



Mass of Ordination

TO THE SACRED ORDER OF DEACONS OF

RAFFAELE SALVINO

BY THE IMPOSITION OF HANDS AND
INVOCATION OF THE HOLY SPIRIT BY
THE MOST REVEREND

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ENTRANCE HYMN

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

Lobe Den Herren, Stralsund Gesanbuch, 1665

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation!
O my soul, praise him for he is your health and salvation.
All you who hear, now to the altar draw near;
Join in profound adoration.

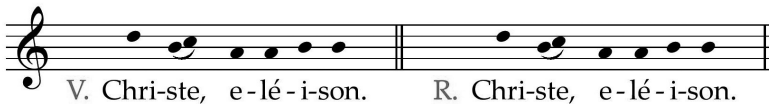
Praise to the Lord, let us offer our gifts at the altar.
Let not our sins and offences now cause us to falter.
Christ the high priest, bids us all join in his feast,
Victims with him on the altar.

Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in us adore him.
All that has life and breath come now rejoicing before him.
Let the Amen sound from his people again,
As we here worship before him.

Introit: *Sacerdotes Dei, benedicite Dominum*

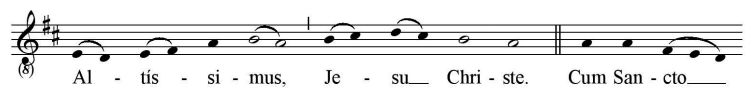
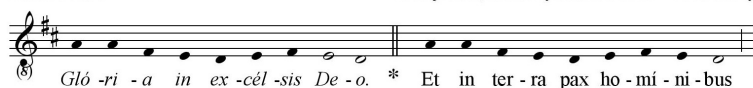
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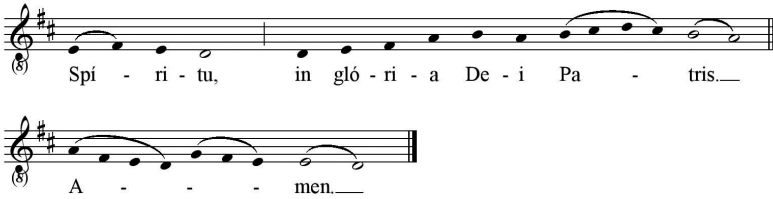
*The Kyrie (Lord, have mercy) invocations follow,
unless they have just occurred in a formula of the Penitential Act.*



GLORIA

when possible, intoned by celebrant alone · 16th century





LITURGY OF THE WORD

Please be seated.

FIRST READING

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

Acts 6.1-7b

Now during those days, when the disciples were increasing in number, the Hellenists complained against the Hebrews because their widows were being neglected in the daily distribution of food. And the twelve called together the whole community of the disciples and said, “It is not right that we should neglect the word of God in order to wait on tables. Therefore, brothers, select from among yourselves seven men of good standing, full of the Spirit and of wisdom, whom we may appoint to this task, while we, for our part, will devote ourselves to prayer and to serving the word.” What they said pleased the whole community, and they chose Stephen, a man full of faith and the Holy Spirit, together with Philip, Prochorus, Nicanor, Timon, Parmenas, and Nicolaus, a convert of Antioch. They had these men stand before the Apostles, who prayed and laid their hands on them. The word of God continued to spread; the number of the disciples increased greatly in Jerusalem.

The Word of the Lord.

R. Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 96

1-2a, 2b-3, 10 (R. see Matthew 28.19)

R. Go and make disciples of all nations, alleluia.

O sing to the LORD a new song;
sing to the LORD, all the earth.
Sing to the LORD, bless his name. *R.*

Tell of his salvation from day to day.
Declare his glory among the nations,
his marvelous works among all the peoples. *R.*

Say among the nations, "The LORD is king!
The world is firmly established;
it shall never be moved.
He will judge the peoples with equity." *R.*

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Please stand.

