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Parish Office Hours:

Sunday 7:30am-1:30pm

Monday—Thursday 9:00am-5:00pm

Closed for lunch from 12:00pm-1:00pm on weekdays

Friday-Saturday Closed

Religious Education

Youth Group Mondays, 6:30pm-8pm

OCIA Mondays, 6pm-7:30pm

K-6 Catechesis Wednesdays, 4pm or 6pm

Palm Sunday

March 24, 2024



Liturgy Schedule

Saturday Vigil Mass

4:00pm

Sunday Masses

7:00am, 9:00am, 11:00am, 5:00pm

Daily Masses

Monday-Saturday, 8:00am

Adoration & Reconciliation

Eucharistic Adoration

1:00pm-4:00pm

Reconciliation

Wednesdays 12:00pm-1:00pm

Fridays 5:00pm-6:00pm

Saturdays 2:30pm-3:30pm

Sacraments

For more information on the Sacraments of Baptism or Marriage, and what is needed to complete your sacraments, please contact Pastoral Care Coordinator Joe Lukaszewski. For all other Sacraments, please contact Director of Religious Education, Sarah Camplese.

Ministry of Care

If you are homebound, hospitalized or in a care facility, or know of someone who is and would like Holy Communion on a weekly basis, please contact Joe to make arrangements.

Mission Statement

St. Clare of Assisi parishioners strive to be faithful disciples of Christ's Catholic Church, drawing strength from the Sacraments, living the Gospel of Jesus without compromise, doing works of charity and justice.

St. Vincent de Paul 24 Hour Assistance Helpline

Please call (623) 975-5617. This is not a manned phone line. Leave a message and someone WILL call you back.

St. Clare of Assisi is an official Baby Safe Haven location. Parents or agents of parents can drop off an unharmed newborn baby to a staff member during regular office hours. For more information, please visit azsafebabyhaven.org

Pro-Life Resources:

Are you struggling with a crisis pregnancy and need help? These resources are recognized by the Diocese of Phoenix and can help you, regardless of income.

Life Choices Women's Clinic: www.pro-life-arizona.com | (602) 305-5100

Choices Pregnancy Center: www.choicesaz.com | (623) 486-5232

First Way Pregnancy Center: www.1stway.net | (602) 261-7522

For a comprehensive list of ministries and ways to get involved, please see the parish website and go to "Parish Life" at the top of the page.



Mass Intentions

Saturday, March 23, 2024

8:00am Enrique Reyes by Aracely Lugo
4:00pm Pro Populo for St. Clare of Assisi Parishioners

Sunday, March 24, 2024

7:00am The Encarnacion Family by The Encarnacion Family
9:00am Michael Raphael Carney† by Claire Carney
11:00am Yvonne & Armando Reyes by Ana M. Reyes
5:00pm Adolf & Danuta Niemiec by Jwona Piech

Monday, March 25, 2024

8:00am Paula Jimenez Diaz† by Aracely Lugo

Tuesday, March 26, 2024

8:00am Judi Baer† by Bill Baer

Wednesday, March 27, 2024

8:00am Concepcion Ontiveros† by Emma G. Gutierrez

Thursday, March 28, 2024

6:30pm Holy Souls in Purgatory by Juana Charmonate

Saturday, March 30, 2024

7:00pm Maria Fatima Gonzalez by Lorna & Miguel Salang

Sunday, March 31, 2024

7:00am Pro Populo for St. Clare of Assisi Parishioners
9:00am Bill & Gloria Emrich† by Billy Emrich
11:00am Max Velarde† by Vania Masch

TODO ESTÁ CUMPLIDO
SEMANA SANTA



Steven Salata

Bob Murphy

Christina Hoffman

Marie Frasca

Rolanda Grijalva

Alfred Tony Muñoz

Dean Hoffman

Fr. Hans Ruygt

Karen Opsahl

Brian Vergara

Tim Lukaszewski

Aurelia Formoso

Wade Chio

Art Spiehs

Week at a Glance

Monday, March 25, 2024

8:00am Daily Mass—CHURCH
6:30pm OCIA—NARTHEX
6:30pm High School Youth Group—HALL
6:30pm Middle School Youth Group—OLD OFFICE BUILDING

