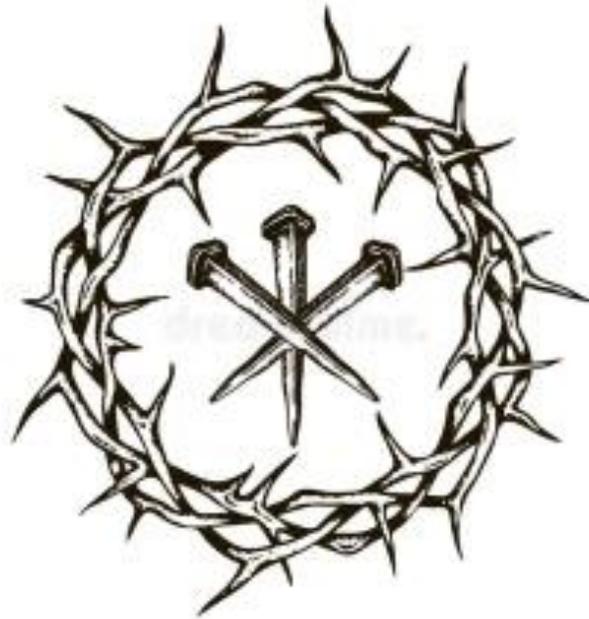


# HOLY REDEEMER CHURCH

## ASH WEDNESDAY



**February 17, 2021**

**8:30 Mass, 12:10 Mass, 7:30 Mass**

## Entrance Antiphon

*Your mercy extends to all things, O Lord, And you despise none of the things you have made.  
You overlook the sins of people for the sake of repentance. You grant them your pardon, because you are the Lord our God.*

## Entrance Hymn | Return to God



Re - turn to God with all your heart, the source of grace and  
mer - cy; come seek the ten - der faith - ful - ness of God.

*1. Now the time of grace has come, the day of salvation;  
come and learn now the way of our God.*

## Sign of the Cross and Greeting

## Collect Prayer

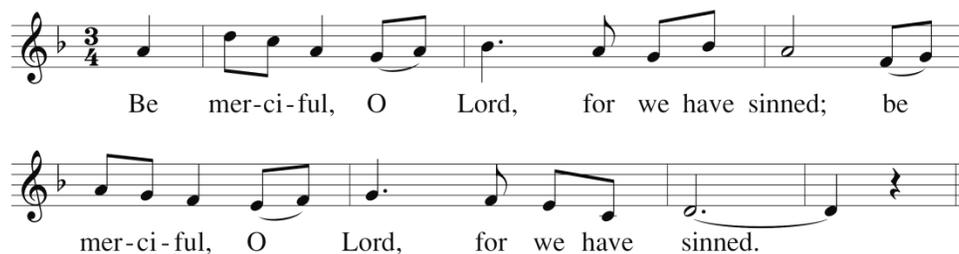
## First Reading | Joel 2:12-18

Even now, says the LORD, return to me with your whole heart, with fasting, and weeping, and mourning; Rend your hearts, not your garments, and return to the LORD, your God. For gracious and merciful is he, slow to anger, rich in kindness, and relenting in punishment. Perhaps he will again relent and leave behind him a blessing, Offerings and libations for the LORD, your God.

Blow the trumpet in Zion! proclaim a fast, call an assembly; Gather the people, notify the congregation; Assemble the elders, gather the children and the infants at the breast; Let the bridegroom quit his room and the bride her chamber. Between the porch and the altar let the priests, the ministers of the LORD, weep, And say, "Spare, O LORD, your people, and make not your heritage a reproach, with the nations ruling over them! Why should they say among the peoples, 'Where is their God?'"

Then the LORD was stirred to concern for his land and took pity on his people.

## Responsorial Psalm | Psalm 51:3-6, 12-14, 17



Be mer-ci-ful, O Lord, for we have sinned; be  
mer-ci-ful, O Lord, for we have sinned.

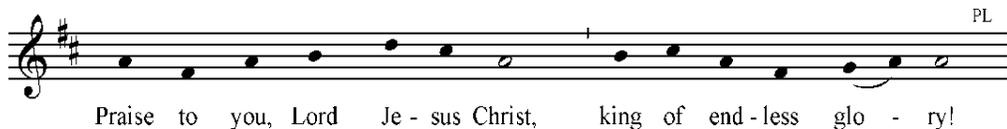
## Second Reading | 2 Corinthians 5:20-6:2

Brothers and sisters: We are ambassadors for Christ, as if God were appealing through us. We implore you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God. For our sake he made him to be sin who did not know sin, so that we might become the righteousness of God in him.

Working together, then, we appeal to you not to receive the grace of God in vain. For he says: In an acceptable time I heard you, and on the day of salvation I helped you.

Behold, now is a very acceptable time; behold, now is the day of salvation.

### **Gospel Acclamation**



*If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts.*

### **Gospel | Matthew 6:1-6, 16-18**

Jesus said to his disciples: “Take care not to perform righteous deeds in order that people may see them; otherwise, you will have no recompense from your heavenly Father. When you give alms, do not blow a trumpet before you, as the hypocrites do in the synagogues and in the streets to win the praise of others. Amen, I say to you, they have received their reward. But when you give alms, do not let your left hand know what your right is doing, so that your almsgiving may be secret. And your Father who sees in secret will repay you.

