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DIOCESE OF SCRANTON

RITE OF ELECTION AND CALL TO CONTINUING CONVERSION

Saturday, February 20, 2021
at 10:00 a.m. and 1:30 p.m.

Sunday, February 21, 2021
at 2:30 p.m.

Cathedral of Saint Peter
Scranton, Pennsylvania

Celebrant and Homilist
The Most Reverend Joseph C. Bambera, D.D., J.C.L.
Bishop of Scranton

MINISTERS OF THE LITURGY

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MASTERS OF CEREMONY

Monsignor Dale R. Rupert
Pastor, Cathedral of Saint Peter

10:00 a.m.

Deacon Stephen B. Frye
Deacon Andrew A. Fazio

1:30 p.m.

Deacon Andrew A. Fazio
Deacon Matthew Lorent

2:30 p.m.

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DEACON OF THE LITURGY

10:00 a.m.

Deacon Edward R. Shoener

1:30 p.m.

Deacon Robert O'Connor

2:30 p.m.

Deacon Joseph Sudano

LECTORS

10:00 a.m.

Anthony Butel
Kathy Stocki

1:30 p.m.

Marian Menapace
Lisa Marie Boeze

2:30 p.m.

Joseph Schoonover
Shannon Kowalski

PRESENTER OF THE CATECHUMENS AND CANDIDATES

Catherine Jantsch Butel
Diocesan Secretary for Parish Life

PARTICIPATING PARISHES

Christ the King Parish	Archbald
Our Lady, Queen of Peace Parish	Brodheadville
Saint Michael Parish	Canton
Saint Rose of Lima Parish	Carbondale
Our Lady of the Snows Parish	Clarks Summit
Misericordia University	Dallas
Saint Matthew Parish	East Stroudsburg
Saint John Parish	East Stroudsburg
Our Lady of the Immaculate Conception Parish	Freeland
Saint Rita Parish	Gouldsboro
Saint Thomas More Parish	Lake Ariel
Saint Jude Parish	Mountain Top
Resurrection Parish	Muncy
Saint Patrick Parish	Nicholson
Epiphany Parish	Sayer
Cathedral of Saint Peter	Scranton
Saint Ann Basilica Parish	Scranton
Saint Patrick Parish	Scranton
Saint Luke Parish	Stroudsburg
King’s College	Wilkes-Barre
Saint Nicholas Parish	Wilkes-Barre

LITURGICAL MUSIC
Linda Phillips Orseck
Director of Liturgical Music, Cathedral of Saint Peter
Organist

<i>Cantor—10:00 a.m.</i> Gina Pascolini	<i>Cantor—1:30 p.m.</i> Mary Ann Chindemi
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Cantor—2:30 p.m.
Gina Pascolini
Cathedral of Saint Peter Instrumentalists

LITURGICAL ART AND ENVIRONMENT
William J. Manley

MINISTERS OF HOSPITALITY
Staff of the Office for Parish Life

COORDINATOR OF THE RITE OF ELECTION
David Baloga
Director for Worship, Office for Parish Life

CATHOLIC TELEVISION OF THE DIOCESE OF SCRANTON
Eric Deabill
Diocesan Secretary for Communications
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Manager, Catholic Television

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INTRODUCTORY RITES

ENTRANCE HYMN

“O Breathe on Me, O Breath of God”

1. O breathe on me, O Breath of God, Fill
2. O breathe on me, O Breath of God, Un -
3. O breathe on me, O Breath of God, My
4. O breathe on me, O Breath of God, So

1. me with life a - new, That I may love the
2. til my heart is pure; Un - til my will is
3. will to yours in - cline, Un - til this self - ish
4. I shall nev - er die, But live with you the

1. things you love, And do what you would do.
2. one with yours, To do and to en - dure.
3. part of me Glows with your fire di - vine.
4. per - fect life For all e - ter - ni - ty.

Text: CM; Edwin Hatch, 1835–1889, alt. Music: trad. Irish.

SIGN OF THE CROSS AND GREETING

Bishop: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
All: Amen.

Bishop: Peace be with you.
All: And with your spirit.

