



ST. GERTRUDE
CHURCH



MASS OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION

Rebecca Jackson

October 9, 2022 | 12:00 P.M.

WELCOME

In this special liturgy we welcome Rebecca Jackson into the Church through the Sacraments of Baptism and Confirmation. While this is the culmination of Rebecca's formation as a Catechumen, her journey in faith will continue her entire life; as Members of the Body of Christ, we therefore are called to support her not only today, but our whole lives as well. A reception will follow this Mass, and all are warmly invited to meet, welcome, and celebrate Rebecca's initiation into our community. We offer our special thanks to Melissa Britt, Rebecca's sponsor.



ORDER OF MASS

Mass of Christian Initiation for Rebecca Jackson

PRELUDE

Veni Creator Spiritus: IV. Récit de Cromorne

Nicolas de Grigny

INTRODUCTORY RITES

INTROIT

At the ringing of the sacristy bell, all stand and sing:



*Put on the new man, created in the image of God in righteousness and holiness of truth. **Ṛ.***

*O God, most ancient and absolute Truth, I believe with my heart, confess with my mouth, and profess by my actions that I most firmly believe all and every article of faith which the Holy Roman Church proposes to us to be believed. **Ṛ.***

*Even as I now profess this faith, so I vow, promise, and swear, in the presence of all the holy angels and saints, and above all in your presence, O most Holy Trinity, that I desire to live and die in the same. **Ṛ.***

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.

*As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. **Ṛ.***

Antiphon: Psalm 45:8

Verses: 1 John 3:1 and St. Gertrude the Great

Music: Dominican Chant, adapted C. Holman

GREETING

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

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 spirit.

PENITENTIAL ACT

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

**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.**

All strike breast three times

May almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us our sins,
and bring us to everlasting life.

Amen.

KYRIE, ELEISON

Cantor/Choir: *All:*
Ky - ri - e, e - le - i - son. Ky - ri - e, e - le - i - son.

Cantor/Choir: *All:*
Chris - te, e - le - i - son. Chris - te, e - le - i - son.

Cantor/Choir: *All:*
Ky - ri - e, e - le - i - son. Ky - ri - e, e - le - i - son.

Music: Gregorian Chant, Missa XVI

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

Celebrant/Cantor: *All:*
Glo - ri - a in ex - cel - sis De - o. Et in ter - ra pax ho - mi - ni - bus

bo - næ vo - lun - ta - tis. Lau - da - mus te. Be - ne - di - ci - mus te.

A - do - ra - mus te. Glo - ri - fi - ca - mus te.

Gra - ti - as a - gi - mus ti - bi prop - ter mag - nam glo - ri - am tu - am.

Do - mi - ne De - us, Rex cæ - le - stis, De - us Pa - ter om - ni - po - tens.

Do - mi - ne Fi - li u - ni - ge - ni - te Je - su Chri - ste.

Do - mi - ne De - us, Ag - nus De - i, Fi - li - us Pa - tris.

Qui tol - lis pec - ca - ta mun - di, mi - se - re - re no - bis.

Qui tol - lis pec - ca - ta mun - di,

su - sci - pe de - pre - ca - ti - o - nem no - stram.

Qui se - des ad dex - te - ram Pa - tris, mi - se - re - re no - bis.

Quo - ni - am tu so - lus San - ctus. Tu so - lus Do - mi - nus.

Tu so - lus Al - tis - si - mus, Je - su Chri - ste.

Cum San - cto Spi - ri - tu, in glo - ri - a De - i Pa - tris.

A - - - men.

Music: Gregorian Chant, Missa VIII "De Angelis"

COLLECT

O God, who bring us to participate in the mystery of the Passion and Resurrection of your Son, grant, we pray, that, strengthened by the spirit of adoption as your children, we may always walk in newness of life. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

Amen.

