

Diocese of Kansas City- St. Joseph
ORDINATION OF DEACONS



Whoever serves me must follow me, and where I am, there also will my servant be.
The Father will honor whoever serves me.
John 12:26

Most Reverend James V. Johnston, Jr., D.D.
Bishop of Kansas City-St. Joseph

Saturday, June 20, 2026
10:00 a.m.

The Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception
Kansas City, Missouri

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Liturgical Ministers

CELEBRANT

*Most Reverend James V. Johnston, Jr., D.D.
Bishop of Kansas City— St. Joseph*

EMCEES

Deacon Doug Warrens, Deacon Jim Hall, Deacon Jim Olshefski, Bill Blankenship

DEACONS

Deacon Richard Isaacks, Deacon Carl Johnson, Deacon Juan Rodriguez

READERS

Candace Villanueva-Greer, Lisa Bongers

OFFERTORY GIFT BEARERS

*Lisa Bongers, Amy Davis, Mary Meacham, Barb Simpson
(A rose is carried in the procession in memory of Roger Villanueva's wife, Mary Ann Villanueva)*

MUSIC MINISTRY

Conductor: Maria Milazzo

Choir: Members of Diocesan Parish Music Ministries

Psalmist: Benjamin Bongers

Cantor: Maria Barbara McAndrews

Organist: Dr. Mario Pearson



Prelude

Congregation please remain seated

The Summons

1. Will you come and fol - low me If I but
2. Will you leave your - self be - hind If I but
3. Will you let the blind - ed see If I but
4. Will you love the 'you' you hide If I but
5. Lord, your sum - mons ech - oes true When you but

call your name? Will you go where
call your name? Will you care for
call your name? Will you set the
call your name? Will you quell the
call my name. Let me turn and

you don't know And nev - er be the same?
cruel and kind And nev - er be the same?
pris - 'ners free And nev - er be the same?
fear in - side And nev - er be the same?
fol - low you And nev - er be the same.

Will you let my love be shown, Will you
Will you risk the hos - tile stare Should your
Will you kiss the lep - er clean, And do
Will you use the faith you've found To re -
In your com - pa - ny I'll go Where your

let my name be known, Will you let my
life at - tract or scare? Will you let me
such as this un - seen, And ad - mit to
shape the world a - round, Through my sight and
love and foot - steps show. Thus I'll move and

life be grown In you and you in me?
an - swer prayer In you and you in me?
what I mean In you and you in me?
touch and sound In you and you in me?
live and grow In you and you in me.



Choir Prelude

Lead me, Lord | *Sebastian Wesley*

Lead me, Lord,
lead me in thy righteousness;
make thy way plain before my face.
For it is thou, Lord, thou, Lord, only,
that makest me dwell in safety.

Teach me, Lord,
teach me truly how to live,
that I may come to know thee,
and in thy presence serve thee with gladness,
and sing songs of praise to thy glory.



PROCESSIONAL HYMN

(Please stand)



All 1. O God, be-yond all prais-ing, we wor-ship you to -
Choir 2. The flow'r of earth-ly splen-dor in time must sure-ly
All 3. Then hear, O gra-cious Sav-ior, ac-cept the love we



day and sing the love a-maz-ing that songs can-not re-
die, its frag-ile bloom sur-ren-der to you, the Lord most
bring, that we who know your fa-vor may serve you as our



pay; for we can on-ly won-der at ev-'ry gift you
high; but hid-den from all na-ture the e-ter-nal seed is
King; and wheth-er our to-mor-rows be filled with good or



send, at bless-ings with-out num-ber and
sown— though small in mor-tal stat-ure, to
ill, we'll tri-umph through our sor-rows and



mer-cies with-out end: we lift our hearts be-
heav-en's gar-den grown: for Christ the man from
rise to praise you still: to mar-vel at your



fore you and wait up-on your word, we
heav-en from death has set us free, and
beau-ty and glo-ry in your ways, and



hon-or and a-dore you, our great and might-y Lord.
we through him are giv-en the fi-nal vic-to-ry.
make a joy-ful du-ty our sac-ri-fice of praise.