Alleluia

V. The Lord sent me to bring good news to the poor, to proclaim release to the captives.

Alleluia

GOSPEL

V. The Lord be with you.

R. **And with your spirit.**

V. A Reading from the Holy Gospel According to John

R. **Glory to You, O Lord.**

† GOSPEL

John 15.9-17

Jesus said to his disciples:

“As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love.

If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love,

just as I have kept my Father’s commandments and abide in his love.

I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in in you,

and that your joy may be complete.

This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you.

No one has greater love than this, to lay down one’s life for one’s friends.

You are my friends if you do what I command you.

I do not call you servants any longer,

because the servant does not know what the master is doing;

but I have called you friends,

because I have made known to you everything

that I have heard from my Father.

You did not choose me but I chose you.

And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last,

so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name.

I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

R. **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**



ORDINATION

ELECTION OF THE CANDIDATE

Deacon:

LET THE ONE who is to be ordained a Deacon
come forward.

The candidate:

I am present.

Priest:

MOST REVEREND FATHER, holy Mother Church asks you
to ordain this man, our brother, to the responsibility
of the Diaconate.

Archbishop:

DO YOU KNOW HIM to be worthy?

Priest:

AFTER INQUIRY AMONG the Christian people and upon
recommendation of those concerned with his formation,
I testify that he has been found worthy.

Archbishop:

RELYING ON THE HELP of the Lord God and our Saviour Jesus Christ, we choose this our brother for the Order of the Diaconate.

All say:

R. Thanks be to God.

HOMILY

PROMISE OF THE ELECT

Archbishop:

DEAR SON, before you proceed to the Order of the Diaconate, you must declare before the people your resolve to undertake this office.

DO YOU RESOLVE TO BE CONSECRATED for the ministry of the Church through the laying on of my hands and the gift of the Holy Spirit?

The elect replies:

I do.

Archbishop:

DO YOU RESOLVE TO DISCHARGE with humble charity the office of the Diaconate, so as to assist the priestly Order and to benefit the Christian people?

Elect:

I do.

Archbishop:

DO YOU RESOLVE TO HOLD FAST to the mystery of the faith with a clear conscience, as the Apostle says, and to proclaim this faith by word and deed according to the Gospel and the Church's tradition?

Elect:

I do.

Archbishop:

DO YOU RESOLVE TO KEEP THE COMMITMENT of celibacy perpetually as a sign of the dedication of your life to Christ the Lord for the sake of the Kingdom of Heaven, in service to God and others?

Elect:

I do.

Archbishop:

DO YOU RESOLVE TO GUARD and increase the spirit of prayer proper to your way of life and, in keeping with this spirit and the circumstances of your life, to celebrate faithfully the Liturgy of the Hours, with and for the People of God and indeed for the whole world?

Elect:

I do.

Archbishop:

DO YOU RESOLVE TO CONFORM your manner of life always to be the example of Christ, whose Body and Blood you will handle at the altar?

Elect:

I do, with the help of God.

Archbishop:

DO YOU PROMISE respect and obedience to me and my successors?

Elect:

I do.

Archbishop:

MAY GOD WHO HAS BEGUN the good work in you bring it to fulfillment.

INVITATION TO PRAYER

Please stand.

Archbishop:

LET US PRAY, DEARLY BELOVED, that God the almighty Father will, in his mercy, pour out the grace of his blessing on this his servant whom he is pleased to receive into the Sacred Order of the Diaconate.

Deacon:

Let us kneel.





LITANY OF SAINTS

- | | |
|--------------------------------------|----------------------|
| V. Lord have mercy | R. Lord have mercy |
| V. Christ have mercy | R. Christ have mercy |
| V. Lord have mercy | R. Lord have mercy |
| V. Holy Mary Mother of God | R. Pray for us |
| V. Saint Michael | R. Pray for us |
| V. Saint Gabriel | R. Pray for us |
| V. Saint Raphael | R. Pray for us |
| V. Holy Angels of God | R. Pray for us |
| V. Saint John the Baptist | R. Pray for us |
| V. Saint Joseph | R. Pray for us |
| V. Saint Peter and Saint Paul | R. Pray for us |
| V. Saint Andrew | R. Pray for us |
| V. Saint John | R. Pray for us |
| V. Saint Matthew | R. Pray for us |
| V. Saint Mary Magdalene | R. Pray for us |
| V. Saint Stephen | R. Pray for us |
| V. Saint Ignatius | R. Pray for us |
| V. Saint Lawrence | R. Pray for us |
| V. Saint Perpetua and Saint Felicity | R. Pray for us |