All sit

LITURGY OF THE WORD

READING I

Ezekiel 36:24–28

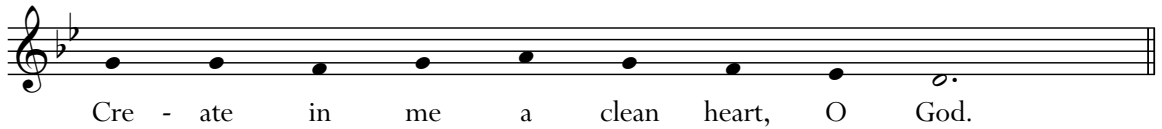
Thus says the Lord: I will take you away from among the nations, gather you from all the foreign lands, and bring you back to your own land. I will sprinkle clean water upon you to cleanse you from all your impurities, and from all your idols I will cleanse you. I will give you a new heart and place a new spirit within you, taking from your bodies your stony hearts and giving you natural hearts. I will put my spirit within you and make you live by my statutes, careful to observe my decrees. You shall live in the land I gave your fathers; you shall be my people, and I will be your God.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 51



Have mercy on me, O God, in your goodness; in the greatness of your compassion wipe out my offense. Thoroughly wash me from my guilt and of my sin cleanse me. Ṛ.

Behold, you are pleased with sincerity of heart, and in my inmost being you teach me wisdom. Cleanse me of sin with hyssop, that I may be purified; wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow. Ṛ.

A clean heart create for me, O God, and a steadfast spirit renew within me. Cast me not out from your presence, and your Holy Spirit take not from me. Ṛ.

Give me back the joy of your salvation, and a willing spirit sustain in me. O Lord, open my lips, and my mouth shall proclaim your praise. Ṛ.

Music: Plainchant

READING II

Romans 6:3–4, 8–11

Brothers and sisters: Are you unaware that we who were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? We were indeed buried with him through baptism into death, so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might live in newness of life.

If, then, we have died with Christ, we believe that we shall also live with him. We know that Christ, raised from the dead, dies no more; death no longer has power over him. As to his death, he died to sin once and for all; as to his life, he lives for God. Consequently, you too must think of yourselves as being dead to sin and living for God in Christ Jesus.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

All stand



There is one Lord, and one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of all. R̄.

Verse: Ephesians 4:5–6a

Music: Gregorian Chant — O filii et filiae, adapted C. Holman

GOSPEL

Matthew 16:24–27

The Lord be with you.

And with your spirit.

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew.

Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus said to his disciples, "Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me. For whoever wishes to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake will find it. What profit would there be for one to gain the whole world and forfeit his life? Or what can one give in exchange for his life? For the Son of Man will come with his angels in his Father's glory, and then he will repay each according to his conduct."

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

All sit

HOMILY

Rev. John Paul Walker, O.P.

rites of Christian Initiation

PRESENTATION OF THE CANDIDATE

The candidate is called forward. The celebrant then prays:

Dearly Beloved, with one heart and one soul, let us by our prayers come to the aid of our sister Rebecca in his blessed hope, so that, as she approaches the font of rebirth, the almighty Father may bestow on her all his merciful help.

LITANY OF THE SAINTS

All kneel

Cantor: Lord, have mer - cy. *All:* Lord, have mer - cy.

Cantor: Christ, have mer - cy. *All:* Christ, have mer - cy.

Cantor: Lord, have mer - cy. *All:* Lord, have mer - cy.

Cantor: *Saint N.* (2) *All:* pray for us.

Cantor: Lord, be mer - ci - ful. *All:* Lord, de - liv - er us, we pray.

Cantor: *All:*

Petition Lord, de - liv - er us, we pray.

Cantor: *All:*

Petition Lord, we ask you, hear our prayer.

Cantor: *All:*

Christ, hear us. Christ, hear us.

Cantor: *All:*

Christ, gra - cious - ly hear us. Christ, gra - cious - ly hear us.

