

THE ASCENSION OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST

ST. MARK'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH HONOLULU

9 May 2024 Procession and Sung Mass at 7:00 pm

WELCOME TO ST. MARK'S

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According to the Acts of the Apostles, "after his suffering Jesus presented himself alive to the disciples by many convincing proofs, appearing to them during forty days and speaking about the kingdom of God." It was on the fortieth day that Jesus ascended into heaven to be with God the Father through the Holy Spirit. The Church, therefore, celebrates the Ascension of Jesus Christ on the fortieth day of Easter, which is always a Thursday. The Ascension also begins the final ten days of Eastertide, culminating with the Feast of Pentecost on the fiftieth day after Easter. This time between the Ascension and Pentecost Day is often described as a novena, a prayer of nine days, anticipating the outpouring of the Holy Spirit upon Jesus's disciples and the subsequent blessing upon the Church of Jesus Christ.

MEMORIAL

The flowers at the High Altar are given in thanksgiving by Sandra Leialoha.

OFFERING

An offering will be collected at this liturgy. You may also give online at *stmarkshonolulu.org/online-giving*.



MASS ORDINARY

Missa Iam Christus astra ascenderat Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina (c. 1525-1594)

PRELUDE

Arise and Shine in Splendor Richard Proulx (1937-2010)

Silence is kept in the church. Please turn off all cell phones and pagers in the church. At the ringing of the bell, please stand for the entrance of the ministers.

AT THE PROC		
	go forth in peace, alleluia.	
K. In the N	Name of Christ, alleluia.	
Glorie Christ, a	Hail the day that sees him rise, Alleluia! e day that sees him rise, Alleluia! ious to his native skies; Alleluia! awhile to mortals given, Alleluia! rs now the highest heaven! Alleluia!	Llanfair
Lift yo Wide un	ne glorious triumph waits; Alleluia! our heads, eternal gates! Alleluia! nfold the radiant scene; Alleluia! the King of glory in! Alleluia!	
Yet he Though	e heaven its Lord receives, Alleluia! le loves the earth he leaves: Alleluia! returning to his throne, Alleluia! ne calls mankind his own. Alleluia!	
See! h Hark! hi	lifts his hands above; Alleluia! ne shows the prints of love: Alleluia! is gracious lips bestow, Alleluia! ings on his Church below. Alleluia!	
His pr Near hin	us he intercedes, Alleluia! prevailing death he pleads; Alleluia! mself prepares our place, Alleluia! inger of human race. Alleluia!	
Far al Grant ou	ough parted from our sight, Alleluia! bove yon azure height, Alleluia! ur hearts may thither rise, Alleluia! ng thee beyond the skies. Alleluia!	
Partne There th	re shall with thee remain, Alleluia! hers of thy endless reign; Alleluia! hy face unclouded see, Alleluia! our heaven of heavens in thee. Alleluia!	
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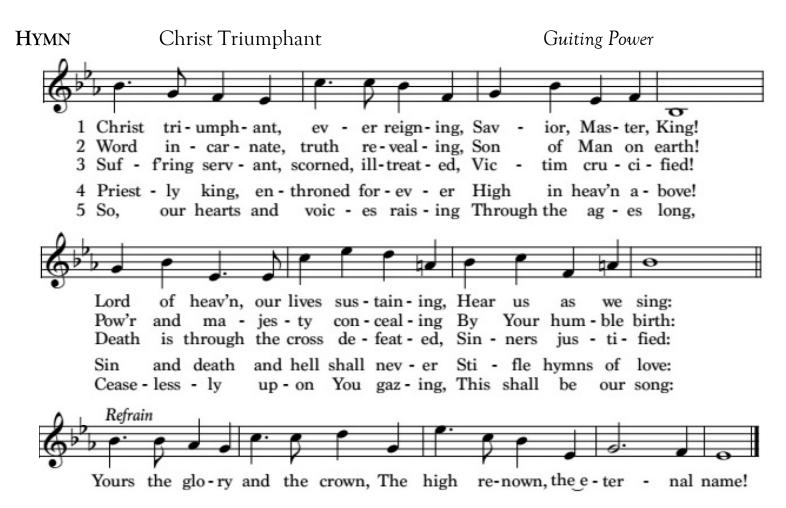
AT THE ENTRANCE OF THE CHURCH

V. God has gone up with a shout, alleluia.

R. The Lord with the sound of the ram's horn, alleluia.

Let us pray.

