

Veneration of Light and Blessing of the Holy Oil

Saturday, 3 April, 2021

Invocation

CHRIST NOW DWELLS WITHIN US

Christ now dwells within us In his risen power; Let this time of worship Be a hallowed hour.

Pour the Holy Spirit Into every heart; Christ the hope of glory In each soul be part.

Thus, with quickened footsteps,
We pursue our way;
Watching for the dawning
Of eternal day.

Dressing of the Altar

Blessing of Fire and the Paschal Candle

Meditation

The dressing of the altar, kindling of fire and the blessing and lighting of the Paschal Candle is a dramatic depiction of the process of transformation unfolding in Christ's tomb.

It is also a portrayal of what is occurring within our souls as we fill ourselves with the light of Christ risen presence.

Return of the Presence

LIGHT OF THE MINDS THAT KNOW HIM

Light of the minds that know him –
May Christ be light to mine!
My sun in risen splendour,
My light of truth divine;
My guide in doubt and darkness,
My true and living way,
My clear light ever shining,
My dawn of heaven's day.

Life of the souls that love him –
May Christ be ours indeed!
The living bread from heaven
On whom our spirits feed;
Who died for love of sinners
To bear our guilty load,
And make of life's brief journey
A new Emmaus road.

Strength of the wills that serve him,
May Christ be strength to me,
Who stilled the storm and tempest,
Who calmed the tossing sea;
His Spirit's power to move me,
His will to master mine,
His cross to carry daily
And conquer in his sign.

May it be ours to know him
That we may truly love:
And loving, fully serve him
As serve the saints above;
Till we at last behold him
In fadeless splendour bright
And serve in perfect freedom
Our strength, our life, our light.

Blessing of the Holy Oil

Benediction

NOW IS ETERNAL LIFE

Now is eternal life
If ris'n with Christ we stand.
In him to life reborn,
Held firm within his hand;
No more we fear death's ancient dread,
In Christ arisen from the dead.

For God, the living God,
Stooped down to our estate;
By death destroying death
Christ opened wide life's gate.
He lives who died, he reigns on high;
Who live in him shall never die.

Unfathomed love divine, Reign now within my heart; From you nor depth nor height Nor life nor death can part. My heritage in you is sealed Until your glory is revealed.

Holy Week Calendar –

Initiation Service

Sunday, April 4, 2021

NL 1am CEST | WA 7am | SA 8.30am | NSW/VIC 9am | NZ 11am Helen Baxter will be admitted into the Guild of Initiates during the Easter Sunday Cosmic Mass in Wellington, Aotearoa New Zealand. You are invited to witness this service.

Easter Sunday Cosmic Mass

Sunday, April 4, 2021 NL 3am CEST | WA 9am | SA 10.30am | NSW/VIC 11am | NZ 1pm

Paasviering (in Dutch)

Sunday, April 4, 2021 NL 11am CEST | WA 5pm | SA 6.30pm | NSW/VIC 7pm | NZ 9pm

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