Tuesday, March 26, 2024

8:00am Daily Mass—CHURCH

Wednesday, March 27, 2024

8:00am Daily Mass—CHURCH
12:00pm Confessions—CHURCH
4:00pm Religious Education—HALL, CLASSROOMS
6:00pm Religious Education—HALL, CLASSROOMS

Thursday, March 28, 2024

No daily Mass due to Holy Thursday Mass of the Lord's Supper

12:00pm Confessions—CHURCH
6:30pm Holy Thursday: Mass of the Lord's Supper—CHURCH
7:30pm Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament—HALL

Friday, March 29, 2024

No daily Mass due to Good Friday of the Passion of the Lord

3:00pm Stations of the Cross—CHURCH
6:30pm Celebration of the Lord's Passion—CHURCH

Saturday, March 30, 2024

No daily Mass due to Solemn Easter Vigil Mass

10:00am Blessing of Easter Food—HALL
11:00am OCIA & Religious Education Vigil Practice—CHURCH
7:00pm Easter Vigil Mass—CHURCH

Please note: the Solemn Easter Vigil typically lasts around 3 hours

Sunday, March 31, 2024

Parish Office is Closed—The Lord is Risen! Alleluia!

7:00am Easter Sunday Mass—CHURCH
9:00am Easter Sunday Mass—CHURCH
11:00am Easter Sunday Mass—CHURCH

Monday, April 1, 2024

Parish Office is Closed—Happy Easter! The Lord is Risen!

Tuesday, April 2, 2024

Parish Office is Closed—Happy Easter! The Lord is Risen!

Wednesday, April 3, 2024

9:00am Parish Office Opens

**Not what I will
but what you will**

Mark 14:36



Weekly Reflection

Throughout Jesus' life, He traveled to Jerusalem many times. As a child, He was presented in the Temple. At age twelve, He was found teaching the teachers of the Law in the Temple. As He grew, He made regular pilgrimages to the Temple. During His temptation in the desert, the devil took Him to the pinnacle of the Temple. In the Gospels, we read of at least four different trips to the Temple during Jesus' public ministry. However, the trip to Jerusalem that we commemorate today was unlike any other. As Jesus entered Jerusalem this time, His life was already being sought by the religious leaders. Despite that fact, Jesus entered Jerusalem with great solemnity and with much attention. "Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!" was the cry by the crowd as Jesus rode into Jerusalem on a donkey while palm branches and cloaks were strewn before Him. Though this was the most fitting way for the people of faith to welcome their King, their warm welcome, their cries "Hosanna!" and their excitement were more beneficial to them than they were to Jesus. Jesus is God. He has no need of our praise and honor. But Jesus came to us to invite us to praise, honor and worship Him because it is good for us. We need to praise Him. This is what we are made for. This leads to the fulfillment of our lives. As we begin Holy Week, try to spend time with this image of the people honoring our Lord with much enthusiasm. This is an image depicting who we must become. As we continue through this Holy Week, we must become increasingly aware of the God to Whom we offer our praise and worship. He is a God Who lowered Himself in the eyes of all, took on the form of a slave, permitted Himself to be labeled as a grave sinner, was rejected, beaten and killed. This week, especially, we worship the suffering Christ. We worship a Man Who was arrested and cruelly treated. We worship a Man who was hated and mistreated in the worst way possible. Our wholehearted worship of the suffering Christ is an important act to fulfill. In many ways, it is easier to worship God as He is in Heaven on His glorious throne. When we ponder the myriads of angels gathered around Him, the saints of all time bowing to the ground and glory and splendor radiating from His face, worship seems right. To worship a Man accused of being a criminal and suffering capital punishment while enduring the hatred of many is more difficult to comprehend. But if we are able to see Jesus through the eyes of faith and peer through the hatred and lies that surrounded Him, then we will be in awe of the humility of our God Who came to us this way. Our worship of the suffering Christ also invites us to share in His virtue as He endured all that was inflicted upon Him. When we worship the humiliated Christ, our humiliations take on new power and meaning. When we worship the suffering Christ, our sufferings are elevated to share in His redemption. When we worship the rejected, despised and persecuted Christ, any ways that we share in these hardships are transformed.