Almighty God, whose blessed Son our Savior Jesus Christ ascended far above all heavens that he might fill all things: Mercifully give us faith to perceive that, according to his promise, he abides with his Church on earth, even to the end of the ages; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, in glory everlasting. *Amen.*



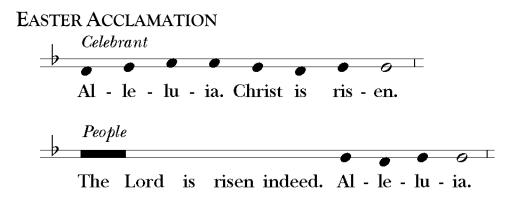
AT THE HIGH ALTAR

V. When Christ ascended on high, alleluia.

R. He led captivity, captive, alleluia.

Let us pray.

O God, the King of glory, you have exalted your only Son Jesus Christ with great triumph to your kingdom in heaven: Do not leave us comfortless, but send us your Holy Spirit to strengthen us, and exalt us to that place where our Savior Christ has gone before; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, in glory everlasting. *Amen.*

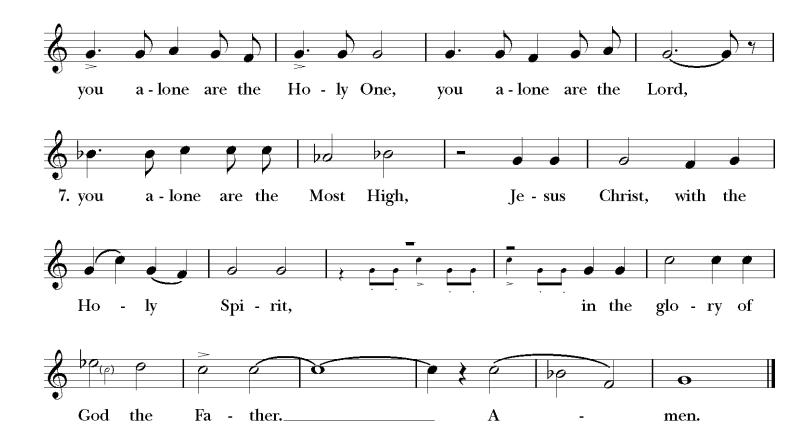


INTROITViri GalilæiActs 1:11; Psalm 47:1,4-6† Men of Galilee, why gaze in wonder at the heavens? alleluia; This Jesus whom you saw
ascending into heaven will return ass you saw him go, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. V. O
clap your hands, all you nations, shout unto God with loud cries of gladness. He has
chosen for us his inheritance, the beauty of Jacob which he has loved. God has ascended
with jubilee, and the Lord with the sound of the trumpet. Sing praises to God, sing
praises! Sing praises to our king, sing praises! Glory be to the Father . . .

KYRIE

Kyrie eleison.	Lord, have mercy.
Christe eleison.	Christ, have mercy.
Kyrie eleison.	Lord, have mercy.





COLLECT

V. The Lord be with you.

R. And also with you.

Let us pray.

Grant, we pray, Almighty God, that as we believe your only-begotten Son our Lord Jesus Christ to have ascended into heaven, so we may also in heart and mind there ascend, and with him continually dwell; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

Please be seated for the readings.

READING Acts of the Apostles 1:1-11

In the first book, Theophilus, I wrote about all that Jesus did and taught from the beginning until the day when he was taken up to heaven, after giving instructions through the Holy Spirit to the apostles whom he had chosen. After his suffering he presented himself alive to them by many convincing proofs, appearing to them during forty days and speaking about the kingdom of God. While staying with them, he ordered them not to leave Jerusalem, but to wait there for the promise of the Father. "This," he said, "is what you have heard from me; for John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now."

So when they had come together, they asked him, "Lord, is this the time when you will restore the kingdom to Israel?" He replied, "It is not for you to know the times or periods that the Father has set by his own authority. But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth." When he had said this, as they were watching, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. While he was going and they were gazing up toward heaven, suddenly two men in white robes stood by them. They said, "Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking up toward heaven? This Jesus, who has been taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven."

