

You shall love
the Lord your God
with all your heart.

Deuteronomy 6:5

DIOCESE OF SCRANTON

MASS
for
WOMEN AND MEN RELIGIOUS

Sunday, October 25, 2026 at 12:15 p.m.
Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Scranton, Pennsylvania

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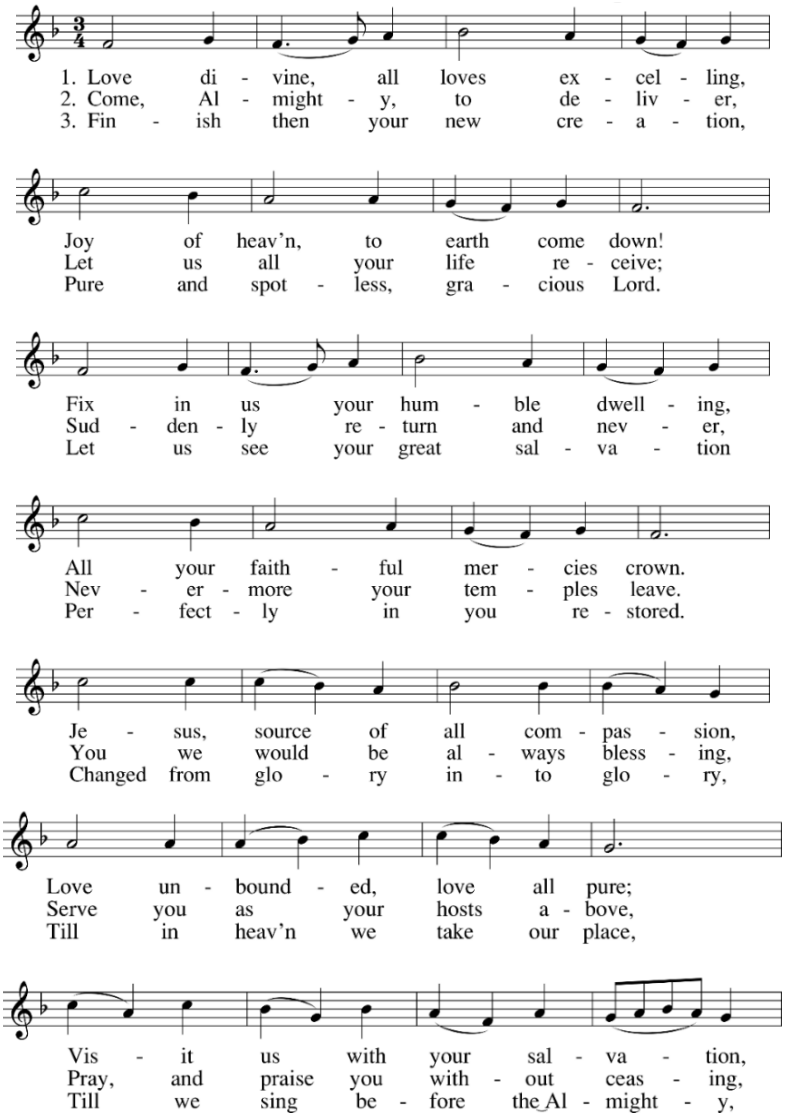
PRELUDE
Partita on HYFRYDOL *Charles Callahan b.1951*
Choir: **Ubi Caritas** *Maurice Duruflé 1902-1986*
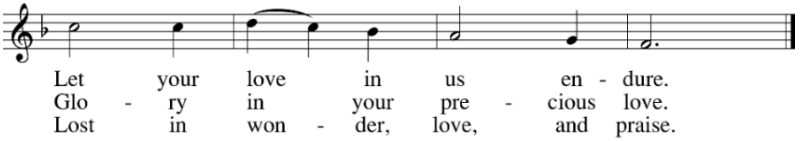
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Introductory Rites

