



Ordination of Priests

Diocese of Ogdensburg
May 30, 2026

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THE HOLY SACRIFICE OF THE MASS
with the

Rite of Ordination
of Priests

PRINCIPAL CELEBRANT AND HOMILIST

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Bishop of Ogdensburg

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Reverend Mr. Michelet Boncoeur
Reverend Mr. Tyler Fitzgerald
Reverend Mr. Dennis Ombongi

St. Mary's Cathedral
Ogdensburg, NY 13669

May 30, 2026
11:00 AM

INTRODUCTORY RITES

PROCESSIONAL

Go Up To The Altar

Go up to the al - tar of God,
the God of our glad - ness and joy.
Raise up the cup of sal - va - tion,
and call on the name of the Lord.

O come and sing to God, the Lord, To him our voices raise;
O sing to him with joyful songs, the Lord, our savior praise. *Refrain*

raise;
Refrain

Before his presence let us come, With thankful voice acclaim
the Lord with grateful hearts, O praise him and rejoice. *Refrain*

claim
Refrain

O come, and bowing down to him, Our worship let us bring;
O kneel before our Lord and God, Our Maker and our King. *Refrain*

bring;
Refrain

Our God is King of all the earth, So listen to his voice;
our Shepherd, we his flock; Sing praises and rejoice. *Refrain*

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Refrain

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SIGN OF THE CROSS AND GREETING

PENITENTIAL ACT

CONFITEOR

I confess to almighty God
and to you, my brothers and sisters,
that I have greatly sinned
in my thoughts and in my words,
in what I have done
and in what I have failed to do,

And striking their breast, they say
through my fault, through my fault,
through my most grievous fault;
therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin,
all the Angels and Saints,
and you, my brothers and sisters,
to pray for me to the Lord our God

Bishop: May almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us our sins, and bring us to everlasting life.

All: Amen.

KYRIE

GLORIA

*Heritage Mass
 Owen Alstott*

Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and on earth peace to
 peo-ple of good will. We praise you, we bless you, we a - dore you,
 we glo - ri - fy you, we give you thanks for your great glo - ry,
 Lord God, heav'n - ly King, O God, al - might - y Fa - ther.
 Lord Je - sus Christ, On - ly Be - got - ten Son, Lord God,
 Lamb of God, Son of the Fa - ther, you take a - way the
 you take a - way the
 sins of the world, have mer - cy on us; you are seat - ed at the
 sins of the world, re - ceive our _ prayer;
 right hand of the Fa - ther, have mer - cy on us.
 For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,
 you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly
 Spir - it, in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

COLLECT

LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING

JEREMIAH 1:4-9

READ BY: SR. MARY EAMON LYNG, SSJ, FORMER VOCATIONS COORDINATOR

*The LORD has anointed me; he has sent me to bring glad tidings
to the lowly and to give them the oil of gladness.*

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

PSALM 116:12-13, 17-18



SECOND READING

HEBREWS 5:1-10

READ BY: DR. HELENE PAHARIK, ST. VINCENT SEMINARY

*For we do not preach ourselves but Jesus Christ as Lord
and ourselves as your slaves for the sake of Jesus. Alleluia*

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

James Chepponis



*The Lord sent me to bring glad tidings to the poor
and to proclaim liberty to captives. (Luke 4:18)*

GOSPEL READING

LUKE 24:13-35

PROCLAIMED BY: REV. MR. PAUL SIZEMORE, DIOCESE OF CHARLESTON

I am the good shepherd, says the Lord; I know my sheep, and mine know me

Please remain standing as the Bishop reverences the Book of the Gospels.

RITE OF ORDINATION

PRESENTATION OF THE CANDIDATES FOR THE PRIESTHOOD

DEACON KEVIN MASTELLON

ELECTION OF THE CANDIDATES FOR THE PRIESTHOOD

REVEREND CHRISTOPHER CARRARA

*After the Gospel reading, the local Church requests the Bishop to ordain the candidates. The priest
assigned to do this responds to the Bishop's questions by informing him in the presence of the people
that there are
no doubts concerning the candidates.*

*The Bishop responds: "Relying on the help of the Lord God and our Savior Jesus Christ, we choose
these, our brothers,*

for the Order of the Priesthood.”