PRAYER

Almighty ever-living God, be present by the mysteries of your great love and send forth the spirit of adoption to create the new peoples brought to birth for you in the font of Baptism, so that what is to be carried out by our humble service may be brought to fulfillment by your mighty power. Through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

All sit

BLESSING OF WATER

The celebrant blesses the waters to be used for the Baptism. At the end, all sing:

Cantor: *All:*

Springs of wa - ter, bless the Lord; praise and exalt him above all for - ev - er.

PROFESSION OF FAITH

The celebrant addresses the candidate for Baptism:

Rebecca, I now invite you to renounce sin and profess your faith in Jesus Christ, the faith in which you are about to be baptized, and so I ask you:

Do you renounce Satan?

I do.

And all his works?

I do.

And all his empty show?

I do.

Do you believe in God, the Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth?

I do.

Do you believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was born of the Virgin Mary, suffered death and was buried, rose again from the dead and is seated at the right hand of the Father?

I do.

Do you 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?

I do.

BAPTISM

Immediately after the profession of faith the celebrant baptizes the candidate:

Rebecca, I baptize you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

The candidate is then clothed with a baptismal garment and presented with a lighted candle.

HYMN

Veni Creator Spiritus

Saint Michael Hymnal 810, Verse 1

CONFIRMATION

The celebrant addresses the candidate:

My dear Rebecca, by your baptism you have been born again in Christ and you have become a member of Christ and of his priestly people. Now you are to share in the outpouring of the Holy Spirit among us, the Spirit sent by the Lord upon his apostles at Pentecost and given by them and their successors to the baptized.

The promised strength of the Holy Spirit, which you are to receive, will make you more like Christ and help you to be witnesses to his suffering, death, and resurrection. It will strengthen you to be an active member of the Church and to build up the Body of Christ in faith and love.

Dearly beloved, let us pray to God the almighty Father, for this, his adopted daughter, already born again to eternal life in Baptism, that he will graciously pour out the Holy Spirit upon her to confirm her with his abundant gifts, and through his anointing confirm them more fully to Christ, the Son of God.

The candidates is invited to kneel. All pray briefly in silence.

The celebrant and concelebrants lay their hands on the candidate as the celebrant prays:

Almighty God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who brought this your servant to new birth by water and the Holy Spirit, freeing her from sin: send upon her, O Lord, the Holy Spirit, the Paraclete; give her the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and fortitude, the spirit of knowledge and piety; fill her with the spirit of the fear of the Lord. Through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

The celebrant anoints the candidate.

Sponsor: Father, I present to you N.

The sponsor gives the candidate's confirmation name.

Celebrant: N., be sealed with the gift of the Holy Spirit.

The celebrant anoints the candidate with chrism oil.

CREED

All stand

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.

All bow

All stand

UNIVERSAL PRAYER

Each petition concludes with:

We pray to the Lord:

Lord, hear our prayer.

The celebrant concludes the prayers with a collect.

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

OFFERTORY HYMN

I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say

Saint Michael Hymnal 563

MOTET

The Schola cantorum sings:

Cantate Domino canticum novum;

laus eius in ecclesia sanctorum.

Laetetur Israel in eo qui fecit eum,

et filii Sion exsultent in rege suo.

Sing to the Lord a new song;

his praise in the assembly of the faithful.

Let Israel be glad in its maker,

the people of Zion rejoice in their king.

Words: Psalm 149:1–2

Music: Gisuseppe Ottavio Pitoni

ORATE, FRATRES

All stand

Pray, brethren, that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.

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.

The celebrant concludes the prayers.

PREFACE DIALOGUE AND SANCTUS

The Lord be with you.

