



Ordination of Priests

Diocese of Ogdensburg

May 25, 2024

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THE HOLY SACRIFICE OF THE MASS
with the

Rite of Ordination
of Priests

PRINCIPAL CELEBRANT AND HOMILIST

The Most Reverend Terry R. LaValley, D.D., J.C.L.
Bishop of Ogdensburg

ORDINANDI

Deacon Carter Gabriel Pierce
and
Deacon Douglas Alexander Schirmer

St. Mary's Cathedral
Ogdensburg, New York

Saturday
May 25, 2024
11 AM

INTRODUCTORY RITES

PROCESSIONAL

Be Thou My Vision

SLANE



1. Be Thou my vi - sion, O Lord of my heart;
2. Be Thou my wis - dom, and Thou my true word;
3. Rich - es I heed not, or man's emp - ty praise,
4. High King of heav - en, my vic - to - ry won,



1. Naught be all else to me, save that Thou art:
2. I ev - er with Thee and Thou with me, Lord:
3. Thou mine in - her - i - tance, now and al - ways:
4. May I reach heav - en's joys, O bright heav'n's Sun!



1. Thou my best thought, — by day or by night,
2. Thou my great Fa - ther, I Thy true son,
3. Thou and Thou on - ly, first in my heart,
4. Heart of my own heart, what - ev - er be - fall,



1. Wak - ing or sleep - ing, Thy pres - ence my light.
2. Thou in me dwell - ing, and I with Thee one.
3. High King of heav - en, my trea - sure Thou art.
4. Still be my vi - sion, O Rul - er of all.

Text: 10 10 10 10; Ancient Irish; tr. by Mary E. Byrne, 1905; fr. Eleanor Hull's *Poem Book of the Gael*, 1912, alt.
Music: Trad. Irish Melody; adapt. from *The Church Hymnary*, 1927.

SIGN OF THE CROSS AND GREETING

PENITENTIAL ACT
CONFITEOR

I confess to almighty God
and to you, my brothers and sisters,
that I have greatly sinned
in my thoughts and in my words,
in what I have done
and in what I have failed to do,
And striking their breast, they say
through my fault, through my fault,
through my most grievous fault;
therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin,
all the Angels and Saints,
and you, my brothers and sisters,
to pray for me to the Lord our God

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

ALL: Amen.

KYRIE

Heritage Mass
Owen Alstott

Lord, have mer - cy. Christ, have
mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy.

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GLORIA

Heritage Mass
Owen Alstott

mf
Glo - ry to God in the high - est! Peace to his
peo - ple on earth. Lord God, heav - en - ly King, al - might - y
God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we
give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry.

mp
Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy on us;
you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer.

mf
For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, for you a - lone are the
Lord, you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus
Christ, with the Ho - ly Spir - it, in the glo - ry of
God the Fa - ther. A - men.

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COLLECT

LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING

ISAIAH 61:1-3ABCD

*The LORD has anointed me; he has sent me to bring glad tidings to the lowly
and to give them the oil of gladness.*

Read by:

Mr. Michael Lennox

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

PSALM 110: 1-2, 5-7



You are a priest for ev - er, in the line of Mel-chiz-e-dek.

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SECOND READING

2 CORINTHIANS 4:1-2, 5-7

*For we do not preach ourselves but Jesus Christ as Lord and ourselves
as your slaves for the sake of Jesus.*

Read by:

Mr. Kevin McCullouch

ALLELUIA

In 10:14 I am the good shepherd, says the Lord; I know my sheep, and mine know me.



James Chepponis

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

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GOSPEL READING

JOHN 10:11-16

I am the good shepherd, says the Lord; I know my sheep, and mine know me.

Proclaimed by:

Deacon James D. Crowley

Please remain standing as the Bishop reverences the Book of the Gospels.

RITE OF ORDINATION

PRESENTATION OF THE CANDIDATES FOR THE PRIESTHOOD

Deacon William P. O'Brien

ELECTION OF THE CANDIDATES FOR THE PRIESTHOOD

Reverend Christopher C. Carrara

After the Gospel reading, the local Church requests the Bishop to ordain the candidates. The priest assigned to do this responds to the Bishop's questions by informing him in the presence of the people that there are no doubts concerning the candidates. The Bishop responds: "Relying on the help of the Lord God and of our Savior Jesus Christ, we choose these, our brothers, for the Order of the Priesthood."

