





SOLEMN MASS *of*  
THANKSGIVING

REV. JUSTIN L. WARD  
*Celebrant*

SUNDAY, THE SECOND OF JUNE  
TWO THOUSAND AND NINETEEN,  
THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

CATHEDRAL *of* SAINT PAUL  
*Birmingham, Alabama*



**INTROIT***Viri Galilæi*

ACTS 1:11; PSALM 46

Viri Galilæi, quid admirámini aspiciéntes in cælum? Allelúia: quemádmódu  
vidístis eum ascendéntem in cælum, ita véniet, allelúia, allelúia, allelúia.

*V. Omnes gentes pláudite mánibus: iubiláte Deo in voce exsultatiónis.*

Men of Galilee, why gaze in wonder at the heavens? Alleluia: as you saw him  
ascending into heaven, so he shall return, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

*V. All peoples, clap your hands: praise God with a voice of joy.*

**GREETING****PENITENTIAL ACT**

I confess to almighty God and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have greatly sinned in my thoughts and in my words, in what I have done and in what I have failed to do, through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault; therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin, all the Angels and Saints, and you, my brothers and sisters, to pray for me to the Lord our God.

**KYRIE***Messe Solennelle*LOUIS VIERNE  
(1870 – 1937)

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

**GLORIA***Messe Solennelle*

LOUIS VIERNE

**G**LÓRIA IN EXCÉLSIS DEO et in terra pax  
homínibus bonæ voluntátis. Laudámus te,  
benedícimus te, adorámus te, glorificámus  
te, grátias ágimus tibi propter magnam glóriam tuam.  
Dómine Deus, Rex cæléstis, Deus Pater omnípotens.  
Dómine Fili unigénite, Iesu Christe, Dómine Deus,  
Agnus Dei, Fílius Patris, qui tollis peccáta mundi,  
miserére nobis; qui tollis peccáta mundi, súscipe  
deprecatióne nostram. Qui sedes ad dexteram  
Patris, miserére nobis. Quóniam tu solus Sanctus,  
tu solus Dóminus, tu solus Altíssimus, Iesu Christe,  
cum Sancto Spírítu: in glória Dei Patris. Amen.

**G**LORY TO GOD IN THE HIGHEST, *and 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,*  
*O God Almighty Father. 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 of the Father, have mercy on us.*  
*For You alone are the Holy One, you alone the Lord, you*  
*alone the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit in*  
*the Glory of God the Father. Amen.*

# LITURGY OF THE WORD

*The Mass readings can be found on page 104 of Sunday's Word*

## FIRST READING

ACTS 1:1-11

## RESPONSORIAL PSALM

47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9



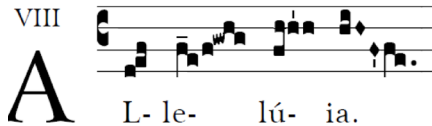
God mounts his throne to shouts of joy: a blare of trum-pets for the Lord.

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## SECOND READING

HEBREWS 9:24-28; 10:19-2

## ALLELUIA



*Go and teach all nations, says the Lord; I am with you always, until the end of the world.*

*(Matt 28:19A, 20B)*

## GOSPEL

LUKE 24:46-53

## HOMILY

FR. JOHN SIMS BAKER  
*Diocese of Nashville*

# CREDO

XVII. s.

**C**redo in unum De-um, Patrem omni-pot-éntem,  
 factó-rem caeli et terrae, vi-si-bí-li-um ó-mni-um, et in-  
 vi-si-bí-li-um. Et in unum Dómi-num Ie-sum Christum,  
 Fí-li-um De-i u-ni-gé-ni-tum. Et ex Patre na-tum ante  
 ómni-a saé-cu-la. De-um de De-o, lumen de lúmi-ne,  
 De-um ve-rum de De-o ve-ro. Gé-ni-tum, non fa-ctum, con-  
 substanti-á-lem Patri : per quem ómni-a fa-cta sunt. Qui  
 propter nos hómi-nes, et propter nostram sa-lú-tem descén-  
 dit de cae-lis. Et incarná-tus est de Spí-ri-tu Sancto ex  
 Ma-rí-a Vírgi-ne : Et homo factus est. Cru-ci-fí-xus  
 ét-i-am pro no-bis : sub Pónti-o Pi-lá-to passus, et se-púl-

