

ST. ALPHONSUS LIGUORI CATHOLIC CHURCH
3rd EASTER SUNDAY
CYCLE B – WORSHIP AID
APRIL 18, 2021

PARISH-VOCATIONS PRAYER

Loving God,

In baptism You called us by name, making us members of Your people, the Church.

We praise You for Your goodness. We thank You for the gift of our parish and the wonderful ministries we have to build Your Church.

You have called us, not to set us apart, but to bring us together with others who need our love. May we bring comfort to those who call You, healing to those who need You and openness to all who seek You.

Send Your spirit upon us to open our hearts to serve You in our vocations as priests, brothers, sisters, deacons, and married and single members of our Church. May our vocations be a reflection of Your light and Your love.

We pray that You watch over us, and bless the people of St. Alphonsus Liguori Parish as we continue to build Your kingdom here on Earth.

Amen.

READINGS & MUSIC FOR 4PM, 8 AM, 10 AM MASSES

ENTRANCE HYMN

At the Lamb's High Feast #536 vs 1 and 2

Text: Ad regias agni dapes; Latin, 4th C.; tr. by Robert Campbell, 1814-1868, alt.

Verse 1

At the Lamb's high feast we sing
Praise to our victorious King.
Who has washed us in the tide
Flowing from his pierced side.
Praise we him, whose love divine
Gives his sacred Blood for wine,
Gives his Body for the feast:
Christ the victim, Christ the priest.

Verse 2

Where the Paschal blood is poured,
Death's dark angel sheathes his sword;
Israel's hosts triumphant go
Through the wave that drowns the foe.
Praise we Christ, whose blood was shed,
Paschal victim, Paschal bread;
With sincerity and love
Eat we manna from above.

GLORIA (sung)

Glory 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 are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High,
Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father.
Amen.

READING I

Acts 3:13-15, 17-19

Peter said to the people:

“The God of Abraham,
the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob,
the God of our fathers, has glorified his servant Jesus,
whom you handed over and denied in Pilate’s presence
when he had decided to release him.

You denied the Holy and Righteous One
and asked that a murderer be released to you.

The author of life you put to death,
but God raised him from the dead; of this we are witnesses.

Now I know, brothers,
that you acted out of ignorance, just as your leaders did;
but God has thus brought to fulfillment
what he had announced beforehand
through the mouth of all the prophets,
that his Christ would suffer.

Repent, therefore, and be converted, that your sins may be wiped away.”

RESPONSORIAL PSALM 4:2, 4, 7-8, 9

R. (7a) Lord, let your face shine on us.

READING II

1 Jn 2:1-5a

My children, I am writing this to you
so that you may not commit sin.

But if anyone does sin, we have an Advocate with the Father,
Jesus Christ the righteous one.

He is expiation for our sins,
and not for our sins only but for those of the whole world.

The way we may be sure that we know him is to keep
his commandments.

Those who say, “I know him,” but do not keep his commandments
are liars, and the truth is not in them.

But whoever keeps his word,
the love of God is truly perfected in him.

ALLELUIA

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

Lord Jesus, open the Scriptures to us;
make our hearts burn while you speak to us.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

GOSPEL

Lk 24:35-48

The two disciples recounted what had taken place on the way,
and how Jesus was made known to them
in the breaking of bread.

While they were still speaking about this,
he stood in their midst and said to them,
“Peace be with you.”

But they were startled and terrified
and thought that they were seeing a ghost.

Then he said to them, “Why are you troubled?

And why do questions arise in your hearts?

Look at my hands and my feet, that it is I myself.

Touch me and see, because a ghost does not have flesh and bones
as you can see I have.”

And as he said this,

he showed them his hands and his feet.

While they were still incredulous for joy and were amazed,

he asked them, “Have you anything here to eat?”

They gave him a piece of baked fish;

he took it and ate it in front of them.

He said to them,

“These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you,
that everything written about me in the law of Moses
and in the prophets and psalms must be fulfilled.”

