



Easter Ceremonies 2024

The Light of Christ

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

The Lord be with you
and also with you.

*Introduction, and a fire is lit.
The Easter Candle is marked with a cross.
The Easter Candle is lit.
The candle is carried into the church.*

(Sung)
Christ our Light
Thanks be to God

The Exsultet

The solo singing of an ancient Easter hymn

This may include:
The Lord be with you.
And also with you.
Lift up your hearts.
We lift them to the Lord.
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give him thanks and praise.

The Vigil of Readings

**Readings from
Genesis, Exodus, Ezekiel**
This is the Word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

For the Gloria.....as it starts: A 'Joyful Noise'

Use your noisemakers!

(Tune: "Praise my Soul, the King of Heaven")

**Glory be to God the Father,
glory be to God the Son,
Glory to the Holy Spirit,
ever three and ever one;
As it was from the beginning,
evermore shall be, Amen.**

God of glory, by the raising of your Son you have broken the chains of death and hell: fill your Church with faith and hope; for a new day has dawned and the way to life stands open in our Saviour Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

The Liturgy of the Word

Reading

This is the Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Alleluia! Christ is risen.
He is risen indeed. Alleluia!
A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Luke
Glory to you, O Lord

This is the Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, O Christ.

Hymn 495

The Blessing of the Baptismal Waters

Renewal of Baptismal Promises

Do you turn away from sin?
I do.
Do you reject evil?
I do.
Do you turn to Christ as Saviour?
I do.
Do you trust in him as Lord?
I do.

Profession of Faith

Do you believe in God, the Father Almighty,
Creator of heaven and earth?

We do believe.

Do you believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son,
our Lord, who was born of the Virgin Mary,
was crucified, died and was buried, rose from
the dead, and is now seated at the right hand
of the Father?

We do believe.

Do you believe in the Holy Spirit, the Holy
Catholic Church, the communion of saints, the
resurrection of the body and life everlasting?

We do believe.

The Liturgy of the Sacrament

Alleluia!

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

and also with you. Alleluia!

Let us offer one another a sign of peace

Hymn 474

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

He is risen indeed, Alleluia!

The Lord is here

His spirit is with us

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give thanks and praise.

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and
might, heaven and earth
are full of your glory.**

Hosanna in the highest.

**Blessed is he who comes in the name of
the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

Great is the mystery of faith

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

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be
thy name; thy kingdom come; thy will be
done; on earth as it is in heaven. Give us
this day our daily bread. And forgive us
our trespasses, as we forgive those who
trespass against us. And lead us not into
temptation; but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, the power and
the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.**

We break this bread

to share in the body of Christ.

**Though we are many, we are one body,
because we all share in one bread.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the
world, have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the
world, have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the
world, grant us peace.**

Alleluia.

Christ our passover is sacrificed for us.

Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

Prayer after Communion

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

He is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Blessing Go in the peace of Christ.

Alleluia, Alleluia!

Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia!

Hymn 24