tus est. Et re-surré-xit térti- a di- e, se-cúndum Scri-  
 ptú- ras. Et ascéndit in cae- lum: se-det ad déxte- ram Pa-  
 tris. Et í-te-rum ventú-rus est cum gló-ri- a, iu-di-cá-re  
 vi-vos et mórtu- os: cu-ius regni non e- rit fi- nis. Et in  
 Spí- ri- tum Sanctum, Dómi- num, et vi- vi- fi- cántem: qui ex  
 Patre Fi- li- óque pro- cé- dit. Qui cum Patre et Fí- li- o  
 simul ad- o- rá- tur, et conglo- ri- fi- cá- tur: qui lo- cú- tus est  
 per Prophé- tas. Et unam sanctam cathó- li- cam et a- po-  
 stó- li- cam Ecclé- si- am. Confí- te- ór unum ba- ptí- sma  
 in remissi- ó- nem pecca- tó- rum. Et exspécto re- surre-  
 cti- ó- nem mortu- ó- rum. Et vi- tam ventú- ri saé- cu- li.  
 A- men.

# LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

OFFERTORY ANTIPHON

*Ascéndit Deus in iubilitatióne*

PSALM 47:6

*Ascéndit Deus in iubilitatióne, Dóminus in voce tubæ, allelúia.  
God goes up amidst shouts of joy, the Lord to the sound of the trumpet, alleluia.*

*Worthy is the Lamb (Messiah)*

G.F. HANDEL  
(1685-1759)

*Worthy is the Lamb that was slain, and hath redeemed us to God by his blood, to receive power, and riches, and wisdom, and strength, and honour, and glory, and blessing. Blessing and honour, glory and power, be unto Him that sitteth upon the throne, and unto the Lamb, for ever and ever.*

*(Revelation 5:12-14)*

SANCTUS

MASS I

IV X. s.

**S** Anctus, \* Sanctus, Sanctus Dómi-nus De- us

Sá-ba- oth. Ple- ni sunt cae- li et ter- ra gló- ri- a

tu- a. Ho- sánna in ex- cél- sis. Be- ne- díctus qui ve- nit

in nó- mi- ne Dó- mi- ni. Ho- sánna in excél- sis.





We pro-claim your Death, O Lord, and pro-fess your Res-ur-rec-tion un-til you come a-gain.

## AGNUS DEI

*Messe Solennelle*

LOUIS VIERNE

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccáta mundi, miserére nobis.  
*Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.*

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*Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.*

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccáta mundi, dona nobis pacem.  
*Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world, grant us peace.*

## COMMUNION ANTIPHON

*Psállite Domino*

PSALM 47:6

Psállite Dómino, qui ascéndit super cælos cælórum ad Oriéntem, allelúia.  
*Sing to the Lord, who ascends toward the East above the heavens, alleluia.*

**THE RECEPTION OF HOLY COMMUNION**

*We invite all Catholics who are properly disposed (i.e., in the state of grace and having fasted for one hour before communion) to come forward in the usual way to receive Holy Communion. All others, including our non-Catholic guests, may remain in their pews and join us in prayer. Alternatively, to participate in the communion procession and receive a blessing, come forward in the line and cross your arms over your chest as you approach the minister. Thank you.*

**MOTET***Ave Verum Corpus*WILLIAM BYRD  
(1543 –1623)

Ave verum corpus, natum  
de María Vírgine,  
vere passum, immolátum  
in cruce pro hómíne  
cuius latus perforátum  
fluxit aqua et sánguine:  
esto nobis prægustátum  
in mortis exámíne.

*Hail, true Body, born  
of the Virgin Mary,  
having truly suffered, sacrificed  
on the cross for mankind,  
from whose pierced side  
water and blood flowed:  
Be for us a foretaste  
in the trial of death!*

O Iesu dulcis, O Iesu pie,  
O Iesu, fili Maríæ.  
Miserére mei. Amen.

*O sweet Jesus, O holy Jesus,  
O Jesus, son of Mary,  
have mercy on me. Amen.*

**POST-COMMUNION PRAYER****MARIAN CONSECRATION***Ave Maria*CHARLES GOUNOD  
(1818-1893)

RYAN FORD, TENOR

*Please kneel and pray for Fr. Ward as he invokes the intercession of the Blessed Mother for his Priesthood.*

Ave María, grátia plena,  
Dóminus tecum.  
Benedícta tu in muliéríbus,  
et benedíctus fructus ventris tui,  
Iesus.  
Sancta María, Mater Dei,  
ora pro nobis peccatóribus,  
nunc et in hora mortis nostræ.  
Amen.