GREETING

PENITENTIAL ACT

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,
(Striking the breast)
through my fault, through my fault,
through my most grievous fault;
therefore I ask the blessed Mary ever-Virgin,
all the Angels and Saints,
and you, my brothers and sisters,
to pray for me to the Lord our God

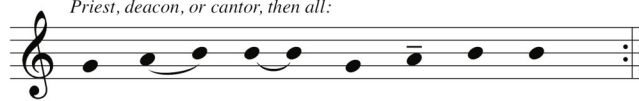
KÝRIE

Priest, deacon, or cantor, then all:



Ký - ri - e, e - lé - i - son. Chri - ste, e - lé - i - son.

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GLORIA

I (Cantor or choir)
Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and on earth peace to peo-ple of good will.

II (Assembly) I
We praise you, we bless you, we a-dore you, we glo-ri-fy you,
II
we give you thanks for your great glo-ry, Lord God, heav'n-ly King,
I
O God, al-might-y Fa-ther. Lord Je-sus Christ,
II
On-ly Be-got-ten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Fa-ther,
II
you take a-way the sins of the world, have mer-cy on us;
I
you take a-way the sins of the world, re-ceive our prayer;
II
you are seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa-ther,
I
have mer-cy on us. For you a-lone are the Ho-ly One,
II
you a-lone are the Lord, you a-lone are the Most High, Je-sus Christ,
II *Slower*
with the Ho-ly Spir-it, in the glo-ry of God the Fa-ther. A-men.

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COLLECT

Liturgy of the Word

FIRST READING Jeremiah 1:4-9

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Refrain

Go out to the world and teach all na - tions.

Go out to the world. Al-le - lu - ia, al-le - lu - ia.

Text: *Lectionary for Mass*, © 1969, 1981, 1997, ICEL
Music: Ronald F. Krisman, © 1982, GIA Publications, Inc.

Verses

O sing a new song to the LORD; sing to the LORD, all the earth. O sing to the LORD; bless his name. <i>R.</i>	and his wonders among all the peoples. <i>R.</i> Say to the nations, "The LORD is king." The world he made firm in its place; he will judge the peoples in fairness. <i>R.</i>
Proclaim his salvation day by day. Tell among the nations his glory,	

Text: Psalm 96:1-2, 2-3, 10, *The Revised Grail Psalms*, © 2010, Conception Abbey and The Grail, admin. by GIA Publications, Inc.
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SECOND READING Acts 6:1-7b

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



Music: *Festival Alleluia*, James J. Chepponis, © 1999, Morningstar Music Publishers

GOSPEL John 15:9-17

Please remain standing until the Deacon presents the Book of the Gospels to the Bishop.



The Candidates



Jay Meacham



Eric Davis



Rogelio Villanueva



Rodney Simpson



Benjamin Bongers



Rite of Ordination

The congregation remains standing.

THE ELECTION OF THE CANDIDATES

*The candidates are presented to the Bishop, who addresses several questions to them.
At the conclusion, the Bishop addresses all present:*

Bishop: Relying on the help of the Lord God and our Savior Jesus Christ, we choose these our brothers for the Order of the Diaconate.

All: **Thanks be to God.** *(Applause)*

The congregation is seated.

HOMILY

PROMISES OF THE ELECT



LITANY OF SUPPLICATION *(Please Kneel)*

Cantor: Lord, have mer - cy,
Christ, have mer - cy.
Lord, have mer - cy.

All: Lord, have mer - cy.
Christ, have mer - cy.
Lord, have mer - cy.

Cantor: Holy Mary, Mother of God,
through
All holy men and wo - men,

All: Pray for us.

Cantor: Lord, be mer - ci - ful,
etc.

All: Lord, de - liv - er us, we pray.

Cantor: Be merciful to us sin - ners,
etc.