ENTRANCE HYMN

"Love Divine All Loves Excelling"
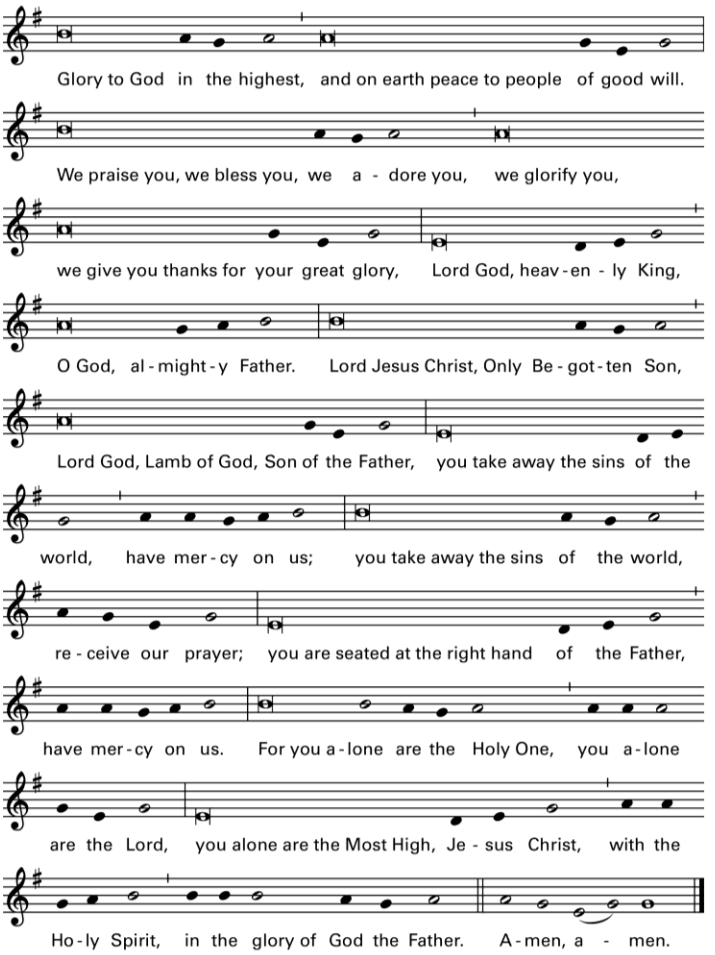




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Tune: HYFRYDOL, 8 7 8 7 D; Rowland H. Prichard, 1811–1887

PENITENTIAL ACT

GLORY TO GOD
"Belmont Mass"
Walker



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Liturgy of the Word

READING I

Exodus 22:20-26

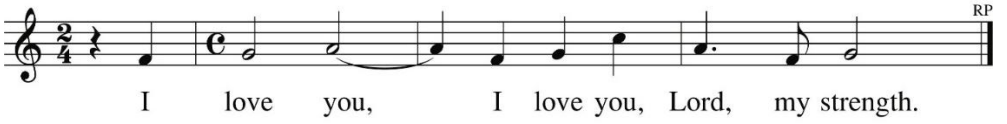
Thus says the LORD: "You shall not molest or oppress an alien, for you were once aliens yourselves in the land of Egypt. You shall not wrong any widow or orphan. If ever you wrong them and they cry out to me, I will surely hear their cry. My wrath will flare up, and I will kill you with the sword; then your own wives will be widows, and your children orphans. "If you lend money to one of your poor neighbors among my people, you shall not act like an extortioner toward him by demanding interest from him. If you take your neighbor's cloak as a pledge, you shall return it to him before sunset; for this cloak of his is the only covering he has for his body. What else has he to sleep in? If he cries out to me, I will hear him; for I am compassionate."

The Word of the Lord. **All: Thanks be to God.**

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 18:2-3, 3-4, 47, 51

Proulx



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SECOND READING

1 Thessalonians 1:5c-10
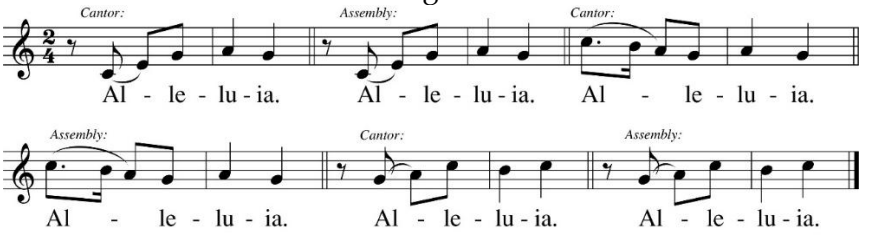
Brothers and sisters: You know what sort of people we were among you for your sake. And you became imitators of us and of the Lord, receiving the word in great affliction, with joy from the Holy Spirit, so that you became a model for all the believers in Macedonia and in Achaia. For from you the word of the Lord has sounded forth not only in Macedonia and in Achaia, but in every place your faith in God has gone forth, so that we have no need to say anything. For they themselves openly declare about us what sort of reception we had among you, and how you turned to God from idols to

