

# SOLEMN CHORAL EVENSONG



SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER | ROGATION SUNDAY  
ACCORDING TO *DIVINE WORSHIP: DAILY OFFICE*

MAY 22, 2022

ST. GREGORY THE GREAT CHURCH  
MARY, MOTHER OF GOD PARISH | CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

## ROGATION SUNDAY - MAY 22, 2022

### *Entrance Hymn, For the Beauty of the Earth*

William Chatterton Dix (1837-1898)

For the beauty of the earth,  
For the glory of the skies,  
For the love which from our birth  
Over and around us lies.

*Refrain:* Lord of all to Thee we raise  
This our hymn of grateful praise.

For the wonder of each hour,  
Of the day and of the night,  
Hill and vale, and tree and flower,  
Sun and moon, and stars of light. *Refrain.*

For the joy of human love,  
Brother, sister, parent, child,  
Friends on earth and friends above,  
For all gentle thoughts and mild. *Refrain.*

For the church, that evermore  
Leftish holy hands above,  
Offering up on every shore  
Her pure sacrifice of love. *Refrain.*

For Thyself, best Gift Divine.  
To our race so freely given,  
For that great, great love of Thine,  
Peace on earth and joy in Heaven. *Refrain.*

### PRECES

*All sign the Sign of the Cross on their lips with the right thumb, and then again in the usual manner during the following versicles.*

*Officiant* ✠ O Lord, open thou our lips.

*People* And our mouth shall show forth thy praise.

*Officiant* ✠ O God, make speed to save us.

*People* O Lord, make haste to help us.

*Officiant* Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost:

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

*Officiant* Praise ye the Lord.

*People* The Lord's Name be praised.

*The following hymn is said or sung.*

### *Phos hilaron. Hail Gladdening Light*

John Stainer (1840-1901)



## PSALMS

*The Psalms follow, all sitting, then standing and bowing at the final Glory be.*

### PSALM 34. *Benedicam Dominum.*

I WILL always give thanks unto the Lord; \* his praise shall ever be in my mouth.  
2 My soul shall make her boast in the Lord; \* the humble shall hear thereof, and be glad.  
3 O praise the Lord with me, \* and let us magnify his Name together.  
4 I sought the Lord, and he heard me; \* yea, he delivered me out of all my fear.  
5 They had an eye unto him, and were lightened; \* and their faces were not ashamed.  
6 Lo, the poor crieth, and the Lord heareth him; \* yea, and saveth him out of all his troubles.  
7 The angel of the Lord tarrieth round about them that fear him, \* and delivereth them.  
8 O taste, and see, how gracious the Lord is: \* blessed is the man that trusteth in him.  
9 O fear the Lord, ye that are his saints; \* for they that fear him lack nothing.  
10 The lions do lack, and suffer hunger; \*  
    but they who seek the Lord shall want no manner of thing that is good.  
11 Come, ye children, and hearken unto me; \* I will teach you the fear of the Lord.  
12 What man is he that lusteth to live, \* and would fain see good days?  
13 Keep thy tongue from evil, \* and thy lips, that they speak no guile.  
14 Eschew evil, and do good; \* seek peace, and ensue it.  
15 The eyes of the Lord are over the righteous, \* and his ears are open unto their prayers.  
16 The countenance of the Lord is against them that do evil, \*  
    to root out the remembrance of them from the earth.  
17 The righteous cry, and the Lord heareth them, \* and delivereth them out of all their troubles.  
18 The Lord is nigh unto them that are of a contrite heart, \* and will save such as be of an  
    humble spirit.  
19 Great are the troubles of the righteous; \* but the Lord delivereth him out of all.  
20 He keepeth all his bones, \* so that not one of them is broken.  
21 But misfortune shall slay the ungodly; \* and they that hate the righteous shall be desolate.  
22 The Lord delivereth the souls of his servants; \* and all they that put their trust in him shall  
    not be destitute.  
GLORY.

## LESSONS AND CANTICLES

*Then follows, all sitting:*

### THE FIRST LESSON

*Deuteronomy 28:1-14*

A Lesson from the Book of Deuteronomy.

