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PRELUDE *Adagio*

Alexandre Guilmant

## **Prayer Before Holy Mass (please rise)**

*My dear God and loving Father, as I participate in this Holy Mass, may Jesus fill me with His holy grace when I open my heart to Him in sincere prayer. May the sacraments I will receive, the prayers that I will say and the hymns that I will sing bring me closer to Jesus and help me to be more like Him in all that I say and do. May the Holy Communion that I will receive give me strength, so that I may share faith, hope and love with the people I will meet. Amen.*

## OPENING HYMN 1 Hymn of Faith (1, 4)

To Thee we come, O Lord, our God, before Thine altar, Father;  
Thou knowest best our yearning hearts; this supplication answer:  
Lift up from want Thy people, Lord.  
Bless us, O God: O Father, bless our toil!

Under Thy cross we stand prepared to serve Thee with devotion,  
Be it with sweat of blood, or tears, or humble resignation;  
For we Thy people are, O Lord.  
Save us, O God: O Father, bless our toil!

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## INTROIT

1 Corinthians 15:41-42

C: The brightness of the sun is one kind, the brightness of the moon another, and the brightness of the stars another. For star differs from star in brightness. **R: So also is the resurrection of the dead. It is sown corruptible; it is raised incorruptible.** C: Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. **R: As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.**

## KYRIE

Alstott

## GLORIA

Englert

## OPENING PRAYER

Heavenly Father, You call Your children to the delight of eternity. We thank You for the joys of this life, and magnify Your name for the hope that lies beyond. We ask this in the name of Your Son, Jesus Christ, Who lives and reigns with You, and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. **R. Amen.**

## ~ LITURGY OF THE WORD ~

## FIRST LESSON

Daniel 12:1-3

In those days, I, Daniel, heard this word of the Lord: "At that time there shall arise Michael, the great prince, guardian of your people; it shall be a time unsurpassed in distress since nations began until that time. At that time your people shall escape, everyone who is found written in the book. Many of those who sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake; some shall live forever, others shall be an everlasting horror and disgrace. But the wise shall shine brightly like the splendor of the firmament, and those who lead the many to justice shall be like the stars forever."

*This is the Word of the Lord.* **R. Thanks be to God.**

## GRADUAL - *Traditional Mass*

Psalms 68:20-21

C: Blessed day by day be the Lord, Who bears our burdens; God, Who is our salvation. **R: God is a saving God for us; the Lord, my Lord, controls the passageways of death.**

Rebecca Elfman



Keep me safe, O God; You are my hope.

**R. Keep me save, O God; You are my hope.**

Lord, my allotted portion and my cup,  
You have made my destiny secure.

**R. Keep me save, O God; You are my hope.**

I Keep the Lord always before me;  
With the Lord at my right, I shall never be shaken.

**R. Keep me save, O God; You are my hope.**

Therefore my heart is glad, my soul rejoices;  
my body also dwells secure,  
For you will not abandon my soul to Sheol,  
nor let Your devout one see the pit.

**R. Keep me save, O God; You are my hope.**

You will show me the path to life,  
abounding joy in your presence,  
the delights at your right hand forever.

**R. Keep me save, O God; You are my hope.**

## SECOND LESSON

Hebrews 10:11-14, 18

Brothers and sisters: Every priest stands daily at his ministry, offering frequently those same sacrifices that can never take away sins. But this one offered one sacrifice for sins, and took his seat forever at the right hand of God; now he waits until his enemies are made his footstool. For by one offering he has made perfect forever those who are being consecrated. Where there is forgiveness of these, there is no longer offering for sin.

*This is the Word of the Lord.* **R. Thanks be to God.**

traditional Ukrainian chant, arr. Elfman)



Choir, then all: Al - le-lu - ia, Al - le-lu - ia, Al - le-lu - ia.

C: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. **R: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.** C: For at that time there will be great tribulation, such as has not been since the beginning of the world until now, nor ever will be. **R: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

## GOSPEL

Mark 13:24-32

Jesus said to His disciples: “In those days after that tribulation the sun will be darkened, and the moon will not give its light, and the stars will be falling from the sky, and the powers in the heavens will be shaken.