V. Saint Agnes	R. Pray for us
V. Saint Cecilia	R. Pray for us
V. Saints Jean de Brébeuf, Isaac Jogues, and Companions	R. Pray for us
V. Saints Charles Lwanga, Kizito, and Companions	R. Pray for us
V. Blessed Charles de Foucauld	R. Pray for us
V. Saint Gregory	R. Pray for us
V. Saint Augustine	R. Pray for us
V. Saint Athanasius	R. Pray for us
V. Saint Basil	R. Pray for us
V. Saint John Chrysostom	R. Pray for us
V. Saint Martin	R. Pray for us
V. Saint Thomas Aquinas	R. Pray for us
V. Saint John XXIII	R. Pray for us
V. Saint Paul VI	R. Pray for us
V. Saint John Paul II	R. Pray for us
V. Saint Catherine of Siena	R. Pray for us
V. Saint Teresa of Avila	R. Pray for us
V. Saint Thérèse of Lisieux	R. Pray for us
V. Saint Benedict	R. Pray for us
V. Saint Francis and Saint Dominic	R. Pray for us
V. Saint Anthony of Padua	R. Pray for us
V. Saint John Capistrano	R. Pray for us
V. Saint Francis Xavier	R. Pray for us
V. Saint Francis de Sales	R. Pray for us
V. Saint Claude de la Colombière	R. Pray for us
V. Saint Junipero Serra	R. Pray for us
V. Saint John Vianney	R. Pray for us
V. Saint John Bosco	R. Pray for us
V. Saint Pius of Pietrelcina	R. Pray for us
V. Saint Josemaría Escrivá	R. Pray for us
V. Saint Teresa of Calcutta	R. Pray for us

- V. Saint Faustina **R. Pray for us**
- V. Blessed Pier Giorgio Frassati **R. Pray for us**
- V. Blessed Chiara Badano **R. Pray for us**
- V. Blessed Carlo Acutis **R. Pray for us**
- V. All holy men and women **R. Pray for us**
- V. Lord, be merciful **R. Lord, deliver us, we pray**
- V. From all evil **R. Lord, deliver us, we pray**
- V. From every sin **R. Lord, deliver us, we pray**
- V. From everlasting death **R. Lord, deliver us, we pray**
- V. By Your Incarnation **R. Lord, deliver us, we pray**
- V. By Your Death and Resurrection **R. Lord, deliver us, we pray**
- V. By the outpouring of the Holy Spirit
R. Lord, deliver us, we pray.
- V. Be merciful to us sinners
R. Lord, we ask you, hear our prayer
- V. Govern and protect your holy Church
R. Lord, we ask you, hear our prayer
- V. Keep the Pope and all the ordained in faithful service to
Your Church
R. Lord, we ask you, hear our prayer
- V. Bless this chosen man
R. Lord, we ask you, hear our prayer
- V. Bless and sanctify this chosen man
R. Lord, we ask you, hear our prayer
- V. Bless, sanctify, and consecrate this chosen man
R. Lord, we ask you, hear our prayer
- V. Bring all peoples together in peace and true harmony
R. Lord, we ask you, hear our prayer
- V. Comfort with your mercy the troubled and the afflicted
R. Lord, we ask you, hear our prayer
- V. Strengthen all of us and keep us in your holy service
R. Lord, we ask you, hear our prayer

V. Jesus, Son of the living God

R. Lord, we ask you, hear our prayer

V. Christ, hear us

R. Christ, hear us

V. Christ, graciously hear us

R. Christ, graciously hear us



CONCLUDING PRAYER

The congregation remains kneeling.

