Easter Vigil Mass Worship Aid

April 11, 2020

CALL TO WORSHIP

GATHERING SONG: Silence

Glory to God (Mass of Christ the Savior)

Glory to God, Glory to God

Glory to God in the highest

And on earth, peace on earth

Peace to people of good will.

We praise you, we bless you,

We adore you, we glorify you

We give you thanks, for your great glory

Lord God, heavenly king,

God almighty Father.

Refrain

Lord Jesus Christ, only begotten Son,

Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father

You take away the sins of the world,

Have mercy on us.

You take away the sins of the world,

Receive our prayer,

You are seated at the right hand,

The right hand of the Father,

Have mercy on us.

Refrain

For you alone are the Holy One,

You alone are the Lord

You alone are the most high, Jesus Christ

With the Holy Spirit

In the Glory of God the Father

Refrain

Amen, Amen

LITURGY OF THE WORD

ALLELUIA

Alle, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia

Alle, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia

GENERAL INTERCESSIONS:

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

PREPARATION OF GIFTS: Alleluia! Sing To Jesus

Alleluia! Sing to Jesus, His the scepter, his the throne  
Alleluia! His the triumph, His the victory alone  
Hark! The songs of peaceful Zion thunder like a mighty flood

Jesus out of every nation hath redeemed us by his blood.

Alleluia! King eternal, thee the Lord of Lords we own  
Alleluia! Born of Mary, earth thy footstool, heaven thy throne  
Thou within the veil hast entered, robed in flesh, our great High Priest  
Thou on earth both Priest and Victim in the Eucharistic Feast.

HOLY (Mass of Christ the Savior)

Holy, holy, holy Lord God of hosts.

Heaven and earth are full, are full of your glory.

Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes,

Who comes in the name of the Lord,

Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.

MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION (Mass of Christ the Savior)

Save us, save us, Savior of the world,

For by your Cross and Resurrection

You have set us free

AMEN (Mass of Christ the Savior)

Amen, amen, amen.

LORD’S PRAYER

LAMB OF GOD (Mass of Christ the Savior)

Lamb of God you take away the sins of the world,

Have mercy on us

Lamb of God you take away the sins of the world,

Have mercy on us.

Lamb of God you take away the sins of the world,

Grant us peace

**COMMUNION: *I Am The Bread Of Life***

I am the bread of life.  
You who come to me shall not hunger;  
and who believe in me shall not thirst.  
No one can come to me unless the Father beckons.

***And I will raise you up,  
And I will raise you up,  
And I will raise you up on the last day.***

The bread that I will give

is my flesh for the life of the world,

and if you eat of this bread,  
you shall live forever, you shall live forever.

I am the Resurrection, I am the Life.  
If you believe in me, even though you die,  
you shall live forever.

CONCLUDING RITE

RECESSIONAL HYMN: Jesus Christ Is Risen Today

Jesus Christ is ris'n today, Alleluia!  
our triumphant holy day, Alleluia!  
who did once upon the cross Alleluia!  
suffer to redeem our loss. Alleluia!

Hymns of praise then let us sing Alleluia!  
unto Christ our heav'nly King, Alleluia!  
who endured the cross and grave, Alleluia!  
sinners to redeem and save. Alleluia!

Sing we to our God above Alleluia!  
praise eternal as his love; Alleluia!  
praise him, now his might confess, Alleluia!  
Father, Son, and Spirit blest. Alleluia!

**Reading I** [**GN 1:1—2:2**](http://usccb.org/bible/readings/bible/Genesis/1:1)

In the beginning, when God created the heavens and the earth,  
the earth was a formless wasteland, and darkness covered the abyss,  
while a mighty wind swept over the waters.  
  
Then God said,  
"Let there be light," and there was light.  
God saw how good the light was.  
God then separated the light from the darkness.  
God called the light "day," and the darkness he called "night."  
Thus evening came, and morning followed—the first day.  
  
Then God said,  
"Let there be a dome in the middle of the waters,  
to separate one body of water from the other."  
And so it happened:  
God made the dome,  
and it separated the water above the dome from the water below it.  
God called the dome "the sky."  
Evening came, and morning followed—the second day.  
  