*The people then give their assent to this decision by the response,
"Thanks be to God"
followed by applause.*

HOMILY

Most Reverend Terry R. LaValley
Bishop of Ogdensburg

PROMISE OF THE ELECT

The elect for the priesthood stand before the Bishop and express their resolve to carry out their office in accord with the mind of Christ and the Church.

LITANY OF SUPPLICATION

In the litany all present plead for God's grace for the candidates.

As a sign of humility, the candidates prostrate themselves.

All others are invited to kneel



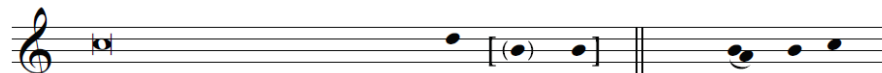
V. Lord, have mer-cy. R. Lord, have mer-cy.



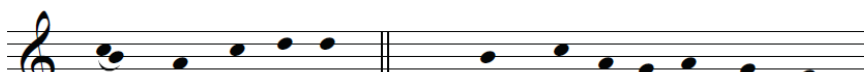
V. Christ, have mer-cy. R. Christ, have mer-cy.



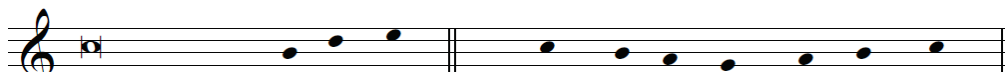
V. Lord, have mer-cy. R. Lord, have mer-cy.



Holy Mary, Mother of God, [] R. pray for us.



Lord, be mer-ci-ful, R. Lord, de-liv-er us, we pray.



Be merciful to us sin-ners, R. Lord, we ask you, hear our prayer.



Christ, hear us. R. Christ, hear us.



Christ, gra-cious-ly hear us. R. Christ, gra-cious-ly hear us.

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ORDINATION OF PRIESTS

LAYING ON OF HANDS AND PRAYER OF ORDINATION TO THE PRIESTHOOD

*Through the laying on of hands by the Bishop and the Prayer of Ordination,
the gift of the Holy Spirit for the office of priest is conferred on the candidates.*

*The following words belong to the nature of the rite and are
consequently required for the validity of the act:*

*“Grant, we pray, Almighty Father, to these your servants
the dignity of the Priesthood.”*

*These men are now Priests, co-workers of the Bishop,
set apart to serve the people of God.*

VESTING IN THE STOLE AND CHASUBLE

*The newly ordained are now vested with a stole, which they wear when celebrating the
Sacraments as a sign of their authority to act in the name of Christ.*

*They are then vested with a chasuble, the outer vestment worn when offering
the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass.*

Reverend Carter Pierce is vested by Reverend Diego Ruiz, I.V.E.
Reverend Douglas Schirmer is vested by Reverend Joseph Giroux

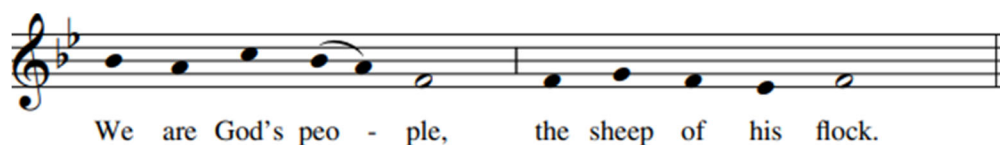


ANOINTING OF HANDS AND HANDING OVER OF THE BREAD AND WINE

The palms of the new priests are anointed with Sacred Chrism to sanctify others and offer sacrifice to God.

The Chalice and Paten are brought forward by Dr. Carolyn Pierce and Mrs. Amy Schirmer, Mothers of the newly ordained priests.

The chalice and paten, containing the bread and wine mixed with water for the celebration of Mass are given to the Bishop who presents them to the newly ordained priests.



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FRATERNAL KISS

The Bishop and representatives from the Priests offer a fraternal kiss of peace to the newly ordained as a sign of welcome into the Order of Priests.



