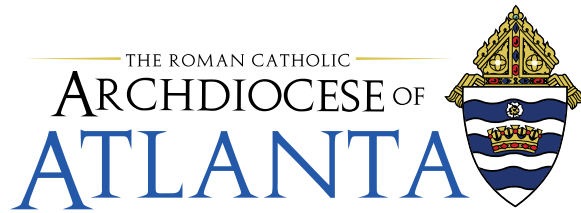


CHRISTUM OPORTET CRESCERE



Anima Christi

SOUL OF CHRIST, SANCTIFY ME
BODY OF CHRIST, SAVE ME
BLOOD OF CHRIST, INEBRIATE ME
WATER FROM CHRIST'S SIDE, WASH ME
PASSION OF CHRIST, STRENGTHEN ME
O GOOD JESUS, HEAR ME
WITHIN THY WOUNDS HIDE ME
SUFFER ME NOT TO BE SEPARATED FROM THEE
FROM THE MALICIOUS ENEMY DEFEND ME
IN THE HOUR OF MY DEATH CALL ME
AND BID ME COME UNTO THEE
THAT I MAY PRAISE THEE WITH THY SAINTS
AND WITH THY ANGELS
FOREVER AND EVER
AMEN



Solemn Vespers

IN ANTICIPATION OF
THE EPISCOPAL ORDINATION

OF

HIS EXCELLENCY

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Bernard E. Shlesinger III

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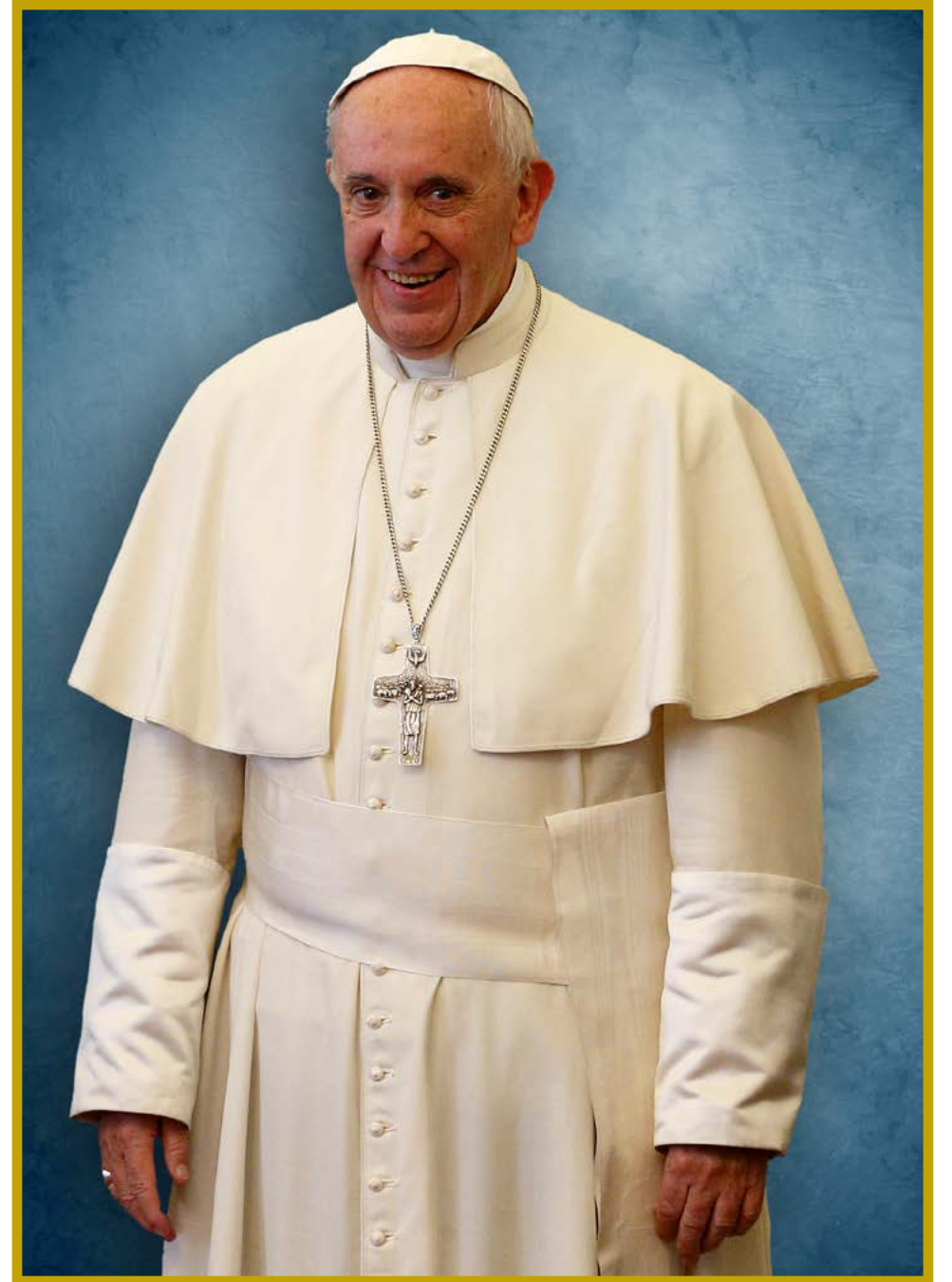
TUESDAY, THE EIGHTEENTH OF JULY