Then God said,  
"Let the water under the sky be gathered into a single basin,  
so that the dry land may appear."  
And so it happened:  
the water under the sky was gathered into its basin,  
and the dry land appeared.  
God called the dry land "the earth, "  
and the basin of the water he called "the sea."  
God saw how good it was.  
Then God said,  
"Let the earth bring forth vegetation:  
every kind of plant that bears seed  
and every kind of fruit tree on earth  
that bears fruit with its seed in it."  
And so it happened:  
the earth brought forth every kind of plant that bears seed  
and every kind of fruit tree on earth  
that bears fruit with its seed in it.  
God saw how good it was.  
Evening came, and morning followed—the third day.  
  
Then God said:  
"Let there be lights in the dome of the sky,  
to separate day from night.  
Let them mark the fixed times, the days and the years,  
and serve as luminaries in the dome of the sky,  
to shed light upon the earth."  
And so it happened:  
God made the two great lights,  
the greater one to govern the day,  
and the lesser one to govern the night;  
and he made the stars.  
God set them in the dome of the sky,  
to shed light upon the earth,  
to govern the day and the night,  
and to separate the light from the darkness.  
God saw how good it was.  
Evening came, and morning followed—the fourth day.  
  
Then God said,  
"Let the water teem with an abundance of living creatures,  
and on the earth let birds fly beneath the dome of the sky."  
And so it happened:  
God created the great sea monsters  
and all kinds of swimming creatures with which the water teems,  
and all kinds of winged birds.  
God saw how good it was, and God blessed them, saying,  
"Be fertile, multiply, and fill the water of the seas;  
and let the birds multiply on the earth."  
Evening came, and morning followed—the fifth day.  
  
Then God said,  
"Let the earth bring forth all kinds of living creatures:  
cattle, creeping things, and wild animals of all kinds."  
And so it happened:  
God made all kinds of wild animals, all kinds of cattle,  
and all kinds of creeping things of the earth.  
God saw how good it was.  
Then God said:  
"Let us make man in our image, after our likeness.  
Let them have dominion over the fish of the sea,  
the birds of the air, and the cattle,  
and over all the wild animals  
and all the creatures that crawl on the ground."  
God created man in his image;  
in the image of God he created him;  
male and female he created them.  
God blessed them, saying:  
"Be fertile and multiply;  
fill the earth and subdue it.  
Have dominion over the fish of the sea, the birds of the air,  
and all the living things that move on the earth."  
God also said:  
"See, I give you every seed-bearing plant all over the earth  
and every tree that has seed-bearing fruit on it to be your food;  
and to all the animals of the land, all the birds of the air,  
and all the living creatures that crawl on the ground,  
I give all the green plants for food."  
And so it happened.  
God looked at everything he had made, and he found it very good.  
Evening came, and morning followed—the sixth day.  
Thus the heavens and the earth and all their array were completed.  
Since on the seventh day God was finished  
with the work he had been doing,  
he rested on the seventh day from all the work he had undertaken.

**Responsorial Psalm** [**PS 104:1-2, 5-6, 10, 12, 13-14, 24, 35**](http://usccb.org/bible/readings/bible/Psalms/104:1)

R. (30) **Lord, send out your Spirit, and renew the face of the earth.**  
Bless the LORD, O my soul!  
O LORD, my God, you are great indeed!  
You are clothed with majesty and glory,  
robed in light as with a cloak.  
R.**Lord, send out your Spirit, and renew the face of the earth.**  
You fixed the earth upon its foundation,  
not to be moved forever;  
with the ocean, as with a garment, you covered it;  
above the mountains the waters stood.  
R. **Lord, send out your Spirit, and renew the face of the earth.**  
You send forth springs into the watercourses  
that wind among the mountains.  
Beside them the birds of heaven dwell;  
from among the branches they send forth their song.  
R. **Lord, send out your Spirit, and renew the face of the earth.**  
You water the mountains from your palace;  
the earth is replete with the fruit of your works.  
You raise grass for the cattle,  
and vegetation for man's use,  
Producing bread from the earth.  
R. **Lord, send out your Spirit, and renew the face of the earth.**  
How manifold are your works, O LORD!  
In wisdom you have wrought them all—  
the earth is full of your creatures.  
Bless the LORD, O my soul!  
R.  **Lord, send out your Spirit, and renew the face of the earth.**

**Reading II** [**EX 14:15—15:1**](http://usccb.org/bible/readings/bible/Exodus/14:15)

The LORD said to Moses, "Why are you crying out to me?  
Tell the Israelites to go forward.  
And you, lift up your staff and, with hand outstretched over the sea,  
split the sea in two,  
that the Israelites may pass through it on dry land.  
But I will make the Egyptians so obstinate  
that they will go in after them.  
Then I will receive glory through Pharaoh and all his army,  
his chariots and charioteers.  
The Egyptians shall know that I am the LORD,  
when I receive glory through Pharaoh  
and his chariots and charioteers."  
  