“And if you obey the voice of the LORD your God, being careful to do all his commandments which I command you this day, the LORD your God will set you high above all the nations of the earth. And all these blessings shall come upon you and overtake you, if you obey the voice of the LORD your God. Blessed shall you be in the city, and blessed shall you be in the field. Blessed shall be the fruit of your body, and the fruit of your ground, and the fruit of your beasts, the increase of your cattle, and the young of your flock. Blessed shall be your basket and your kneading-trough. Blessed shall you be when you come in, and blessed shall you be when you go out.

“The LORD will cause your enemies who rise against you to be defeated before you; they shall come out against you one way, and flee before you seven ways. The LORD will command the blessing upon you in your barns, and in all that you undertake; and he will bless you in the land which the LORD your God gives you. The LORD will establish you as a people holy to himself, as he has sworn to you, if you keep the commandments of the LORD your God, and walk in his ways. And all the peoples of the earth shall see that you are called by the name of the LORD; and they shall be afraid of you. And the LORD will make you abound in prosperity, in the fruit of your body, and in the fruit of your cattle, and in the fruit of your ground, within the land which the LORD swore to your fathers to give you. The LORD will open to you his good treasury the heavens, to give the rain of your land in its season and to bless all the work of your hands; and you shall lend to many nations, but you shall not borrow. And the LORD will make you the head, and not the tail; and you shall tend upward only, and not downward; if you obey the commandments of the LORD your God, which I command you this day, being careful to do them, and if you do not turn aside from any of the words which I command you this day, to the right hand or to the left, to go after other gods to serve them.

Here endeth the Lesson.

*Then follows, all standing:*

*Antiphon.* If a man love me, he will keep my words, and my Father will love him: \* and we will come unto him and abide with him, alleluia.

*Magnificat, The Song of Mary*

Thomas Weelkes (1576-1623)

*Luke 1:46-55*

*Antiphon.* If a man love me, he will keep my words, and my Father will love him: \* and we will come unto him and abide with him, alleluia.

*Then follows, all sitting:*

THE SECOND LESSON

*Mark 4:1-20*

A Lesson from the Holy Gospel according to St. Mark.

Again he began to teach beside the sea. And a very large crowd gathered about him, so that he got into a boat and sat in it on the sea; and the whole crowd was beside the sea on the land. And he taught them many things in parables, and in his teaching he said to them:

"Listen! A sower went out to sow. And as he sowed, some seed fell along the path, and the birds came and devoured it. Other seed fell on rocky ground, where it had not much soil, and immediately it sprang up, since it had no depth of soil; and when the sun rose it was scorched, and since it had no root it withered away. Other seed fell among thorns and the thorns grew up and choked it, and it yielded no grain. And other seeds fell into good soil and brought forth grain, growing up and increasing and yielding thirtyfold and sixtyfold and a hundredfold."

And he said, "He who has ears to hear, let him hear."

And when he was alone, those who were about him with the twelve asked him concerning the parables.

And he said to them, "To you has been given the secret of the kingdom of God, but for those outside everything is in parables; so that they may indeed see but not perceive, and may indeed hear but not understand; lest they should turn again, and be forgiven."

And he said to them, "Do you not understand this parable? How then will you understand all the parables? The sower sows the word. And these are the ones along the path, where the word is sown; when they hear, Satan immediately comes and takes away the word which is sown in them. And these in like manner are the ones sown upon rocky ground, who, when they hear the

word, immediately receive it with joy; and they have no root in themselves, but endure for a while; then, when tribulation or persecution arises on account of the word, immediately they fall away. And others are the ones sown among thorns; they are those who hear the word, but the cares of the world, and the delight in riches, and the desire for other things, enter in and choke the word, and it proves unfruitful. But those that were sown upon the good soil are the ones who hear the word and accept it and bear fruit, thirtyfold and sixtyfold and a hundredfold."

Here endeth the Lesson.

*Then follows, all standing:*

*Antiphon.* Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

**Nunc dimittis, The Song of Simeon**

Thomas Weelkes (1576-1623)

*Luke 2:29-32*

LORD, ✠ now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace, according to thy word; For mine eyes have seen thy salvation, which thou hast prepared before the face of all people, To be a light to lighten the Gentiles, and to be the glory of thy people Israel.

GLORY.

