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BISHOP OF RALEIGH, PRESIDEN

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• ORDER OF SAINT GREGORY •

THE ORDER OF SAINT GREGORY THE GREAT, one of the five pontifical knightly orders, was founded by Pope Gregory XVI in 1831 to honor his great sixth century predecessor.

Over the course of nearly two centuries, it has been awarded to philanthropists, diplomats, military and business leaders, artists, scientists, and interfaith leaders who have shown, by their service, extraordinary love for Jesus Christ and his Church. With the exception of Catholic heads of state, diplomats assigned to Vatican City State, and others of international standing, the Order of St. Gregory the Great is the highest honor granted by the Holy Father to laypersons.

• PRO ECCLESIA ET PONTIFICE CROSS •

THE CROSS PRO ECCLESIA ET PONTIFICE, or Cross of Honor, was established in 1888 by Pope Leo XIII. It is awarded to Catholics aged 45 and above who have shown long and distinguished service to the Church and to the Papal office.

• BENEMERENTI MEDAL •

THE BENEMERENTI MEDAL was established by Pope Pius VI in the last quarter of the 18th century as a military honor for outstanding service to the Holy See. The medal was later extended to worthy members of the clergy and civilian laity. It can be granted to persons as young as 35, and its reception is open to Catholics as well as members of other faith traditions.

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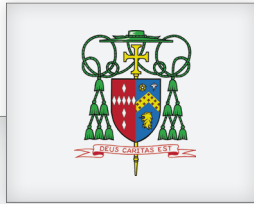
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HIS HOLINESS
POPE FRANCIS





HIS EXCELLENCY
THE MOST REVEREND LUIS ZARAMA



BISHOP OF RALEIGH



EVENING PRAYER FOR PAPAL HONORS

The Assembly stands

PROCESSION

SONATA DA CHIESA

ARCANGELO CORELLI/ARR. ROBERT MCCASHIN

CALL TO PRAYER

Bishop Luis: God, come to our assistance.

Assembly: *O Lord, make haste to help us.*

Bishop Luis: Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit

Assembly: *As it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen, Alleluia.*

HYMN

ALL CREATURES OF OUR GOD AND KING

WILLIAM HENRY DRAPER

All Creatures of Our God and King



1. All crea - tures of our God and King, Lift
 2. O rush - ing wind and breez - es soft, O
 3. O flow - ing wa - ters, pure and clear, Make
 4. Dear moth - er earth, who day by day Un -
 5. O ev - 'ry one of ten - der heart, For -



up your voice and with us sing: Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le -
 clouds that ride the winds a - loft: Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le -
 mu - sic for your Lord to hear. Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le -
 folds rich bless - ings on our way, Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le -
 giv - ing oth - ers, take your part, Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le -



lu - ia! O burn - ing sun with gold - en beam And
 lu - ia! O ris - ing morn, in praise re - joice, O
 lu - ia! O fire so mas - ter - ful and bright, Pro -
 lu - ia! The fruits and flow'rs that ver - dant grow, Let
 lu - ia! All you who pain and sor - row bear, Praise



sil - ver moon with soft - er gleam:
 lights of eve - ning, find a voice.
 vid - ing us with warmth and light, Al - le -
 them God's glo - ry al - so show.
 God and cast on God your care.



lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia, al - le -



lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

INTRODUCTION TO THE SERVICE

PRAYER OF EVENING THANKSGIVING

Bishop Luis: **GOD OF ALL MERCIES**, we give you humble thanks for all your goodness and loving-kindness to us and to all people. We bless you for our creation, preservation, and all the blessings of this life; but above all for your boundless love in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ; for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory.

Give us such an awareness of your mercies, that with truly thankful hearts we may show forth your praise, not only with our lips but in our lives, by giving up ourselves to your service, and by walking before you in holiness and righteousness all our days; through Jesus Christ our Redeemer, to whom, with you and in the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory now and forever.

Assembly: *Amen*

The Assembly is seated

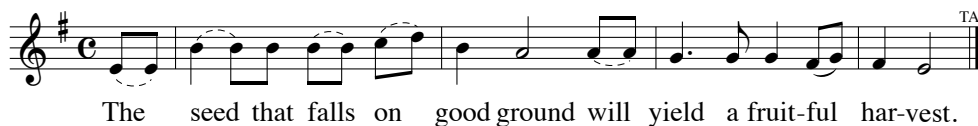
PSALMODY

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PSALMODY

COLOSSIANS 1:12-20

Antiphon: *Rejoice in the Lord's goodness, he has made us worthy to dwell with the saints.*

Side One

Let us give thanks to the Father
for having made you worthy
to share the lot of the saints
in light.

Side One

He is the image of the invisible God,
the first-born of all creatures.
In him everything in heaven and on earth was created,
things visible and invisible.

Side One

It is he who is head of the body, the church!
he who is the beginning,
the first-born of the dead,
so that primacy may be his in everything.