*The people then give their assent to this decision by the response,
“Thanks be to God”
followed by applause.*

HOMILY

MOST REVEREND TERRY R. LAVALLEY
BISHOP OF OGDENSBURG

PROMISE OF THE ELECT

The elect for the priesthood stand before the Bishop and express their resolve to carry out their office in accord with the mind of Christ and the Church.

LITANY OF SUPPLICATION

In the litany all present plead for God’s grace for the candidates.
As a sign of humility, the candidates prostrate themselves.


All others are invited to kneel



V. Lord, have mer-cy. R. Lord, have mer-cy.



V. Christ, have mer-cy. R. Christ, have mer-cy.



V. Lord, have mer-cy. R. Lord, have mer-cy.



Holy Mary, Mother of God, [] R. pray for us.



Lord, be mer-ci-ful, R. Lord, de-liv-er us, we pray.



Be merciful to us sin-ners, R. Lord, we ask you, hear our prayer.



Christ, hear us. R. Christ, hear us.



Christ, gra-cious-ly hear us. R. Christ, gra-cious-ly hear us.

ORDINATION OF PRIESTS

LAYING ON OF HANDS AND PRAYER OF ORDINATION TO THE PRIESTHOOD

Through the laying on of hands by the Bishop and the Prayer of Ordination, the gift of the Holy Spirit for the office of priest is conferred on the candidates.

The following words belong to the nature of the rite and are consequently required for the validity of the act:

*“Grant, we pray, Almighty Father,
to these your servants the dignity of the Priesthood.”*

*These men are now Priests, co-workers of the Bishop,
set apart to serve the people of God.*

VESTING IN THE STOLE AND CHASUBLE

*The newly ordained are now vested with a stole,
which they wear when celebrating the Sacraments
as a sign of their authority to act in the name of Christ.
They are then vested with a chasuble, the outer vestment
worn when offering the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass.*

Reverend Michelet Boncoeur is vested by Reverend John M. Demo

Reverend Dennis Ombongi is vested by Reverend Mark R. Reilly

Reverend Tyler Fitzgerald is vested by Reverend Andrew J. Amyot

ANOINTING OF HANDS AND HANDING OVER OF THE BREAD AND WINE

The palms of the new priests are anointed with Sacred Chrism
to sanctify others and offer sacrifice to God.

The Chalice and Patan are brought forward by Sarah Fitzgerald, Jean Yvens Morand, Lawrence Omboto, relatives of the newly ordained priests.

The chalice and paten, containing the bread and wine mixed with water for the celebration of Mass are given to the Bishop who presents them to the newly ordained priests.

Christ the Lord, * a Priest for ev - er ac - cord -
ing to the or - der of Mel - chiz - e - dek, of - fered bread
and wine (E.T. al - le - lu - ia).

FRATERNAL KISS

The Bishop and representatives from the Priests offer a fraternal kiss of peace to the newly ordained as a sign of welcome into the Order of Priests.

You are my friends, says the Lord, * if you do what I
com-mand you (E.T. al - le - lu-ia).

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

PREPARATION OF THE ALTAR AND GIFTS

Lo! He Comes with Clouds Descending

HELMSLEY (87. 87 12 7)

Tune: Augustine Arne (1710-1778)

1.Lo! He comes, with clouds de - scend - ing, Once for
2.Ev - 'ry eye shall now be - hold Him, Robed in
3.Those dear to - kens of His pas - sion Still His
4.Yea, a - men! let all a - dore Thee, High on

our sal - va - tion slain; Thou - sand thou - sand
dread - ful ma - jes - ty; Those who set at
daz - zling bo - dy bears, Cause of end - less
Thine e - ter - nal throne: Sa - vior. take the

saints at - tend - ing Swell the tri - umph of His
nought and sold Him, Pierced, and nailed Him to the
ex - ul - ta - tion To His ran - somed wor - ship -
pow'r and glo - ry; Claim the king - dom for Thine

train: Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!
tree, Deep - ly wail - ing, Deep - ly wail - ing,
ers; With what rap - ture, With what rap - ture,
own: Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