serve the living and true God and to await his Son from heaven, whom he raised from the dead, Jesus, who delivers us from the coming wrath.
The Word of the Lord. **All: Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia

Hughes



Music: *Alleluia in C*, Howard Hughes, SM, © 1973, 1982, GIA Publications, Inc.

Deacon: The Lord be with you.
All: And with your spirit.

Deacon: A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew.
All: Glory to you, O Lord.

GOSPEL

Matthew 22:34-40

When the Pharisees heard that Jesus had silenced the Sadducees, they gathered together and one of them, a scholar of the law tested him by asking, "Teacher, which commandment in the law is the greatest?" He said to him, "You shall love the Lord, your God, with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind. This is the greatest and the first commandment. The second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself. The whole law and the prophets depend on these two commandments."
The Gospel of the Lord. **All: Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ**

HOMILY

Bishop Joseph C. Bambera

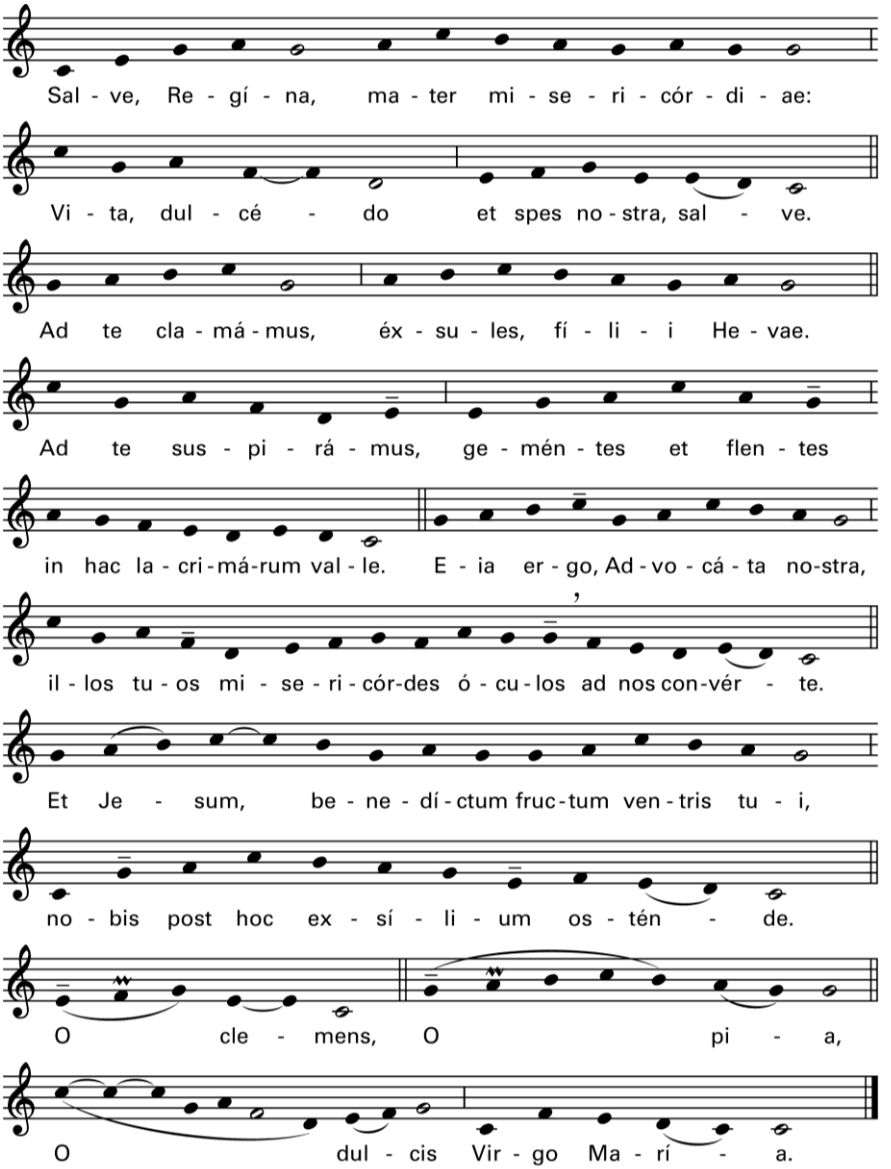
RENEWAL OF VOWS

(All those in consecrated life are invited to stand to renew their vows)

Eternal and loving God, trusting in your faithful love, I,_____(Name) renew my vows of chastity, poverty, and obedience. O God of mercy and unconditional love, through the intercession of Mary, Mother of God, and with the prayers and support of

