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Saint Thomas More Chapel
Eck Hall of Law
University of Notre Dame

August 30, 2009
Ministers of the Liturgy

Presiding: Most Reverend John M. D’Arcy
Bishop, Fort Wayne-South Bend Diocese

Concelebrants: Rev. John Coughlin, O.F.M,
Rev. John Jenkins, C.S.C.
Rev. Peter Rocca, C.S.C.

Master of Ceremonies: Mr. James Fitzpatrick

Readers: Mr. Matthew Barrett, Professor
Ms. Meghan Sweeney

Gospel: Rev. John Coughlin, O.F.M.

Altar Servers: Mr. Stefano Gennarini
Mr. Michael Gray
Mr. Tyson Marx

Altar Dressers: Nell Newton, Dean
Ms. Erin O’Neill

Gift Bearers: Ms. Sharon Loftus, Senior Staff Assistant
Mr. Brian Murray

Flower Bearers: Ms. Jacqueline Pimentel-Gannon
Ms. Anne Hamilton, Law School Registrar

Music: Basilica Schola Cantorum
Dr. Andrew McShane, Director
INTRODUCTORY RITES

OPENING HYMN

1. How blessed is this place, O Lord, Where
2. Here let your sacred fire of old De-
3. Here let your weary one find rest, The
4. Here your angelic spirits send Their

you are worshiped and adored: Alleluia! Alle-
scend to kindle spirits cold; Alleluia! Alle-
troubled heart, your comfort blest, Alleluia! Alle-
solemn praise with ours to blend, Alleluia! Alle-

luia! In faith we here an altar raise To
luia! And may our prayers, when here we bend, Like
luia! The guilty one, a sure retreat, The
luia! And grant the vision, inly giv'n, Of

your great glory, God of praise. Alle-
incense sweet to you ascend.
sinner, pardon at your feet.
this our house, the gate of heav'n.

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alle-

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!
GREETING

BLESSING AND SPRINKLING OF WATER

The bishop blesses water with which he will sprinkle the assembly as a sign of repentance and a reminder of their baptism, and to purify the walls of the chapel.

Bishop:  **Brothers and sisters in Christ,**
**this is a day of rejoicing...**
**We ask this in the name of Jesus the Lord.**

All:  **Amen.**

During the sprinkling the following is sung:

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Cleanse us, Lord, from all our sins;

wash us, and we shall be clean as new snow.
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After the sprinkling, when the singing is finished, the bishop says:

Bishop:  **May God, the Father of mercies,**
**dwell in this house of prayer.**
**May the grace of the Holy Spirit cleanse us,**
**for we are the temple of his presence.**

All:  **Amen.**
GLORIA

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth. Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.

Slightly slower

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.
OPENING PRAYER

LITURGY OF THE WORD

READING I

**Dt. 4:1-2, 6-8**

You shall not add to what I command you...
keep the commands of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

**Ps 15:2-5**

One who does justice will live in the presence of the Lord.

READING II

**1 Pt 4:12-19**

Rejoice to the extent that you share in the sufferings of Christ.
GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia.

GOSPEL

Mt 10:34-40

I have come to bring not peace but the sword.

HOMILY

PROFESSION OF FAITH
PRAYER OF DEDICATION AND THE ANOINTING

All stand. The bishop invites everyone to pray. The Litany of Saints is then sung.

LITANY OF SAINTS

The assembly makes the responses as indicated below. All remain standing.

Cantor: All:

Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy. etc.

Choir: All:

Holy Mary, Mother of God: Pray for us. etc.

Cantor: All:

Lord be merciful, Lord save your people, etc.

Cantor: All:

Be merciful to us sinners. Lord, hear our prayer.

Cantor: All:

Christ hear us. Christ hear us.

Cantor: All:

Lord Jesus hear our prayer. Lord Jesus hear our prayer.
When the Litany is completed, the bishop says the concluding prayer.

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

The bishop then says the prayer of dedication for the altar.

ANOINTING OF THE ALTAR

After introducing this rite, the bishop pours chrism on the middle of the altar and on each of its four corners. Meanwhile, the following is sung:

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\text{\textbf{The Lord has anointed you with holy oil.}}
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INCENSATION OF THE ALTAR

After the rite of anointing, a brazier is placed on the altar for burning incense. The bishop places incense into the brazier as well as into the censer. He then incenses the altar. The bishop is then incensed as well as the assembly.
LIGHTING OF THE ALTAR

After the incensation, a few ministers wipe the table of the altar with cloths. The altar is then covered with a cloth. The altar candles are arranged in a suitable manner for the celebration of Mass. The candles are then lit and the lights in the chapel are turned up. The Liturgy of the Eucharist follows, as usual. Meanwhile, the following is sung:

O nata lux de lumine
Jesu redemptor saeculi
Dignare clemens supplicum
Laudes precesque sumere.

Qui carne quondam contegi
Dignatus es pro perditis
Nos membra confer effici,
Tui beati corporis.

O Light born of Light,
O Jesus, redeemer of all ages,
Deign in your mercy to receive
Our supplication and our prayers.

You who stooped
To put on flesh for those lost,
Grant that we might be made
Members of your blessed today.
LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

When the altar is ready, the gifts of bread and wine are brought forward for the Eucharistic sacrifice.

PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

Eucharistic Prayer

SANCTUS

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heav'n and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest.

Blest is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest.
MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.

AMEN

Communion Rite

THE LORD'S PRAYER

AGNUS DEI

Choir or Cantor:

Lamb of God, You take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us. grant us peace.
COMMUNION

O Salutaris Hostia
Quae caeli pandi ostium
Bella preunt hostilia,
Da robur, fer auxilium,
Uni trinoque Domino,
Sit sempiterna gloria,
Qui vitam sine termino
Nobis donet in patria. Amen.

Tallis

O redeeming Sacrifice
which opens the gate of heaven:
enemies threaten wars;
give us strength, send aid.
To your great name
be endless praise,
grant us endless length of days
in our true native land. Amen.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

CONCLUDING RITES

BLESSING

DISMISSAL
CONCLUDING HYMN

1. O Christ the great foundation On which your people stand
   To preach your true salvation In every age and birth:
   Pour out your Holy Spirit To make us strong and pure,
   To keep the faith unbroken As long as world's endure.

2. Baptized in one confession, One church in all the land:
   We bear our Lord's impression, The sign of second own,
   One holy people gathered In love beyond our sin
   And, all their ramparts breaking, With you the victory win.

3. Where tyrants' hold is tightened, Where strong devour the head:
   Where innocents are frightened The righteous fear to sin
   As long as world's endure.
   As long as world's endure.

4. This is the moment glorious When he who once was dead
   Shall lead his church victorious, Their champion and their own,
   By grace we were invited, By grace we make you known.
   With you the victory win.

   The Lord of all creation His heavenly kingdom brings
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