My suffering Lord, I worship You and praise You with all my heart. As You entered Jerusalem for the Passover, You intended to give new power to that celebration by becoming the New and Eternal Paschal Lamb. May I always worship You Who suffered for me and give to You all that I endure in life to be transformed by Your saving act. Jesus, I trust in You.



WEEKLY SCRIPTURE READINGS

March 24: Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion

Procession: [Mark 11](#): 1-10 or [John 12](#): 12-16

First Reading: [Isaiah 50](#): 4-7

Responsorial Psalm: [Psalms 22](#): 8-9, 17-18, 19-20, 23-24

Second Reading: [Philippians 2](#): 6-11

Verse Before the Gospel: [Philippians 2](#): 8-9

Gospel: [Mark 14](#): 1 - 15: 47

March 25

First Reading: [Isaiah 42](#): 1-7

Responsorial Psalm: [Psalms 27](#): 1, 2, 3, 13-14

Gospel: [John 12](#): 1-11

March 26

First Reading: [Isaiah 49](#): 1-6

Responsorial Psalm: [Psalms 71](#): 1-2, 3-4a, 5ab-6ab, 15 and 17

Gospel: [John 13](#): 21-33, 36-38

March 27

First Reading: [Isaiah 50](#): 4-9a

Responsorial Psalm: [Psalms 69](#): 8-10, 21-22, 31 and 33-34

Gospel: [Matthew 26](#): 14-25

March 28: Holy Thursday Mass of the Lord's Supper

First Reading: [Exodus 12](#): 1-8, 11-14

Responsorial Psalm: [Psalms 116](#): 12-13, 15-16bc, 17-18

Second Reading: [First Corinthians 11](#): 23-26

Verse Before the Gospel: [John 13](#): 34

Gospel: [John 13](#): 1-15

March 29: Celebration of the Lord's Passion

First Reading: [Isaiah 52](#): 13 - 53: 12

Responsorial Psalm: [Psalms 31](#): 2, 6, 12-13, 15-16, 17, 25

Second Reading: [Hebrews 4](#): 14-16; 5: 7-9

Verse Before the Gospel: [Philippians 2](#): 8-9

Gospel: [John 18](#): 1 - 19: 42

March 30: Holy Saturday Easter Vigil

First Reading: [Genesis 1](#): 1 - 2: 2 or 1: 1, 26-31a

Responsorial Psalm: [Psalms 104](#): 1-2, 5-6, 10, 12, 13-14, 24, 35

Second Reading: [Genesis 22](#): 1-18 or 22: 1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18

Responsorial Psalm: [Psalms 16](#): 5, 8, 9-10, 11

Third Reading: [Exodus 14](#): 15 - 15: 1

Responsorial Psalm: [Exodus 15](#): 1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 17-18

Fourth Reading: [Isaiah 54](#): 5-14

Responsorial Psalm: [Psalms 30](#): 2, 4, 5-6, 11-12, 13

Fifth Reading: [Isaiah 55](#): 1-11

Responsorial Psalm: [Isaiah 12](#): 2-3, 4, 5-6

Sixth Reading: [Baruch 3](#): 9-15, 32 - 4: 4

Responsorial Psalm: [Psalms 19](#): 8, 9, 10, 11

Seventh Reading: [Ezekiel 36](#): 16-17a, 18-28

Responsorial Psalm: [Psalms 42](#): 3, 5; 43: 3, 4

Epistle Reading: [Romans 6](#): 3-11

Responsorial Psalm: [Psalms 118](#): 1-2, 16-17, 22-23

Gospel: [Mark 16](#): 1-7

March 31: Easter Sunday

First Reading: [Acts 10](#): 34a, 37-43

Responsorial Psalm: [Psalms 118](#): 1-2, 16-17, 22-23

Second Reading: [Colossians 3](#): 1-4 or [1st Corinthians 5](#): 6b-8

Alleluia: [First Corinthians 5](#): 7b-8a

Gospel: [John 20](#): 1-9 or [Mark 16](#): 1-7

HOLY WEEK & EASTER

AT ST. CLARE OF ASSISI ROMAN CATHOLIC PARISH

Holy Week is a time to reflect on the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ and His sacrifices for us. His Passion, Death, & Resurrection becomes our Sacred Feast. Remembering Jesus' actions, reflecting on His messages and recommitting to living as His disciples of the New Evangelization. We hope this schedule helps you plan to observe these important days! May you have a blessed Holy Week and Easter.

