

Fourth Sunday of Lent

March 9/10, 2024



**10:30 a.m. – Fr. Cornelius, assisted by
Deacon Cliff**

SECOND SCRUTINY for OCIA at 10:30 Mass

10:30 a.m. Mass is Livestreamed

St. Michael Poplar Springs, Mount Airy, MD

Prelude This is in the Worship aid and congregation should be invited to sing.

All Sundays

“God Beyond Our Ways of Knowing”

Adam Tice/Randall Sensmeier (INVITATION)

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First, Last God be - yond our ways of know - ing, you in -
Lent I Faith - ful Christ, you nev - er leave me com - fort -
Lent II If I choose to rise and fol - low, I must
Lent III Oth - er gods de - mand de - vo - tion— mon - ey,
Lent IV You came not for con - dem - na - tion but with
Lent V Though my soul is sore and ach - ing, Je - sus,



vite us in - to grace, shep - herd us to
 less or all a - lone though temp - ta - tion
 seize up - on the cross— oth - er for - tunes
 mar - kets, might, ac - claim, bus - y lives in
 heal - ing for the earth, grant - ing this death -
 I shall fol - low you— when my will is



guide our grow - ing, help us seek and
 may de - ceive me, though my voice may
 now ring hol - low, oth - er prof - its
 end - less mo - tion, off - 'ring hap - pi -
 bound cre - a - tion life re - vived through
 weak and break - ing, you are work - ing



find our place: teach - ing us through Christ to
 ache and moan; for the day the proph - ets
 count as loss. Christ, come lift me when I
 ness and fame. When my fev - ered striv - ings
 sec - ond - birth. As the morn - ing breaks the
 some - thing new— flow - ers crack the thirst - ing



live in the bless - ings that you give.
 sought is ful - filled in what you taught.
 fall, stumb - ling as I heed your call.
 cease, you are still my source of peace.
 night, so you fill the world with light.
 sand in a dry and dy - ing land.

ANNOUNCEMENT MADE BY A MEMBER OF THE MUSIC MINISTRY

Good Evening/Morning/Afternoon

- Welcome to Saint Michael Poplar Springs to celebrate the Fourth Sunday of Lent.
- Be sure you picked up a worship aid as you entered church today! You will need it today and next week.
- **10:30 ONLY** ---- Welcome to all who are joining us via livestream. We are grateful that you have decided to join us this morning. There is a link on our web-page that will lead you to a copy of the worship aid for today.
AT MASS TODAY we celebrate the Second Scrutiny for our Elect, Michael Schaefer.
- 10:30 a.m. Today we welcome Father Cornelius back as our presider. He will be assisted by Deacon Cliff.

Before Mass begins, let us all take a moment to silence our mobile devices and come to a quiet awareness of God's presence here, remembering the needs of our loved ones and our world, giving thanks for the many blessings we have received this week.

<Pause for 30 seconds>

Please stand and offer welcome to those around you.

Please turn in the Lenten Worship Aid to page 5 as we begin with the Antiphon.

THE INTRODUCTORY RITES

“Lenten Entrance Rite”

All Sundays

I. Introit

Alan Hommerding

Repeat the Introit for the Sunday after the Cantor

Cantor, then Assembly



4th, B&C: Re - joice, Je - ru - sa - lem! Re -



4th, B&C: joice, all you who mourn.

2. Hymn

Alan Hommerding/LAND OF REST

Sing verse one, verse two and then the appropriate verse for the particular Sunday (which follow the music). End with verse four below.

Choir/Assembly



1. From ash - es to the liv - ing font Your
2. (Through) fast - ing, prayer, and char - i - ty Your
3. (Sing verse appropriate to the Sunday)
4. (From) ash - es to the liv - ing font Your



1. Church must jour - ney, Lord, Bap - tized in grace, in
2. voice speaks deep with - in, Re - turn - ing us to
- 3.
4. Church must jour - ney still, Through cross and tomb to



1. grace re - newed By your most ho - ly word.
2. ways of truth And turn - ing us from sin.
- 3.
4. Eas - ter joy, In Spir - it - fire ful - 4. filled.

