

The Church of St Michael the Archangel

FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT

March 15, 2015

ORGAN -- "Clarifica me, Pater"

William Byrd

INTROIT *Laetare*

VII

Rejoice ye with Jerusalem; and be ye glad for her, all ye that delight in her: exult and sing for joy with her, all ye that in sadness mourn for her; that ye may suck, and be satisfied with the breasts of her consolations. *Ps.* I was glad when they said unto me: we will go into the house of the Lord. Glory be.

COLLECT FOR PURITY & SUMMARY OF THE LAW

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KYRIE ELEISON – (Hymnal No. 747)

Leo Sowerby

COLLECT

(congregation kneeling)

Gracious Father, whose blessed Son Jesus Christ came down from heaven to be the true bread which giveth life to the world: Evermore give us this bread, that he may live in us, and we in him; who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

LESSON -- II Chronicles 36:14-16, 19-23

In those days: All the leading priests and the people were exceedingly unfaithful, following all the abominations of the nations; and they polluted the house of the LORD which he had hallowed in Jerusalem. The LORD, the God of their fathers, sent persistently to them by his messengers, because he had compassion on his people and on his dwelling place; but they kept mocking the messengers of God, despising his words, and scoffing at his prophets, till the wrath of the Lord rose against his people, till there was no remedy. And the Chaldeans burned the house of God, and broke down the wall of Jerusalem, and burned all its palaces with fire, and destroyed all its precious vessels. The king of the Chaldeans took into exile in Babylon those who had escaped from the sword, and they became servants to him and to his sons until the establishment of the kingdom of Persia, to fulfill the word of the LORD by the mouth of Jeremiah, until the land had enjoyed its Sabbaths. All the days that it lay desolate it kept Sabbath, to fulfill seventy years. Now in the first year of Cyrus king of Persia, that the word of the LORD by the mouth of Jeremiah might be accomplished, the LORD stirred up the spirit of Cyrus king of Persia so that he made a proclamation throughout all his kingdom and also put it in writing: "Thus says Cyrus king of Persia, 'The LORD, the God of heaven, has given me all the kingdoms of the earth, and he has charged me to build him a house at Jerusalem, which is in Judah. Whoever is among you of all his people, may the LORD his God be with him. Let him go up.'"

GRADUAL

I was glad when they said unto me: we will go into the house of the Lord. *V.* Peace be within thy walls: and plenteousness within thy palaces.

V

EPISTLE -- Ephesians 2:4-10

Brethren: God, who is rich in mercy, out of the great love with which he loved us, even when we were dead through our trespasses, made us alive, together with Christ (by grace you have been saved), and raised us up with him, and made us sit with him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, that in the coming ages he might show the immeasurable riches of his grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus. For by grace you have been saved through faith; and this is not your own doing, it is the gift of God -- not because of works, lest any man should boast. For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them.

TRACT

They that put their trust in the Lord shall be even as the mount Zion: which may not be removed, but standeth fast forever. *V.* The hills stand about Jerusalem: even so standeth the Lord round about his people; from this time forth for evermore.

VIII

THE HOLY GOSPEL -- Saint John 3:14-21

At that time: Jesus said to Nicodemus, "As Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of man be lifted up, that whoever believes in him may have eternal life. For God so loved the world that he gave his only-begotten Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. For God sent the Son into the

world, not to condemn the world, but that the world might be saved through him. He who believes in him is not condemned; he who does not believe is condemned already, because he has not believed in the name of the only-begotten Son of God. And this is the judgment, that the light has come into the world, and men loved darkness rather than light, because their deeds were evil. For every one who does evil hates the light, and does not come to the light, lest his deeds should be exposed. But he who does what is true comes to the light, that it may be clearly seen that his deeds have been wrought in God.

SERMON

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PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

(congregation kneeling)

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GENERAL CONFSSION & ABSOLUTION

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OFFERTORY ANTIPHON

II

O praise the Lord, for the Lord is gracious; O sing praises unto his Name, for it is lovely: whatsoever the Lord pleased, that did he in heaven and in earth.