*Antiphon.* Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

#### THE APOSTLES' CREED

*Officiant and People together, all standing.*

I BELIEVE in God, the Father Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth;

And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,  
born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, dead, and buried:

He descended into hell;

The third day he rose again from the dead;

He ascended into heaven,

and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty.

From thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost;

the holy Catholic Church;

the communion of saints;

the forgiveness of sins;

the resurrection of the body;

✠ and the life everlasting. Amen.

WELCOME

*Rev. Richard Kramer*

**The Anthem, My Soul, There is a Country**

Hubert Parry (1848-1918)

## THE GREAT LITANY

*The Officiant then begins the procession, saying:*

*Officiant:* Let us proceed in peace.

*People:* In the Name of Christ. Amen.

*Then the Officiant begins the Litany (Clergy and servers in procession, the People standing).*

O God the Father, Creator of heaven and earth,

*Have mercy upon us.*

O God the Son, Redeemer of the world,

*Have mercy upon us.*

O God the Holy Ghost, Sanctifier of the faithful,

*Have mercy upon us.*

O holy, blessed, and glorious Trinity, three persons and one God,

*Have mercy upon us.*



Have mer-cy up-on us.

Saint Mary, Mother of God our Lord Jesus Christ,

*Pray for us.*

All holy Angels and Archangels, and all holy Orders of blessed Spirits,

*Pray for us.*

All holy Patriarchs and Prophets; Apostles, Martyrs, Confessors and Virgins; and the blessed Company of Heaven,

*Pray for us.*



Pray for us.

Remember not, Lord our offenses, nor the offenses of our forefathers.

Spare us, good Lord, spare thy people, whom thou hast redeemed with thy most precious blood, (and be not angry with us for ever).

*Spare us, good Lord.*



Spare us, good Lord.

From all evil and mischief; from sin; from the crafts and assaults of the devil; from thy wrath; and from everlasting damnation,

*Good Lord, deliver us.*

From all blindness of heart; from pride, vainglory, and hypocrisy; from envy, hatred, and malice; and from all uncharitableness,

*Good Lord, deliver us.*

From all inordinate and sinful affections; and from all the deceits of the world, the flesh, and the devil,

*Good Lord, deliver us.*

From all false doctrine, heresy, and schism; from hardness of heart, and contempt of thy Word and commandment,

*Good Lord, deliver us.*

From lightning and tempest; from earthquake, fire, and flood; from plague, pestilence, and famine,

*Good Lord, deliver us.*

From all sedition, privy conspiracy, and rebellion; from violence, battle, and murder; and from dying suddenly and unprepared,

*Good Lord, deliver us.*

By the mystery of thy holy Incarnation; by thy holy Nativity and Circumcision; by thy Baptism, Fasting, and Temptation,

*Good Lord, deliver us.*

By thine Agony and Bloody Sweat; by thy Cross and Passion; by thy precious Death and Burial; by thy glorious Resurrection and Ascension; and by the Coming of the Holy Ghost,



Good Lord, de-liv-er us.

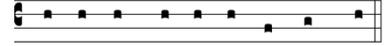
*Good Lord, deliver us.*

In all time of our tribulation; in all time of our prosperity; in the hour of death, and in the day of judgment,

*Good Lord, deliver us.*

We sinners do beseech thee to hear us, O Lord God; and that it may please thee to rule and govern thy holy Church Universal in the right way,

*We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.*



That it may please thee to bless Francis our Pope, and Steven our Bishop,

*We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.*

We be-seech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to illuminate all Bishops, Priests, and Deacons, and all Ministers of thy Church, with true knowledge and understanding of thy Word; and that both by their preaching and living, they may set it forth, and show it accordingly,

*We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.*

That it may please thee to bless and keep all thy people,

*We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.*

That it may please thee to send forth laborers into thy harvest,

*We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.*

That it may please thee to give to all people increase of grace to hear meekly thy Word, and to receive it with pure affection, and to bring forth the fruits of the Spirit,

*We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.*

That it may please thee to bring into the way of truth all such as have erred, and are deceived,

*We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.*

That it may please thee to give us an heart to love and fear thee, and diligently to live after thy commandments,

*We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.*

That it may please thee to strengthen such as do stand; and to comfort and help the weak-hearted; and to raise up those who fall; and finally to beat down Satan under our feet,

*We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.*

That it may please thee so to rule the hearts of thy servants, the President of the United States, and all others in authority, that they may above all things seek thy honor and glory,

*We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.*

That it may please thee to guide all Judges and Magistrates, giving them grace to execute justice, and to maintain truth,

*We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.*

That it may please thee to bless and keep our country's forces by sea, and land, and air, and to shield them in all dangers and adversities.