Verse 3

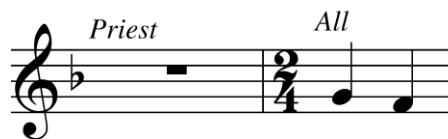
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The Son of Man is lifted up,
The cross becomes our sign:
You are God's own beloved Son,
The source of life divine.

3. Introductory Rite (Greeting)

*Whether the priest chants or speaks his parts of the dialogue or the prayer,
we plan to sing our response. Pat will play behind Father.*

Priest: In the name of the Father, and of the Son ...



A-men.

**Priest: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,
and the love of God, and the communion
of the Holy Spirit be with you all.**



And with your spir - it.

4. Penitential Act

arrangement by Paul French

Priest: Brothers and Sisters,

let us acknowledge our sins,
and so prepare ourselves
to celebrate the sacred mysteries.

Priest *All*

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

All strike their breast

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,

Priest *Choir/Assembly*

to pray for me to the Lord our God.

A - men.

Repeat after the cantor...

Cantor, then Assembly

Ky - ri - e, e - le - i - son.
 Lord, have mer - cy.

Chris - te, e - le - i - son.
 Christ, have mer - cy.

Ky - ri - e, e - le - i - son.
 Lord, have mer - cy.

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Collect

LITURGY OF THE WORD 10:30 Mass ONLY

Song for CLOW Dismissal

“The Word of God”

M.D. Ridge and Timothy R. Smith

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REFRAIN

Chil-dren, as you go to hear the word of God,
 Children Pray for us who go to hear the word of God:

may your ears be o-pened; may you see God's light.
 pray our hearts be o-pened; pray we see God's light.

May the word of God be with you all your days: may it
Pray the word of God be with us all our days: may it

Last time (☺) To Verses

find a home in your hearts. _____
find a home in our hearts. _____

First Reading

2 Chronicles 36: 14 – 16, 19 - 23

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 137

“Let My Tongue Be Silenced, If I Ever Forget You!”

Rick Modlin

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R. Let my tongue be si - lenced, if I ev - er for -

get you, if I ev - er for - get you!

Second Reading

Ephesians 2: 4 - 10

Gospel Acclamation

Lenten Gospel Acclamation from *Mass of Christ the Savior*

Dan Schutte

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Glo-ry to you, Word of God, Lord Je - sus Christ!

Gospel

John 3: 14 - 21

Homily

**** After the homily at 10:30, Pat will introduce John Sotak (from the piano).**

10:30 a.m. – SECOND SCRUTINY

INVITATION TO SILENT PRAYER

After the homily, the elect with his sponsor comes forward and stands before the celebrant.

Fr. Cornelius **Would the ELECT, Michael T. Schaefer, please come forward with your godparent to stand at the sanctuary step.**

The celebrant first addresses the assembly of the faithful, inviting them to pray in silence and to ask that the elect will be given a spirit of repentance, a sense of sin, and the true freedom of the children of God.

Fr. Cornelius *addressing the assembly, says:*

**Today the Church calls the Elect to conversion.
To deepen their resolve to hold fast to Christ
and to carry out the decision to love God above all.
Let us all pray at this time in silence for him
to be given a spirit of repentance,
a sense of sin
and strength of will to live in true freedom
as children of God.**

The celebrant then addresses the elect, inviting them also to pray in silence and suggesting that as a sign of their inner spirit of repentance they bow their heads or kneel; he concludes his remarks with the following or similar words:

Fr. Cornelius *addressing the Elect:*

**Elect of God, bow your head (kneel down)
and pray.**

*The elect bows his head (or kneel) and all pray for some time in silence.
After the period of silent prayer, the celebrant invites the people
to join in the Intercessions.*

*During the intercessions sponsors should stand behind the Elect
and place their right hand on the right shoulder of the Elect as we pray.*

Intercessions for the Elect

**Fr. Cornelius: Let us pray for this elect
whom God has called,
that he may remain faithful to God
and boldly give witness
to the words of eternal life.
Let us respond, "Lord, hear our prayer."**

**Betty Keiser: That God may dispel darkness
and be the light that shines
in the heart of our elect,
we pray to the Lord:
That Michael, our elect may open his heart
to God and acknowledge him**

**as the source of light and the witness of truth,
we pray to the Lord:**

**That, saved by him
who takes away the sin of the world,
he may be freed from the contagion
and forces of sin,
we pray to the Lord:**

**That, enlightened by the Holy Spirit,
he may never fail to profess
the Good News of salvation
and share it with others,
we pray to the Lord:**

After the intercessions, the rite continues with the exorcism.

