

SENDING FORTH

1. Take up your cross, the Savior said,  
If you would my disciple be;  
Take up your cross with willing heart,  
And humbly follow after me.
2. Take up your cross, let not its weight  
Fill your weak spirit with alar;  
My strength shall bear your spirit up,  
And brace your heart, and nerve your arm.
3. Take up your cross, heed not the shame,  
and let your foolish heart be still;  
The Lord for you accepted death  
Upon a cross, on Calv'ry's hill.
4. Take up your cross, then, in his strength,  
And calmly ev'ry danger brave;  
It guides you to a better home  
And leads to vict'ry o'er the grave.
5. Take up your cross, and follow Christ,  
Nor think till death to lay it down;  
For only those who bear the cross  
May hope to wear the glorious crown.



“The Rising of Lazarus” – Luca Giordano (1632–1705)

TAKE UP YOUR CROSS  
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SANTA CRUZ CATHOLIC CHURCH  
BUDA, TEXAS

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Fifth Sunday of Lent A

10:30 AM Liturgy – 3<sup>rd</sup> Scrutiny

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GATHERING SONG

INTROIT: 5<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY OF LENT  
*cf.* PSALM 43(42):1–2

Give me justice, O God, and plead my cause  
again a nation that is faithless.  
From the deceitful and cunning rescue me,  
for you, O God, are my strength.

PENITENTIAL RITE

COLLECT

FIRST READING

EZEKIEL 37:12–14

*The Lord God told the people that soon the graves of the dead would open and they would rise. “I will put my spirit in you that you may live” says the Lord.*

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

130:1–2, 3–4, 5–6, 7–8

R/. With the Lord there is mercy and fullness of redemption.

SECOND READING

ROMANS 8:8–11

*“Whoever does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him.” God, who raised Jesus from the dead, will also raise those in whom the Spirit dwells.*

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

JOHN 11:25A, 26

I am the resurrection and the life, says the Lord;  
whoever believes in me, even if he dies, will never die.

## GOSPEL

JOHN 11:1–45

*Lazarus died, and Jesus raised him from the dead.  
Jesus said, "I am the resurrection and the life; whoever believes in me,  
even if he dies, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me  
will never die."*

## HOMILY

## CREED

## PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

## PREPARATION OF THE GIFTS

NOW WE REMAIN  
*David Haas*

Refrain:

*We hold the death of our Lord deep in our hearts.  
Living, now we remain with Jesus, the Christ.*

1. Once we were people afraid, lost in the night.  
Then by your cross we were saved;  
Dead became living, life from your giving.
2. Something which we have known, something we've touched,  
What we have seen with our eyes:  
This we have heard, life-giving Word.
3. He chose to give of himself, became our bread,  
Broken that we might live;  
Love beyond love, pain for our pain.
4. We are the presence of God; this is our call,  
Now to become bread and wine:  
Food for the hungry, life for the weary,  
For to live with the Lord, we must die with the Lord.

## EUCCHARISTIC ACCLAMATIONS

MISSA BREVIS  
*Cathy Green*

## LORD'S PRAYER

RECITED

## LAMB OF GOD

MISSA BREVIS  
*Cathy Green*

## COMMUNION ANTIPHON

*Cathy Green*

Everyone who lives and believes in me will not die for ever, says the Lord.

## COMMUNION

I AM THE BREAD OF LIFE  
*Suzanne Toolan*

1. I am the bread of life. You who come to me shall not hunger,  
and who believe in me shall not thirst.  
No one can come to me unless the Father beckons.

Refrain:

*And I will raise you up, and I will raise you up,  
and I will raise you up on the last day.*

2. The bread that I will give is my flesh for the life of the world,  
and if you eat of this bread,  
you shall live forever, you shall live forever.
3. Unless you eat of the flesh of the Son of Man  
and drink of his blood,  
and drink of his blood, you shall not have life within you.
4. I am the Resurrection; I am the Life.  
If you believe in me,  
even though you die, you shall live forever.
5. Yes, Lord, I believe that you are the Christ,  
the Son of God  
Who has come into the world.