“And then they will see ‘the Son of Man coming in the clouds’ with great power and glory, and then he will send out the angels and gather his elect from the four winds, from the end of the earth to the end of the sky. Learn a lesson from the fig tree. When its branch becomes tender and sprouts leaves, you know that summer is near. In the same way, when you see these things happening, know that he is near, at the gates. Amen, I say to you, this generation will not pass away until all these things have taken place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.

“But of that day or hour, no one knows, neither the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father.”

*This is the gospel of the Lord.* **R. Praise be to You, Lord Jesus Christ.**

HYMN TO THE HOLY SPIRIT 241 *Holy Spirit*

Holy Spirit, come, we ask You. Saving grace we need from You.  
Through this heav'nly revelation may our stubborn will be moved.  
May we fully comprehend, guided by Your constant hand.  
Standing on Your words of promise, we confirm and praise Your goodness.

HOMILY

PROFESSION OF FAITH

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL - *Contemporary Mass*

**R: Lord hear our prayer.**

**~ LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST ~**

OFFERTORY VERSE

2 Corinthians 4:18

As we look not to what is seen but to what is unseen; for what is seen is transitory, but what is unseen is eternal.

OFFERTORY SOLO (8:00) ANTHEM (9:30): *My Lord, What a Morning*

African American Spiritual

My Lord, what a morning, when the stars begin to fall.  
You will hear the trumpet sound (the sinner cry, the Christian shout) to wake the nations underground.  
Looking to my God's right hand when the stars begin to fall.

Rebecca Elfman, soprano (8:00) The Cathedral Chorale (9:30)

PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

Lord our God, through this holy oblation draw us closer to You day by day, until at last we behold You face to face. We ask this through our Lord, Jesus Christ, Your Son, Who lives and reigns with You and the same Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. **R. Amen.**

PREFACE

SANCTUS

Proulx

**~ CANON ~**

THE LORDS PRAYER

AGNUS DEI

Elfman

POST-COMMUNION HYMN *When Peace, Like a River*

When peace, like a river, attendeth my way,  
When sorrows, like sea-billows, roll;  
Whatever my lot, Thou hast taught me to say,  
"It is well, it is well with my soul."

*Refrain:* It is well (it is well) with my soul (with my soul);  
It is well, it is well with my soul!

Though Satan should buffet, though trials should come,  
Let this blest assurance control:  
That Christ hath regarded my helpless estate,  
And hath shed His own blood for my soul. *Refrain*

And, Lord, haste the day when our faith shall be sight,  
The clouds be rolled back as a scroll;  
The trumpet shall sound and the Lord shall descend;  
Even so, it is well with my soul. *Refrain*

COMMUNION VERSE

2 Corinthians 5:10

For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ, so that each one may receive recompense, according to what he did in the body, whether good or evil.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

God, our Father, we bless and extol Your name, for You have given us a share of the inheritance of Christ. Through this Eucharist, may we one day stand in peace and safety before Your judgment seat. We ask this through the same Jesus Christ, Who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. **R. Amen.**

FINAL BLESSING (please kneel)

DISMISSAL

C: Let us bless the Lord! **R: Thanks be to God.**

**Prayer After Holy Mass (please remain kneeling)**

*I am grateful to You, Lord, that I was able to come to church and participate in the Holy Sacrifice of Mass. I thank You for receiving Your gracious pardon, Your instruction and teaching through Your Word, and Your Body and Blood in Holy Communion. May Your sacraments continue to strengthen and help me to be faithful to You and Your Church. Help me to face all the challenges of life on my journey to Your heavenly kingdom. Amen.*

CLOSING HYMN *Sing with All the Saints in Glory*

ODE TO JOY

Sing with all the saints in glory, sing the resurrection song!  
Death and sorrow, earth's dark story, to the former days belong.  
All around the clouds are breaking; soon the storms of time shall cease;  
In God's likeness, people waking know the everlasting peace.

Life eternal! Heav'n rejoices: Jesus lives Who once was dead;  
Join with all the heav'nly voices; Child of God, lift up your head!  
Patriarchs from distant ages, saints all longing for their heav'n,  
Prophets, psalmists, seers, and sages, all await the glory giv'n.

Life eternal! O what wonders crowd on faith; what joy unknown,  
When, amid earth's closing thunders, saints shall stand before the throne!  
Oh, to enter that bright portal, see that glowing firmament,  
Know with You, O God immortal, Jesus Christ, Whom You have sent!

POSTLUDE *Now Praise the Lord, My Soul*

setting, D. Buxtehude