V. The Word of the Lord. *R.* Thanks be to God.

GRADUAL Psalm 47:1-8 Sung by the Choir.
Clap your hands, all you peoples; shout to God with a cry of joy.
For the Lord Most High is to be feared; he is the great King over all the earth.
He subdues the peoples under us, and the nations under our feet.
He chooses our inheritance for us, the pride of Jacob whom he loves.
God has gone up with a shout, the Lord with the sound of the ram's-horn.
Sing praises to God, sing praises; sing praises to our King, sing praises.
For God is King of all the earth; sing praises with all your skill.
God reigns over the nations; God sits upon his holy throne.

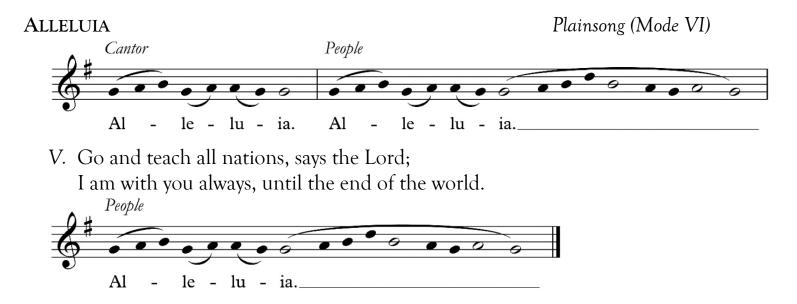
EPISTLE Ef

Ephesians 1:15-23

I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, and for this reason I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

V. The Word of the Lord. *R.* Thanks be to God.

All stand for the Holy Gospel.



Before reading the Gospel, the Gospeler says secretly at the Altar:

Almighty God, as you did purge the lips of the prophet Isaiah with a burning coal, so cleanse my heart and lips, that I may worthily proclaim your Holy Gospel, through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

HOLY GOSPEL Luke 24:44-53

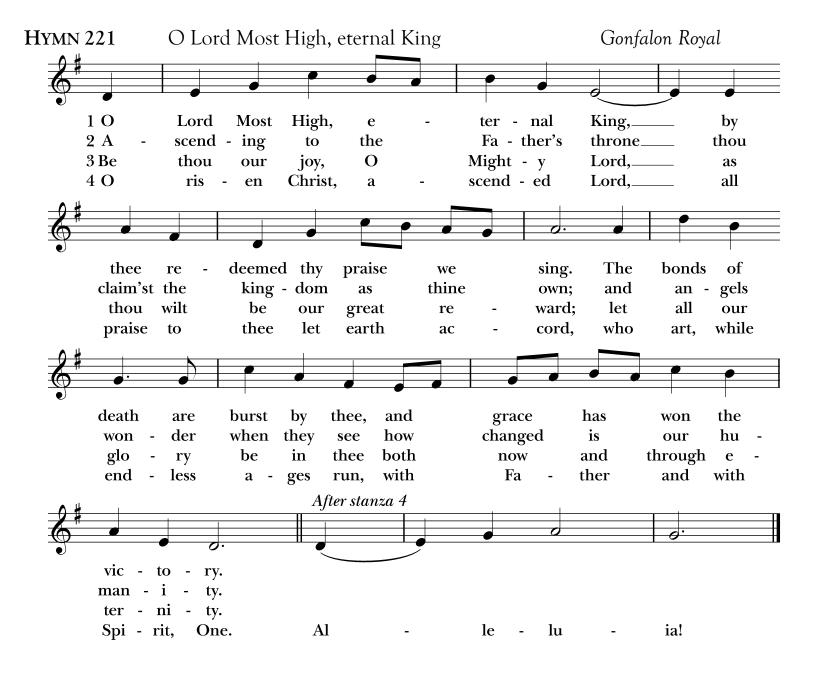
- *V.* The Lord be with you.
- *R*. And also with you.
- V. † The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Saint Luke
- *R.* Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said to his disciples, "These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you—that everything written about me in the law of Moses, the prophets, and the psalms must be fulfilled." Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, and he said to them, "Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day, and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things. And see, I am sending upon you what my Father promised; so stay here in the city until you have been clothed with power from on high." Then he led them out as far as Bethany, and, lifting up his hands, he blessed them. While he was blessing them, he withdrew from them and was carried up into heaven. And they worshiped him and returned to Jerusalem with great joy; and they were continually in the temple blessing God.