Monday, March 25, 2024

8:00am Daily Mass

Tuesday, March 26, 2024

8:00am Daily Mass

Wednesday, March 27, 2024

8:00am Daily Mass

12:00pm Confessions

Holy Thursday, March 28, 2024

12:00pm Confessions

6:30pm Mass of the Lord's Supper

Good Friday, March 29, 2024

3:00pm Stations of the Cross

3:00pm Divine Mercy Novena Starts on Flocknote

6:30pm Celebration of the Lord's Passion

Holy Saturday, March 30, 2024

10:00am Blessing of Easter Food

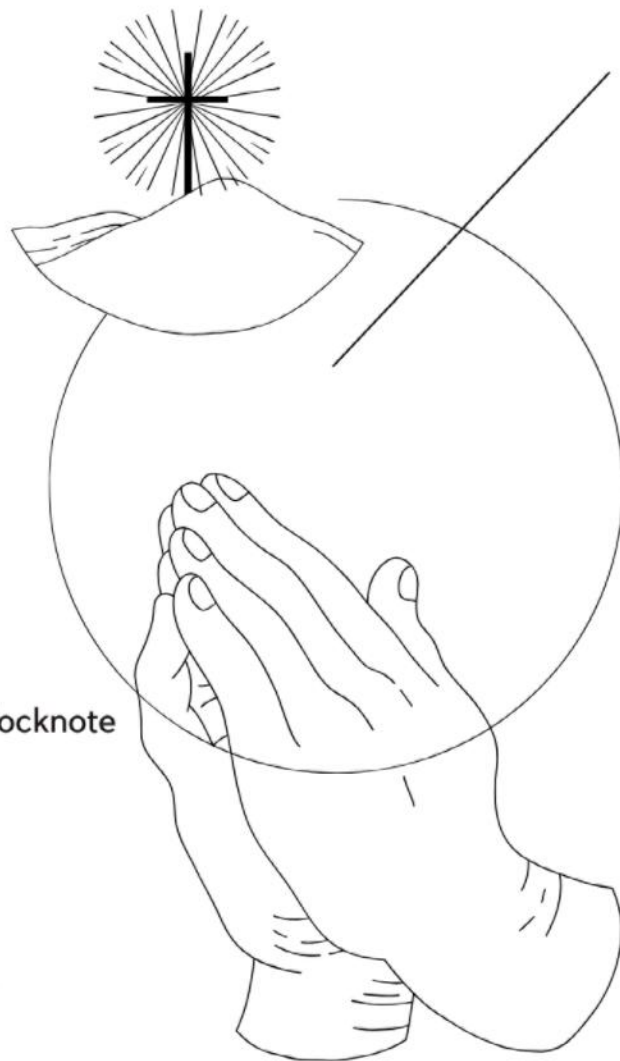
7:00pm Easter Vigil

Please note: this Liturgy typically lasts about 3 hours

Easter Sunday, March 31, 2024

7:00am, 9:00am, or 11:00am Mass

There is no evening Mass on Easter Sunday





ADOPT-A-LILY

Easter Lily Program

There's still time to Adopt-A-Lily before Easter! Lilies can be sponsored for a suggested donation of \$15 and then picked up after your regularly attended Mass on April 6- 7.

Your name will be written on the bottom of your lily!

Name: _____

Phone #: _____

No. of Lilies Desired (limit 2): _____

Donation Amount: _____

In Honor/Memory Of: _____

Purchase in the Parish Office with cash or check by bringing this form or by mailing to the Parish Office!

Questions? Contact Kaitlynn Eaton at
keaton@stcpaz.org or 623-975-5602



April 14

El Buen Pastor Carismatica

TACO & BURRITO

FUNDRAISER

Ramada & Hall
after 9am & 11am Masses

IT IS FINISHED.

HOLY WEEK

Knights of Columbus **Pancake Breakfast**

April 14 | Hall
After morning Masses



\$6 per adult \$4 per child Free: children 5 & below



SAVE THE DATE

Annual Priest & Clergy Appreciation Celebration
will take place on
Sunday, April 21st
at 12:30 pm
in the parish hall.