Archbishop:

LORD GOD, mercifully hear our prayers and kindly accompany with your help what we are about to do by virtue of our office; sanctify with your blessing the one whom, in our judgment, we believe is worthy to be offered for the exercise of sacred ministries. Through Christ our Lord.

All:

R. Amen.

Deacon:

Let us stand.

LAYING ON OF HANDS AND PRAYER OF ORDINATION

The candidate kneels before the Archbishop who lays his hands on the head of the candidate in silence.

The diaconate is conferred through the laying on of hands and the prayer of consecration, the essential words of which are:

SEND FORTH THE HOLY SPIRIT UPON HIM, O Lord, we pray, that he may be strengthened by the gift of your sevenfold grace to carry out faithfully the work of the ministry.

All:

R. Amen.

INVESTITURE WITH STOLE AND DALMATIC

Please be seated while the new deacon is vested.

Veni Creator Spiritus

Attributed to Rabanus Maurus, 776-856

VIII



E-ni Cre- á-tor Spí-ri-tus, Men-tes tu- ó-rum ví-si-
ta: Im-ple su-pérna grá-ti-a Quæ tu cre- ásti pécto-ra.

*Come, Holy Ghost, Creator blest, and in our hearts take up Thy rest;
come with Thy grace and heav'nly aid, To fill the hearts which Thou hast made*

Qui díceris Paráclitus,
Altíssimi donum Dei,
Fons vivus, ignis, cáritas,
Et spiritalís únctio.

*O Comforter, to Thee we cry,
Thou heav'nly gift of God most high,
Thou Fount of life, and Fire of love,
and sweet anointing from above.*

Tu septifórmis múnere,
Dígitus patérnae déterae,
Tu rite promíssum Patris,
Sermóne ditans gúttura.

*O Finger of the hand divine,
the sevenfold gifts of grace are thine;
true promise of the Father thou,
who dost the tongue with power endow.*

Deo Patri sit gloria,
Et Fílio, qui a mórtuis
Surréxit, ac Paráclito,
In saeculórum saécula. Amen.

*Praise we the Father and the Son
and Holy Spirit with them One;
and may the Son on us bestow
The gifts that from the Spirit flow.*

HANDING ON OF THE BOOK OF THE GOSPELS

Archbishop:

RECEIVE THE GOSPEL OF CHRIST, whose herald you have become. Believe what you read, teach what you believe, and practice what you teach.

Deacon:

Let us stand.



LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

OFFERTORY

Salve, Mater misericordiae

SANCTUS

Please kneel during the Consecration.

San-ctus, San-ctus, San-ctus Dó-mi-nus De-us Sá-ba-oth.
Ple-ni sunt cæ-li et ter-ra gló-ri-a tu-a. Ho-sán-na in ex-cél-sis.
Be-ne-dí-ctus qui ve-nit in nó-mi-ne Dó-mi-ni. Ho-sán-na in
ex-cél - sis.

COMMUNION RITE

Agnus Dei



A-gnus De -i, * qui tol-lis pec-cá-ta mun-di: mi-se-ré-re no-bis.

A-gnus De -i, * qui tol-lis pec-cá-ta mun-di: mi-se-ré-re no-bis.

A-gnus De -i, * qui tol-lis pec-cá-ta mun-di: do-na no-bis pa-cem.

During communion those who are not Catholic and those who are not practicing their faith may remain seated or go forward to receive a blessing, indicating this by crossing one arm over the chest.

COMMUNION HYMNS

Panis Angelicus

C. Franck

BLESSING AND DISMISSAL

Salve Regina

Hermaus Contractus, c.1054. Gregorian Chant

V



S Alve Re-gí-na, * ma-ter mi-se-ri-córdi-æ, Vi-ta, dul-
cé-do, et spes nostra, salve. Ad te clamá-mus, éxsu-
les, fí-li- i Hevæ. Ad te suspi-rá-mus, geméntes et flen-
tes in hac lacrimá-rum valle. E-ia ergo, Advo-cá-ta
nostra, illos tu-os mi-se-ri-córdes ó-cu-los ad nos con-
vér-te. Et Je-sum, be-ne-díctum fructum ventris tu- i,
no-bis post hoc exsí-li- um osténde. O cle- mens:
O pi- a: O dulcis Virgo Ma-rí- a.