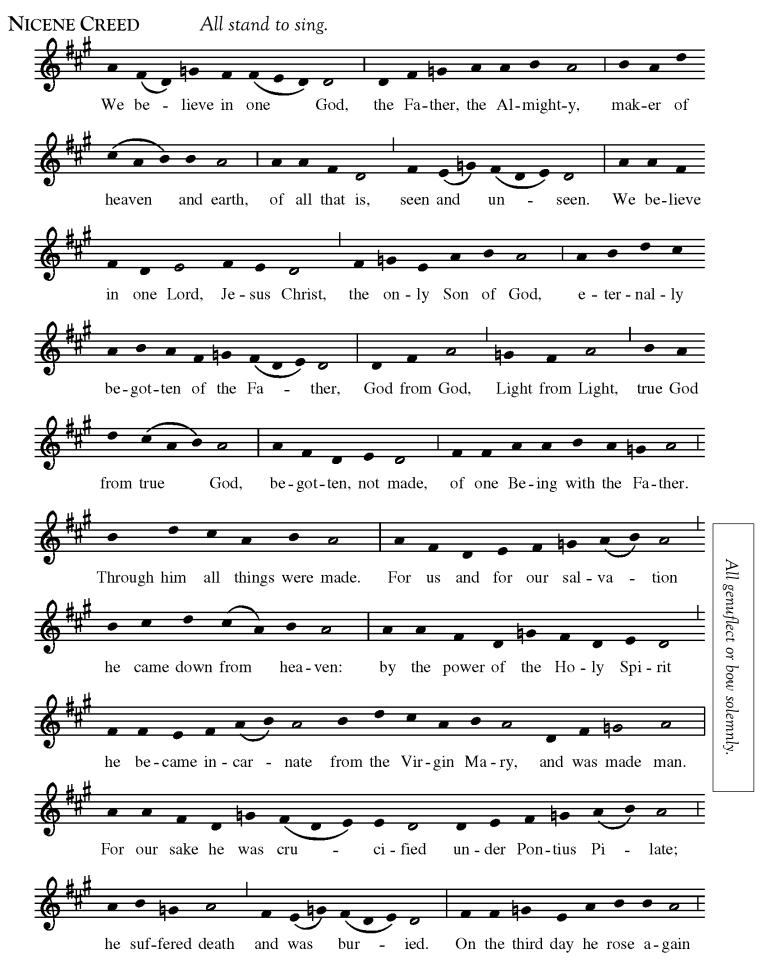
V. The Gospel of the Lord. R. Praise to you, Lord Christ.

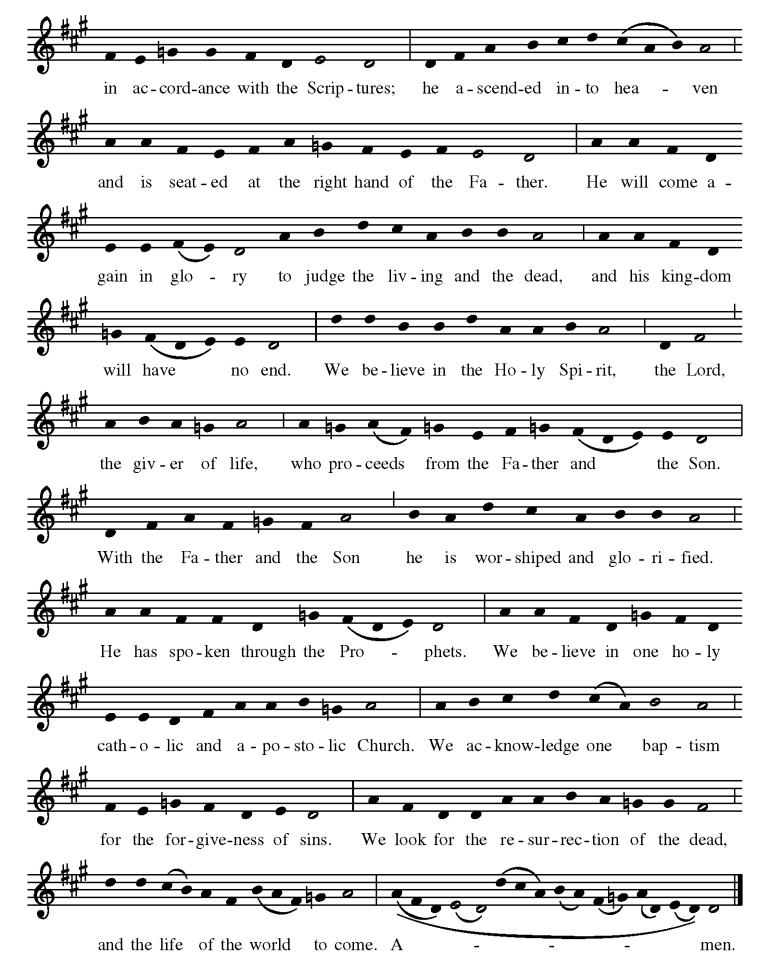
The Gospeler kisses the Gospel Book, saying secretly:

Through the words of the Gospel may our sins be wiped away.