CONCLUDING HYMN

“I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say”

1. I heard the voice of Je - sus say, “Come un - to me and
2. I heard the voice of Je - sus say, “Be - hold, I free - ly
3. I heard the voice of Je - sus say, “I am this dark world’s

1. rest; Lay down, thou wea - ry one, lay down Thy head up -
2. give The liv - ing wa - ter; thirst - y one, Stoop down, and
3. light; Look un - to me, thy morn shall rise, And all thy

1. on my breast.” I came to Je - sus as I was, So
2. drink, and live.” I came to Je - sus, and I drank Of
3. day be bright.” I looked to Je - sus, and I found In

1. wea - ry, worn and sad; I found in him a
2. that life - giv - ing stream; My thirst was quenched, my
3. him my star, my sun; And in that light of

1. rest - ing place, And he has made me glad.
2. soul re - vived, And now I live in him.
3. life I’ll walk Till trav - ’ling days are done.

Text: CMD; Horatius Bonar, 1808–1889, alt.
Music: trad. English melody, adapt. by Ralph Vaughan Williams, 1872–1958.



INTERCESSIONS FOR THE ELECT AND CANDIDATES

“Trilingual Intercessions”



Lord, hear our prayer; De - us, ex - au - di



nos; Se - ñor, es - cú - cha - nos.

Mike Hay, 1953–1999
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PRAYER OVER THE ELECT AND THE CANDIDATES

After the intercessions, the Bishop prays over the elect and the candidates.

CONCLUDING RITES

FINAL BLESSING

- Bishop:

The Lord be with you.
- All:

And with your spirit.
- Bishop:

Blessed be the name of the Lord.
- All:

Now and forever.
- Bishop:

Our help is in the name of the Lord.
- All:

Who made heaven and earth.
- Bishop:

May almighty God bless you, ✠
- Bishop:

the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit.
- All:

Amen.

DISMISSAL

- Bishop:


Go in peace, and may the Lord remain with you always.
- All:

Thanks be to God.

PENITENTIAL ACT

Missa Sante Fe

Sacerdote/Diácono/Cantor
Priest/Deacon/Cantor

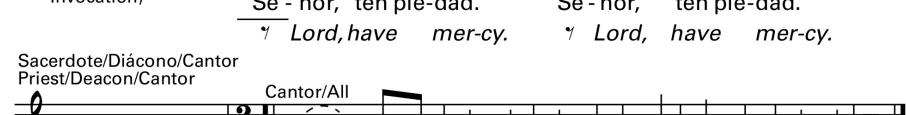


(Invocación/
Invocation)

Se - ñor, ten pie-dad. Se - ñor, ten pie-dad.

Lord, have mer-cy. Lord, have mer-cy.

Sacerdote/Diácono/Cantor
Priest/Deacon/Cantor

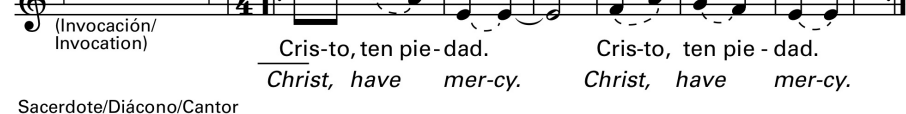


(Invocación/
Invocation)

Cris-to, ten pie-dad. Cris-to, ten pie - dad.

Christ, have mer-cy. Christ, have mer-cy.

Sacerdote/Diácono/Cantor
Priest/Deacon/Cantor



(Invocación/
Invocation)

Se - ñor, ten pie-dad. Se - ñor, ten pie-dad.

Lord, have mer-cy. Lord, have mer-cy.

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COLLECT

LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING (Spanish translation)

Genesis 9:8-15

En aquellos días, dijo Dios a Noé y a sus hijos: “Ahora establezco una alianza con ustedes y con sus descendientes, con todos los animales que los acompañaron, aves, ganados y fieras, con todos los que salieron del arca, con todo ser viviente sobre la tierra. Ésta es la alianza que establezco con ustedes: No volveré a exterminar la vida con el diluvio, ni habrá otro diluvio que destruya la tierra”.