*After the intercessions sponsors lift their right hand from the shoulder of
the Elect.*

Exorcism

Fr. Cornelius *faces the elect and, with hands joined, says:*

**Father of mercy,
you led the man born blind
to the kingdom of light
through the gift of faith in your Son.
Free this elect from the false values
that surround and blind him.**

**Set him firmly in your truth,
child of the light for ever.**

We ask this through Christ our Lord. All: Amen

Here the celebrant lays hands on the head of the candidate in silence.

Fr. Cornelius *with hands outstretched over the elect, he continues:*

Lord Jesus,

you are the true light that enlightens the world.

Through your Spirit of truth

free those who are enslaved by the father of lies.

Stir up the desire for good in this elect,

whom you have chosen for your sacraments.

Let him rejoice in your light, that he may see,

and, like the man born blind

whose sight you restored,

let him prove to be a staunch

and fearless witness to the faith,

for you are Lord for ever and ever. All: Amen

*At this point, the Godparent assists the Elect as he raises his head (or stands)
and composes himself.*

Dismissal of the Elect

**Fr. Cornelius: My dear friend,
this community now sends you forth
to reflect more deeply upon the word of God
which you have shared with us today.
Be assured of our loving support
and prayers for you.
We look forward to the day when you will share
fully in the Lord's Table.**

The dismissal music then begins. Betty Keiser picks up the Lectionary from the side table (where it was left by the second lector) and prepares to lead the Elect out of the church as all sing.

Go in peace.

OCLA Dismissal

"We Send You Forth"

Sterling Picard

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We send you forth to hear the word of the Lord.

Take these words to heart and walk in God's ways.

**Mass then continues with the Apostles' Creed
and the Universal Prayer (see next page.)**

Creed

Apostles' Creed

Presider: We will pray the Apostles' Creed through Lent in unity with those preparing to enter the Church at Easter. You can find it in the worship aid, p. 10.

**I believe in God,
the Father almighty,
Creator of heaven and earth,
and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died and was buried;
he descended into hell;
on the third day he rose again from the dead;
he ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty;
from there he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and life everlasting.**

Amen.

UNIVERSAL PRAYER

“Lord, hear our prayer.”

LECTOR OR DEACON ANNOUNCES...

Our special collection today is for Catholic Relief Services. CRS provides relief and resettlement for victims of persecution, war and natural disasters.

Please include your envelope that was mailed to your home as the offertory basket is passed. You may also give on line. Thank you.

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

Preparation of the Gifts

“Upon This Path”

Adam Tice/Sally Ann Morris (PATHWAYS)

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1. Up - on this path, this wind - ing path,
2. With - in this night, this dark - est night,
3. Un - to this flesh, this mor - tal flesh,
4. In - to this world, this bro - ken world,



come, O Christ, my way.
come, O Christ, my light. Come, my way;
come, O Christ, my life.
come, O Christ, my love.



come, my light; come, my life, my love.

OR

“God So Loved the World”

Eugene Englert

Eucharistic Prayer

Acclamations from MASS OF CHRIST THE SAVIOR

Dan Schutte

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“Holy, Holy”

Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly Lord God of hosts. Heav-en and
earth are full, are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na! Ho -
san - na! Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is
he who comes, who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -

The musical score is written in treble clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a 4/4 time signature. It consists of four staves of music. The first staff begins with a treble clef, a key signature of one sharp, and a 4/4 time signature. The melody is primarily quarter and eighth notes. A triplet of eighth notes is marked above the final three notes of the first staff. The second staff continues the melody with quarter and eighth notes, ending with a repeat sign. The third staff begins with a treble clef, a key signature of one sharp, and a 4/4 time signature. It features a triplet of eighth notes marked above the final three notes, with the word "(Fine)" written above the staff. The fourth staff continues the melody with quarter and eighth notes, ending with a repeat sign.