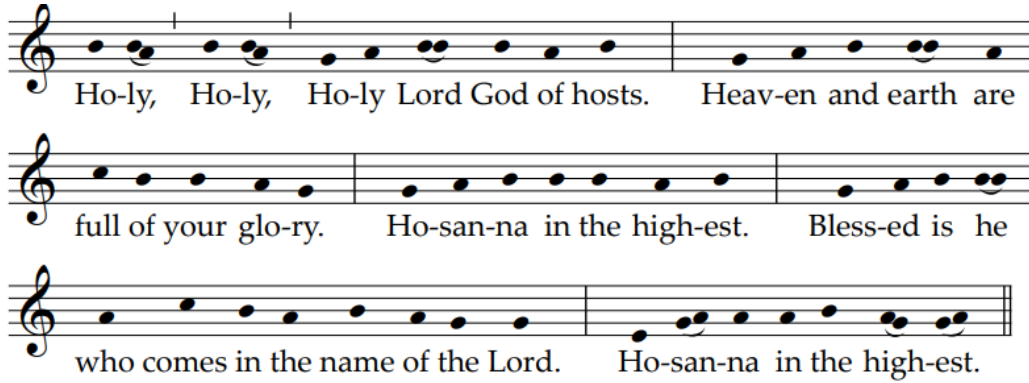
Al - le - lu - ia! Christ the Lord re - turns to reign.
Deep - ly wail - ing, Shall the true Mes - si - ah see.
With what rap - ture, Gaze we on those glo - rious scars!
Al - le - lu - ia! Thou shalt reign, and Thou a - lone.

Text: Charles Wesley (1707-1788), alt.

PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

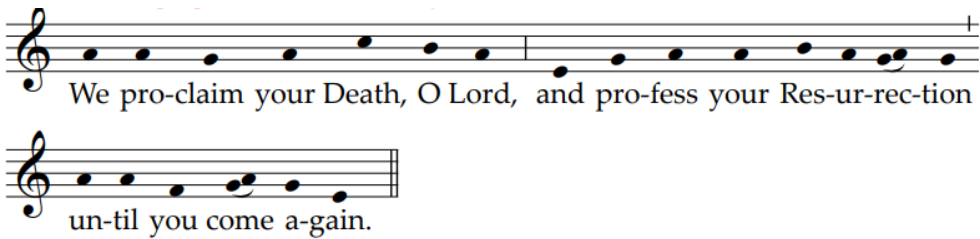
EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

SANCTUS




Ho-ly, Ho-ly, Ho-ly Lord God of hosts. Heav-en and earth are
full of your glo-ry. Ho-san-na in the high-est. Bless-ed is he
who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high-est.

MYSTERY OF FAITH



We pro-claim your Death, O Lord, and pro-fess your Res-ur-rec-tion
un-til you come a-gain.

GREAT AMEN



R. A-men.

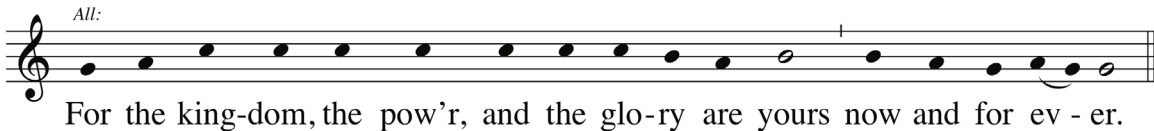
COMMUNION RITE

THE LORD'S PRAYER



Our Fa - ther, who art in heav - en, hal - lowed be thy name;
thy king - dom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heav - en.
Give us this day our dai - ly bread, and for - give us our tres - pass - es,
as we for - give those who tres - pass a - gainst us; and lead us not
in - to temp - ta - tion, but de - liv - er us from e - vil.

Bishop: Deliver us, Lord, we pray, from every evil, graciously grant peace in our days, that, by the help of your mercy, we may be always free from sin and safe from all distress, as we await the blessed hope and the coming of our Savior, Jesus Christ.