Y añadió: “Ésta es la señal de la alianza perpetua que yo establezco con ustedes y con todo ser viviente que esté con ustedes. Pondré mi arco iris en el cielo como señal de mi alianza con la tierra, y cuando yo cubra de nubes la tierra, aparecerá el arco iris y me acordaré de mi alianza con ustedes y con todo ser viviente. No volverán las aguas del diluvio a destruir la vida”.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9

R. Your ways, O Lord, are love and truth to
those who keep your cov - e - nant.

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SECOND READING (*Spanish translation*)

I Peter 3:18-22

Hermanos: Cristo murió, una sola vez y para siempre, por los pecados de los hombres; él, el justo, por nosotros, los injustos, para llevarnos a Dios; murió en su cuerpo y resucitó glorificado. En esta ocasión, fue a proclamar su mensaje a los espíritus encarcelados, que habían sido rebeldes en los tiempos de Noé, cuando la paciencia de Dios aguardaba, mientras se construía el arca, en la que unos pocos, ocho personas, se salvaron flotando sobre el agua. Aquella agua era figura del bautismo, que ahora los salva a ustedes y que no consiste en quitar la inmundicia corporal, sino en el compromiso de vivir con una buena conciencia ante Dios, por la resurrección de Cristo Jesús, Señor nuestro, que subió al cielo y está a la derecha de Dios, a quien están sometidos los ángeles, las potestades y las virtudes.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

R. Praise to you, Lord Je-sus Christ, King of end-less glo - ry!

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GOSPEL (*Spanish translation*)

Mark 1:12-15

En aquel tiempo, el Espíritu impulsó a Jesús a retirarse al desierto, donde permaneció cuarenta días y fue tentado por Satanás. Vivió allí entre animales salvajes, y los ángeles le servían.

Bishop Bambera: Have they come to a deeper appreciation of their baptism, in which they were joined to Christ and his Church?

Sponsors: They have.

Bishop Bambera: Have they reflected sufficiently on the tradition of the Church, which is their heritage, and joined their brothers and sisters in prayer?

Sponsors: They have.

Bishop Bambera: Have they advanced in a life of love and service of others?

Sponsors: They have.

The Bishop addresses the entire assembly.

Bishop Bambera: And now I speak to you, my brothers and sisters in this assembly: Are you ready to support the testimony expressed about these candidates and include them in your prayer and affection as we move toward Easter?

All: We are.

ACT OF RECOGNITION

Bishop Bambera: My friends, the Church recognizes your desire to be sealed with the gift of the Holy Spirit and to have a place at Christ's Eucharistic table. Join with us this Lent in a spirit of repentance. Hear the Lord's call to conversion and be faithful to your baptismal covenant.

Candidates: Thanks be to God.

The Bishop addresses the sponsors.

Bishop Bambera: Sponsors, continue to support these candidates with your guidance and concern. May they see in you a love for the Church and a sincere desire for doing good. Lead them this Lent to the joys of the Easter mysteries.

Please stand.

ACT OF ADMISSION OR ELECTION

Bishop Bambera: My dear friends, I now declare you to be members of the elect, to be initiated into the sacred mysteries at the next Easter Vigil.

Catechumens: Thanks be to God.

Bishop Bambera: God is always faithful to those he calls: now it is your duty, as it is ours, both to be faithful to him in return and to strive courageously to reach the fullness of truth, which your election opens up before you.

The Bishop addresses the godparents.

Godparents, you have spoken in favor of these catechumens: accept them now as chosen in the Lord and continue to sustain them through your loving care and example, until they come to share in the sacraments of God’s life.

CELEBRATION OF THE CALL TO CONTINUING CONVERSION

PRESENTATION OF THE CANDIDATES

*Catherine Jantsch Butel, Diocesan Secretary for Parish Life
presents the parishes who have candidates.*

AFFIRMATION BY THE SPONSORS AND ASSEMBLY

Bishop Bambera: The Christian life and the demands that flow from the Sacraments cannot be taken lightly. Therefore, before granting these candidates their request to share fully in the Church’s sacraments, it is important that the Church hear the testimony of their sponsors about their readiness.