my religious community, and the Catholic community of faith, grant me the grace to live these vows faithfully for the rest of my life. Amen.

"Salve Regina"



Text: Latin attr. to Hermannus Contractus, 1013–1054.

PROFESSION OF FAITH

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible. I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven, ***and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man.*** **For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with 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. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

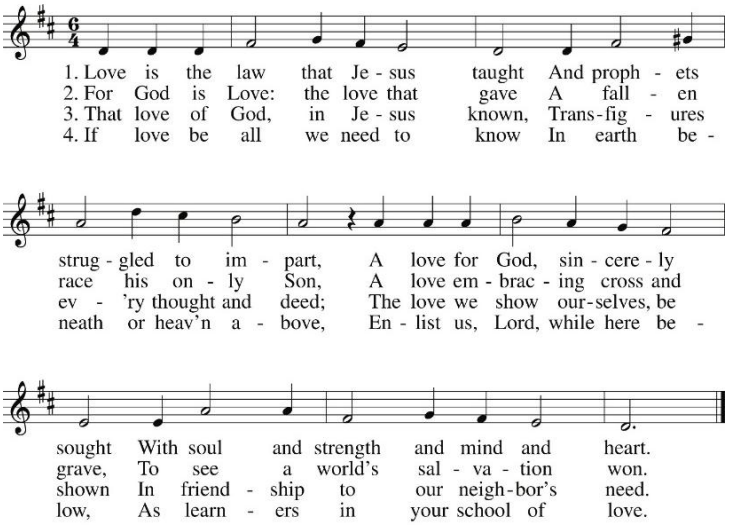
UNIVERSAL PRAYER

Response: Lord, hear our prayer.

Liturgy of the Eucharist

PREPARATION OF THE GIFTS

"Love Is the Law That Jesus Taught"



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Tune: BEATUS VIR, LM; Slovak melody, 16th C.; harm. by Richard Hillert, 1923–2010

INVITATION TO PRAYER

All: **May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands for the praise and glory of his name, for our good and the good of all his holy Church.**

PREFACE DIALOGUE

Bishop Bambera: The Lord be with you.
All: **And with your spirit.**
Bishop Bambera: Lift up your hearts.
All: **We lift them up to the Lord.**
Bishop Bambera: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
All: **It is right and just.**

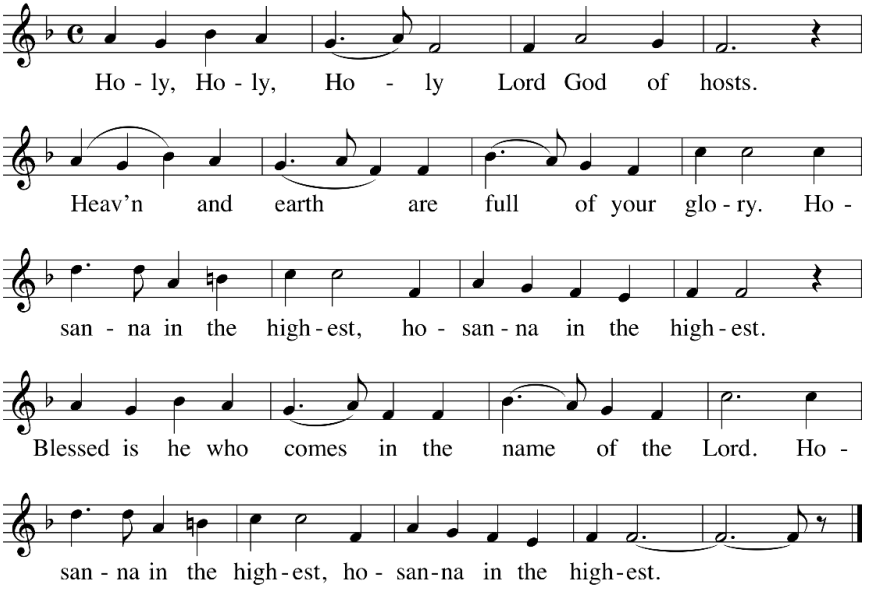
PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

