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4:00 p.m.



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Celebrant

*Rev. Barry C. Meehan, SJ, Ph.D.
Director of University Ministry*

Concelebrants

*Rev. Andrew Garavel, SJ, Ph.D.
Campus Minister*

*Rev. Msgr. Pádraig Ó Fiannachata
Academic Director, Díseart Institute of Education and Celtic Culture*

Cross Bearer

*Stephen J. Brine
Class of 2004*

Leader of Song

*Brianne J. O'Sullivan
Class of 2004*



PROCESSIONAL

*Donald W. Brodeur, Professor of Psychology
Mace Bearer*

STAND

WELCOME

*Regina Dempsey
Class of 2004*

SIT

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

✠ ENTRANCE RITE ✠

GATHERING SONG

STAND

GATHERED AS ONE

VERSES

Paul A. Tate and Deanna Light

Cantor: Man - y fa - ces, the young and the old, gath - ered as one in our
Man - y pil - grims, ___ shar - ing at feast,
Man - y voic - es, ___ raised up in song,

Cantor: God! Through-out his - t'ry the sto - ry's re - told. gath - ered as one in our
All are wel - come, the great - est and least,
In one fam - 'ly where all can be - long,

Cantor: God! ___ Like those come be - fore us, we lis - ten and learn. We re -

mem - ber the prom - ise and a - wait your re - turn. So with - out hes - i - ta - tion a

new gen - er - a - tion pro - claims the sal - va - tion of God. _____

REFRAIN

All: Gath - ered as one ___ in Je - sus your Son, ___ Lift - ing our voic - es in

praise, ___ we know and be - lieve ___ and long to re - ceive the

bread that is strength for our days, gath - ered as one! _____

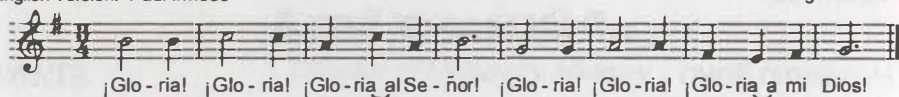
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GREETING AND PENITENTIAL RITE

GLORIA

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George Salazar



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OPENING PRAYER

✠ LITURGY OF THE WORD ✠

SIT

FIRST READING - Acts 9:26-31

Eric S. Silvia, '04

PSALM RESPONSE - STRENGTH FOR THE JOURNEY

- Michael John Poirier



1. 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.
2. 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.
3. 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.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

STAND

ALLELUIA! GIVE THE GLORY

REFRAIN: ALL

Ken Canedo

Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Give the glo - ry and the hon - or to the Lord! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Give the glo - ry and the hon - or to the Lord!

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GOSPEL John 15:1-8

HOMILY

SIT

*Rev. Barry C. Meehan, SJ, Ph.D.
Director of University 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

Douglas J. Bohn, M.S.
Assistant Vice President for Academic Affairs
and University Registrar

RESPONSE: Lord, hear our prayer.

✠ LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST ✠

PREPARATION OF THE GIFTS

SIT

Presentation of Gifts

Nickolas J. Sobanski, '04, and family

STRENGTH FOR THE JOURNEY

- Michael John Poirier

I will be, I will be, I will be
 strength for the jour - ney. I will be, I will be
 I will be strength for the jour - ney.

1. 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.
2. 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.
3. 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.

EUCCHARISTIC ACCLAMATIONS

STAND

Mass of Creation

Marty Haugen

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

Ho-ly, ho-ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er,
God of might, heav-en and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho-
san - na in the high-est. Blessed is he who comes in the
name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high-est.
Ho - san - na in the high - - - est.

MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION AND GREAT AMEN

Christ has died, Christ is ris-en, Christ will come a - gain.
A - men. A - men. A - - - - men.

✠ COMMUNION RITE ✠

LORD'S PRAYER

RITE OF PEACE

BREAKING OF THE BREAD

LAMB OF GOD

David Kaufmann

Cantor: *Lamb of God*,... ALL: Lamb of God, you take a-way. the
sins of the world. have mer - cy on us.
Final verse: grant us your peace.