*We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.*

That it may please thee to give to all nations unity, peace, and concord,

*We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.*

That it may please thee to show thy pity upon all prisoners and captives, all who are in want, and all who are desolate and oppressed,

*We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.*

That it may please thee to give and preserve to our use the kindly fruits of the earth, so that in due time we may enjoy them,

*We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.*

That it may please thee to preserve, and provide for, all women in childbirth, all infirm persons, and young children; and all who and to defend all widows and orphans,

*We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.*

That it may please thee to preserve all who are in peril by reason of their labor or their travel,

*We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.*

That it may please thee to succour, help, and comfort, all who are in danger, necessity, and tribulation,

*We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.*



We be-seech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to have mercy upon all men,

*We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.*

That it may please thee to give us true repentance; to forgive us all our sins, negligences, and ignorances; and to endue us with the grace of thy Holy Spirit to amend our lives according to thy Holy Word,

*We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.*

That it may please thee to forgive our enemies, persecutors, and slanderers, and to turn their hearts,

*We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.*

That it may please thee to grant that, by the intercession of Blessed Mary ever-Virgin, Blessed Michael the Archangel, Blessed John the Baptist, the Holy Apostles Peter and Paul, St. Gregory the Great, Albert the Great, Martin de Porres, John Bosco, Ignatius of Loyola, Anthony Claret, Gregory VII, Christopher, Camillus de Lellis, Pius V, Pius X, Agatha, Lucie, Teresa of Avila, Francis Xavier Cabrini, Catherine Laboure, Therese of Lisieux, John Vianny, Bernadette Soubirous, Euphrasia and of all thy Saints, we may finally attain to thy heavenly kingdom,

*We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.*

That it may please thee to grant to all the faithful departed eternal rest and perpetual light,

*We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.*

Son of God, we beseech thee to hear us.

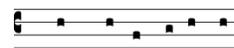
*Son of God, we beseech thee to hear us.*



Son of God, we be-seech thee to hear us.

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,

*Have mercy upon us.*



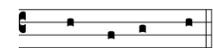
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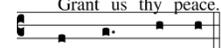
*Grant us thy peace.*



Grant us thy peace.

O Christ, hear us.

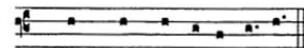
*O Christ, hear us.*



O Christ, hear us.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

*Christ, have mercy upon us.*



Lord, have mer-cy up-on us.  
Christ, have mer-cy up-on us.  
Lord, have mer-cy up-on us.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

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. Amen.

*Then the Officiant shall say the Collect of the Day.*

O LORD, from whom all good things do come: grant to us thy humble servants; that by thy holy inspiration we may think those things that be good, and by thy merciful guiding may perform the same; through Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, ever one God, world without end. Amen.

*Following the Collect, the Officiant proceeds to the Supplication.*

A SUPPLICATION

*Officiant and People:* O Lord, arise, help us, and deliver us for thy Name's sake.

*Officiant:* O God, we have heard with our ears, and our fathers have declared unto us, the noble works that thou didst in their days, and in the old time before them.

*People:* O Lord, arise, help us, and deliver us for thine honour.

*Officiant:* Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit;

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

*Officiant and People:* O Lord, arise, help us, and deliver us for thy Name's sake.

*Officiant:* From our enemies defend us, O Christ;

*People:* Graciously look upon our afflictions.

*Officiant:* Pitifully behold the sorrows of our hearts;

*People:* Mercifully forgive the sins of thy people.

*Officiant:* Favourably with mercy hear our prayers;

*People:* O Son of David, have mercy upon us.

