Saint Augustine-Saint Francis Xavier

May 9, 2024

The Ascension of the Lord

Prelude: Prelude on Llanfair Richard Proulx

Entrance Hymn:



Text: 77 77 with alleluias; Charles Wesley, 1707–1788, alt. Music: Robert Williams, 1781–1821.

Penitential Rite:

Gloria: (from "A New Mass for Congregations") Carroll Andrews

First Reading: Acts of the Apostles 1:1-11

In the first book, Theophilus,
I dealt with all that Jesus did and taught
until the day he was taken up,

after giving instructions through the Holy Spirit
to the apostles whom he had chosen.
He presented himself alive to them
by many proofs after he had suffered,
appearing to them during forty days
and speaking about the kingdom of God.
While meeting with them,
he enjoined them not to depart from Jerusalem,
but to wait for "the promise of the Father
about which you have heard me speak;
for John baptized with water,
but in a few days you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit."

When they had gathered together they asked him,
"Lord, are you at this time going to restore the kingdom to Israel?"
He answered them, "It is not for you to know the times or seasons that the Father has established by his own authority.
But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, throughout Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth."

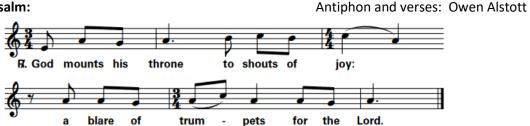
When he had said this, as they were looking on, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him from their sight.

While they were looking intently at the sky as he was going, suddenly two men dressed in white garments stood beside them.

They said, "Men of Galilee, why are you standing there looking at the sky?

This Jesus who has been taken up from you into heaven will return in the same way as you have seen him going into heaven."

Responsorial Psalm:



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All you peoples, clap your hands, shout to God with cries of gladness, For the LORD, the Most High, the awesome, is the great king over all the earth.

R God mounts his throne to shouts of joy: a blare of trumpets for the Lord.

God mounts his throne amid shouts of joy; the LORD, amid trumpet blasts. Sing praise to God, sing praise; sing praise to our king, sing praise.

R God mounts his throne to shouts of joy: a blare of trumpets for the Lord.

For king of all the earth is God; sing hymns of praise. God reigns over the nations, God sits upon his holy throne.

R God mounts his throne to shouts of joy: a blare of trumpets for the Lord.

Second Reading: Ephesians 4:1-13

Brothers and sisters,
 I, a prisoner for the Lord,
urge you to live in a manner worthy of the call you have received,
with all humility and gentleness, with patience,
bearing with one another through love,
striving to preserve the unity of the spirit
through the bond of peace:
one body and one Spirit,
as you were also called to the one hope of your call;
one Lord, one faith, one baptism;
one God and Father of all,
who is over all and through all and in all.

But grace was given to each of us according to the measure of Christ's gift.

Therefore, it says:

He ascended on high and took prisoners captive;

he gave gifts to men.

What does "he ascended" mean except that he also descended into the lower regions of the earth?

The one who descended is also the one who ascended far above all the heavens, that he might fill all things.

And he gave some as apostles, others as prophets, others as evangelists, others as pastors and teachers, to equip the holy ones for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ, until we all attain to the unity of faith and knowledge of the Son of God, to mature to manhood, to the extent of the full stature of Christ.

Gospel Acclamation:

"Festival Alleluia"

James Chepponis





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Gospel: Mark 16:15-20

Jesus said to his disciples:

"Go into the whole world
and proclaim the gospel to every creature.

Whoever believes and is baptized will be saved;
whoever does not believe will be condemned.
These signs will accompany those who believe:
in my name they will drive out demons,
they will speak new languages.
They will pick up serpents with their hands,
and if they drink any deadly thing, it will not harm them.
They will lay hands on the sick, and they will recover."

So then the Lord Jesus, after he spoke to them, was taken up into heaven and took his seat at the right hand of God. But they went forth and preached everywhere,

while the Lord worked with them and confirmed the word through accompanying signs.

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Creed:

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.

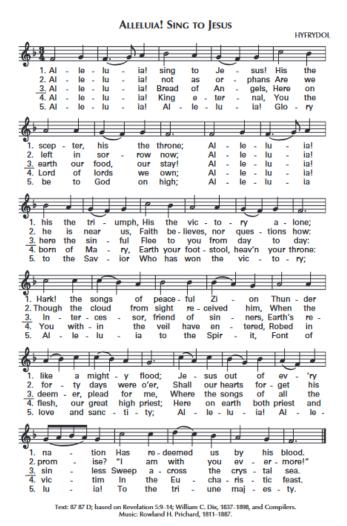
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

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. Amen.

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Prayer of the Faithful:

Offertory:



Holy, Holy, Holy: (from "Mass of the Angels and Saints") Steven R. Janco

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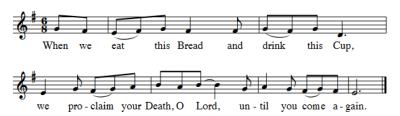
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Memorial Acclamation:

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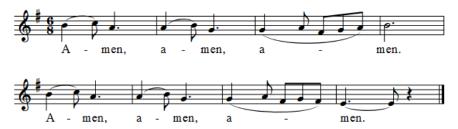


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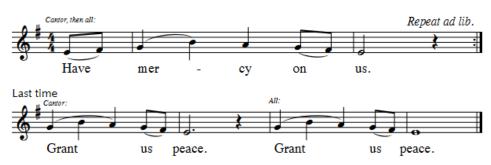
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Our Father:

Lamb of God:

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Prayer for Spiritual Communion

My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.

I love you above all things and I desire to receive you in my soul.

Since I cannot at this moment receive you sacramentally, come at least Spiritually in my heart. I embrace you as if you were already there and unite myself wholly to you.

Never permit me to be separated from you.

Reception of Holy Communion is open to Catholics in a state of grace (not conscious of any mortal sin), who have fasted for at least one hour prior to reception. (Water and medicine do not break the fast. The elderly and those who are sick as well as those who care for them, are not obliged to fast.) Non-Christians, and those Christians who are not in full communion with the Catholic Church, are welcome to worship with us, but should not participate in the Communion procession unless they are assisting

someone in need. We invite you to pray for Christian unity. If you are interested in understanding why

Catholics do not have open Communion, please make an appointment to speak with Ms. Parra, our parish director of Faith Formation.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Thanks,

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Communion Hymn:



Text: Psalm 34; James E. Moore, Jr., b.1951 Tune: James E. Moore, Jr., b.1951

Recessional Hymn:



Text: 66 66 D; Christian Henry Bateman, 1843, alt. Music: Spanish Hymn, source unknown.

Postlude: Fugue in G, BWV 541b Johann Sebastian Bach

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