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THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

PREPARATION OF THE ALTAR AND GIFTS

St. Patrick's Breastplate

ST. PATRICK D.L.M.
Charles Villier Stanford, 1901

Ascribed to St. Patrick, 372-476
Trans. by Cecil Frances Alexander, 1889



1. I bind un - to__ my - self__ to - day__ the strong Name of__ the Trin - i - ty,



by in - vo__ ca__ tion of the same, the Three in__ One__ and One in Three.



2. I bind this day__ to me__ for - ev - er, by power of faith, Christ's in - car - na - tion;
3. I bind un - to__ my - self__ the po - wer Of the__ great love of cher - u - bim;
4. I bind un - to__ my - self__ to - day__ The vir - tues of__ the star - lit heav'n,
5. I bind un - to__ my - self__ to - day__ The power of God to hold and lead,



2. His bap - tism in the Jor - dan Riv - er; His death on cross for my sal - va - tion;
3. The sweet "Well done"__ in judge - ment hour;__ The ser - vice of__ the ser - a - phim;
4. The glo - rious sun's__ life - giv - ing ray,__ The white - ness of__ the moon at ev'en,
5. His eye__ to__ watch,__ his might to stay,__ His ear to__ heark - en to my need;



2. His burst - ing from the spic - ed tomb; His rid - ing up__ the heaven - ly way;
3. Con - fess - ors' faith, a - pos - tles' word, The pa - tri - archs' prayers, the pro - phets' scrolls;
4. The flash - ing of the light - ning free, The whirl - ing wind's__ tem - pes - tu - ous shocks,
5. The wis - dom of my God to teach, His hand to guide,__ his shield to ward;



2. His com - ing__ at__ the day of doom: I__ bind un - to__ my - self__ to - day.
3. All good__ deeds done un - to the Lord,__ And pu - ri - ty__ of vir - gin souls.
4. The sta - ble__ earth, the deep salt sea,__ A - round the old__ e - ter - nal rocks.
5. The word of__ God__ to give me speech, His heav'n - ly__ host - to be my guard.

6. Christ be with me, Christ with - in me, Christ be - hind me, Christ be - fore me, Christ be - side me,
 Christ be - neath me, Christ a - bove me, Christ in qui - et, Christ in dan - ger, Christ in hearts of

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 Christ to win me, Christ to com - fort and re - store me,
 all that love me, Christ in mouth of friend and stran - ger,

7. I bind un - to___ my - self___ the Name the strong Name of___ the Tri - ni - ty

By in - vo - ca - tion of the same, The Three in___ One, and One in Three,

Of whom all na - ture hath cre - a - tion; E - ter - nal - Fa - ther, Spir - rit, Word:

Praise to___ the Lord of my sal - va - tion Sal - va - tion is___ of Christ the Lord.

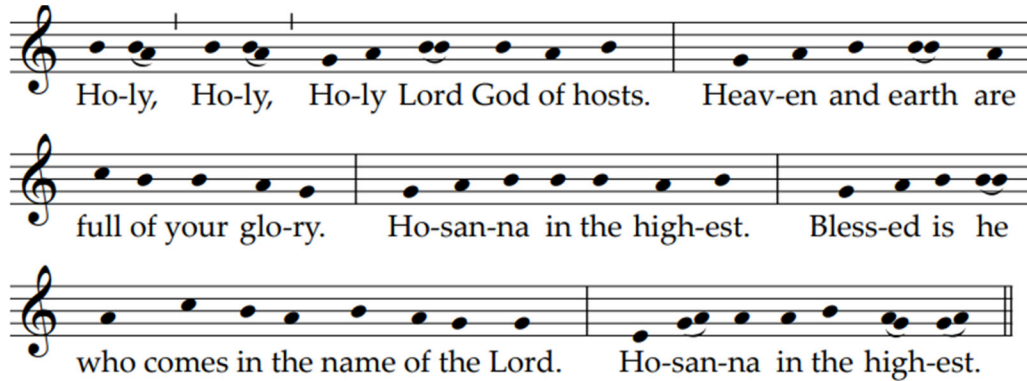
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PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