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Ministers of the Eucharist:

Erica L. Beaulieu, '04
Dr. Anthony J. Cernera
Carol-Anne Dabek, '04
Noëlle J. D'Agostino
Dr. Donna Dodge, SC

Jodi M. Janda, '04
AbbyMarie Joseph, '03
Allen J. Thomas Machielson, MAT'02
Patrick M. Sullivan, '04

COMMUNION SONGS

SIT

Here at This Table

Janet Sullivan Whitaker and James Maxwell Whitaker

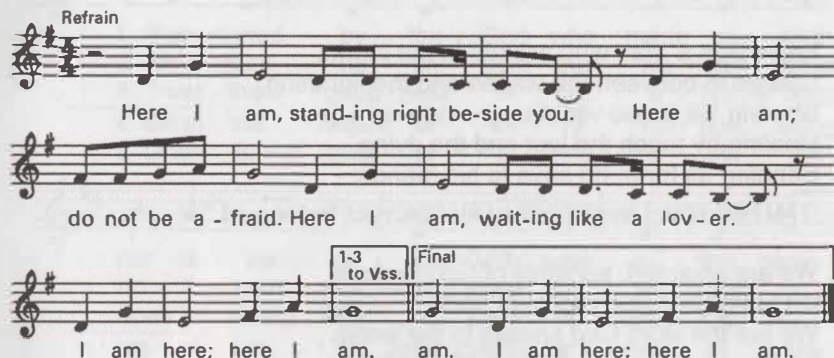
Come and be filled here at this ta - ble.
Food for all who hun-ger and drink for all who thirst.



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HERE I AM

Tom Booth



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1. Do not fear when the tempter calls you.
Do not fear even though you fall.
Do not fear, I have conquered evil.
Do not fear, never be afraid.
2. I am here in the face of ev'ry child.
I am here in ev'ry warm embrace.
I am here with tenderness and mercy.
Here I am, I am here.
3. I am here in the midst of ev'ry trial.
I am here in the face of despair.
I am here when pardoning each other.
Here I am, I am here.

I AM FOR YOU

— Rory Cooney

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:

2. 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.
5. 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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MEDITATION SONG - *The Prayer* Sager and Foster

Regina M. Dempsey, '04
Scott M. Mackmin, '04

✠ CONCLUDING RITE ✠

STAND

CLOSING PRAYER

BLESSING

DISMISSAL

CLOSING SONG

SING A NEW CHURCH

Delores Dufner, OSB

NETTLETON, 87 87 D

From A Repository of Sacred Music, 1813



1. Sum-moned by the God who made us Rich in
2. Ra - diant ris - en from the wa - ter, Robed in
3. Trust the good-ness of cre - a - tion; Trust the
4. Bring the hopes of ev - ry na - tion; Bring the
5. Draw to - geth - er at one - ta - ble All the



our di - ver - si - ty. Gath - ered in the name of
ho - li - ness and light, Male and fe - male in God's
Spir - it strong with - in. Dare to dream the vi - sion
art of ev - 'ry race. Weave a song of peace and
hu - man fam - i - ly; Shape a cir - cle ev - er



Je - sus, Rich - er still in un - ni - ty. Let us bring
im - age, Male and fe - male, God's de - light.
prom - ised Sprung from seed of what has been.
jus - tice; Let it sound through time and space.
wid - er And a peo - ple ev - er free.



bring the gifts that dif - fer, and in - splen - did var - ied ways, sing a



new church in-to be-ing, one in faith and love and praise.

Commencement Choir

*Kimberly M. Andrade, '04, Jeffrey Barrett, Eilene C. Bertsch,
Donna M. Bowers, Salome V. Brooks, Lauren Brown
Cheryl A. Carlson, Dr. David L. Coppola, Kirstin M. Dickens, '04,
Theresa Duffy, Stephanie Gantomasso, Andrew Gentzow, '00,
Dr. June-Ann Greeley, Deborah Guerra, Jodi M. Janda, '04,
AbbyMarie Joseph, '03, Leanne Kacsur, Melissa Knight,
Dr. Kathryn M. LaFontana, Dr. Edward W. Malin,
Dr. Robin L. McAllister, Dr. Shirley A. Pavone, Victoria Pezzulo,
Sharon D. Power, '04, Derek A. Rousseau, '04, Katherine Schelle, '03,
Rahul Shaw, '02, Christopher J. Sheehan, Nancy L. Sidoti,
Maria Stillo, Cheryl Tovini, Troy Tufano, Sheila Wheeler*

Soloists

*Linda Assante, Regina M. Dempsey, '04, Leanne A. Gissas, '04
Katharine Lonegan, Aisha Lubin, Scott M. Mackmin, '04,
Jenna Molloy, Donna Palumbo, Aileen Quinn*



Nutmeg Brass

*Keith D. Smolinski, MAT '04, keyboard
Suzanne F. Bastos, '04, flute
Joseph F. Fontana, '04, percussion*

Commencement Choir

under the direction of

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