Then he opened their minds to understand the Scriptures.

And he said to them,

“Thus it is written that the Christ would suffer
and rise from the dead on the third day
and that repentance, for the forgiveness of sins,
would be preached in his name

to all the nations, beginning from Jerusalem.

You are witnesses of these things.”

PROFESSION OF FAITH

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.

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

Celebrant: My brothers and sisters, to the God of our ancestors who has glorified his servant Jesus, let us pray not only for our own needs but for the needs of the whole world...

That all with worldly authority who are determined to silence those who speak in the name of Jesus may have their minds opened through the power of the Holy Spirit, we pray to the Lord...

That those being called to become priests, religious, deacons or lay ministers may hear God's call and be faithful witnesses to his word, we pray to the Lord...

That our parish community of (add your parish name), may have minds that are open to understanding the Scriptures and eyes to seeing Christ's wounds in the wounds of others, we pray to the Lord...

That our first responders and military personnel may be protected and return healthy in body, mind, and spirit, and that those who do not return will live forever in God's kingdom, we pray to the Lord...

For those suffering from the corona virus to be healed, for our front line workers to remain healthy, and for the vaccine to successfully rid us of this pandemic, we pray to the Lord...

That those who have died, especially, those for whom this Mass is offered:

4:00 - Catherine Smith, Mona Barber, Richard Ryder, Gloria Hunt, Carol Harelson,
Sallie & Leo Nijoka, Jewel Buhler, Jay Graham, Charles Bourgeois,
Wayne Rogillio

8:00 – Linda Jarreau

10:00 – Mae & Adrian Kaiser

12:00 – Parishioners of St. Alphonsus living and deceased

will rejoice in God's eternal salvation in the risen Christ, we pray to the Lord. . .

In silence, we pray for our own needs and for the needs of others. . .

PRIEST: Forgiving God, you give new life beyond compare, hear our prayers, that we might live forever in your presence. We ask this through the Risen One, Jesus Christ our Lord. AMEN.

OFFERTORY

O God, You Search Me #581 All verses

Text: Based on Psalm 139; Bernadette Farrell, b. 1957 Tune: Bernadette Farrell, b. 1957 © 1992, Bernadette Farrell, Published by OCP.

Verse 1

O God, you search me and you know me.
All my thoughts lie open to your gaze.
When I walk or lie down you are before me:
Ever the maker and keeper of my days.

Verse 2

You know my resting and my rising.
You discern my purpose from afar,
And with love everlasting you besiege me:
In ev'ry moment of life or death, you are

Verse 3

Before a word is on my tongue, Lord,
You have known its meaning through and through.
You are with me beyond my understanding:
God of my present, my past and future, too.

Verse 4

Although your Spirit is upon me,
Still I search for shelter from your light.
There is nowhere on earth I can escape you:
Even the darkness is radiant in your sight.

Verse 5

For you created me and shaped me,
Gave me life within my mother's womb.
For the wonder of who I am, I praise you:
Safe in your hands, all creation is made new.

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COMMUNION HYMN

I Receive the Living God #916, all verses

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Refrain

I receive the living God, and my heart is full of joy.
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Verse 1

Jesus says: I am the Bread
Sent to you from God Most High.
Take and eat, and you will live;
You need never fear to die.

Verse 2

Jesus says: I am the Vine,
Far from whom no life can grow.
If you join yourself to me,
A rich harvest you will know.

Verse 3

Jesus says: I am the Way,
And my path is straight and true.
Follow me to where I lead;
There my Father waits for you.

Verse 4

Jesus says: I am the Truth.
If you follow close to me,
You will know me in your heart,
And my word will make you free.

Verse 5

Jesus says: I am the Life,
Raised in triumph from the dead.
As one Body now remain,
Members joined to me, the Head.

Verse 6

Jesus says: I am the Day,
Shining brightly through your night.
Welcome me, and you will walk
By the Spirit's guiding light.