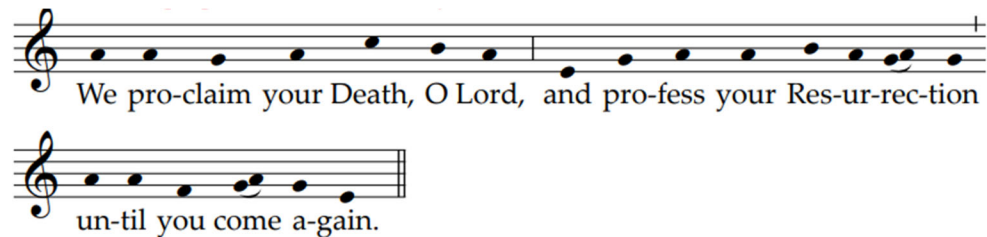
EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

SANCTUS



Ho-ly, Ho-ly, Ho-ly Lord God of hosts. Heav-en and earth are
full of your glo-ry. Ho-san-na in the high-est. Bless-ed is he
who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high-est.

MYSTERY OF FAITH



We pro-claim your Death, O Lord, and pro-fess your Res-ur-rec-tion
un-til you come a-gain.

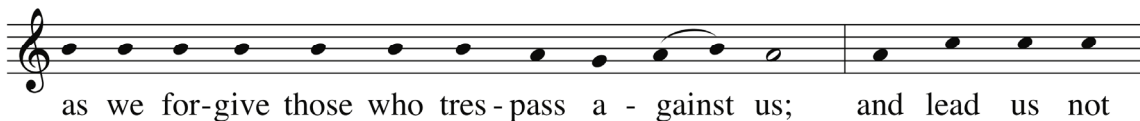
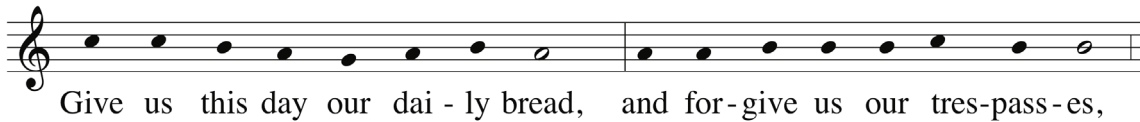
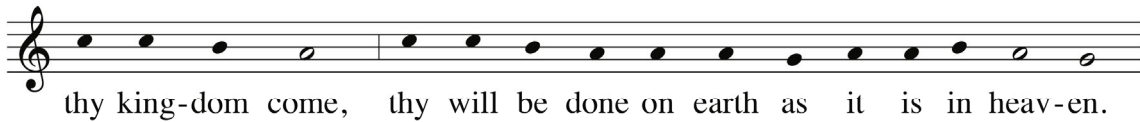
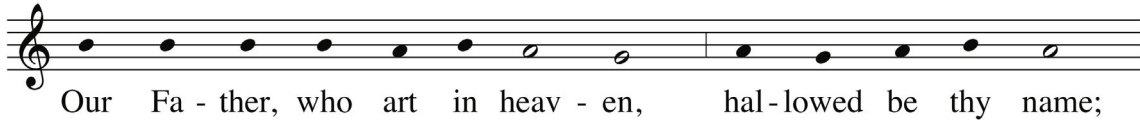
GREAT AMEN



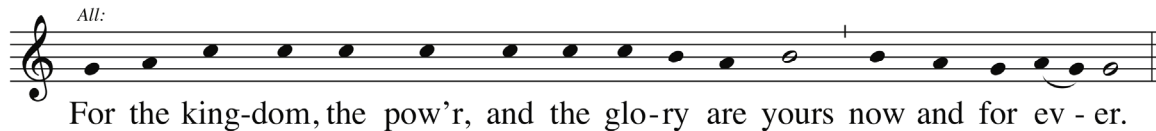
R. A-men.

COMMUNION RITE

THE LORD'S PRAYER



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



AGNUS DEI (LAMB OF GOD)



A-gnus De-i, * qui tol-lis pec-cá-ta mun-di: mi-se-ré-re no-bis.

A-gnus De-i, * qui tol-lis pec-cá-ta mun-di: mi-se-ré-re no-bis.

A-gnus De-i, * qui tol-lis pec-cá-ta mun-di: do-na no-bis pa-cem.