The angel of God, who had been leading Israel's camp,  
now moved and went around behind them.  
The column of cloud also, leaving the front,  
took up its place behind them,  
so that it came between the camp of the Egyptians  
and that of Israel.  
But the cloud now became dark, and thus the night passed  
without the rival camps coming any closer together  
all night long.  
Then Moses stretched out his hand over the sea,  
and the LORD swept the sea  
with a strong east wind throughout the night  
and so turned it into dry land.  
When the water was thus divided,  
the Israelites marched into the midst of the sea on dry land,  
with the water like a wall to their right and to their left.  
  
The Egyptians followed in pursuit;  
all Pharaoh's horses and chariots and charioteers went after them  
right into the midst of the sea.  
In the night watch just before dawn  
the LORD cast through the column of the fiery cloud  
upon the Egyptian force a glance that threw it into a panic;  
and he so clogged their chariot wheels  
that they could hardly drive.  
With that the Egyptians sounded the retreat before Israel,  
because the LORD was fighting for them against the Egyptians.  
  
Then the LORD told Moses, "Stretch out your hand over the sea,  
that the water may flow back upon the Egyptians,  
upon their chariots and their charioteers."  
So Moses stretched out his hand over the sea,  
and at dawn the sea flowed back to its normal depth.  
The Egyptians were fleeing head on toward the sea,  
when the LORD hurled them into its midst.  
As the water flowed back,  
it covered the chariots and the charioteers of Pharaoh's whole army  
which had followed the Israelites into the sea.  
Not a single one of them escaped.  
But the Israelites had marched on dry land  
through the midst of the sea,  
with the water like a wall to their right and to their left.  
Thus the LORD saved Israel on that day  
from the power of the Egyptians.  
When Israel saw the Egyptians lying dead on the seashore  
and beheld the great power that the LORD  
had shown against the Egyptians,  
they feared the LORD and believed in him and in his servant Moses.  
  
Then Moses and the Israelites sang this song to the LORD:  
I will sing to the LORD, for he is gloriously triumphant;  
horse and chariot he has cast into the sea.

**Responsorial Psalm** [**EX 15:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 17-18**](http://usccb.org/bible/readings/bible/Exodus/15:1)

R. (1b) **Let us sing to the Lord; he has covered himself in glory.**  
I will sing to the LORD, for he is gloriously triumphant;  
horse and chariot he has cast into the sea.  
My strength and my courage is the LORD,  
and he has been my savior.  
He is my God, I praise him;  
the God of my father, I extol him.  
R. **Let us sing to the Lord; he has covered himself in glory.**  
The LORD is a warrior,  
LORD is his name!  
Pharaoh's chariots and army he hurled into the sea;  
the elite of his officers were submerged in the Red Sea.  
R. **Let us sing to the Lord; he has covered himself in glory.**  
The flood waters covered them,  
they sank into the depths like a stone.  
Your right hand, O LORD, magnificent in power,  
your right hand, O LORD, has shattered the enemy.  
R. **Let us sing to the Lord; he has covered himself in glory.**  
You brought in the people you redeemed  
and planted them on the mountain of your inheritance  
the place where you made your seat, O LORD,  
the sanctuary, LORD, which your hands established.  
The LORD shall reign forever and ever.  
R.**Let us sing to the Lord; he has covered himself in glory.**

**Reading III** [**IS 55:1-11**](http://usccb.org/bible/readings/bible/Isaiah/55:1)

Thus says the LORD:  
All you who are thirsty,  
come to the water!  
You who have no money,  
come, receive grain and eat;  
come, without paying and without cost,  
drink wine and milk!  
Why spend your money for what is not bread,  
your wages for what fails to satisfy?  
Heed me, and you shall eat well,  
you shall delight in rich fare.  
Come to me heedfully,  
listen, that you may have life.  
I will renew with you the everlasting covenant,  
the benefits assured to David.  
As I made him a witness to the peoples,  
a leader and commander of nations,  
so shall you summon a nation you knew not,  
and nations that knew you not shall run to you,  
because of the LORD, your God,  
the Holy One of Israel, who has glorified you.  
  