Tickets will go on sale after all Masses the
weekend of April 6 & 7

Tickets: \$25.00 each

We be livin on Island time
Caribbean Cuisine





Divine Mercy Novena

The Divine Mercy Novena is a beautiful tradition, based on the Diary of St. Faustina and her experiences with Our Lord as He came to her to express His great mercy!

Join us each day on Flocknote or on the parish website (stcpaz.org/novena), or the pamphlets that will be made available in the Narthex as we pray the Divine Mercy Novena, beginning on Good Friday (March 29th)! There will not be an in-person recitation of the Novena at this time but we hope you will all join together in praying the Novena at the Hour of Great Mercy (3pm) daily.

On Divine Mercy Sunday, April 7, we will have a Eucharistic Procession around our campus following the 11am Mass. We hope you join us for the Novena and Eucharistic Procession!

Save the Date!



Our Lady of Antipolo Ministry will be celebrating
Our Lady of Antipolo on Saturday, April 27th!

Mass will be at 10am in the Church

Cultural Procession to follow at 11:20am!

Filipino Box Lunch for sale: 12pm-2pm

Free cultural dance, music, attire, and more!

Space is limited.

Contact MaryLou Gonzalez for more information at
(571) 437-8461



Anima Christi Charismatic Prayer Group



THURSDAYS, 6:30PM-8:00PM IN THE CHURCH

Reminder: Prayer Teams from the Anima Christi Prayer Group will be available the first Thursday of each month. December's prayer teams will be available on April 4 from 6:30pm to 8pm in the Church. If you have physical needs, spiritual, mental, emotional needs, whatever the need may be- please come and let us pray with you- we trust in the healing power of Jesus. We also meet every Thursday at the same time for Praise and Worship - All are welcome!

For more information call Ferrell McNeal at (623) 340-0057



Our Facebook wants your photos! Want to share the fun you're having and the work you're doing with your Parish community?

Send photos to Kaitlynn as attachments, using Google Drive or Dropbox, and she will share them on Facebook:

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Welcome to St. Clare of Assisi Parish! We are glad you are here for the celebration of the Holy Mass. Please take note of the guidelines for the reception of Holy Communion: Prior to receiving Communion, Catholics should have fasted for one hour; water and medicine excepting. Catholics aware of grave sin (e.g. intentionally missing Mass on Sunday/Holy Days, abortion, theft, sexual sin, use of contraceptives, etc.) should go to Confession prior to receiving Communion. Because of our belief in the Eucharist being the Body and Blood of Christ, reception of Communion is reserved to Catholics. There may exist circumstances in the lives of some individual Catholics, which may not facilitate immediate participation in receiving Communion (e.g., cohabitation, marriage outside the Church). A priest would be happy to assist you in rectifying these situations. We come together to worship God in spirit and in truth.

Entrance Antiphon:

Hosanna to the Son of David, the King of Israel. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

1. Give praise to the Lord, for he is good; his mercy endures forever.
2. The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone. By the Lord has this been done, a marvel in our eyes.

Sign of the Cross & 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 their breast, they say:]

through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault;

[then they continue:]

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.

Kyrie eleison. Kyrie eleison. Christe eleison. Christe Eleison. Kyrie eleison. Kyrie eleison.

Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

Liturgy of the Word: Worship Hymnal 1042

1st Reading: Isaiah 50:4-7

Responsorial Psalm: Ps. 22: 8-9, 17-18, 19-20, 23-24
R/. My God, my God, why have you abandoned me?

1. All who see me scoff at me; they mock me with parted lips, they wag their heads: "He relied on the Lord; let him deliver him, let him rescue him, if he loves him."
2. Indeed, many dogs surround me, a pack of evildoers closes in upon me; they have pierced my hands and my feet; I can count all my bones.
3. They divide my garments among them, and for my vesture they cast lots. But you, O Lord, be not far from me; O my help, hasten to aid me.
4. I will proclaim your name to my brethren; in the midst of the assembly I will praise you: "You who fear the Lord, praise him; all you descendants of Jacob, give glory to him; Revere him, all you descendants of Israel!"

2nd Reading: Philippians 2:6-11

Gospel Acclamation: Praise and Honor, to You O Lord, Jesus Christ.