“Memorial Acclamation”

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

The musical score is written in treble clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a 4/4 time signature. It consists of two staves of music. The first staff begins with a treble clef, a key signature of one sharp, and a 4/4 time signature. The melody is primarily quarter and eighth notes. The second staff continues the melody with quarter and eighth notes, ending with a repeat sign.

"Great Amen"



A - men. A - men. A - men.

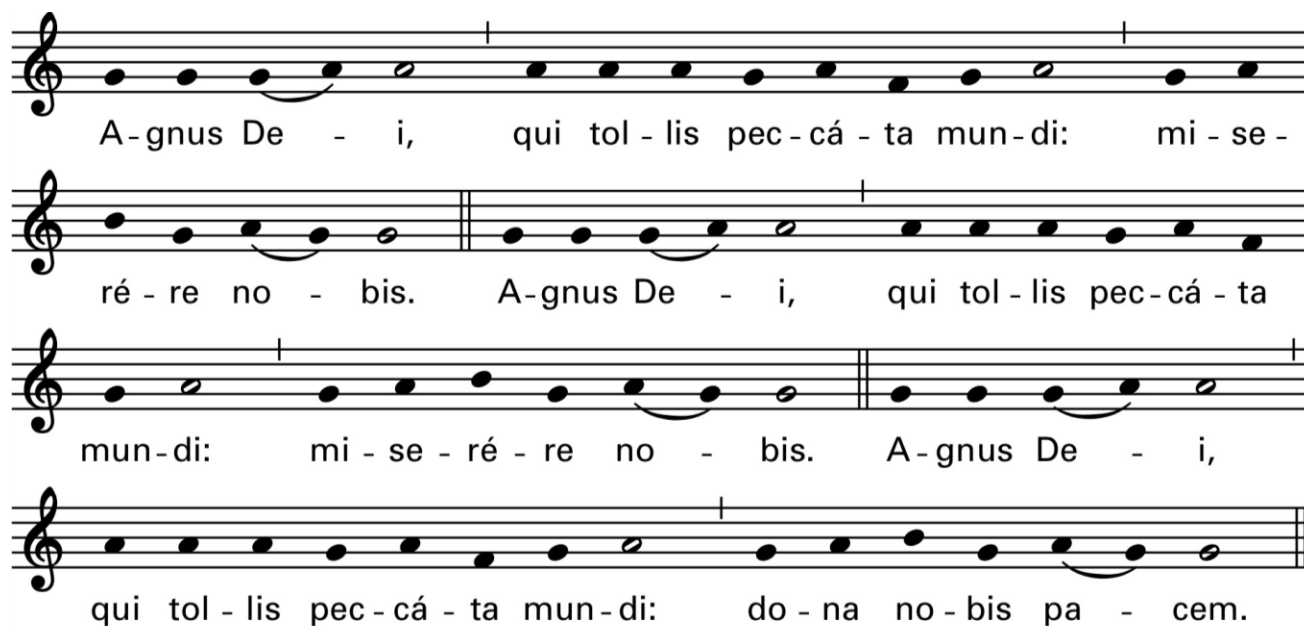
Communion Rite

The Lord's Prayer

Sign of Peace

The Lamb of God

Agnus Dei XVIII
Graduale Romanum, 1974



A-gnus De - i, qui tol - lis pec - cá - ta mun - di: mi - se -
ré - re no - bis. A-gnus De - i, qui tol - lis pec - cá - ta
mun - di: mi - se - ré - re no - bis. A-gnus De - i,
qui tol - lis pec - cá - ta mun - di: do - na no - bis pa - cem.

