Powers worship in awe, the whole company of heaven and the blessed Seraphim sing Your praise, and joining them we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

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TONE I



The a - postles preached that peo - ple should re - pent:



And they cast out many demons,



and anointed with oil many who were sick, and healed them.

POST COMMUNION COLLECT

Grant, we beseech You, O Lord: that as the types and shadows of former times are transformed by Your grace; so we may put off our former nature and be renewed in holiness of mind, through Jesus Christ, Your Son, Our Lord; who lives and reigns with You in the unity of the Holy Spirit: one God, now and forever.