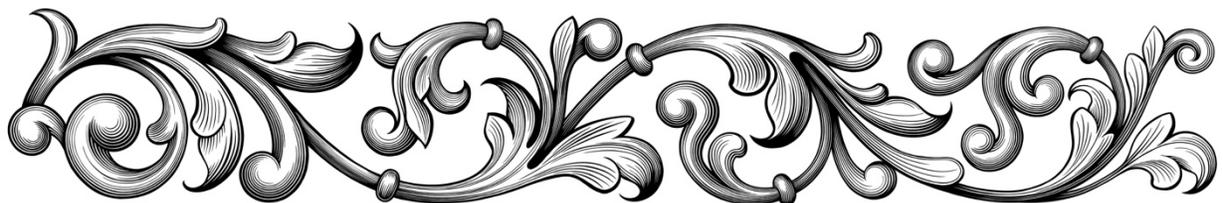
*Officiant:* Both now and ever vouchsafe to hear us, O Christ;

*People:* Graciously hear us, O Christ; graciously hear us, O Lord Christ.

*The Officiant then concludes the Litany as follows:*

ALMIGHTY God, who hast given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplications unto thee; and dost promise that when two or three are gathered together in thy Name thou wilt grant their requests: fulfil now, O Lord, the desires and petitions of thy servants, as may be most expedient for them; granting us in this world knowledge of thy truth, and in the world to come life everlasting. *Amen.*

✠ The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with us all evermore. *Amen.*



*All stand and sing together the Regina Caeli.*



VI  
R E-gína cæ-li \* lætá-re, alle-lú-ia: Qui- a quem me-  
ru- ísti portá-re, alle-lú-ia: Re-surré-xit, sic-ut di-xit,  
alle- lú-ia: O- ra pro no-bis De- um, alle-lú- ia.

**V.** Rejoice and be glad, O Virgin Mary, alleluia.

**R.** For the Lord is risen indeed, alleluia.

Let us pray.

O GOD, who, by the Resurrection of thy Son Jesus Christ didst vouchsafe to give gladness unto the world: grant we beseech thee, that we, being holpen by the Virgin Mary, his Mother, may attain unto the joys of everlasting life; through the same Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

**Retiring Hymn, The Day Thou gavest**

Saint Clement

The day Though gavest, Lord, is ended,  
The darkness falls at Thy behest;  
To Thee our morning hymns ascended,  
Thy praise shall sanctify our rest.

We thank Thee that Thy church, unsleeping,  
While earth rolls onward into light,  
Through all the world her watch is keeping,  
And rests not now by day or night

As o'er each continent and island  
The dawn leads on another day,  
The voice of prayer is never silent,  
Nor dies the strain of praise away.

The sun that bids us rest is waking  
Our brethren 'neath the western sky,  
And hour by hour fresh lips are making  
Thy wondrous doings heard on high.

So be it, Lord; Thy throne shall never,  
Like earth's proud empires, pass away:  
Thy kingdom stands, and grows forever,  
Till all Thy creatures own Thy sway

*Please join us for a reception in the parish social hall located at the corner of Gregory and Ashland.*

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### **About the Ordinariate of the Chair of Saint Peter**

The Ordinariate exists for those who are and who will be coming into full communion with the Catholic Church. Through the reverence and beauty of our worship, study of sacred Scripture and charity for those in need, we desire to share the joy of being Roman Catholic!

With respect and gratitude for the Anglican heritage that nourished us, we seek to build bridges with all our brothers and sisters who are drawn to the Church, so that we might build up the one Body of Christ.

Our mission is particularly experienced in our celebration of liturgy, which features Anglican traditions of worship while conforming to Catholic doctrinal, sacramental and liturgical standards. Through *Divine Worship: The Missal* – the liturgy that unites the Ordinariates throughout the English-speaking world – we share our distinctive commitment to praising God in the eloquence of the Anglican liturgical patrimony and Prayer Book English.

In addition, the founding documents of the Personal Ordinariate make clear that it is intended to be an instrument of Catholic unity: an opportunity to model what the future reconciliation of separated Christian communities could be. We wish to fulfill the Holy Father's vision for Christian unity, in which diverse expressions of one faith are joined together in the Church.

### **About St. Gregory's Hall: A Home for Catholic Culture**

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*The Procession of St. Gregory to the Castel Sant' Angelo, Giovanni di Paolo (ca. 1465-1470)*



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