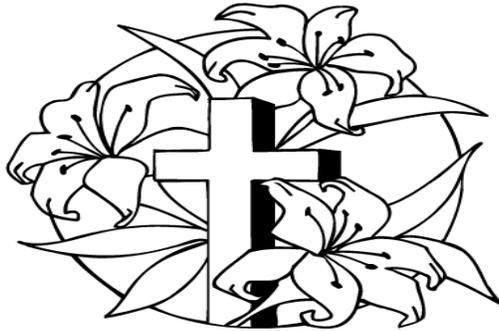


# FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

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March 14, 2021



For God so loved  
the world that he gave  
his one and only Son.

*John 3:16*

## Entrance:

Christ is made the sure foundation, Christ the head and corner stone;  
Chosen of the lord, and precious, binding all the Church in one;  
Holy Zion's help forever, and her confidence alone.

To this temple where we call you, Come O Lord of hosts, today;  
With your wonted loving kindness hear your servants as they pray,  
And your fullest benediction shed in all its bright array.

Grant, we pray, to all your people, all the grace they ask to gain;  
What they gain from you forever with the blessed to refrain,  
And hereafter in your glory ever more with you to reign.

# LITURGY OF THE WORD

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**FIRST READING:**                      **2 Chronicles 36:14-16,19-23**

**RESPONSORIAL:**                      **Psalm 137:1-2, 3, 4-5, 6**

***Let my tongue be silenced, if I ever forget you!***

By the rivers of Babylon there we sat and wept, remembering Sion; on the poplars that grew there we hung up our harps. (R.)

For it was there that they asked us, our captors, for songs, our oppressors, for joy. "Sing to us," they said, "one of Sion's songs." (R.)

O how could we sing the song of the Lord on foreign soil? If I forget you, Jerusalem, let my right hand wither! (R.)

O let my tongue cleave to my palate if I remember you not, if I prize not Jerusalem as the first of my joys! (R.)

**SECOND READING:**                      **Ephesians 2:4-10**

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:**  
**Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, King of endless glory!**

God so loved the world that he gave his only Son,  
so everyone who believes in him might have eternal life.

**GOSPEL:**                                      **John 3:14-21**

**HOMILY**

## Nicene 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.**

# LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

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## Preparation of the Altar

Tree of Life and awesome myst'ry, in your death we are reborn,  
Though you die in all of hist'ry, still you rise with ev'ry morn,  
Still you rise with ev'ry morn.

Seed that dies to rise in glory, may we see ourselves in you,  
If we learn to live your story we may die to rise anew,  
We may die to rise anew.

Give us eyes to see you clearly, make us children of your light;  
Give us hearts to live more nearly as your gospel shining bright.  
As your gospel shining bright.

## Holy, Holy, Holy

The cantors sing this acclamation in lieu of the congregation

## Memorial Acclamation

The cantors sing this acclamation in lieu of the congregation

## Amen

The cantors sing this acclamation in lieu of the congregation

## Lamb of God

The cantors sing this litany in lieu of the congregation



## Act of Spiritual Communion

**I wish, my Lord, to receive you with the purity, humility, and devotion with which your most holy Mother received you, with the spirit and fervor of the saints.**

## Communion Procession

### Refrain

O Lord, I know you are near, standing always at my side,  
You guard me from the foe and lead me in ways everlasting.

1. Lord, you have searched my heart, and you know when I sit and when I stand. Your hand is upon me protecting me from death, keeping me from harm. (Refrain)
2. Where can I run from your love? If I climb to the heavens you are there; if I fly to the sunrise or sail beyond the sea, still I'd find you there. (Refrain)
3. You know my heart and its ways, you who formed me before I was born in the secret of darkness before I saw the sun. in my mother's womb. (Refrain)

4. Marvelous to me are your works; how profound are your thoughts, my Lord. Even if I could count them, they number as the stars, you would still be there. (Refrain)

## **Sending Forth**

1. Amazing grace! How sweet the sound, that saved a wretch like me!  
I once was lost, but now am found, was blind, but now I see.
2. 'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear and grace my fears relieved;  
how precious did that grace appear the hour I first believed!
3. The Lord had promised good to me, His word my hope secures;  
He will my shield and portion be as long as life endures.
4. Through many dangers, toils, and snares, I have already come;  
'tis grace has brought me safe thus far, and grace will lead me home.
5. When we've been there ten thousand years, bright shining as the sun,  
we've no less days to sing God's praise than when we'd first begun.

After Mass: Please deposit this aid in basket as you leave.

## FOR THE SAFETY OF ALL

Please strictly observe the directives of social distancing and the requirement to wear face coverings while in church.

- We have marked the pews with blue tape, so you know where to sit safely (with a limit of six persons per pew). Of course, families may sit together! If you live in the same house, you do not need to sit apart! All others must sit six 6 feet apart.
- We will not be passing baskets during the offertory, though we have a box for donations available upon entering and departing the church.
- There will be no Sign of Peace exchanged during Mass
- We strongly encourage everyone to accept the Sacred Eucharist in the hand, rather than on the tongue. This reduces the exposure to priests and deacons as well as to the person receiving the Body of Christ. We will not offer the Sacred Cup at this time.
- Please follow the directions of the ushers during communion to ensure social distancing.
- To leave church, please exit pew by pew, maintaining social distance, starting in the back. Please follow the directions of the ushers.