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD TWO THOUSAND AND SEVENTEEN
SEVEN O'CLOCK IN THE EVENING

THE CATHEDRAL OF CHRIST THE KING
ATLANTA, GEORGIA



HIS HOLINESS
Pope Francis



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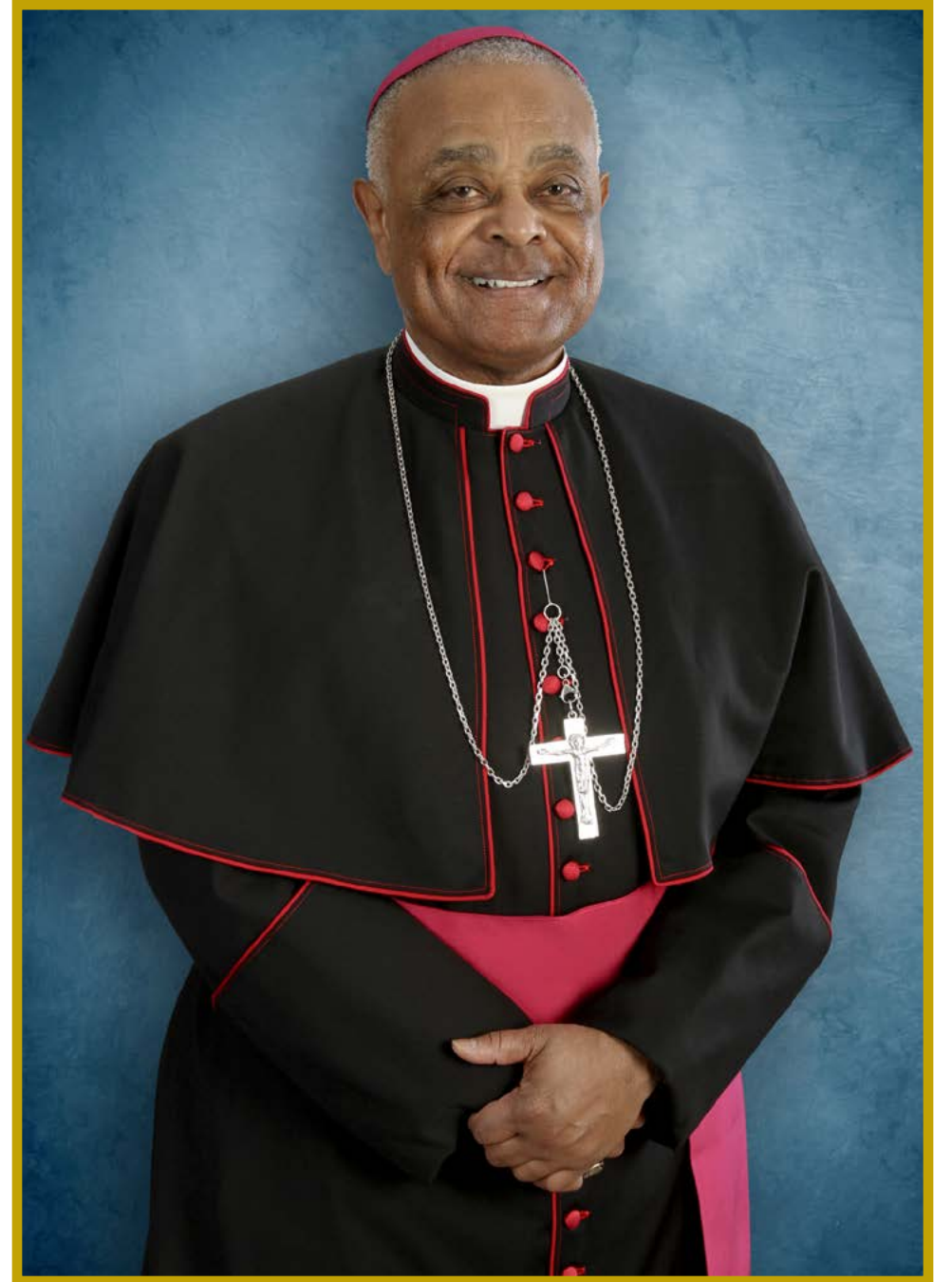
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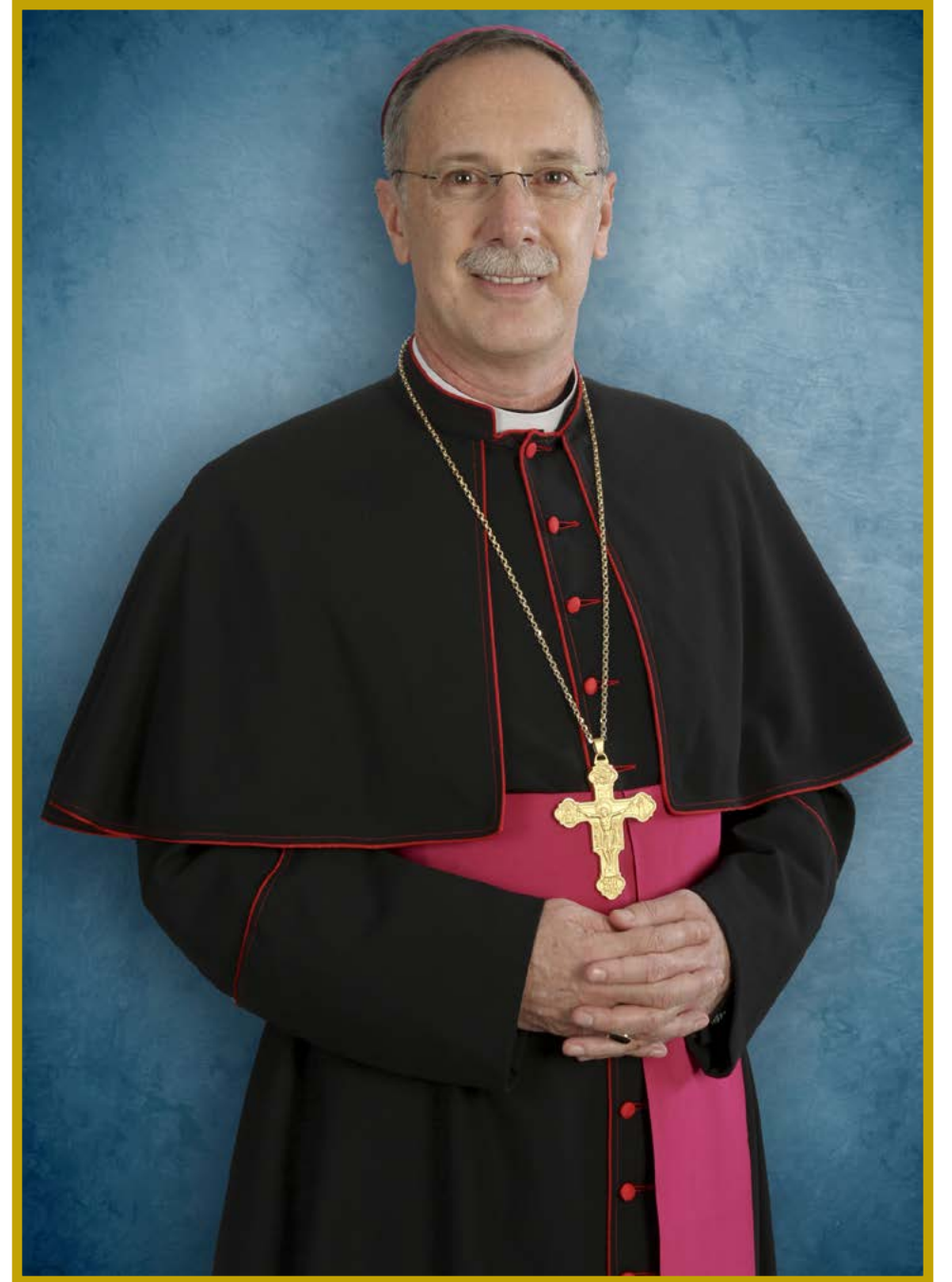
