Gommencement Mass

Saturday, May 17, 2003



SACRED HEART UNIVERSITY

FAIRFIELD, CONNECTICUT

Celebrant

Rev. Gustavo A. Falla Interim Director of Campus Ministry

Concelebrant

Rev. Barry C. Meehan, S.J. Director, Institute for Religious Education and Pastoral Studies

Altar Minister

Karen L. Harlan Class of 2003

Leader of Song

Katherine Marie Schelle Class of 2003



PROCESSIONAL.

STAND

Donald W. Brodeur, Ph.D., Professor of Psychology Mace Bearer

WELCOME

SIT

Lauren R. Testa Class of 2003

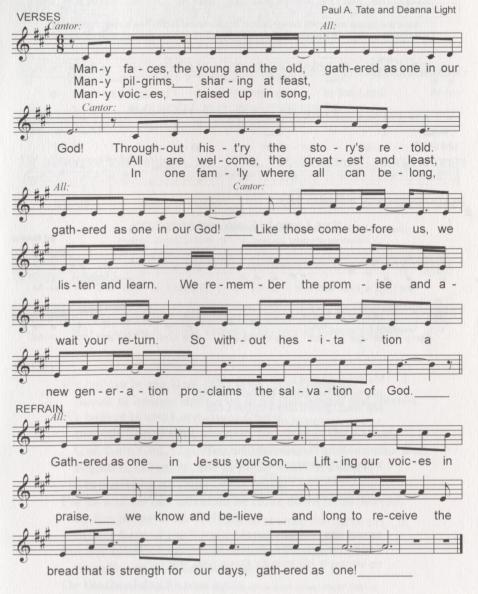
FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

* ENTRANCE RITE *

GATHERING SONG

STAND

GATHERED AS ONE



GREETING AND PENITENTIAL RITE

GLORIA

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OPENING PRAYER

*LITURGY OF THE WORD *

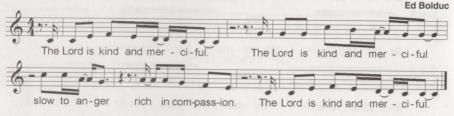
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FIRST READING - Acts 9:26-31

Jennifer M. Piergentile, '03

PSALM RESPONSE - Psalm 103

THE LORD IS KIND AND MERCIFUL



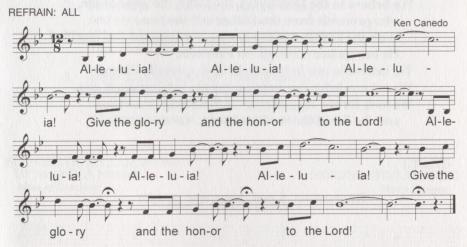
- My soul, give thanks to the Lord, all my being, bless his holy name. My soul, give thanks to the Lord and never forget all his blessings.
- It is he who forgives all your guilt, who heals every one of your ills, who redeems your life from the grave, who crowns you with love and compassion.
- His wrath will come to an end; he will not be angry for ever.
 For as the heavens are high above the earth so strong is his love for those who fear him.

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GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

STAND

ALLELUIA! GIVE THE GLORY



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GOSPEL John 15:1-8

HOMILY

SIT

Rev. Gustavo A. Falla, Interim Director of Campus Ministry

CREED

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,

the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, one in Being with the Father.

Through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven:

by the power of the Holy Spirit

he was born of the Virgin Mary, and became man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered, died, and was buried.

On the third day he rose again in fulfillment of the Scriptures;

he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son.

With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the Prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

GENERAL INTERCESSIONS

Kirsten A. Conger, '03

RESPONSE: Lord, hear our prayer.

★ LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST ★

PREPARATION OF THE GIFTS

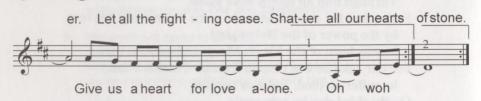
SIT

Presentation of Gifts Bethany Specht, '03, Matthew Snyder, '03

JESUS, GIVE US YOUR PEACE

Michael Mahler

Je - sus, give us your peace. Bring us to - geth -

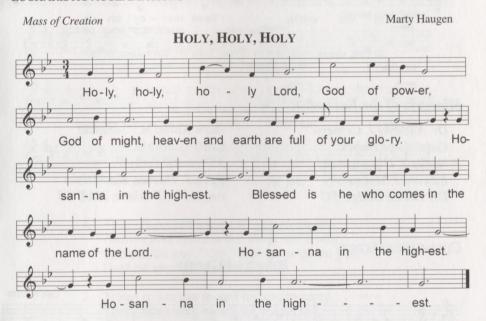


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- Some days the road I walk is lonely, and it's so hard to find a friend.
 Even then I know, somewhere in my soul, your love is far too great to comprehend.
- Some days the walking makes me weary, and my soul yearns to be relieved.
 You, my Lord, are strong. You pull me along.
 Your love is far too great to be believed.
- Some days the strength I need is failing, and then, O Lord, I turn to you.
 I need never fear. You are always near.
 Whatever happens, you will pull me through.