EUCHARISTIC ACCLAMATIONS

"Acclamations from *A Community Mass*"

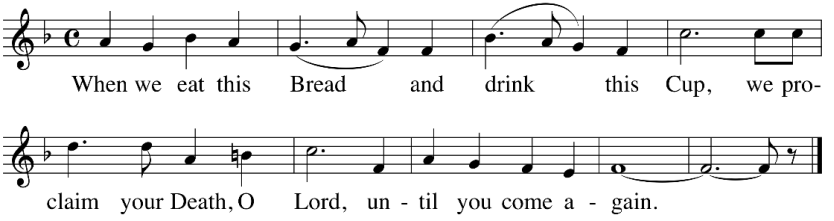
Proulx

Sanctus
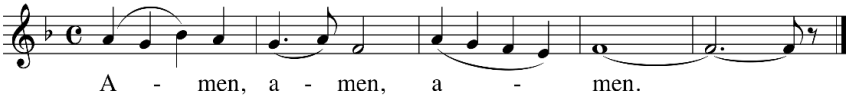


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Memorial Acclamation



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Amen



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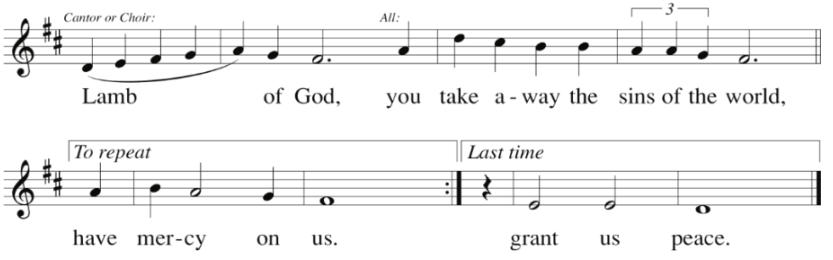
THE RITE OF PEACE

Bishop Bambera: The peace of the Lord be with you always.
All: **And with your spirit.**

THE FRACTION RITE

litany from *Holy Cross Mass*

Isele



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INVITATION TO COMMUNION
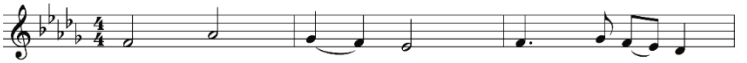
Bishop Bambera: Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who takes away the sins of the world. Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.
All: **Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.**

COMMUNION PROCESSION
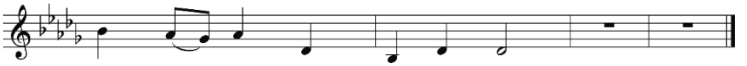
"Draw Near"

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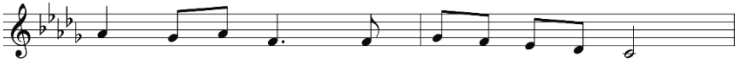
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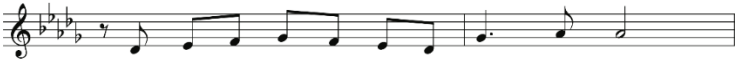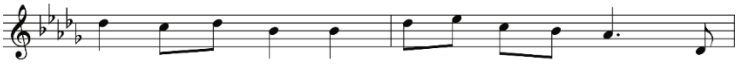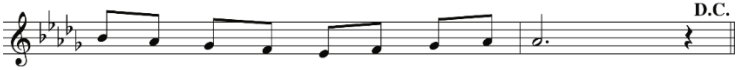