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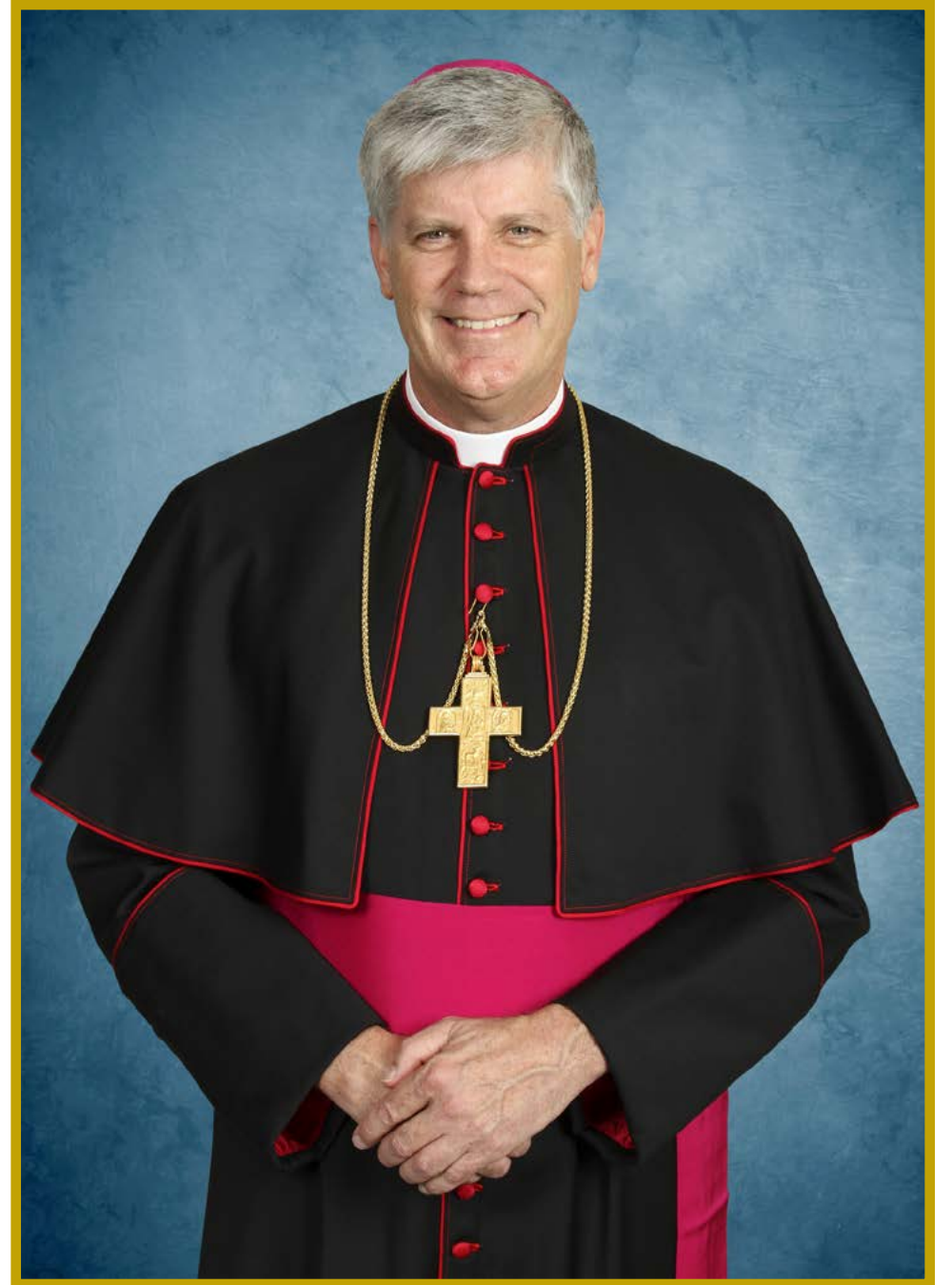
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IN HONOR
OF
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Procession