*Hail Mary, full of grace,  
the Lord is with you.  
Blessed are you among women,  
and blessed is the fruit of your womb,  
Jesus.  
Holy Mary, Mother of God,  
pray for us sinners,  
now and at the hour of our death.  
Amen.*

## REMARKS

### PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS *All Kneel*

Priest: Let us ask God to give worthy priests, brothers, and sisters to His Holy Church.

ALL: *O God, we earnestly beseech Thee to bless this diocese with many priests, brothers, and sisters who will gladly spend their entire lives to serve Thy Church and to make Thee known and loved.*

Priest: Bless our families. Bless our children.

ALL: *Choose from our homes those who are needed for Thy work. Amen.*

Priest: Mary, Queen of the Clergy.

ALL: *Pray for us. Pray for our priests and religious. Obtain for us many more. Amen.*

## BLESSING

## DISMISSAL



## RECESSIONAL HYMN

*Hail the Day That Sees Him Rise*

LLANFAIR



1. Hail the day that sees him rise Al - le - lu - ia!
2. There for him high tri - umph waits; Al - le - lu - ia!
3. High-est heav'n its Lord re - ceives, Al - le - lu - ia!
4. See, he lifts his hands a - bove. Al - le - lu - ia!



To his throne a - bove the skies; Al - le - lu - ia!  
 Lift your heads, e - ter - nal gates; Al - le - lu - ia!  
 Yet he loves the earth he leaves; Al - le - lu - ia!  
 See, he shows the prints of love. Al - le - lu - ia!



Christ, a - while to mor - tals given, Al - le - lu - ia!  
 He has con-quired death and sin; Al - le - lu - ia!  
 Though re - turn - ing to his throne, Al - le - lu - ia!  
 Hark, his gra - cious lips be - stow, Al - le - lu - ia!



Re - as - cends his na - tive heaven. Al - le - lu - ia!  
 Take the King of glo - ry in. Al - le - lu - ia!  
 Still he calls the world his own. Al - le - lu - ia!  
 Bless-ings on his church be - low. Al - le - lu - ia!

## POSTLUDE

*Symphony no.1 in D minor, Op.14 VI. Final*

LOUIS VIERNE  
 (1870 - 1937)



## PLENARY INDULGENCE

**A**N OPPORTUNITY FOR A PLENARY INDULGENCE is granted to the faithful who devoutly participate in today's Holy Mass. In addition to being detached from sin, the normal conditions of sacramental confession, reception of Holy Communion, and prayers for the Holy Father's intentions within several days of today's Mass apply.

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### JOIN US!

*All are most welcome to the reception lunch in the Cathedral Life Center immediately following Mass, where Father Ward will offer his priestly blessing.*



COVER ART

*The Ascension*  
Gustave Doré

Oil on Canvas, 1879  
City of Paris Fine Art Museum

THE ASCENSION OF CHRIST concludes Jesus' work on earth with his entry into the celestial sphere after his crucifixion and resurrection. Doré depicts Christ, in glory but still human, with wide open arms and surrounded by a multitude of angels gesticulating theatrically.

The earthly world, which can be seen in the distance through the clouds, takes on the appearance of a wild and grandiose landscape inspired by the Scottish Highlands, which Doré discovered during a trip to Scotland in 1873. The painter thus gives the biblical account a dimension which is both concrete and dreamlike, placing the onlooker far away from the Earth, amidst the Angels.

In 1866 Doré rented a former gymnasium which he transformed into a studio at 3 Rue Bayard in Paris. An outstanding, self-taught drawer, he had an extraordinary capacity for artistic creation, and painted large format works here which expressed his desire to be recognised as a painter. Rebuffed by the criticism in France, this monumental piece received a more favourable reception in London and then in the United States, where Doré sent a number of his paintings as soon as they were finished during the last years of his life.

For this reason, Doré's painting is little represented in French collections. The Petit Palais is one of the rare museums, along with those of Strasbourg, Bourg-en-Bresse and Nantes, which can exhibit to the public some of the gigantic religious paintings from the Doré Gallery.





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LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

Sunday Masses

Saturday 5 p.m. (Anticipated)

Sunday 8:30 and 11 a.m.

WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday-Friday, 6:a.m. & 12:10 p.m.

CONFESSIONS

Monday-Friday, 11:30 a.m.-12 p.m.

Saturday, 3-4 p.m. or by appointment