HYMN 357 -- In Babilone

Traditional Dutch Melody

PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

We place before you with joy these offerings, which bring eternal remedy, O Lord, praying that we may both faithfully revere them and present them to you, as is fitting, for the salvation of all the world. Through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

PREFACE OF LENT

Through Jesus Christ our Lord; who was in every way tempted as we are yet did not sin; by whose grace we are able to triumph over every evil, and to live no longer unto ourselves, but unto him who died and rose again for us. Therefore ...

SANCTUS AND BENEDICTUS -- (Hymnal No. 799)

Sowerby

+CANON OF THE MASS+

(congregation kneeling)

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OUR FATHER

(congregation standing)

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THE PEACE AND FRACTION

(congregation kneels after the Peace)

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AGNUS DEI -- (Hymnal No. 749)

Sowerby

PRAYER OF HUMBLE ACCESS

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COMMUNION ANTIPHON

I

Jerusalem is built as a city that is at unity in itself: for thither the tribes go up, even the tribes of the Lord, to give thanks unto the Name of the Lord.

HYMN 781 *(four verses)* -- Southwell

DAEMON'S PSALTER, 1579

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

(said by the congregation with the celebrant)

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POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

O God, who enlighten everyone who comes into this world, illuminate our hearts, we pray, with the splendor of your grace, that we may always ponder what is worthy and pleasing to your majesty and love you in all sincerity. Through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

BLESSING AND DISMISSAL

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THE LAST GOSPEL -- St John 1:1-14

(congregation standing)

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HYMN 335 -- Caswall

Friedrich Filitz

ORGAN -- Fugue in B minor (after Corelli)

Johann Sebastian Bach

Saint Michael's is a Catholic, Ordinariate Use congregation of the (Anglican) Personal Ordinariate of the Chair of Saint Peter. Those in full communion with the Catholic Church are welcome to receive Communion. Others are welcome to come for a blessing (crossing their arms over their chest), and join us in praying for the day when our Lord's prayer "that we all may be one" will be fulfilled. Forms for making a spiritual communion may be found on the back of the leaflet and on page 24 of the Mass Booklet. Those interested in instruction about the Ordinariate, and those interested in entering the full communion of the Catholic Church are invited to speak with Fr Ousley. The Saint Michael's Rectory is at 6611 Ardleigh Street, Philadelphia, PA 19119, which is the parish mailing address. The telephone is 215-247-1092. The web site is: www.ordinariatephiladelphia.org.

INTERCESSIONS

Sick: Janis, Delbert, Vanessa, Patricia, Clayton, Samuel, Nancy, Hyacinth, Terraine, Joel, Martha; Pearl, Delores, Marion, Margaret, Theodore, Melissa, Candace, Velisa, Howard, Susan, Chris, Catherine, Varrian, Jennifer, Pam, Robert, Matthew, Don, William, Samuel, James, Timothy, Lisa, Gladys, Lucien, Patrick, Al, David, Rachel, Paul, Angela, Trisha, Matthew, Barbara, Joanne, David, Carole, Mary Joan, Sarah

Clergy: Francis, Benedict, Jeffrey, Charles, John, David, Clayton, William, Sherwood, Edward, James, Jason, Philip

Personal Ordinariate of the Chair of St Peter; the unity of the Church; the Newman Fellowship (Strafford), All Saints (Wynnewood), St Mark's (Jenkintown), Holy Cross (Mount Airy)

Persecuted Christians

Armed Forces, especially Mark, Senee, James, Aidan, Augustine; all those in action

The President and those in civil authority; for our country

Pursuing higher education: Janice, David, Jonathan, Neiyana, Austin, Elizabeth, Charles, Joshua, Aquinas

Birthdays: Terraine Smith, Patrick Jakubik, John McCann

To Be Received & Confirmed next Sunday: Thomas Royce

CALENDAR

Monday, March 16

Feria

Tuesday, March 17

St Patrick *bishop*: Mass, 6 p.m.*

Wednesday, March 18

St Cyril of Jerusalem, *bishop & doctor*:

