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THE SOLEMNITY OF OUR LORD'S ASCENSION

*Agnus Dei
from
plainsong
Mass II*



K COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Data est mihi omnis potestas in caelo et in terra, alleluia: euntes, docete omnes gentes, baptizantes eos in nomine Patris, et Filii, et Spiritus Sancti, alleluia, alleluia.

All power has been given to Me in heaven and on earth, alleluia; go therefore and teach all the nations, baptizing them in them name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, alleluia, alleluia.

Communion Motet "Viri Galilaei" by Dulos Couillart (early 16th Century)

"Men of Galilee, why are you standing there in wonderment gazing up into Heaven? This Jesus who has been taken up from you into Heaven, shall come again the same way"

L POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Omnipotens sempiterne Deus, qui in terra constitutos divina tractare concedis, præsta, quæsumus, ut illuc tendat christianæ devotionis affectus, quo tecum est nostra substantia. Per Christum Dominum nostrum. Amen.

Almighty, eternal God, who dost allow us to share in the gifts of heaven whilst we are still on earth; Grant, we pray Thee that the affection of our devotion in Christ may rise up to heaven where our humanity is glorified with Thee. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Organ Voluntary: "Praeludium in C (Bux WV138)
by Diderik Buxtehude (1637-1707)

**YOU ARE REMINDED THAT VESPERS AND BENEDICTION WILL BE SUNG
HERE TONIGHT AT 7.30 P.M.**

**YOU ARE WELCOME TO TAKE THIS SHEET HOME BUT
PLEASE DO NOT REMOVE THE MASS BOOK**

A INTROIT
 Viri Galilaei, quid
 a d m i r a m i n i
 aspicientes in caelum?
 alleluia: quemadmodum
 vidistis eum ascendentem
 in caelum, ita veniet,
 alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.
 Ps. Omnes gentes
 plaudite manibus: jubilate
 Deo in voce exsultationis.



*Men of Galilee, why are
you gazing in
astonishment at the sky?
alleluia; just as you have
seen Him ascend into
heaven, so, in like
manner, shall He return,
alleluia, alleluia,
alleluia. Ps. All nations
clap your hands; shout to
God with a voice of joy.*

Introductory rite - see Mass book page 3.

Kyrie & Gloria from Missa brevis in D major. KV192 by Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart

B COLLECT

Fac nos, omnipotens Deus, sanctis *Almighty God, make our hearts leap for*
 exsultare gaudiis, et pia gratiarum *holy joy in thanksgiving; for Thy Son's*
 actione lætari, quia Christi Filii tui ascensio *Ascension is our triumph; and as He, our*
 est nostra provectio, et quo processit gloria *Head, has gone before us in glory, we, His*
 capitis, eo spes vocatur et corporis. Per *members are called in hope to follow Him.*
 Dominum nostrum Jesum Christum... *Through our Lord Jesus Christ...for ever*
 sæcula sæculorum. Amen. *and ever. Amen.*

C First reading is taken from the Acts of the Apostles

In my earlier work, Theophilus, I dealt with everything Jesus had done and taught from the beginning until the day he gave his instructions to the apostles he had chosen through the Holy Spirit, and was taken up to heaven. He had shown himself alive to them after his Passion by many demonstrations: for forty days he had continued to appear to them and tell them about the kingdom of God. When he had been at table with them, he had told them not to leave Jerusalem, but to wait there for what the Father had promised. It is he had said what you have heard me speak about: John baptised with water but you, not many days from now, will be baptised with the Holy Spirit. Now having met together, they asked him, Lord, has the time come? Are you going to restore the kingdom to Israel? He replied, It is not for you to know times or dates that the Father has decided by his own authority, but you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you, and then you will be my witnesses not only in Jerusalem but throughout Judaea and Samaria, and indeed to the ends of the earth. As he said this he was lifted up while they looked on, and a cloud took him from their sight. They were still staring into the sky when suddenly two men in white were standing near them and they said, Why are you men from Galilee standing here looking into the sky? Jesus who has been taken up from you into heaven, this same Jesus will come back in the same way as you have seen him go there.

Verbum Domini. **R. Deo gratias.**

D ALLELUIA PSALM

Ascendit Deus in jubilatione, et Dominus in voce tubæ. *Alleluia. God has gone up amidst shouts of joy, the Lord to the sound of the trumpet. Alleluia.*

E Second Reading is taken from St. Paul's Epistle to the Ephesians.