All: Lord, we ask you, hear our prayer.

Cantor: Christ, hear us.

All: Christ, hear us.

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

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

Please Stand



LAYING ON OF HANDS AND PRAYER OF ORDINATION

VESTING

Benjamin Bongers is vested by Deacon Doug Warrens

Eric Davis is vested by Deacon Richard Isaacks

Jay Meacham is vested by Fr. William Oulvey, SJ

Rodney Simpson is vested by Father Matthew Brumleve

Rogelio Villanueva is vested by Deacon Thomas Greer, Sr.

Bless - ed, bless - ed are they who dwell in your house, O Lord.

THE HANDING ON OF THE BOOK OF THE GOSPELS



FRATERNAL KISS

The congregation is seated

The Servant Song

Richard Gillard



1., 6. Will you let me be your ser - vant, Let me be as
2. We are pil - grims on a jour - ney, We are trav - 'lers
3. I will hold the Christ - light for you In the night - time
4. I will weep when you are weep - ing; When you laugh I'll
5. When we sing to God in heav - en We shall find such



Christ to you; Pray that I may have the grace to
on the road; We are here to help each oth - er
of your fear; I will hold my hand out to you,
laugh with you. I will share your joy and sor - row
har - mo - ny, Born of all we've known to - geth - er



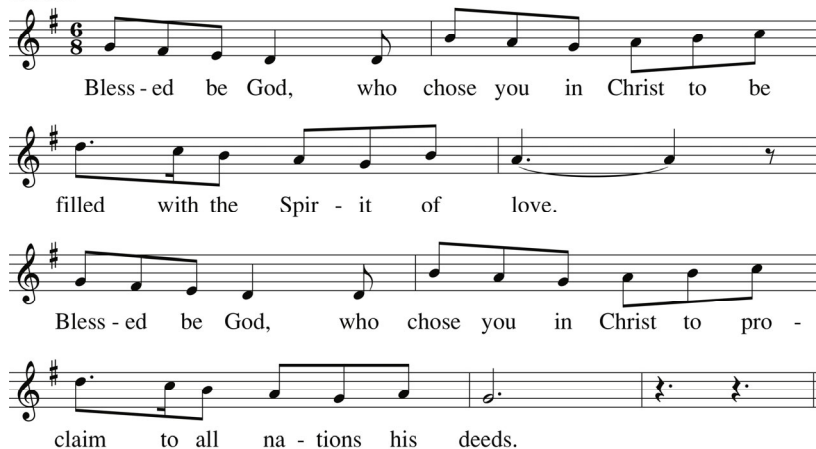
Let you be my ser - vant, too.
Walk the mile and bear the load.
Speak the peace you long to hear.
'Til we've seen this jour - ney through.
Of Christ's love and ag - o - ny.



Liturgy of the Eucharist

Blessed Be God, Who Chose You in Christ

Refrain



Bless - ed be God, who chose you in Christ to be
filled with the Spir - it of love.
Bless - ed be God, who chose you in Christ to pro -
claim to all na - tions his deeds.

Verses

1. We come to you, Lord Jesus.
You have called us to new life,
as children of the Father, and one in you.

The cantor concludes each verse:

Send forth your Holy Spirit, renew the face of the earth.



All: Re - new the face of the earth. **D.C.**

2. From all who have been baptized in water and the Holy Spirit,
you have formed one people,
united in your Son, Jesus Christ.
Send forth...
3. Come and set us free, and fill our hearts
with the Spirit of your love,
that we may live in your peace.
Send forth...
4. You call those who have been baptized
to announce the Good News of Jesus Christ
to people ev'rywhere.
Send forth...