Verse 7

Jesus says: I am the Love
Which can bind you close to me.
Those who know this gift I bring
Will find true community.

Verse 8

Jesus says: I am the Peace
Which the world cannot bestow.
Learn to love and live in me,
And in you my Reign will grow.

Verse 9

Jesus says: I am the Lamb,
And my death set sinners free.
Those who drink the cup I drink
Must take up this work with me.

RECESSIONAL

Sing With all the saints in Glory #539, vs. 1-3

Text: 1 Corinthians 15:20; William J. Irons, 1812-1883, alt.; tr. by Alberto Meruvia, b. 1919, © 2010, GIA Publications, Inc.

Verse 1

Sing with all the saints in glory,
Sing the resurrection song!
Death and sorrow, earth's dark story,
To the former days belong.
All around the clouds are breaking,
Soon the storms of time shall cease;
In God's likeness, we awaken,
Knowing everlasting peace.

Verse 2

O what glory, far exceeding
All that eye has yet perceived!
Holiest hearts, for ages pleading,
Never that full joy conceived.
God has promised, Christ prepares it,
There on high our welcome waits.
Ev'ry humble spirit shares it;
Christ has passed the eternal gates.

Verse 3

Life eternal! heav'n rejoices:
Jesus lives who once was dead;
Shout with joy, O deathless voices!
Child of God, lift up your head!
Patriarchs from distant ages,
Saints all longing for their heav'n,
Prophets, psalmists, seers, and sages,
All await the glory giv'n.

Gathering ~
The Summons

Verse 1

Will you come and follow Me
If I but call your name
Will you go where you don't know
And never be the same
Will you let My love be shown
Will you let My name be known
Will you let My life be grown
In you and you in Me

Verse 2

Will you leave yourself behind
If I but call your name
Will you care for cruel and kind
And never be the same
Will you risk the hostile stare
Should your life attract or scare
Will you let Me answer prayer
In you and you in Me

Responsorial Psalm

Lord, let your face shine on us

Consuming Fire

Words and Music by Tim Hughes
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Intro

There must be more than this
O breath of God come breathe within

Verse 1

There must be more than this
O breath of God come breathe within
There must be more than this
Spirit of God we wait for You
Fill us anew we pray
Fill us anew we pray

Chorus

Consuming fire fan into flame
A passion for Your name
Spirit of God would You fall in this place
Lord have Your way
Lord have Your way with us

Verse 2

Come like a rushing wind
Clothe us with power from on high
Now set the captives free
Leave us abandoned to Your praise
Lord let Your glory fall
Lord let Your glory fall

Communion ~ Love Came Down

Words and Music by Brian Johnson, Jenn Johnson, Jeremy Riddle, Ian McIntosh, and Jeremy Edwardson
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Offertory ~

Verse 1

If my heart is overwhelmed
And I cannot hear Your voice
I'll hold on to what is true though I cannot
see
If the storms of life they come
And the road ahead gets steep
I will lift these hands in faith I will believe

Pre-Chorus

I'll remind myself of all that You've done
And the life I have because of Your Son

Chorus

Love came down and rescued me
Love came down and set me free
And I am Yours I am forever Yours
Mountain high or valley low
I sing out remind my soul
That I am Yours I am forever Yours

Verse 2

When my heart is filled with hope
And ev'ry promise comes my way
When I feel Your hands of grace rest upon
me
Staying desp'rate for You God
Staying humbled at Your feet
I will lift these hands and praise I will
believe

Verse 1

Longing for light, we wait in darkness;
Longing for truth, we turn to You.
Make us your own, your holy people,
Light for the world to see

Chorus

Christ, be our light! Shine in our hearts,
Shine through the darkness
Christ, be our light! Shine in your church,
Gathered today

Verse 2

Longing for peace, our world is troubled,
Longing for hope, many despair
Your word alone has power to save us
Make us your living voice

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Recessional ~ Christ Be Our Light

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