Mass & Healing, 10 a.m.*

Stations & Benediction, 7 p.m. *at OLA*

Thursday, March 19

SAINT JOSEPH: Mass, 6 p.m.*

Friday, March 20

Feria: Mass, 8 a.m.*

Stations & Benediction, 7 p.m. *at St Madeleine Sophie*

Saturday, March 21

Feria: Mass, 9:30 a.m.*

Sunday, March 22

PASSION SUNDAY

Sung Mass (Confirmation), 9 a.m. *at Holy Cross*

Sung Mass, 6 p.m. *Newman Fellowship at OLA*

**at St Thérèse*

All are invited downstairs after Mass for coffee hour in the undercroft. Sunday school meets during coffee hour. Also, Fr Ousley will give some brief comments about liturgical changes in the Holy Week services. The Pastoral Council meets during coffee hour today.

The Wednesday Bible Study meets at 11 at the rectory. The lesson is Acts 18. New folk welcome

The Friday night Lenten devotions continue this week with a joint service of Stations of the Cross & Benediction together with Holy Cross Parish. The services are at 7 p.m. at St Madeleine Sophie (6440 Greene Street).

Our Ordinary, Monsignor Jeffrey Steenson, will be visiting us next Sunday, March 22nd. In addition to preaching and meeting with the congregation after Mass, he is to receive and confirm Thomas Royce. Please help spread the word. Mass is at 9 as usual.

Holy Week schedules (suitable for posting on your refrigerator) are available this morning.

This Tuesday, Archbishop Charles Chaput begins a lecture series on "Continuing the Search for Religious Freedom 50 Years After Vatican II's *Dignitatis Humanae*." The lecture, on "Present Trials and Future Challenges" is at St Charles Borromeo Seminary at 7 p.m. No charge.

Fr Ousley is available for confessions on Sunday, 8:30-8:45 a.m., and at other times by appointment.

Lessons for Morning & Evening Prayer

LENT IV	Morning		Evening	
Sunday 3/15	Jeremiah 14:1-9. 17-22	Galatians 4:21-5:1	Genesis 48:8-22	Mark 8:11-21
Monday	Jeremiah 16:10-21	Romans 7:1-12	Genesis 49:1-28	John 6:1-15
Tuesday	17:19-27	7:13-25	49:29-50:14	6:16-27
Wednesday	18:1-11	8:1-11	50:15-26	6:27-40 (41-51)
Thursday SAINT JOSEPH	Isaiah 63:7-16	Matthew 1:18-25	II Chronicles 6:12-17	Ephesians 3:14-21
Friday	Jeremiah 23:1-8	Romans 8:12-39	Exodus 2:1-22	John 6:52-59
Saturday	23:9-15	9:1-18	2:23-3:15	6:60-71
Sunday 3/22	Jeremiah 23:16-32	I Corinthians 9:19-27	Exodus 3:16-4:12	Mark 8:31-9:1

Collect for St Joseph: O God, who from the family of thy servant David didst raise up Joseph to be the guardian of thy incarnate Son and the spouse of his virgin mother: Give us grace to imitate his uprightness of life and his obedience to thy commands; through the same thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Act of spiritual communion for those not receiving Holy Communion:

I worship Thee, Lord Jesus
And kneeling unto Thee,
As Thou didst come to Mary,
I pray Thee come to me.

O most loving Jesus, O most blessed Savior, come to me, I beseech Thee, and unite me to Thyself. Though I cannot now receive Thee sacramentally, yet I believe that Thou art able, even when received by faith and desire only, to heal, enrich and sanctify me. Come Thou spiritually into my heart. I desire to unite myself to Thee with all the affections of my soul. Possess me wholly; let the consuming fire of Thy love absorb me, and Thy presence abide so intimately in me, that it will be no longer I that live, but Thou who livest in me. Amen.

Come, Lord Jesus, and dwell in my heart. Amen.