Text: Adapted from the *Rite of Baptism*, James J. Chepponis, b.1956
Tune: James J. Chepponis, b.1956
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HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

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

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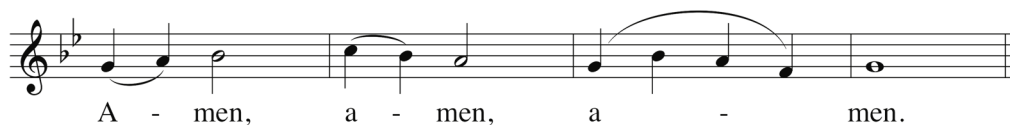
MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION B

When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup, we pro -
claim your Death, O Lord, un - til you come a - gain.

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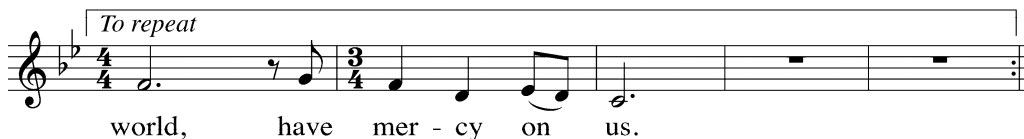
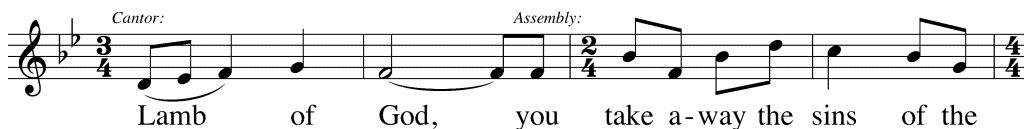


AMEN



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Lamb of God



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GUIDELINES FOR RECEIVING HOLY COMMUNION

FOR CATHOLICS

As Catholics, we fully participate in the celebration of the Eucharist when we receive Holy Communion. We are encouraged to receive Communion devoutly and frequently. In order to be properly disposed to receive Communion, participants should not be conscious of grave sin and normally should have fasted for one hour. A person who is conscious of grave sin is not to receive the Body and Blood of the Lord without prior sacramental confession except for a grave reason where there is no opportunity for confession. In this case, the person is to be mindful of the obligation to make an act of perfect contrition, including the intention of confessing as soon as possible (canon 916). A frequent reception of the Sacrament of Penance is encouraged for all.

FOR OUR FELLOW CHRISTIANS

We welcome our fellow Christians to this celebration of the Eucharist as our brothers and sisters. We pray that our common baptism and the action of the Holy Spirit in this Eucharist will draw us closer to one another and begin to dispel the sad divisions which separate us. We pray that these will lessen and finally disappear, in keeping with Christ's prayer for us "that they may all be one" (Jn 17:21). Because Catholics believe that the celebration of the Eucharist is a sign of the reality of the oneness of faith, life, and worship, members of those churches with whom we are not yet fully united are ordinarily not admitted to Holy Communion. Eucharistic sharing in exceptional circumstances by other Christians requires permission according to the directives of the diocesan bishop and the provisions of canon law (canon 844 §4). Members of the Orthodox Churches, the Assyrian Church of the East, and the Polish National Catholic Church are urged to respect the discipline of their own Churches. According to Roman Catholic discipline, the Code of Canon Law does not object to the reception of Communion by Christians of these Churches (canon 844 §3).

FOR THOSE NOT RECEIVING HOLY COMMUNION

All who are not receiving Holy Communion are encouraged to express in their hearts a prayerful desire for unity with the Lord Jesus and with one another.

FOR NON-CHRISTIANS

We also welcome to this celebration those who do not share our faith in Jesus Christ. While we cannot admit them to Holy Communion, we ask them to offer their prayers for the peace and the unity of the human family.