Seek the LORD while he may be found,  
call him while he is near.  
Let the scoundrel forsake his way,  
and the wicked man his thoughts;  
let him turn to the LORD for mercy;  
to our God, who is generous in forgiving.  
For my thoughts are not your thoughts,  
nor are your ways my ways, says the LORD.  
As high as the heavens are above the earth,  
so high are my ways above your ways  
and my thoughts above your thoughts.  
  
For just as from the heavens  
the rain and snow come down  
and do not return there  
till they have watered the earth,  
making it fertile and fruitful,  
giving seed to the one who sows  
and bread to the one who eats,  
so shall my word be  
that goes forth from my mouth;  
my word shall not return to me void,  
but shall do my will,  
achieving the end for which I sent it.

**Responsorial Psalm**[**IS 12:2-3, 4, 5-6**](http://usccb.org/bible/readings/bible/Isaiah/12:2)

R. (3) **You will draw water joyfully from the springs of salvation.**  
God indeed is my savior;  
I am confident and unafraid.  
My strength and my courage is the LORD,  
and he has been my savior.  
With joy you will draw water  
at the fountain of salvation.  
R. **You will draw water joyfully from the springs of salvation.**  
Give thanks to the LORD, acclaim his name;  
among the nations make known his deeds,  
proclaim how exalted is his name.  
R. **You will draw water joyfully from the springs of salvation.**  
Sing praise to the LORD for his glorious achievement;  
let this be known throughout all the earth.  
Shout with exultation, O city of Zion,  
for great in your midst  
 is the Holy One of Israel!  
R.**You will draw water joyfully from the springs of salvation.**

**Reading IV** [**BAR 3:9-15, 32--4:4**](http://usccb.org/bible/readings/bible/Baruch/3:9)

Hear, O Israel, the commandments of life:  
listen, and know prudence!  
How is it, Israel,  
that you are in the land of your foes,  
grown old in a foreign land,  
defiled with the dead,  
accounted with those destined for the netherworld?  
You have forsaken the fountain of wisdom!  
Had you walked in the way of God,  
you would have dwelt in enduring peace.  
Learn where prudence is,  
where strength, where understanding;  
that you may know also  
where are length of days, and life,  
where light of the eyes, and peace.  
Who has found the place of wisdom,  
who has entered into her treasuries?  
  
The One who knows all things knows her;  
he has probed her by his knowledge--  
The One who established the earth for all time,  
and filled it with four-footed beasts;  
he who dismisses the light, and it departs,  
calls it, and it obeys him trembling;  
before whom the stars at their posts  
shine and rejoice;  
when he calls them, they answer, "Here we are!"  
shining with joy for their Maker.  
Such is our God;  
no other is to be compared to him:  
he has traced out the whole way of understanding,  
and has given her to Jacob, his servant,  
to Israel, his beloved son.  
  
Since then she has appeared on earth,  
and moved among people.  
She is the book of the precepts of God,  
the law that endures forever;  
all who cling to her will live,  
but those will die who forsake her.  
Turn, O Jacob, and receive her:  
walk by her light toward splendor.  
Give not your glory to another,  
your privileges to an alien race.  
Blessed are we, O Israel;  
for what pleases God is known to us!

**Responsorial Psalm**[**PS 19:8, 9, 10, 11**](http://usccb.org/bible/readings/bible/Psalms/19:8)

R. (John 6:68c) **Lord, you have the words of everlasting life.**  
The law of the LORD is perfect,  
refreshing the soul;  
the decree of the LORD is trustworthy,  
giving wisdom to the simple.  
R. **Lord, you have the words of everlasting life.**  
The precepts of the LORD are right,  
rejoicing the heart;  
the command of the LORD is clear,  
enlightening the eye.  
R.**Lord, you have the words of everlasting life.**  
The fear of the LORD is pure,  
enduring forever;  
the ordinances of the LORD are true,  
all of them just.  
R. **Lord, you have the words of everlasting life.**  
They are more precious than gold,  
than a heap of purest gold;  
sweeter also than syrup  
or honey from the comb.  
R. **Lord, you have the words of everlasting life.**

