

S. Clement's Church

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Sundays

Mattins 7.30

Low Mass 8.00

High Mass & Sermon 11.00

Solemn Vespers & Benediction 4.00

Weekdays

Low Mass: M, Th 12.10; Tu, W, F 7.00

(Saturday 10.00)

Evensong & Novena 5.30

Confessions: Sun. 10-10.45 & by appointment

The Vigil of Easter & High Mass

4.00 p.m.

Blessing of the New Fire

COLLECTS

O GOD, who through thy Son, the true corner-stone, hast bestowed upon thy faithful people the fire of thy brightness: sanctify this new fire, now struck from the flint-stone, to be profitable to our service: and grant unto us that by this paschal feast we may be so inflamed with heavenly desires; that we may with pure hearts attain unto the feast of thy eternal brightness. Through the same Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

O LORD God, Father almighty, who art light unfailing, and the author of all lights: bless this light which hath here been sanctified and blessed by thee, who hast enlightened the whole world: that we may be enkindled by that light, and enlightened with the fire of thy brightness: and like as thou didst enlighten Moses going forth from Egypt, so do thou enlighten our hearts and understandings; that we may be found worthy to attain unto life and light everlasting. Through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

O LORD holy, Father almighty, everlasting God: vouchsafe to assist us who bless this fire in thy name, and in the name of thy only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, our God and Lord, and of the Holy Ghost; and assist us against the fiery darts of the enemy, and enlighten us with thy heavenly grace: Who livest and reignest. *Amen.*

AT THE BLESSING OF THE GRAINS OF INCENSE

WE beseech thee, almighty God, that the abundance of thy blessing may come down upon this incense; and as thou, thyself unseen, art the regenerator of all things, so kindle the brightness of this night; that not only may our sacrifice, which is offered on this night, shine with the secret mingling of thy light; but that in all places wheresoever ought shall be carried from this mystery here sanctified, the wickedness of the crafts of the devil may be driven forth, and the power of thy majesty ever be present. Through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

PROCESSION INTO THE CHURCH

Deacon: The Light of Christ.
People: Thanks be to God.
[repeated three times]

THE PASCHAL PRAECONIUM - *The Exsultet*
THE PROPHECIES

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Blessing of the Baptismal Water

TRACT - *Sicut cervus*

Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina

Like as the hart desireth the water-brooks; so longeth my soul after thee, O God. = My soul is athirst for God, yea, even for the living God: when shall I come to appear before the presence of God? = My tears have been my meat day and night, while they daily say unto me: Where is now thy God?

COLLECT

PREFACE & BLESSING

Litany of the Saints

Here follows the Litany of the Saints. [all kneeling]

High Mass of the Easter Vigil

KYRIE ELEISON – Missa ‘Lux et origo’
GLORIA IN EXCELSIS – Messe Solennelle
COLLECT

Plainsong
Charles-Marie Widor

O GOD, who didst illumine this most holy night with the Resurrection of the Lord: preserve, we pray thee, in all those made incorporate in thy family, the spirit of adoption which thou hast given them; that they being regenerate both in body and soul may in all sincerity obey thy holy will. Through the same... *Amen.*

EPISTLE

Colossians 3.1

The Lesson from the Epistle of blessed Paul the Apostle to the Colossians.

BRETHREN: If ye then be risen with Christ, seek those things which are above, where Christ sitteth on the right hand of God: set your affections on things above, not on things on the earth. For ye are dead, and your life is hid with Christ in God. When Christ, who is our life, shall appear: then shall ye also appear with him in glory.

ALLELUIA – *Confitemini Domine*

Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia. = O give thanks unto the Lord, for he is gracious: for his mercy endureth for ever. O praise the Lord, all ye heathen: praise him, all ye nations. = For his merciful kindness is ever more and more towards us: and the truth of the Lord endureth for ever.

THE HOLY GOSPEL

S. Matthew 28.1

IN THE END of the Sabbath, as it began to dawn toward the first day of the week, came Mary Magdalene, and the other Mary to see the sepulchre. And behold there was a great earthquake. For the Angel of the Lord descended from heaven: and came and rolled back the stone from the door, and sat upon it: his countenance was like lightning: and his raiment white as snow. And for fear of him the keepers did shake, and became as dead men. And the Angel answered and said unto the women: Fear not ye: for I know that ye seek Jesus, which was crucified: he is not here: for he is risen, as he said. Come see the place where the Lord lay. And go quickly and tell his disciples that he is risen from the dead: and behold he goeth before you into Galilee: there shall ye see him. Lo, I have told you.

= The Lord be with you.

+ And with thy spirit.

HYMN NO. 90 - He is risen

Neander

PREFACE OF EASTER

SANCTUS & BENEDICTUS

CANON OF THE MASS

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OUR FATHER [+ But deliver us from evil.]

DISTRIBUTION OF HOLY COMMUNION

MOTET – Sing ye to the Lord

Edward Bairstow

Sing ye to the Lord, for He hath triumph'd gloriously. Pharaoh's chariots and his host hath He cast into the sea. Mighty Victim from the sky, Hell's fierce pow'rs beneath Thee lie; Thou hast conquer'd in the fight, Thou hast brought us life and light; Now no more can death appal, Now no more thy grace enthrall; Thou hast open'd Paradise, And in Thee Thy Saints shall rise. Alleluia, Amen.

HYMN NO. 88 - Jesus lives!

S. Albinus

Vespers

ANTIPHON - *Laudate Dominum [please stand]*

Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia. *Psalm 117.* O praise the Lord, all ye nations: praise him, all ye people. For his merciful kindness is ever more and more towards us: and the truth of the Lord endureth for ever.

Glory be...

Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.

ANTIPHON ON THE MAGNIFICAT - *Vespere autem*

In the end of the Sabbath when it began to dawn towards the first day of the week, came Mary Magdalene, and the other Mary, to see the sepulchre, alleluia.

MAGNIFICAT in C Major

Charles V. Stanford

ANTIPHON

COLLECT

POUR forth upon us, O Lord, the Spirit of thy charity: that as thou hast now fulfilled us with this paschal Sacrament, so we may by thy mercy be enabled to dwell together in unity and concord. Through Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord: Who liveth and reigneth with thee in the unity of the same Holy Spirit. *Amen.*

DISMISSAL

= Ite Missa est, alleluia, alleluia.

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BLESSING

THE LAST GOSPEL

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HYMN NO. 91 – The strife is o'er
ORGAN – Paean

Victory
Herbert Howells

NOTES

The Clergy of S. Clement's wish each of you a very happy and blessed Easter.

We welcome our visitors. We are happy to have you worship with us this evening. Please make yourselves known to the priests and people and please sign the guest book in the Narthex.

Easter Day: Low Mass, 8.00 a.m.; Procession & High Mass, 11.00 a.m. Solemn Vespers & Benediction will not be offered today.

EASTER DAY

23rd March

Low Mass 8.00

PROCESSION & HIGH MASS 11.00

Victoria: *Vidi aquam*

Mozart: *Krönungsmesse, KV 317*

Victorie: *Victimae Paschali*

Bairstow: *Sing ye to the Lord*

Mascagni: *Regina coeli*

There will not be Solemn Vespers & Benediction this afternoon