May the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, give you a spirit of wisdom and perception of what is revealed, to bring you to full knowledge of him. May he enlighten the eyes of your mind so that you can see what hope his call holds for you, what rich glories he has promised the saints will inherit and how infinitely great is the power that he has exercised for us believers. This you can tell from the strength of his power at work in Christ, when he used it to raise him from the dead and to make him sit at his right hand, in heaven, far above every Sovereignty, Authority, Power, or Domination, or any other name that can be named, not only in this age, but also in the age to come. He has put all things under his feet, and made him, as the ruler of everything, the head of the Church; which is his body, the fullness of him who fills the whole creation. Verbum Domini. **R. Deo gratias**

F GOSPEL ALLELUIA

Dominus in Sina in sancto, ascendens in altum, captivam duxit captivitatem. *Alleluia. The Lord is in Sinai, in the holy place, ascending on high, He has led captivity captive. Alleluia.*

G GOSPEL The end of the Holy Gospel according to Mark.

At that time: Jesus showed Himself to the Eleven and he said to them, "Go into all the world and preach the gospel to the whole creation. He who believes and is baptized will be saved; but he who does not believe will be condemned. And these signs will accompany those who believe: in my name they will cast out demons; they will speak in new tongues; they will pick up serpents, and if they drink any deadly thing, it will not hurt them; they will lay their hands on the sick, and they will recover." So then the Lord Jesus, after he had spoken to them, was taken up into heaven, and sat down at the right hand of God. And they went forth and preached everywhere, while the Lord worked with them and confirmed the message by the signs that attended it. Amen.

Verbum Domini. **R. Laus, tibi Christe.**

CREDO III—see Mass book page 27 or 28

At the end of the Bidding Prayers we sing this Easter Antiphon to Our Lady.

O Queen of Heaven, rejoice, alleluia. For He whom thou wast made worthy to bear, alleluia, has risen as He said, alleluia. Pray for us to God, alleluia.

6. **R** *Egina caeli * laetare, alle-lu-ia : Qui-a quem me-ru-isti portare, alle-lu-ia : Resurrexit, sic-ut dixit, alle-lu-ia : Ora pro nobis De-um, alle-lu-ia.*

Offertory Motet: "O Rex Gloriarum" by Luca Marenzio (1550-1599)

"O King of Glory, Lord of hosts, who hast this day mounted in triumph above all the heavens, leave us not orphans; but send unto us the Promise of the Father, the Spirit of truth. Alleluia."

H PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

Sacrificium, Domine, pro Filii tui O Lord, we who humbly offer Thee this supplices venerabili nunc ascensione Sacrifice in celebration of Thy Son's deferimus: praesta, quaesumus, ut his wonderful Ascension, pray Thee, that by commercii sacrosanctis ad caelestia this holy exchange of gifts, we may rise consurgamus. Per Christum Dominum with Him to heavenly life. Through the nostrum. Amen same Christ our Lord. Amen.

J PREFACE

Vere dignum et iustum est, aequum et salutare, nos tibi semper et ubique gratias agere: Domine, sancte Pater, omnipotens aeternae Deus: per Christum Dominum nostrum.

Qui post resurrectionem suam, omnibus discipulis suis manifestus apparuit, et ipsis cernentibus est elevatus in caelum, ut nos divinitatis suae tribueret esse participes.

Quapropter, profusis paschalibus gaudiis, totus in orbe terrarum mundus exultat. Sed et supernae virtutes atque angelicae potestates hymnum gloriae tuae concinunt, sine fine dicentes:

It is truly meet and right and incumbent upon us for our salvation that we should always and everywhere give thanks to Thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty everlasting God, through Christ our Lord.

Who, after His resurrection, showed Himself openly to all His disciples and in their sight ascended into heaven that He might grant us to be partakers of His divinity.

Wherefore, out of abounding Paschal joy, the whole world breaks into praise, and the heavenly spirits and angelic powers likewise sing the praise of Thy glory, saying evermore:

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1. **S** *An-ctus, * Sán-ctus, Sán-ctus Dó-minus Dé-us Sába-oth. Pléni sunt caéli et tér-ra gló-ri-a tú-a. Hosánna in excél-sis. Bene-díctus qui vé-nit in nó-mine Dómini. Hosánna in excél-sis.*