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

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

COMMUNION ANTIPHON AND HYMNS

Psalm 23 – C. Hylton Stewart

Dominus regit me

Sung by the Choir

O Living Bread From Heaven



1. O liv - ing Bread from heav - en, how well you feed your guest!
2. My Sav - ior, you have led me with - in your ho - liest place,
3. You gave me all I want - ed; this food can death de - stroy.
4. Oh, grant me then, well - strength - ened with heav'n - ly food, while here



The gifts that you have giv - en have filled my heart with rest.
and here your - self have fed me with trea - sures of your grace;
And you have free - ly grant - ed the cup of end - less joy.
my course on earth is length - ened, to serve you, free from fear;



O won - drous food of bless - ing! O cup that heals our woes!
for you have free - ly giv - en what earth could nev - er buy,
My Lord, I do not mer - it the fa - vor you have shown,
and bring me home to praise you where none can peace de - stroy,



My heart, this gift pos - sess - ing, in thank - ful song o'er flows!
the bread of life from heav - en, that now I shall not die.
and all my soul and spir - it bow down be - fore your throne.
where I will ev - er raise you glad songs in end - less joy.

Text: Johann Rist, 1607-1667; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827-1878, alt. Music: Samuel S. Wesley, 1810-1876. AURELIA 76 76 D

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

SOLEMN BLESSING

DISSMISSAL

FIRST BLESSINGS

RECESSIONAL HYMN

Holy God, We Praise Thy Name

GROSSER GOTT



1. Ho - ly God, we praise thy name; Lord of all, we
2. Hark! the loud ce - les - tial hymn An - gel choirs a -
3. Lo! the ap - os - tol - ic train Join, the sa - cred
4. Ho - ly Fa - ther, Ho - ly Son, Ho - ly Spir - it,



1. bow be - fore thee! All on earth thy scep - tre claim,
2. bove are rais - ing; Cher - u - bim and Ser - a - phim,
3. Name to hal - low; Proph - ets swell the loud re - frain,
4. Three we name thee; While in es - sence on - ly One,



1. All in heav'n a - bove a - dore thee; In - fi -
2. In un - ceas - ing cho - rus prais - ing; Fill the
3. And the white - robed mar - tyrs fol - low; And from
4. Un - di - vid - ed God we claim thee; And a -



1. nite, thy vast do - main, Ev - er - last - ing
2. heav'ns with sweet ac - cord: "Ho - ly, ho - ly,
3. morn to set of sun, Through the Church the
4. dor - ing, bend the knee, While we own the



1. is thy reign. In - fi - nite, thy vast do -
2. ho - ly Lord!" Fill the heav'ns with sweet ac -
3. song goes on. And from morn to set of
4. mys - ter - y. And a - dor - ing, bend the



1. main, Ev - er - last - ing is thy reign.
2. cord: "Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord!"
3. sun, Through the Church the song goes on.
4. knee, While we own the mys - ter - y.

Text: 78 78 77 with repeat; *Te Deum laudamus*; attr. to St. Nicetas, ca. 335–414;
Grosser Gott, wir loben dich; tr. ascr. to Ignaz Franz, 1719–1790; tr. by Clarence A. Walworth, 1820–1900.
Music: *Allgemeines Katholisches Gesangbuch*, Vienna, ca. 1774.

**CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR NEWLY
ORDAINED PRIESTS**

**Reverend Carter Gabriel
Pierce**



Home Parish:

St. Raphael's Church
Heuvelton

**Reverend Douglas Alexander
Schirmer**



Home Parish:

St. Mary's Cathedral
Ogdensburg

Special Thanks...

*The Clergy and Staff of St. Mary's Cathedral
Mrs. Christine Bookman, Organist, and the Diocesan Choir
Diocese of Ogdensburg Vocations Society
Knights of Columbus
Knights of Columbus Council 258*

Pray for Vocations

God has created me to do Him
some definite service;
He has committed some work to me
that He has not committed to another.
I have my mission.
I am a link in a chain,
a bond of connection between persons.
He has not created me for nothing.
I shall do good. I shall do His work.

—Saint John Henry Cardinal Newman

Loving God, bless the Diocese of Ogdensburg with
more priests, deacons, religious, and lay leaders. Give
those You are calling the courage to respond with
generous hearts. Through Christ our Lord.