And with your spirit.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

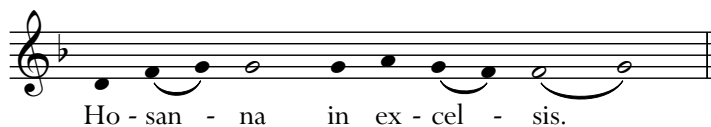
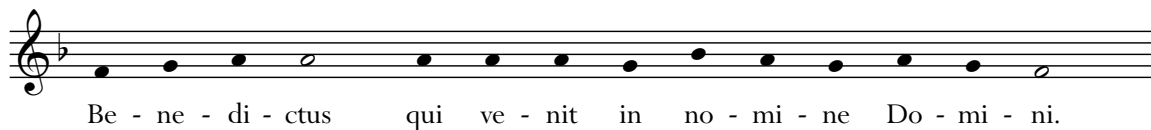
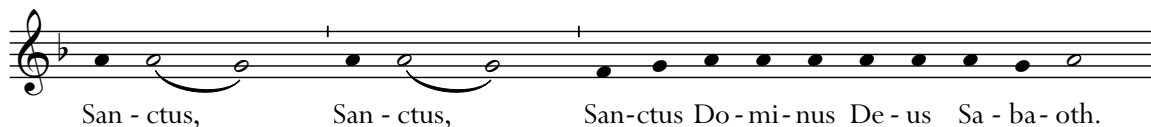
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right and just.

It is truly right and just, our duty and our salvation, always and everywhere to give you thanks, Lord, holy Father, almighty and eternal God, through Christ our lord.

For through his Paschal Mystery, he accomplished the marvelous deed, by which he has freed us from the yoke of sin and death, summoning us to the glory of being now called a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for your own possession, to proclaim everywhere your mighty works, for you have called us out of darkness into your own wonderful light.

And so, with Angels and Archangels, with Thrones and Dominions, and with all the hosts and Powers of heaven, we sing the hymn of your glory, as without end we acclaim:



THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

All kneel

The celebrant continues with the Eucharistic Prayer. After the words of Consecration, the celebrant sings:

The mystery of faith.



Mor-tem tu - am an - nun - ti - a - mus, Do - mi - ne,
et tu - am re-sur-rec-ti - o-nem con-fi - te - mur, do - nec ve - ni - as.

At the conclusion of the prayer the celebrant takes the chalice and the paten with the host and, raising both, sings:

Through him, and with him, and in him, O God, almighty Father,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honor is yours, for ever and ever.

Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

All stand

At the Savior's command and formed by divine teaching, we dare to say:

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

Deliver us, Lord, we pray, from every evil, graciously grant peace in our days, that, by the help of your mercy, we may be always free from sin and safe from all distress, as we await the blessed hope and the coming of our Savior, Jesus Christ.

For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours, now and for ever.

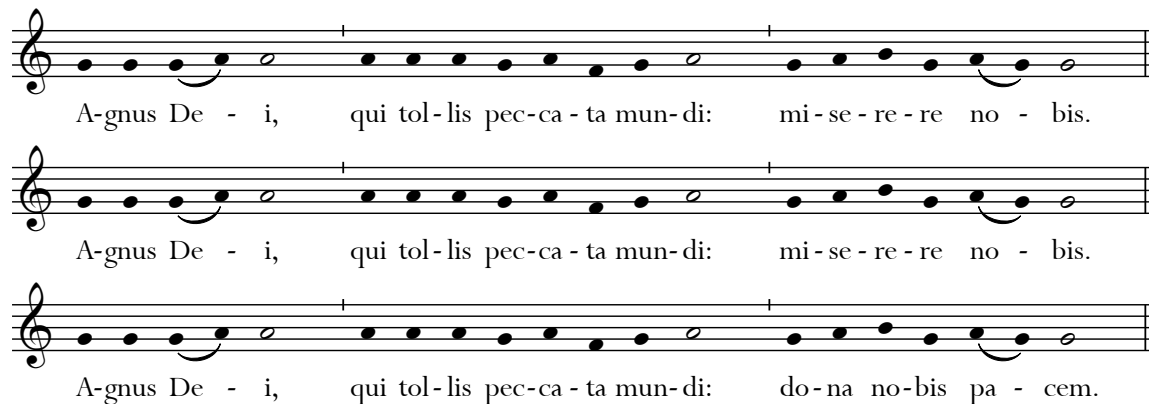
Lord Jesus Christ, who said to your Apostles: "Peace I leave you, my peace I give you," look not on our sins, but on the faith of your Church, and graciously grant her peace and unity in accordance with your will, who live and reign for ever and ever.