COMMUNION PROCESSION

Communion Antiphon

"4th Sunday of Lent"

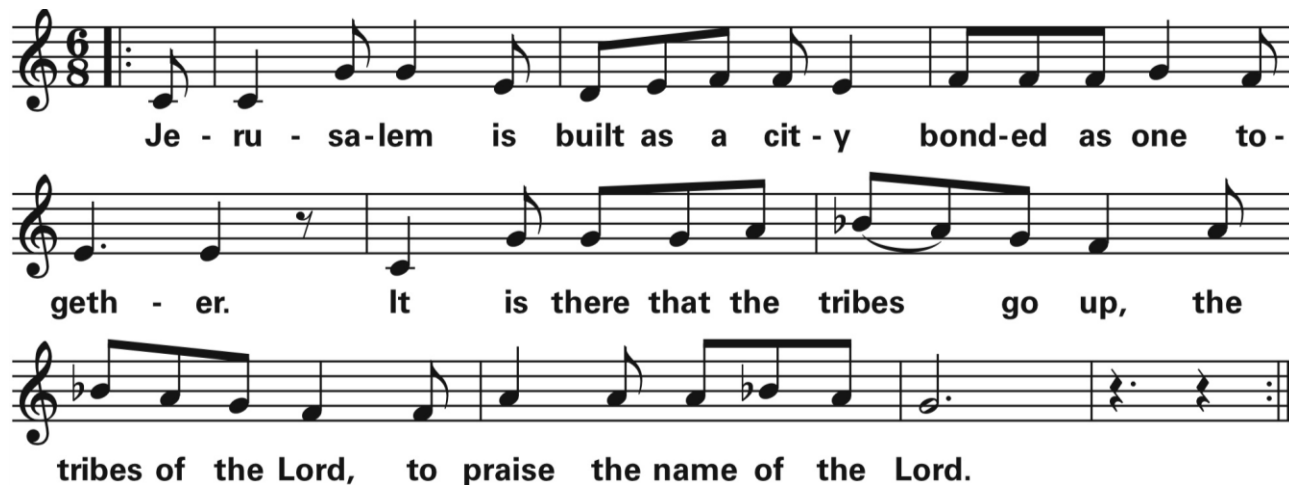
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Je - ru - sa - lem is built as a cit - y bond - ed as one to -
geth - er. It is there that the tribes go up, the
tribes of the Lord, to praise the name of the Lord.

Communion Song

"Mercy, O God"

Francis Patrick O'Brien

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Mer-cy, O God, have mer-cy on us.
Send down your mer - cy to set us free.
Mer-cy, O God, have mer-cy on us.
Send down your mer - cy to set us free.

Please turn to in the worship aid to page 20, "Jerusalem, My Destiny," page 20. We will sing the refrain twice, the cantor will sing a verse, and we will repeat the refrain.

Please stand...

(all sing)

SONG OF PRAISE

"Jerusalem, My Destiny"

Rory Cooney

Worship Aid, page 20

Two Refrain followed by verse 4 and one refrain.

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I have fixed my eyes on your hills, Je -
ru - sa-lem, my des - ti-ny! Though I can - not
see the end for me, I can - not turn a - way.
We have set our hearts for the way; this
jour - ney is our des - ti-ny. Let no - one walk a -
lone; the jour - ney makes us one..

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Musician makes the announcements while people remain standing:

- If you are having a medical procedure or surgery soon, please meet the Priest at the Reconciliation Room for the Anointing of the Sick after he greets parishioners.
- Join us for Maryland's March for Life in Annapolis on Monday, March 11! Our Respect Life Ministry has reserved a bus to pick us up at St. Michael at 2:45 pm! Check the bulletin to reserve a seat.
- Father Gerard's surgery finally took place on March 6. Please continue to keep him in your prayers and if you would like to send a get well card, his address is in the bulletin.
- Contribute to our Easter Flowers by remembering loved ones in our Easter Bulletin for \$10. Order forms can be found on the welcome desk in the narthex.

Prayer after Communion

Dismissal

Prayer over the People

Final Blessing

Please remember to keep silence as the bells ring and the processions leaves the church.

**May almighty God bless you, the Father,
and the Son, + and the Holy Spirit.**

All: Amen.

Dismissal

Deacon: Go forth, the Mass is ended.

All: Thanks be to God.

Bells are rung (from the organ) to accompany the procession out of the church.