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**PRAYER for the DECEASED:** *Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.*

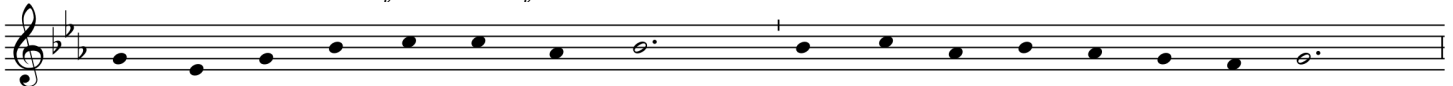
**ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:** TO YOU, O GOD, I LIFT UP MY SOUL *please stand* ST. MEINRAD, MODE 8

To you, I lift up my soul, O my God. In you, I have trusted; let me not be put to shame.  
Nor let my enemies exult over me; and let none who hope in you be put to shame. **R**



To you, O God, I lift up my soul.

**PROCESSIONAL HYMN:** CREATOR of the STARS of NIGHT CONDITOR ALME SIDERUM



1. Cre - a - tor of the Stars of night, Your peo - ple's ev - er - last - ing light,  
2. In sor - row that the an - cient curse Should doom to death a u - ni - verse,  
3. When this old world drew on toward night, You came; but not in splen - dor bright,



(1.) O Christ, Re - deem - er of us all, We pray you hear us when we call.  
(2.) You came, O Sav - ior, to set free Your own in glo - rious lib - er - ty.  
(3.) Not as a mon - arch, but the child Of Ma - ry, blame - less moth - er mild.

**THE SIGN of the CROSS and GREETING**

†: *In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit*

**A: Amen.**

†: *The Lord be with you.*

**A: And with your Spirit**

**LIGHTING of the ADVENT CANDLES**

†: *Let us pray...* (celebrant prays over the advent wreath) **A: Amen**

**PENITENTIAL RITE**

†: *Brothers and sisters, let us acknowledge our sins, and so prepare ourselves to celebrate the sacred mysteries:*

**A: 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, 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.** \*strike your chest three times

†: *May almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us our sins, and bring us to everlasting life* **A: Amen**

**COLLECT**

†: *Let us pray...* (celebrant prays the Collect) **A: Amen**

**FIRST READING** please be seated

R: *The Word of the Lord* **A: Thanks be to God**

readings found in insert

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM 93:1, 1-2, 5**

OWEN ALSTOTT



The Lord is king; he is robed in maj - es - ty.

1. Your ways, O LORD, make known to me; teach me your paths, guide me in your truth and teach me, for you are God my savior, and for you I wait all the day. **R**

2. Good and upright is the LORD; thus he shows sinners the way. He guides the humble to justice, and teaches the humble his way. **R**

3. All the paths of the LORD are kindness and constancy toward those who keep his covenant and his decrees. The friendship of the LORD is with those who fear him, and his covenant, for their instruction. **R**

SECOND READING

readings found in insert

R: *The Word of the Lord*

A: **Thanks be to God**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION please stand

RICHARD PROULX, MICHAEL O'CONNOR, O.P. MISSA SIMPLEX



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.\_\_\_\_  
Verse: Show us, Lord, your love; and grant us your salvation. R (Ps 85:8)

GOSPEL DIALOGUE

†: *The Lord be with you.*

†: *A reading from the Holy Gospel according to ...*

A: **And with your spirit.**

A: **Glory to you, O Lord.** make a small cross with your thumb on your forehead, lips & heart

GOSPEL READING

readings found in insert

†: *The Gospel of the Lord*

A: **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ**

HOMILY please be seated

PROFESSION of FAITH please stand

THE NICENE CREED

**A: I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible. I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven, - and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man.\* - For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. \*bow**

PRAYER of the FAITHFUL

PREPARATION of the GIFTS please be seated

OFFERTORY HYMN: O COME, DIVINE MESSIAH

VENEZ, DIVIN MESSIE



1. O come, di - vine Mes - si - ah; The world in si - lence waits\_ the day  
2. O Christ, whom na - tions sigh for, Whom priest and proph - et long\_ fore - told,  
3. You come in peace and meek - ness And low - ly will your cra - dle be;



(1.) When hope shall sing its tri - umph And sad - ness flee\_ a - way\_  
(2.) Come, break the cap - tive's fet - ters, Re - deem the long - lost fold\_  
(3.) All clothed in hu - man weak - ness Shall we your God - head see\_



Dear Sav - ior, haste! Come, come to earth. Dis - pel the night and show your face, and bid us



hail the dawn of grace.\_\_\_\_ O come, di - vine Mes - si - ah; the wold in si - lence



waits\_ the day when hope shall sing its tri - umph and sad - ness flee\_ a - way.