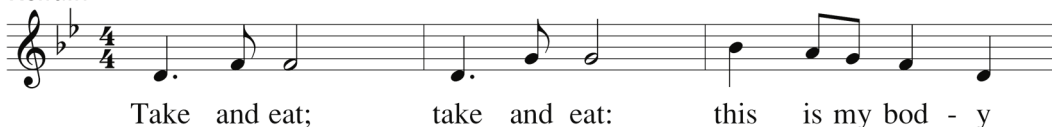
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COMMUNION

Take and Eat

Refrain



1. I am the Word that spoke and light was made;
I am the seed that died to be reborn;
I am the bread that comes from heav'n above;
I am the vine that fills your cup with joy.
2. I am the way that leads the exile home;
I am the truth that sets the captive free;
I am the life that raises up the dead;
I am your peace, true peace my gift to you.
3. I am the Lamb that takes away your sin;
I am the gate that guards you night and day;
You are my flock: you know the shepherd's voice;
You are my own: your ransom is my blood.
4. I am the cornerstone that God has laid;
A chosen stone and precious in his eyes;
You are God's dwelling place, on me you rest;
Like living stones, a temple for God's praise.
5. I am the light that came into the world;
I am the light that darkness cannot hide;
I am the morning star that never sets;
Lift up your face, in you my light will shine.
6. I am the first and last, the Living One;
I am the Lord who died that you might live;
I am the bridegroom, this my wedding song;
You are my bride, come to the marriage feast.

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Eat This Bread

Refrain

Eat this bread, drink this cup, come to me and nev-er be hun-gry.

Eat this bread, drink this cup, trust in me and you will not thirst.

Text: John 6; adapt. by Robert J. Batastini, b.1942, and the Taizé Community
Tune: Jacques Berthier, 1923-1994

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THANKSGIVING MOTET

I have Chosen You | *James Chepponis*

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

The Concluding Rites

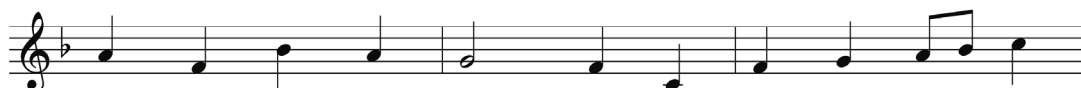


RECESSIONAL

To Jesus Christ, Our Sovereign King



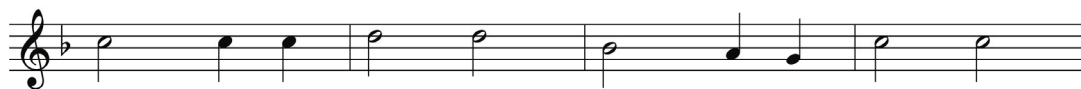
1. To Je - sus Christ, our sov - 'reign King, Who
2. Your reign ex - tend, O King be - nign, To
3. To you and to your Church, great King, We



is the world's sal - va - tion, All praise and hom - age
ev - 'ry land and na - tion; For in your king - dom,
pledge our hearts' ob - la - tion Un - til be - fore your



do we bring And thanks and ad - o - ra - tion.
Lord di - vine, A - lone we find sal - va - tion.
throne we sing In end - less ju - bi - la - tion.



Christ Je - sus, Vic - tor! Christ Je - sus, Rul - er!



Christ Je - sus, Lord and Re - deem - er!

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Fr. Donnelly Hall
in the Cathedral's Bishop Hogan Center.





The diocesan coat of arms for the Catholic Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph is made up of a miter, lilies, a bear, a cross and a crescent. The miter is worn by the bishop and signifies the bishop. Each side is guarded by the lilies of St. Joseph. The bear is from the seal of the state of Missouri. The cross is a symbol of the Catholic Faith. The Crescent represents Mary, under her title as the Immaculate Conception, for which the Cathedral is named.



The Coat of Arms of His Excellency
The Most Rev. James V. Johnston, Jr., D.D., J.C.L.,
7th Bishop of Kansas City – Saint Joseph

Episcopal Motto:
“CARITAS CHRISTI URGET NOS.”

This phrase is taken from Saint Paul’s Second Letter to the Corinthians (2 Cor. 5:14) and expresses the bishop’s firm belief that in every aspect of our life in Christ, as members of His Mystical Body, in all of our thoughts and actions, it is “the Love of Christ that urges us on.” The motto is also an encouragement for all Christians during this earthly pilgrimage.