Christ became obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. Because of this, God greatly exalted him and bestowed on him the name which is above every name.

Gospel: Mark 14:1-15:47

The Lord be with you. All: And with your spirit. A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark.

All: Glory to You, O Lord.

The Gospel of the Lord. All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Homily

Creed

Prayers of the Faithful

Your response: Lord, hear our prayer.

Liturgy of the Eucharist

Offertory Hymn: When I Survey the Wondrous Cross 494

1. When I survey the wondrous cross on which the Prince of Glory died, my richest gain I count but loss, and pour contempt on all my pride.
2. Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast, save in the death of Christ, my God; all the vain things that charm me most I sacrifice them to his blood.
3. See, from his head, his hands, his feet, sorrow and love flow mingled down; did e'er such love and sorrow meet, or thorns compose so rich a crown?
4. Were the whole realm of nature mine, that were a present far too small: love so amazing, so divine, demands my soul, my life, my all.

Prayer Over the Offerings & Invitation to Prayer

Preface Dialogue & Preface

Sanctus:

Sanctus, Sanctus, Sanctus Dominus Deus Sabaoth. Pleni sunt coeli et terra gloria tua. Hosanna in excelsis. Benedictus qui venit in nomine Domini. Hosanna in excelsis.

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts. Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Eucharistic Prayer

Mystery of Faith:

We proclaim Your death, O Lord, and profess Your Resurrection, until You come again.

The Communion Rite

The Lord's Prayer

The Sign of Peace

Agnus Dei:

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, miserere nobis. (2x)
Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, dona nobis pacem.

Lamb of God, You take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us. (2x) Lamb of God, You take away the sins of the world, grant us peace.

Communion Antiphon:

Father, if this cup cannot pass away unless I drink it, thy will be done.

Communion Hymn: Attende Domine 473

Hear us, almighty Lord, show us your mercy; sinners we stand here before you. Attende Domine, et miserere, quia peccavimus tibi.

1. Jesus our Savior, Lord of all the nations, Christ our Redeemer, hear the prayers we offer. Spare us and save us, comfort us in sorrow.
2. Word of the Father, keystone of God's building, source of our gladness, gateway to the Kingdom, free us in mercy from the sins that bind us.
3. God of compassion, Lord of might and splendor, graciously listen hear our cries of anguish. Touch us and heal us where our sins have wounded.
4. Humbly confessing that we have offended, stripped of illusions, naked in our sorrow. Pardon, Lord Jesus, those your blood has ransomed.
5. Innocent captive, you were led to slaughter, sentenced by sinners when they brought false witness. Keep from damnation those your death has rescued.

Communion Hymn: My Song is Love Unknown 490

1. My song is love unknown, my Savior's love to me, love to the loveless shown that they might lovely be. Oh, who am I, that for my sake my Lord should take frail flesh and die?
2. He came from his best throne salvation to bestow; but people scorned him; none the longed for Christ would know. But, O my friend, my friend indeed, who at my need his life did spend!
3. Sometimes they strew his way and his sweet praises sing, resounding all the day Hosannas to their King. Then "Crucify!" is all their breath, and for his death they thirst and cry.
4. Why, what has my Lord done? What makes this rage and spite? He made the lame to run, He gave the blind their sight. Sweet injuries! Yet they at these themselves displease and 'gainst him rise.
5. They rise, and needs will have my dear Lord mad away; a murderer they save, the Prince of life they slay. Yet cheerful he to suffering goes that he his foes from thence might free.
6. In life no house, no home my Lord on earth might have; in death no friendly tomb but what a stranger gave. What may I say? Heav'n was his home; but mine the tomb wherein he lay.

The Concluding Rites

Blessing & Dismissal

Prayer to St. Michael: 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 Divine Power of God, 9cast into hell, Satan and all the evil spirits, who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.

Recessional Hymn: Were You There? 488

1. Were you there when they crucified my Lord?
Were you there when they crucified my Lord? Oh!
Sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble.
Were you there when they crucified my Lord?
2. Were you there when they nailed him to the tree?
Were you there when they nailed him to the tree?
Oh! Sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble.
Were you there when they nailed him to the tree?
3. Were you there when they pierced him in the side?
Were you there when they pierced him in the side?
Oh! Sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble.
Were you there when they pierced him in the side?

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