Amen.

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

And with your spirit.

AGNUS DEI



A-gnus De - i, qui tol-lis pec-ca - ta mun-di: mi-se - re - re no - bis.

A-gnus De - i, qui tol-lis pec-ca - ta mun-di: mi-se - re - re no - bis.

A-gnus De - i, qui tol-lis pec-ca - ta mun-di: do-na no-bis pa - cem.

Music: Gregorian Chant, Missa XVIII "Cunctipotens genitor Deus"

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

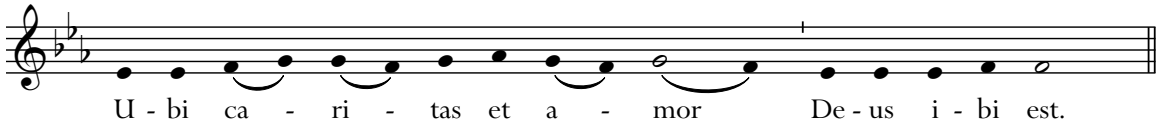
All kneel

The celebrant pronounces the exhortation.

Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who takes away the sins of the world.
Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.

**Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof,
but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.**

COMMUNION



*O most sweet and loving Jesus, I the most unworthy of creatures
propose now to receive the most holy sacrament of your Body and Blood,
as the most effectual remedy for all my miseries of body and soul. R̄.*

*With most certain confidence and with most steadfast faith,
I shall not only obtain the supply of my need
but also most perfectly please your supreme Majesty and all the inhabitants of heaven. R̄.*

*How can I presume to receive you into a heart beset with briars and thorns,
reeking with the foul vapors of carnal and worldly lusts? R̄.*

*O most merciful Jesus, who invited the blind and the lame, the poor and the needy to your supper,
prepare me, that I may partake of this heavenly banquet:
to your glory and the profit of the whole world. R̄.*

*Antiphon: Office Hymn for Holy Thursday. Verses: St. Gertrude the Great
Music: Gregorian Chant, adapted C. Holman*

MOTET

Ave verum corpus, natum
de Maria Virgine,
vere passum, immolatum
in cruce pro homine
cuius latus perforatum
fluxit aqua et sanguine:
esto nobis praegustatum
in mortis examine.
O Jesu dulcis, O Jesu pie,
O Jesu, fili Mariae.
Miserere mei. Amen.

The Schola cantorum sings:

*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 [of the Heavenly banquet]
in the trial of death!
O sweet Jesus, O holy Jesus,
O Jesus, son of Mary,
have mercy on me. Amen.*

*Words: 13th century
Music: Edward Elgar*

HYMN

O Thou Who Camest from Above

Saint Michael Hymnal 690

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

All stand

Grant, O Lord, we pray, that, nourished with the Sacrament of your Son's Body and Blood, we may grow in the communion of his Spirit and in love for one another, and so, through ardent charity, reach the full stature of the Body of Christ. Who lives and reigns for ever and ever.

Amen.

THE CONCLUDING RITES

BLESSING AND DISMISSAL

The Lord be with you.

And with your spirit.

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

Amen.

Go forth, the Mass is ended.

Thanks be to God.

PRAYER TO ST. MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL

All kneel

St. Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle, be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him we humbly pray; and do thou, O Prince of the Heavenly host, by the power of God, cast into hell Satan and all the evil spirits who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls.

Amen.

RECESSIONAL HYMN

All stand and sing:

Holy God, We Praise Thy Name

Saint Michael Hymnal 553