**PRAYER over the GIFTS** please stand

†: *Pray, my brothers and sisters, that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.* **A: May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands, for the praise and glory of his name, for our good, and the good of all his holy Church.**

†: *prays over the gifts...* **A: Amen**

**PREFACE DIALOGUE**

†: *The Lord be with you.*

**A: All And with your spirit.**

†: *Lift up your hearts.*

**A: We lift them up to the Lord.**

†: *Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.*

**A: It is right and just.**

**SANCTUS**

RICHARD PROULX, MICHAEL O'CONNOR, O.P MISSA SIMPLEX

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.

**EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER** please kneel, if able, or remain standing

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**MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION**

**THE GREAT AMEN**

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

A - men, a - men, a - men...

**THE LORD'S PRAYER** please stand

**A: Our Father, Who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name; Thy kingdom come; Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil.**

†: *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.*

**A: For the Kingdom, the power and the glory are yours, now and forever.**

**SIGN of PEACE**

†: *The peace of the Lord be with you always.*

**A: And with your spirit.** all offer one another a customary sign of peace

**FRACTION RITE: LAMB of GOD**

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1./2. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the world, have mer - cy on us.  
3. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the world, grant\_ us\_ peace...

**INVITATION to COMMUNION** please kneel, if able, or remain standing

†: *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.*

**A: 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: PSALM 85:13**

CHRISTOPHER WALKER

The Lord will bes - tow his boun-ty, and our earth shall yield its in - crease. The Lord will bes - two his boun - ty, and our earth shall yield, yield, yield its in - crease.

COMMUNION HYMN: BEYOND THE MOON AND STARS

DAN SCHUTTE

Be-yond the moon and stars, as deep as night, so great our hun-ger, Lord, to see your light.  
 The spar-row finds her home be-neath your wing. So may we come to rest where an-gels sing.

1. Our eyes have longed to see your lov-ing face, to live with - in your courts\_\_\_ for all our days.
2. Your roads have led us, Lord, 'cross des-ert sand. We place our hopes and dreams\_\_\_ with - in your hand.
3. Up - on our dark ness, Lord, a light has shone. You chose to dwell with us\_\_\_ in flesh and bone.
4. With shin - ing star at night, and cloud by day, you brought us here to see\_\_\_ your love's dis - play.
5. When life's great jour - ney ends, and day is done, then may our eyes be - hold\_\_\_ your Ho - ly One.

after receiving Communion, please kneel, if able, or stand in prayer until the Blessed Sacrament is reposed in the tabernacle

MEDITATION: ONLY IN GOD

JOHN MICHAEL TALBOT

CLOSING REMARKS

FINAL BLESSING *and* DISMISSAL please stand

- †: *The Lord be with you.* †: *prays the final blessing...*  
**A: And with your spirit.** **A: Amen.**  
 †: *chants the dismissal...* **A: Thanks be to God.**

RECESSIONAL HYMN: COME, THOU LONG-EXPECTED JESUS

STUTTGART

1. Come, thou long - ex - pect - ed Je - sus, Born to set thy peo - ple free!  
 2. Is - rael's strength and con - so - la - tion, Hope of all the earth thou art;  
 3. Born thy peo - ple to de - liv - er, Born a child, and yet a king;  
 4. By thine own e - ter - nal Spir - it Rule in all our hearts a - lone;

From our fears and sins re - lease us, Let us find our rest in thee.  
 Dear de - sire of ev - 'ry na - tion, Joy of ev - 'ry long - ing heart.  
 Born to reign in us for - ev - er, Now thy gra - cious king - dom bring.  
 By thine all - suf - fi - cient mer - it Raise us to thy glo - rious throne.

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