LET MY PRAYER COME UP AS THE INCENSE Peter Hallock

*Dirigatur oratio mea sicut incensum,
elevatio manuum mearum sacrificium vespertinum*

*Let my prayer come up as the incense,
and let the lifting up of my hands be as an evening sacrifice.*

Cantor OPENING DIALOGUE



O God, + come to my as - sist - ance.

Assembly



Lord, make haste to help me.

All



Glory to the Father, and to the Son and to the Ho - ly Spir - it:



as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. A - men. Al - le - lu - ia.

Evening Hymn

CHRIST MIGHTY SAVIOR



1. Christ, might-y Sav - ior, Light of all cre - a - tion,
2. There - fore we come now eve - ning rites to of - fer.
3. Give heed, we pray you, to our sup - pli - ca - tion:
4. Though bod - ies slum - ber, hearts shall keep their vig - il,



You make the day - time ra - diant with the sun - light
Joy - ful - ly chant - ing ho - ly hymns to praise you,
That you may grant us par - don for of - fens - es,
For ev - er rest - ing in the peace of Je - sus,



And to the night give glit - ter - ing a - dorn - ment,
With all cre - a - tion join in hearts and voic - es
Strength for our weak hearts, rest for ach - ing bo - dies,
In light or dark - ness, wor - ship - ing our Sav - ior



Stars in the heav - ens.
Sing - ing your glo - ry.
Sooth - ing the wea - ry.
Now and for - ev - er.

PSALM 125

H. Hamilton Smith



The Lord sur-rounds his peo - ple with his strength.



CHOIR: Those who put their trust in/the Lord
are/ like Mount Zion,
that can/not be shaken,
that stands/ for ever.

ALL: Jeru/sa-lem!
The moun/tains sur-round her,
so the Lord sur/rounds his people
both now and/ for-ever.