Side One

Glory to the Father, and to the Son,
and to the Holy Spirit:

Side Two

He rescued us from the power of darkness
and brought us into the kingdom of his beloved Son.
Through him we have redemption,
the forgiveness of our sins.

Side Two

All were created through him;
all were created for him.
He is before all else that is.
In him everything continues in being.

Side Two

It pleased God to make absolute fullness reside in him
and, by means of him, to reconcile everything in his person,
both on earth and in the heavens,
making peace through the blood of his cross.

Side Two

as it was in the beginning, is now,
and will be forever. Amen.

Antiphon (recited by the Assembly together): *Rejoice in the Lord's goodness, he has made us worthy to dwell with the saints.*

READING / EXCELLENCE OF THE GIFT OF LOVE

I CORINTHIANS 12:31—13:13

Brothers and sisters: “Strive eagerly for the greatest spiritual gifts. But I shall show you a still more excellent way.

If I speak in human and angelic tongues, but do not have love, I am a resounding gong or a clashing cymbal. And if I have the gift of prophecy, and comprehend all mysteries and all knowledge; if I have all faith so as to move mountains, but do not have love, I am nothing. If I give away everything I own, and if I hand my body over so that I may boast, but do not have love, I gain nothing.

Love is patient, love is kind. It is not jealous, it is not pompous, It is not inflated, it is not rude, it does not seek its own interests, it is not quick-tempered, it does not brood

over injury, it does not rejoice over wrongdoing but rejoices with the truth. It bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things.

Love never fails. If there are prophecies, they will be brought to nothing; if tongues, they will cease; if knowledge, it will be brought to nothing. For we know partially and we prophesy partially, but when the perfect comes, the partial will pass away. When I was a child, I used to talk as a child, think as a child, reason as a child; when I became a man, I put aside childish things. At present we see indistinctly, as in a mirror, but then face to face. At present I know partially; then I shall know fully, as I am fully known. So faith, hope, love remain, these three; but the greatest of these is love.

RESPONSORY

Cantor: You are the source of all our good, O Lord, our Creator and Redeemer.

Assembly: 
You are the source of all our good, O Lord, our Cre - a - tor and Re - deem - er.

Cantor: Help us to serve you and each other in sincerity and pureness of heart,

Assembly: 
O Lord, our Cre - a - tor and Re - deem - er.

Cantor: Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.

Assembly: 
You are the source of all our good, O Lord, our Cre - a - tor and Re - deem - er.



HOMILY

BISHOP LUIS RAFAEL ZARAMA
BISHOP OF THE CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF RALEIGH

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The Assembly stands

CANTICLE OF MARY

MAGNIFICAT IN C

IR CHARLES VILLIERS STANFORD

My soul doth magnify the Lord: and my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Saviour.

For he hath regarded the lowliness of his handmaiden. For behold, from henceforth all generations shall call me blessed.

For he that is mighty hath magnified me : and holy is his Name. And his mercy is on them that fear him throughout all generations.

He hath shewed strength with his arm : he hath scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts.

He hath put down the mighty from their seat and hath exalted the humble and meek.

He hath filled the hungry with good things and the rich he hath sent empty away.

He remembering his mercy hath holpen his servant Israel: as he promised to our forefathers, Abraham and his seed, for ever.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be: world without end. Amen.

INTERCESSIONS

Lord, hear our prayer; De-us, ex - áu - dí
nos; Se - ñor, es - cú - cha - nos.

Lector:

For our brothers and sisters whom we honor today, that their true reward may be in the kingdom of God, we pray to the Lord:

Sung response

For those who use their talents and gifts for the good of others, that they may acknowledge God as their source, we pray to the Lord:

Sung response

For the Diocese of Raleigh, that the faithful may shine as a light in the darkness of this world to bring home those who have lost their way and bring hope to the forgotten and neglected, we pray to the Lord:

Sung response

For all who desire to serve God in holiness and truth, that God may stir up in us the spirit of gratitude and thankfulness, we pray to the Lord;

Sung response

For growth in awareness of where we need to respond to those in distress, that we might lovingly and selflessly share with them what God has graciously provided us, we pray to the Lord:

Sung response

LORD'S PRAYER

PRAYER OF BLESSING

Bishop Luis:

Eternal God, Eternal God, source of every gift and talent, through your Son, Jesus Christ, you grant us your blessings that the Church might be nourished and strengthened.

Bless all who have been honored this evening, and confer on them the gifts of your Spirit that they may remain humble in heart as they serve your household the Church.

Bring us all into the peace of your kingdom, where all honor and glory are yours, Lord our God, forever and ever.

Assembly: *Amen*

CONCLUDING RITE/DISMISSAL

Bishop Luis:

Lord, bless us with your heavenly gifts, and grant us the grace to do your will. We ask this through Christ our Lord.

Assembly: *Amen*

Bishop Luis:

And may almighty God bless you all, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

Assembly: *Amen*

Bishop:

Let us go in peace.

Assembly: *Thanks be to God.*

HYMN

O GOD BEYOND ALL PRAISING

GUSTAV HOLST



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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