EUCHARISTIC ACCLAMATIONS

STAND



MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION AND GREAT AMEN



♣ COMMUNION RITE **♣**

LORD'S PRAYER

RITE OF PEACE

BREAKING OF THE BREAD

LAMB OF GOD



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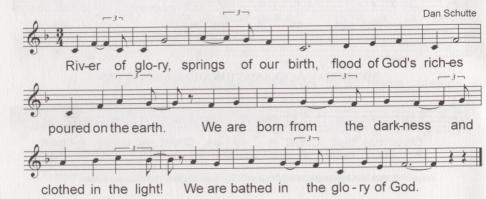
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Ministers of the Eucharist:

Dr. Anthony J. Cernera Carol-Anne Dabek Noëlle J. D'Agostino Edward J. Dobransky Dr. Donna Dodge, SC Dean Karen M. Guastelle Craig A. Joly '03 Abbymarie Joseph Allen J. Thomas Machielson Angela M. Paulone, MAT '03

COMMUNION SONGS

RIVER OF GLORY



- Fountain of mercy, grace flowing free, streams of salvation, spilling with love from a tree!
- 2. Here there is haven, healing and health, joy for the asking, love in abundance of wealth!
- Bread for our journey God will provide.
 Hope for all ages, Jesus, companion and guide!
- Darkness is banished, night turned away.
 Christ is our sunlight, lifting and leading our way!

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STRENGTH FOR THE JOURNEY



- There is a road meant for you to travel.
 Narrow and steep is the shepherd's way, and as you say, "Yes," letting me guide you, I will be strength for the journey.
- There is a cross meant for you to carry.
 There is a cross meant for you alone,
 and as you bow down in humble surrender,
 I will be strength for the journey.
- How many times have you doubted my word?
 How many times must I call your name?
 And as you say, "Yes," letting me love you,
 I will be strength for the journey.

Soloist:

There is a mountain. There is a sea.
There is a wind within all breathing.
There is an arm to break every chain.
There is a fire in all things living.
There is a voice that speaks from the flame—
"I Am for You. I Am for You. I Am for You is my name."

All:

- There was a woman, small as a star, full of the patient dreams of her nation, welcoming in an angel of God, welcoming in God's bold invitation.
 "Let it be done," she sang, "unto me.

 I am for you. I am for you, I am for you: let it be."
- 3. There was a man who walked in the storm,
 Caught in between the waves and the lightning,
 Sharing his bread with those cast aside,
 Healing by touch the lost and the dying.
 Sending us forth, he says to his friends:
 "I am for you. I am for you, I am for you: to the end."
- 4. We are anointed, servants of God; we have been born again of spirit. We are the word God speaks to the world, freedom and light to all who will hear it. So let us be the word of the Lord:
 I am for you. I am for you, I am for you evermore.
- There is a world that waits in the womb; there is a hope unborn God is bearing,
 Though the powers of death prowl the night, there is a day our God is preparing.
 Sing `round the fire to waken the dawn:
 I am for you. I am for you, I am for you: We are one.

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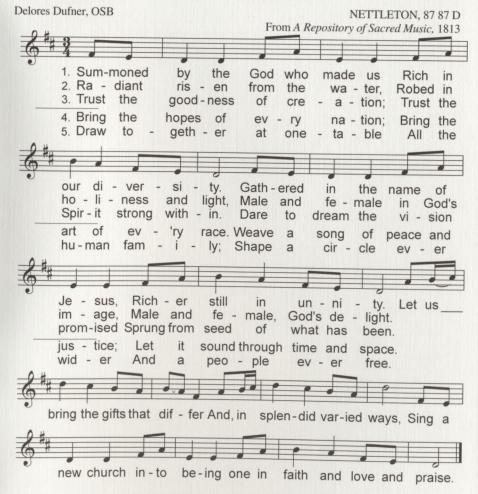
CLOSING PRAYER

BLESSING

DISMISSAL

CLOSING SONG

SING A NEW CHURCH



Commencement Choir

Kim Andrade, Annette Bailey, Eilene C. Bertsch, Andrew Brochu, Salome V. Brooks, Katrina D. Coakley, Frances Collazo, Dr. David L. Coppola, Regina Dempsey, Kirstin Dickens, Kimberly Edwards, Elaine Fitzmaurice, Leanne Gissas, Deborah Guerra, Melissa Knight, Dr. Kathryn M. LaFontana, Jane Galgano Landry, Dr. Robin L. McAllister, Tim Nelson, Brianne O'Sullivan, Dr. Shirley A. Pavone, Jason Prevelige, Derek Rousseau, Christopher J. Sheehan, Maria Stillo, Cheryl Tovini, Jill Viviani, Lorraine R. Wall, Brett Wallace, Marion Warne, Sheila Wheeler



Nutmeg Brass

Keith D. Smolinski, keyboard Karen M. Fallon, MSPT'03, flute Salome V. Brooks, percussion

Commencement Choir

under the direction of

Dr. Margaret A. Palliser, OP
Assistant Vice President for Mission
Director, Center for Mission Education and Reflection