All:
For the king - dom, the pow'r, and the glo - ry are yours now and for ev - er.

LAMB OF GOD



A-gnus De - i, * qui tol-lis pec-cá-ta mun-di: mi-se-ré-re no-bis.

A-gnus De - i, * qui tol-lis pec-cá-ta mun-di: mi-se-ré-re no-bis.

A-gnus De - i, * qui tol-lis pec-cá-ta mun-di: do-na no-bis pa-cem.

Bishop: 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 HYMNS

Anima Christi

Refrain Rev. Marco Frisina (b. 1954)



A - ni-ma Chri - sti, san - cti - fi-ca me. Cor - pus Chri - sti, sal - va me.

San - guis Chri - sti, i - ne - bri-a me. A - qua la - te-ris Chri - sti, la - va me.

Text: attr. Pope John XXII (1249-1334)

Refrain: *Soul of Christ, sanctify me. Body of Christ, save me. Blood of Christ, inebriate me. Water from the side of Christ, wash me.*

- 1. Passion of Christ, strengthen me. O good Jesus, hear me. Within Thy wounds, hide me.*
- 2. Separated from Thee let me never be. From the malignant enemy, defend me. At the hour of death, call me.*
- 3. To come to Thee, bid me, that I may praise Thee in the company of Thy Saints, for all eternity. Amen.*

Heart of a Shepherd

The musical score is written in treble clef. The first line is in 4/4 time and contains the lyrics: "If you love me, feed my lambs; Be my heart, my voice, my". The second line is in 2/4 time and contains the lyrics: "hands. If you love me, feed my sheep. And for my part, I give". The third line is in 2/4 time and contains the lyrics: "you the heart of a shep - herd." The score includes various note values, rests, and a double bar line at the end.

Verses

1. Lord, you are my shepherd;
there is nothing I shall want.
Fresh and green are the pastures
where you give me repose.
Near restful waters you lead me,
to revive my drooping spirit.
2. You guide me along the right path;
you are true to your name.
If I should walk in the valley of darkness
no evil would I fear.
You are there with your crook and your staff;
with these you give me comfort.
3. You have prepared a banquet for me
in the sight of my foes.
My head you have anointed with oil;
my cup is overflowing.
4. Surely goodness and kindness shall follow me
all the days of my life.
In the Lord's own house shall I dwell
for ever and ever.
5. To the Father and Son give glory,
give glory to the Spirit,
to God who is, who was, and who will be
for ever and ever.

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PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

SOLEMN BLESSING

DISMISSAL

FIRST BLESSINGS

After the dismissal, Bishop LaValley will ask the newly ordained for their first blessings. Then they will bless close family members. After the recessional hymn, the three priests will return to the sanctuary to offer blessings at the end of the three aisles.

RECESSIONAL HYMN

Oh God Beyond All Praising



1. O God be-yond all prais-ing, we wor-ship you to - day
*2. The flow'r of earth-ly splen-dor in time must sure-ly die,
3. Then hear, O gra-cious Sav - ior, ac - cept the love we bring,



And sing the love a - maz-ing that songs can - not re - pay;
Its frag - ile bloom sur - ren - der to you, the Lord most high;
That we who know your fa - vor may serve you as our King;



For we can on - ly won - der at ev - 'ry gift you send,
But hid - den from all na - ture the e - ter - nal seed is sown,
And wheth - er our to - mor - rows be filled with good or ill,



At bless-ings with - out num - ber and mer - cies with - out end.
Though small in mor - tal stat - ure to heav - en's gar - den grown.
We'll tri - umph through our sor - rows and rise to bless you still,



We lift our hearts be - fore you and wait up - on your word;
For Christ, the man from heav - en, from death has set us free,
To mar - vel at your beau - ty and glo - ry in your ways,



We hon - or and a - dore you, our great and might - y Lord.
And we through him are giv - en the fin - al vic - to - ry!
And make a joy - ful du - ty our sac - ri - fice of praise.

**May be omitted.*

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