CHOIR: For the scepter of the wicked shall/ not rest
over the land/ of the just
for fear that the hands/ of the just
should turn/ to evil.



ALL: Do good, Lord, to those who/ are good,
to the up/right of heart;
but the crooked and those who do evil, drive/ them a-way
On Isra/el, peace!

ALL: Glory to the Father, and to/ the Son,
and to the/ Ho-ly Spirit:
as it was in the begin/ning, is now
and will be for-ever./ A-men



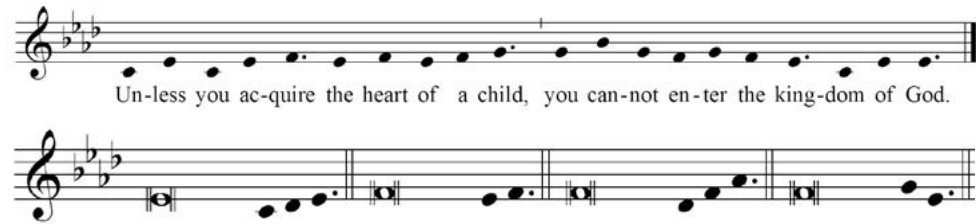
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Psalm Prayer

PSALM 131

H. Hamilton Smith



CHOIR: O Lord, my heart/ is not proud
nor haughty/ my eyes.
I have not gone after/ things too great
nor marvels/ be-yond me.

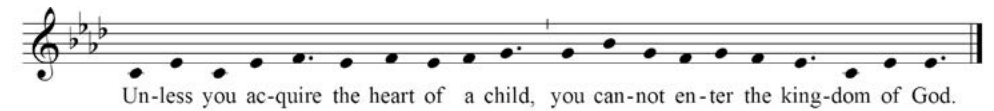
ALL: Truly I have/ set my soul
in silence/ and peace.
A weaned child on its/ mo-ther's breast,
even so is/ my soul.



CHOIR: Israel, hope/ in the Lord
both now and/ for-ever.



ALL: Glory to the Father, and/ to the Son
And to the Ho/ly Spirit:
as it was in the begin/ning, is now
and will be for ever./ A-men



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Psalm Prayer



Canticle


REVELATION 4:1-11; 5:9, 10, 12

H. Hamilton Smith




Lord, you have made for us a king-dom and priests for God our Fa - ther

CHOIR:




1. Splendor and honor and kingly power are yours by right, O Lord our God.




2. For you created everything that is, and by your will they were created and


ALL:



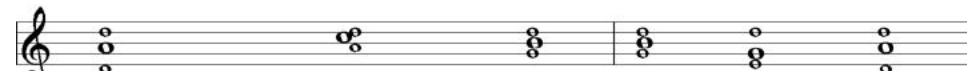
have their being; 3. And yours by right, O Lamb that was slain,




for with your blood you have re - deemed for God, 4. From every family, language,




people, and nation, a kingdom of priests to serve our God.



5. And so, to him who sits upon the throne, and to Christ the Lamb,



6. Be worship and praise, do - minion and splendor, for ever and for ever - more.



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



as it was in the be - ginning, is now and will be for - e - ver. A - men.



Lord, you have made for us a king-dom and priests for God our Fa - ther

Reading

ROMANS 12:9-12

Let love be sincere; hate what is evil, hold on to what is good; love one another with mutual affection; anticipate one another in showing honor. Do not grow slack in zeal, be fervent in spirit, serve the Lord. Rejoice in hope, endure in affliction, persevere in prayer.

Responsory

H. Hamilton Smith



Through all e - ter - ni - ty, O Lord, your pro-mise is un - sha - ken.



Through all e - ter - ni - ty, O Lord, your pro-mise is un - sha - ken.



Your faith-ful-ness will ne - ver fail; your pro-mise stands un - sha - ken.