**Reading V** [**EZ 36:16-17A, 18-28**](http://usccb.org/bible/readings/bible/Ezekiel/36:16)

The word of the LORD came to me, saying:  
Son of man, when the house of Israel lived in their land,  
they defiled it by their conduct and deeds.  
Therefore I poured out my fury upon them  
because of the blood that they poured out on the ground,  
and because they defiled it with idols.  
I scattered them among the nations,  
dispersing them over foreign lands;  
according to their conduct and deeds I judged them.  
But when they came among the nations wherever they came,  
they served to profane my holy name,  
because it was said of them: "These are the people of the LORD,  
yet they had to leave their land."  
So I have relented because of my holy name  
which the house of Israel profaned  
among the nations where they came.  
Therefore say to the house of Israel: Thus says the Lord GOD:  
Not for your sakes do I act, house of Israel,  
but for the sake of my holy name,  
which you profaned among the nations to which you came.  
I will prove the holiness of my great name, profaned among the nations,  
in whose midst you have profaned it.  
Thus the nations shall know that I am the LORD, says the Lord GOD,  
when in their sight I prove my holiness through you.  
For I will take you away from among the nations,  
gather you from all the foreign lands,  
and bring you back to your own land.  
I will sprinkle clean water upon you  
to cleanse you from all your impurities,  
and from all your idols I will cleanse you.  
I will give you a new heart and place a new spirit within you,  
taking from your bodies your stony hearts  
and giving you natural hearts.  
I will put my spirit within you and make you live by my statutes,  
careful to observe my decrees.  
You shall live in the land I gave your fathers;  
you shall be my people, and I will be your God.

**Responsorial Psalm** [**PS 51:12-13, 14-15, 18-19**](http://usccb.org/bible/readings/bible/Psalms/51:12)

R. (12a) **Create a clean heart in me, O God.**  
A clean heart create for me, O God,  
and a steadfast spirit renew within me.  
Cast me not out from your presence,  
and your Holy Spirit take not from me.  
R. **Create a clean heart in me, O God.**  
Give me back the joy of your salvation,  
and a willing spirit sustain in me.  
I will teach transgressors your ways,  
and sinners shall return to you.  
R. **Create a clean heart in me, O God.**  
For you are not pleased with sacrifices;  
should I offer a holocaust, you would not accept it.  
My sacrifice, O God, is a contrite spirit;  
a heart contrite and humbled, O God, you will not spurn.  
R. **Create a clean heart in me, O God.**

**Epistle** [**ROM 6:3-11**](http://usccb.org/bible/readings/bible/Romans/6:3)

Brothers and sisters:  
Are you unaware that we who were baptized into Christ Jesus  
were baptized into his death?  
We were indeed buried with him through baptism into death,  
so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead  
by the glory of the Father,  
we too might live in newness of life.  
  
For if we have grown into union with him through a death like his,  
we shall also be united with him in the resurrection.  
We know that our old self was crucified with him,  
so that our sinful body might be done away with,  
that we might no longer be in slavery to sin.  
For a dead person has been absolved from sin.  
If, then, we have died with Christ,  
we believe that we shall also live with him.  
We know that Christ, raised from the dead, dies no more;  
death no longer has power over him.  
As to his death, he died to sin once and for all;  
as to his life, he lives for God.  
Consequently, you too must think of yourselves as being dead to sin  
and living for God in Christ Jesus.

**Gospel** [**MT 28:1-10**](http://usccb.org/bible/matthew/28:1)

After the sabbath, as the first day of the week was dawning,  
Mary Magdalene and the other Mary came to see the tomb.  
And behold, there was a great earthquake;  
for an angel of the Lord descended from heaven,  
approached, rolled back the stone, and sat upon it.  
His appearance was like lightning  
and his clothing was white as snow.  
The guards were shaken with fear of him  
and became like dead men.  
Then the angel said to the women in reply,  
“Do not be afraid!  
I know that you are seeking Jesus the crucified.  
He is not here, for he has been raised just as he said.  
Come and see the place where he lay.  
Then go quickly and tell his disciples,  
‘He has been raised from the dead,  
and he is going before you to Galilee;  
there you will see him.’  
Behold, I have told you.”  
Then they went away quickly from the tomb,  
fearful yet overjoyed,  
and ran to announce this to his disciples.  
And behold, Jesus met them on their way and greeted them.  
They approached, embraced his feet, and did him homage.  
Then Jesus said to them, “Do not be afraid.  
Go tell my brothers to go to Galilee,  
and there they will see me.”