“When you pray, do not be like the hypocrites, who love to stand and pray in the synagogues and on street corners so that others may see them. Amen, I say to you, they have received their reward. But when you pray, go to your inner room, close the door, and pray to your Father in secret. And your Father who sees in secret will repay you.

“When you fast, do not look gloomy like the hypocrites. They neglect their appearance, so that they may appear to others to be fasting. Amen, I say to you, they have received their reward. But when you fast, anoint your head and wash your face, so that you may not appear to be fasting, except to your Father who is hidden. And your Father who sees what is hidden will repay you.”

### **Homily**

#### **Distribution of Ashes**

Repent and believe,  
repent and believe in the Gospel.

*All are welcome to receive ashes, which symbolize  
our mortality, our sorrow for our sins, and a desire for repentance and renewal.*

*This year, ashes will be sprinkled on the top of the head in silence.*

**Prayer of the Faithful | Response:** Lord, hear our prayer.

## Offertory Hymn | Again We Keep This Solemn Fast



1. A - gain we keep this sol - emn fast,  
 2. The law and proph - ets from of old  
 3. More spar - ing, there - fore, let us make  
 4. Let us a - void each harm - ful way  
 5. We pray, O bless - ed Three in One,



A gift of faith from a - ges past,  
 In fig - ured ways this Lent fore - told,  
 The words we speak, the food we take,  
 That lures the care - less mind a - stray;  
 Our God while end - less a - ges run,



These for - ty days that, year by year,  
 Which Christ, all a - ges' Lord and Guide,  
 Our sleep, our laugh - ter, ev - 'ry sense;  
 By watch - ful prayer our spir - its free  
 That this, our Lent of for - ty days,



Bid con - trite hearts to Christ draw near.  
 In these last days has sanc - ti - fied.  
 Learn peace through ho - ly pen - i - tence.  
 From schem - ing of the En - e - my.  
 May bring us growth and give you praise.

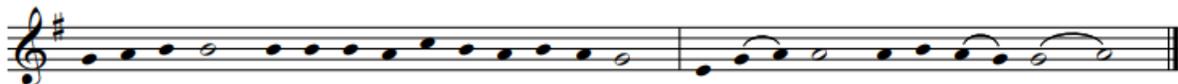
## Eucharistic Prayer



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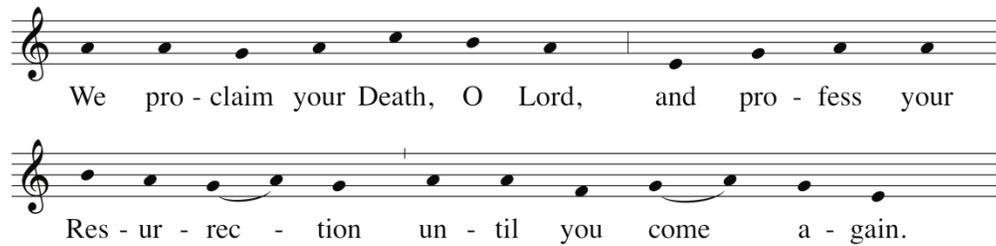


Ple - ni sunt cae - li et ter - ra gló - ri - a tu - a. Ho - sán - na in ex - cél - sis.



Be - ne - dí - ctus qui ve - nit in nó - mi - ne Dó - mi - ni. Ho sán - na in ex - cél - sis. \_\_\_\_\_

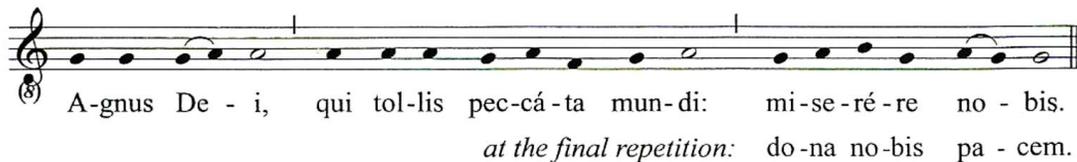
*Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts. Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.  
 Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.*



We pro - claim your Death, O Lord, and pro - fess your  
Res - ur - rec - tion un - til you come a - gain.

## The Lord's Prayer

## Agnus Dei



A-gnus De - i, qui tol-lis pec-cá-ta mun-di: mi-se-ré-re no - bis.  
*at the final repetition:* do-na no-bis pa - cem.

*Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: have mercy on us. ... grant us peace.*

## Communion | O Lord, Hear My Prayer

O Lord, hear my prayer, O Lord, hear my prayer:  
When I call, answer me.  
O Lord, hear my prayer, O Lord, hear my prayer.  
Come and listen to me.

### An Act of Spiritual Communion

*My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.  
I love you above all things, and I desire to receive you into my soul.  
Since I cannot at this moment receive you sacramentally,  
come at least spiritually into my heart.  
I embrace you as if you were already there and unite myself wholly to you.  
Never permit me to be separated from you. Amen.*

## Final Blessing and Dismissal

## Postlude Hymn | Return to God

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