Glo - ry to the Fa - ther, and to the Son, and to the Ho - ly Spi - rit,



Through all e - ter - ni - ty, O Lord, your pro-mise is un - sha - ken.

Homily

ARCHBISHOP WILTON D. GREGORY

Oath of Fidelity

Bishop-Elect Shlesinger will stand before the Altar and face the people to publicly profess his fidelity to the Catholic Church, all of its teachings, and his fidelity and loyalty to the Holy Father. The Oath that is taken is canonically and morally binding on the Bishop.

Blessing of Pontifical Insignia

At tomorrow's ordination, Bishop-Elect Shlesinger will receive the insignia of his office: The mitre, crozier, and bishop's ring. These are now blessed in anticipation of the ordination.





Canticle of Mary

PLEASE STAND AND MAKE THE SIGN OF THE CROSS

H. Hamilton Smith , antiphon
Peter Hallock, verses

MAGNIFICAT

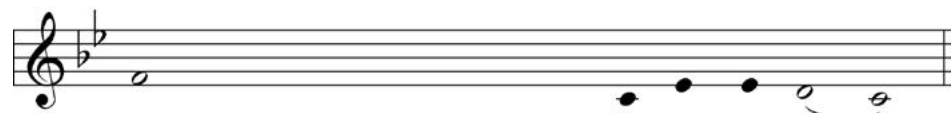


My spi - rit re - joic - es in God my Sa - vior.

CHOIR: My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord, my spirit rejoices in God my Savior; for he has looked with favor on his lowly servant. From this day all generations will call me blessed; The Almighty has done great things for me, and holy is his Name.

CANTOR: He has mercy on those who fear him in every generation.

ALL:

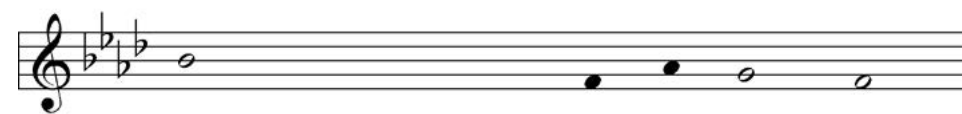


He has shown the strength of his arm.
He has scattered the proud in their con-*ceit*.

CHOIR: He has cast down the mighty from their thrones, and has lifted up the lowly. He has filled the hungry with good things, and the rich he has sent away empty.

CANTOR: He has come to the help of his servant Israel

ALL:



for he has remembered his promise of mer - cy,

CANTOR: The promise he made to our fathers,

ALL:



to Abraham and his child - dren for ev - er.

CHOIR: Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:
As it was in the beginning, is now and will be for ever. Amen.



My spi - rit re - joic - es in God my Sa - vior.

Intercessions

- CELEBRANT:** God establishes His people in hope. Let us cry out to Him with joy:
- ALL:* *because in Christ you have given us all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge.*
- DEACON:** O God, in your hands are the hearts of the powerful; bestow your wisdom upon government leaders,
- ALL:* *may they draw from the fountain of your counsel and please you in thought and deed.*
- DEACON:** The talents of artists reflect your splendor,
- ALL:* *may their work give the world hope and joy.*
- DEACON:** You do not allow us to be tested beyond our ability,
- ALL:* *strengthen the weak and raise up the fallen.*
- DEACON:** Through your Son you promised to raise men up on the Last Day,
- ALL:* *do not forget those who have died.*
- CELEBRANT:** Our Father ...
- ALL:* *Who art in heaven ...*

Closing Prayer & Dismissal

Lord,
may our evening prayer rise up to you,
and your blessing come down upon us.
May your help and salvation be ours
now and through all eternity.
We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, for ever and ever.

- CELEBRANT:** The Lord be with you.
- ALL:* *And with your spirit.*
- CELEBRANT:** May Almighty God bless you,
The Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit.
- ALL:* *Amen.*
- DEACON:** Go in peace.
- ALL:* *Thanks be to God.*



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