Verses









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POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Concluding Rite

PONTIFICAL BLESSING

Bishop Bambera:	The Lord be with you.
All:	**And with your spirit.**
Bishop Bambera:	Blessed be the name of the Lord.
All:	**Now and forever.**
Bishop Bambera:	Our help is in the Name of the Lord.
All:	**Who made Heaven and earth.**
Bishop Bambera:	May almighty God bless you, the † Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit.
All:	**Amen.**

DISMISSAL

Deacon:	Go in peace.
All:	**Thanks be to God.**
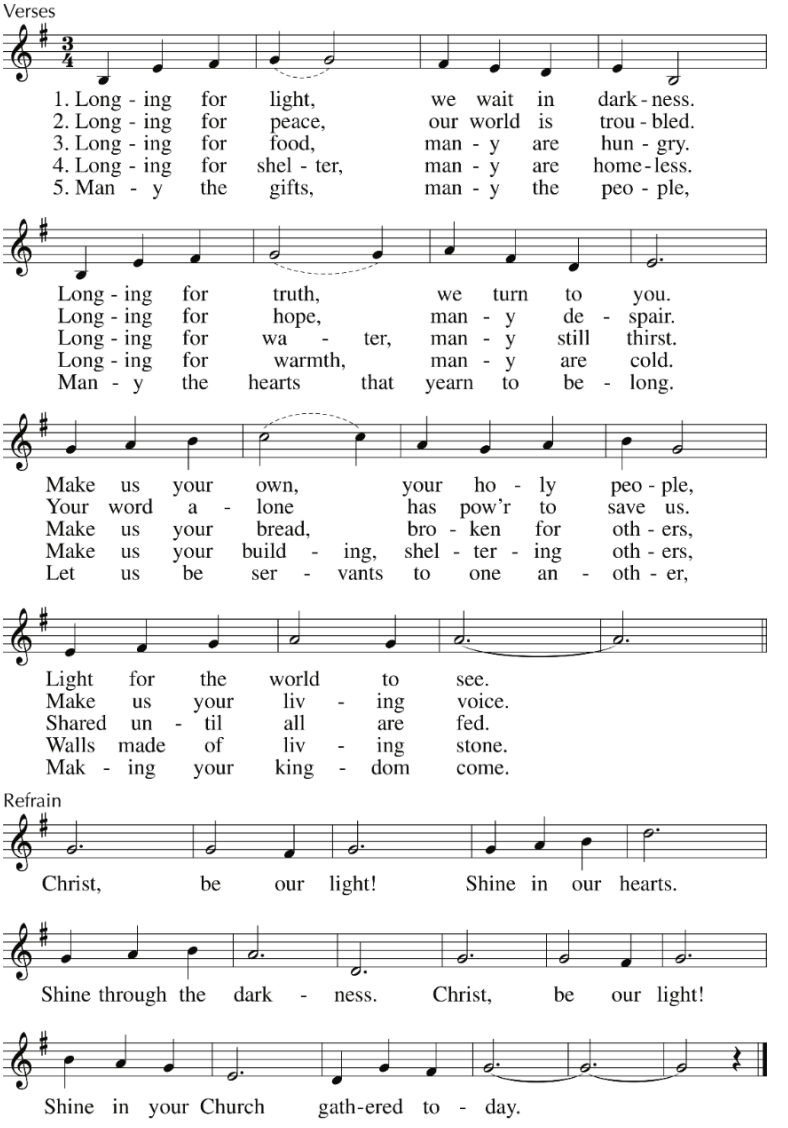


Diocese of Scranton Prayer for Vocations

Loving, creator God, who called us into life, let us know clearly the work you are calling us to do. Grant us the grace and generosity we need to answer your call with courage, love, and dedication to Your will. Amen

SONG OF SENDING FORTH

"Christ Be Our Light"

Farrell



Text: Bernadette Farrell, b.1957
Tune: CHRIST, BE OUR LIGHT, 9 8 9 6 with refrain; Bernadette Farrell, b.1957
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POSTLUDE

Toccata and Fuge in D minor BWV 561 *Johann Sebastian Bach 1685-1750*

2026 Jubilarians

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