The Bishop addresses the sponsors:

Have they faithfully listened to the apostles’ instruction proclaimed by the Church?

Sponsors: They have.

Después de que arrestaron a Juan el Bautista, Jesús se fue a Galilea para predicar el Evangelio de Dios y decía: “Se ha cumplido el tiempo y el Reino de Dios ya está cerca. Arrepíentanse y crean en el Evangelio”.

HOMILY

The Most Reverend Joseph C. Bambera, D.D, J.C.L.

CELEBRATION OF ELECTION

PRESENTATION OF THE CATECHUMENS

*Catherine Jantsch Butel, Diocesan Secretary for Parish Life,
presents the catechumens to the Bishop.*

Bishop Bambera: Those who are to be chosen in Christ, please stand as your name is called.

The catechumens are called by name by the RCIA Coordinators.

AFFIRMATION BY THE GODPARENTS AND THE ASSEMBLY

Bishop Bambera: God’s holy Church wishes to know whether these catechumens are sufficiently prepared to be enrolled among the elect for the coming celebration of Easter.
And so, I speak first of all to you their godparents.

The Bishop addresses the Godparents.

Bishop Bambera: Have they faithfully listened to God’s word proclaimed by the Church?

Godparents: They have.

Bishop Bambera: Have they responded to that word and begun to walk in God’s presence?

Godparents: They have.

Bishop Bambara: Have they shared the company of their Christian brothers and sisters and joined with them in prayer?

Godparents: **They have.**

The Bishop addresses the entire assembly.

Bishop Bambara: And now I speak to you, my brothers and sisters in this assembly: Are you ready to support the testimony expressed about these catechumens and include them in your prayer and affection as we move toward Easter?

All: **We are.**

INVITATION AND ENROLLMENT OF NAMES

Bishop Bambara: And now, my dear catechumens, I address you. Your own godparents and this entire community have spoken in your favor. The Church in the name of Christ accepts their judgment and calls you to the Easter sacraments. Since you have already heard the call of Christ, you must now express your response to that call clearly and in the presence of the whole Church. Therefore, do you wish to enter fully into the life of the Church through the sacraments of baptism, confirmation, and the eucharist?

Catechumens: **We do.**

Bishop Bambara: Then offer your names for enrollment.

The Bishop is presented with the names of the catechumens as inscribed in each Book of the Elect. The Bishop then signs each Book of the Elect.

HYMN “Tesoros Ocultos”

ESTRIBILLO/REFRAIN



Te da - ré te - so - ros o - cul - tos,
I will give you treas - ures out of dark - ness



ri - que - zas es - con - di - das. ¡A - sí sa - brás que
and rich - es hid - den a - way, so that you may know




soy tu Dios que te lla - mo por tu nom - bre!____
I am God who calls you by your name!_____

ESTROFAS/VERSES



1. Soy el Se - ñor, no hay o - tro;____
2. Soy el Se - ñor, no hay o - tro;____
3. De los cie - los vie - ne la jus - ti - cia____

1. I am the Lord, no oth - er.____
2. I am the Lord, no oth - er.____
3. Jus - tice de - scends from heav - en.____



1. fue - ra de mí no hay dios.____
2. cre - o la luz y las ti - nie - blas.____
3. co - mo la llu - via de las nu - bes.____


1. There is no God be - side me.____
2. I form the light and dark - ness.____
3. when gen - tle rain is fall - ing.____



1. De o - rien - te a oc - ci - den - te de -
2. Ha - go la paz y la des - gra - cia.____
3. Bro - te la sal - va - ción de la tie - rra.____

1. In lands of sun - rise and sun - set____
2. I make well - be - ing and sor - row.____
3. Earth blos - soms forth sal - va - tion.____

Al Estribillo/To Refrain



1. rra - mo mi luz so - bre to - dos.____
2. Yo, el Se - ñor, ha - go es - to.____
3. Yo, el Se - ñor, ha - go es - to.____

1. I shed my light up - on all!____
2. I am cre - a - tor of all!____
3. I am cre - a - tor of all!____