Organ Postlude: *Grand Chorus in B flat major - T. Dubois*

**Our Lady of the Holy Rosary,
patroness of the Archdiocese of Vancouver,
Pray for us.**

TESTIMONY OF
DEACON RAFFAELE
SALVINO

“I don’t ever want to be a priest” I said to myself with conviction as my elementary school teacher handed out the Lenten ‘mite boxes’ with the name and photo of a seminarian printed on one side. Despite their smiles and smart attire, my Third Grade self-pitied seminarians—and all priests for that matter—as a group of men God had somehow dragged and condemned to a life of boredom and banality, robbing them of all the adventure that a free life promised. “No, I definitely won’t be a priest,” I repeated while resuming the finishing touches of my drawing of future Stanley-Cup winner R. Salvino, Right Winger, #44, Vancouver Canucks. Or was R. Salvino a fighter-jet pilot? No, definitely a world-class surgeon. Regardless of each year’s changing career interest, a “Reverend Raffaele” was never on the horizon of possibility. On my horizon, at least.

I grew up in East Vancouver where I spent an ordinary and happy Catholic childhood with my parents and three younger brothers. By temperament I was one who always preoccupied with the future and finding an answer to “What do you want to be when you grow up?” While still in elementary school I had mapped out the ideal university trajectory that would land me the best career I could attain. I must seize and shape my future, for I was convinced in doing so I would find my fulfillment in this life.

This career-first mentality carried me straight out of Catholic elementary and through public high school. The academic year progressed, my grades were improving, and my prospects were opening up. Yet curiously, the closer I

drew to attaining the careers I had bet my future happiness upon, the more a quiet gnawing question grew inside me: “Is this all there is to my life?”

Thus I entered university not full of hope, but void of purpose and inwardly terrified, because the question now screamed at me: “What if after all this I achieve my perfect career and family, and still live with this meaninglessness?” I was beginning to realize the incredible risk of betting all my earthly fulfillment on future material achievements, but I didn’t know any other way.

Unexpectedly, some Catholic friends from high school invited me to join them on a weekend retreat. I accepted, motivated by my own existential desperation, but more by a peace and quiet joy these friends seemed to carry with them. What was that, and how could I get it?

I wandered into the quiet forest chapel, waiting for a moment alone. I finally felt free to unburden upon God the pain of disillusionment at having placed all my hope in career and achievements. I boldly cried out that He show me a different way—if He was even real. My torrent was suddenly interrupted, however, by the clear words, “Raffaele, I love you”. I looked around, but there was no one in the small, one-room chapel. I now turned to the altar where the Blessed Sacrament was exposed, and found the source of the voice: Christ Jesus Himself.

With those simple words I experienced in the absolute depth of my heart a power and peace no word has since come close to replicating. In the span of those brief seconds—or it may have been an hour, I do not know—my life was irrevocably changed: twenty years of relentless and meticulous planning for the future shattered before me as I was now alone and face-to-face with the Source of all fulfilment. I experienced not only a deep peace about whatever God’s plan for my future would be, but a sudden burst of joy—God loved me, and what else mattered? With His words to me that day came also the sense of an invitation—a lifelong invitation—to follow Him. In all freedom and joy I said ‘yes!’ Although these last ten years have had numerous challenges, it has all been more than worth it for the priceless joy of knowing the living God.

Surgeon, soldier, scholar—exciting careers, perhaps. But I’ve discovered the true adventure of a lifetime is in the choice of following God no matter the cost. And in the mystery of His Mercy, God is now inviting me to follow Him as a priest.

How happy I am to have been so mistaken in Grade Three.

**Have you ever considered becoming a priest?
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