HOMILY The Rector, Father Paul Lillie, SCP





OFFERTORY

V. The Lord be with you.

R. And also with you.

Let us pray.

God has ascended with shouts of joy, and the Lord with the sound of a trumpet, alleluia.

Please stand to sing the hymn. During the hymn, an offering is collected, and the Celebrant says the offertory prayers.

HYMN 216Hail thee, festival day!Salve festa dies

ORATE FRATRES AND SECRET

The Celebrant may say the following in a subdued voice during the offertory.

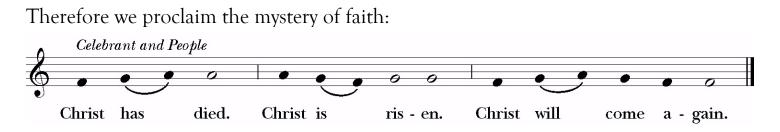
- V. Pray, my brothers and sisters, that this my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God the almighty Father.
- *R*. May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands, for the praise and glory of his name, for our good, and the good of all his holy Church.

We offer sacrifice now in supplication, O Lord, to honor the wondrous Ascension of your Son: grant, we pray, that through this most holy exchange, we too may rise up to the heavenly realms, through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Celebrant	People
The Lord be	with you. And al - so with you.
Celebrant	People
Lift up your	hearts. We lift them to the Lord.
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Celebrant	AV _
Let us give the	anks to the Lord our God.
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People	
	give him thanks and praise.

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All kneel for the Canon of the Mass, and the Celebrant continues the prayer.



By Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever.

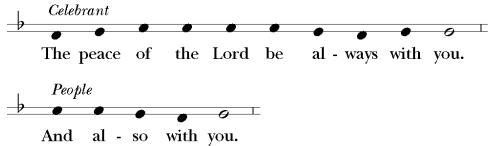


OUR FATHER

The music is S 119 in the Hymnal 1982.

FRACTION Holding the paten upright upon the altar, the Celebrant says secretly: Deliver us, Lord, we pray, from every evil, and at the intercession of the blessed and glorious Ever-Virgin Mary, Mother of God, with your blessed Apostles Peter and Paul, and with Andrew, and all the Saints, † graciously grant peace in our days that by the help of your mercy, we may be delivered from all sin and safe from all distress, as we await the blessed hope and the coming of our Savior, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

The Celebrant kisses the Paten and places it under the Host. The Chalice is uncovered, and the Celebrant genuflects and breaks the Host over the Chalice. Breaking off a particle, the Celebrant makes the † sign of the cross over the Chalice with the particle three times, saying:



The Celebrant places the particle into the Chalice and says secretly:

May this mingling and consecration of the Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ bring eternal life to us who receive it. *Amen.*

AGNUS DEI

Agnus Dei	Lamb of God,
qui tollis peccata mundi,	you take away the sins of the world,
miserere nobis, dona nobis pacem.	have mercy upon us, grant us peace.

As the Agnus Dei is sung, the Celebrant bows and says the following prayers quietly, which the worshipper ought to also pray secretly:

Lord Jesus Christ, you said to your apostles, "Peace I give to you; my own peace I leave with you:" Regard not our sins, but the faith of your Church, and give to us the peace and unity of that heavenly City, where with the Father and the Holy Spirit you live and reign, now and for ever. *Amen.*

Lord Jesus Christ, Son of the living God, who by the will of the Father, and the work of the Holy Spirit, through your Death gave life to the world, deliver me by this, your most sacred Body and Blood from all my sins and from every evil: keep me always faithful to your commandments, and never let me be parted from you. *Amen.*

The Celebrant genuflects, saying secretly:

I will receive the Bread of Heaven, and call upon the name of the Lord. Amen.

INVITATION & COMMUNION

- V. Behold the Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world. Blessed are those who are called to his supper.
- *R*. Lord I am not worthy that you should come under my roof, but speak the word only, and my soul shall be healed.

