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ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST CATHOLIC CHURCH



All common prayers and responses can be found in the “Order of Mass” booklets in your pew.

Welcome, families! A nursery with a live video feed is available in the lower church for parents and children who need a break. To find it, exit either of the rear stairwells or ask an usher for help.

Voluntary: “O man, bemoan thy grievous sin” (BWV 622)

Johann Sebastian Bach

The Litany

Introit: *Invocabit me*

Psalm 91:15-16, 1

He shall call upon me, and I will hearken unto him; I will deliver him, and bring him to honour: with length of days will I satisfy him. (Psalm) Whoso dwelleth under the defence of the Most High: shall abide under the shadow of the Almighty. *Gloria Patri.* He shall ...

First Reading

Deuteronomy 26:4-10

Moses said to the people, “The priest shall take the basket of first fruits from your hand, and set it down before the altar of the Lord your God. And you shall make response before the Lord your God, ‘A wandering Aramean was my father; and he went down into Egypt and sojourned there, few in number; and there he became a nation, great, mighty, and populous. And the Egyptians treated us harshly, and afflicted us, and laid upon us hard bondage. Then we cried to the Lord the God of our fathers, and the Lord heard our voice, and saw our affliction, our toil, and our oppression; and the Lord brought us out of Egypt with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm, with great terror, with signs and wonders; and he brought us into this place and gave us this land, a land flowing with milk and honey. And behold, now I bring the first of the fruit of the ground, which you, O Lord, have given me.’ And you shall set it down before the Lord your God, and worship before the Lord your God.”

Gradual: *Angelis suis*

Psalm 91:11-12

He shall give his Angels charge over thee: to keep thee in all thy ways. V. They shall bear thee in their hands: that thou hurt not thy foot against a stone.

Second Reading

Romans 10:8-13

Brethren: What does the scripture say? The word is near you, on your lips and in your heart (that is, the word of faith which we preach); because, if you confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For man believes with his heart and so is justified, and he confesses with his lips and so is saved. The scripture says, “No one who believes in him will be put to shame.” For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek;

the same Lord is Lord of all and bestows his riches upon all who call upon him. For, "every one who calls upon the name of the Lord will be saved.

Tract: *Qui habitat*

Psalm 91:1-7, 11-16

Whoso dwelleth under the defence of the Most High: shall abide under the shadow of the Almighty.

V. I will say unto the Lord, Thou art my hope and my stronghold: my God, in him will I trust.

V. For he shall deliver thee from the snare of the hunter: and from the noisome pestilence.

V. He shall defend thee under his wings: and thou shalt be safe under his feathers.

V. His faithfulness and truth shall be thy shield and buckler: thou shalt not be afraid for any terror by night.

V. Nor for the arrow that flieth by day; for the pestilence that walketh in darkness: nor for the sickness that destroyeth in the noon-day.

V. A thousand shall fall beside thee, and ten thousand at thy right hand: but it shall not come nigh thee.

V. For he shall give his Angels charge over thee: to keep thee in all thy ways.

V. They shall bear thee in their hands: that thou hurt not thy foot against a stone.

V. Thou shalt go upon the lion and adder: the young lion and the dragon shalt thou tread under thy feet.

V. Because he hath set his love upon me, therefore will I deliver him: I will set him up, because he hath known my Name.

V. He shall call upon me, and I will hear him: yea, I am with him in trouble.

V. I will deliver him, and bring him to honour: with long life will I satisfy him, and show him my salvation.

Holy Gospel

Luke 4:1-13

At that time: Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit, returned from the Jordan, and was led by the Spirit for forty days in the wilderness, tempted by the devil. And he ate nothing in those days; and when they were ended, he was hungry. The devil said to him, "If you are the Son of God, command this stone to become bread." And Jesus answered him, "It is written, 'Man shall not live by bread alone.'" And the devil took him up, and showed him all the kingdoms of the world in a moment of time, and said to him, "To you I will give all this authority and their glory; for it has been delivered to me, and I give it to whom I will. If you, then, will worship me, it shall all be yours." And Jesus answered him, "It is written, 'You shall worship the Lord your God, and him only shall

you serve.” And he took him to Jerusalem, and set him on the pinnacle of the temple, and said to him, “If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down from here; for it is written, ‘He will give his angels charge of you, to guard you,’ and ‘On their hands they will bear you up, lest you strike your foot against a stone.’” And Jesus answered him, “It is said, ‘You shall not tempt the Lord your God.’” And when the devil had ended every temptation, he departed from him until an opportune time.

Offertory Antiphon: *Scapulis suis*

Psalm 91:4-5

He shall defend thee under his wings, and thou shalt be safe under his feathers: his faithfulness and truth shall be thy shield and buckler.

Offertory Hymn 413: “Lord, as to thy dear cross we flee”

St. Bernard

Communion Antiphon: *Scapulis suis*

Psalm 91:4-5

The Lord shall defend thee under his wings, and thou shalt be safe under his feathers: his faithfulness and truth shall be thy shield and buckler.

Ablutions Hymn 59: “Lord, who throughout these forty days”

St. Flavian

Final Hymn 61: “The glory of these forty days”

Spires

Voluntary: Fantasia in C minor (BWV 562)

Johann Sebastian Bach

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*If you would like a personal blessing for birthdays, anniversaries, etc.,
or would like sacramentals blessed, please approach the communion rail after the closing hymn.*