In the Episcopal Church all baptized Christians are welcome to receive Holy Communion. For those who are not baptized, you are invited to come forward for a blessing by the priest, indicated by crossing your arms over your chest. If you desire to be baptized, please speak with the clergy after the mass. The people remain kneeling during communion.

Extend your hands forward to receive the host; to receive the wine, drink from the chalice. If you do not wish to drink from the chalice, the Eucharistic Minister will dip the host into the chalice for you and place the host upon your tongue. Low gluten hosts are available upon request.

AT THE COMMUNION

VERSE	Behold, I am with you always, even to the end of the age, alleluia.	
ANTHEM	King of glory, King of peace Carson Cooman (b. 1982) King of glory, King of peace, I will love thee; and that love may never cease, I will move thee. Thou hast granted my request, thou hast heard me; thou didst note my working breast, thou hast spared me.	
	Wherefore with my utmost art, I will sing thee; and the cream of all my heart, I will bring thee. Though my sins against me cried, thou didst clear me; and alone, when they replied, thou didst hear me.	
	Seven whole days, not one in seven, I will praise thee; in my heart, though not in heaven, I can raise thee. Small it is in this poor sort to enroll thee; e'en eternity's too short to extol thee.	
	George Herbert (1593-1633)	
Hymn 604	When Christ was lifted from the earth San Rocco Remain kneeling to sing the hymn.	

Postcommunions

Please stand.

V. The Lord be with you.

R. And also with you.

Let us pray.

Almighty ever-living God, who allow those on earth to celebrate divine mysteries, grant we pray, that Christian hope may draw us onward to where our nature is united with you, through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

All say together:

Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

All kneel for the blessing.

BLESSING

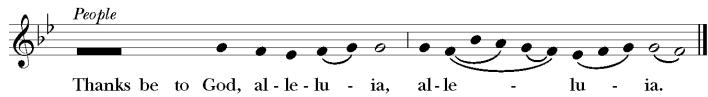
God the Father, who has given to his Son the name above every name, strengthen you to proclaim Jesus the Christ, the Son of God. *Amen.*

God the Son, our great high priest, who has passed into the heavens, clothe you with power from on high. *Amen.*

God the Holy Spirit, who pours out abundant gifts upon the Church, make you faithful followers of the risen Christ. *Amen.*

And the blessing of God almighty, † the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. *Amen.*

DISMISSAL



LAST GOSPEL

All stand.

- *V.* The Lord be with you.
- R. And also with you.
- V. † The beginning of the Holy Gospel according to Saint John.
- *R*. Glory to you, Lord Christ.

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God. All things came into being through him, and without him not one thing came into being. What has come into being in him was life, and the life was the light of all people. The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not overcome it. There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. He came as a witness to testify to the light, so that all might believe through him. He himself was not the light, but he came to testify to the light. The true light, which enlightens everyone, was coming into the world. He was in the world, and the world came into being through him; yet the world did not know him. He came to what was his own, and his own people did not accept him. But to all who received him, who believed in his name, he gave power to become children of God. [Genuflect] And the Word was made flesh and dwelt among us. [Rise] And we have seen his glory, the glory as of a father's only son, full of grace and truth.

R. Thanks be to God.

HYMN 215See the Conqueror mounts in triumphIn BabilonePOSTLUDEAnd Faith Points Upward to the Sky
Robert J. Powell (b. 1932)

Please keep silence in the church for those remaining to pray.

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LITURGICAL CALENDAR

SAINT DAMIEN AND SAINT MARIANNE, PATRONS OF HAWAI'I

Saturday, May 11 Solemn Mass 11:00 am

THE MAY FAITHFUL DEPARTED

Wednesday, May 15 Vespers of the Dead and Holy Rosary 6:00 pm Parish Requiem Mass 7:00 pm

THE DAY OF PENTECOST: WHITSUNDAY

Sunday, May 19 Holy Rosary 10:15 am Procession and Solemn Mass 11:00 am Vespers and Benediction 4:00 pm

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Sunday Low Mass 8:00 am Holy Rosary 10:15 am Solemn Mass 11:00 am Vespers and Benediction 4:00 pm

> Holy Days As Announced

Monday – Friday Noonday Prayer 11:45 am Mass 12:00 noon

Wednesday Noonday Prayer 11:45 am Mass with Healing Rite 12:00 noon

> Saturday Noonday Prayer 11:45 am Mass 12:00 noon Confessions 12:30 noon