

Lent 2023 - Year A

***This Lent, we will be really stripping back on the instrumental accompaniment.

1. Please use gentle, minimal, only supportive stops when accompanying Entrance, communion, and other hymns.
2. **When the Choir is singing:** The *chant Mass* should only be intoned by the organ, and then left to be sung a capella. It's OK for it to completely drift off-key, I am anticipating it!
3. When Choir is NOT singing, the chant Mass may be lightly supported.
4. Lent is a JOYFUL season. Please keep the hymns that we sing at a good and joyful tempo :)
5. Preparation hymns can be accompanied with a little more support.
6. Recessional Hymns - intone melody only, and use little support.

Entrance Antiphon for Each Mass: *Gouin Lenten Entrance Antiphons* (unless otherwise indicated)

Mass Setting: *Chant Mass*

Gospel Acclamation: *from Mass of the Resurrection* (Debruyn)

Communion Antiphon: *Communion Antiphons for Lent* (Biery)

February 22, 2023 - Ash Wednesday (Mass at 12:15 and 6:00pm)

Entrance: *Gouin Antiphon*

Psalm: *Psallite/Collegeville Composers Group* (attached). Group verses in sets of 4!

Gospel Acclamation: *Mass of the Resurrection, Debruyn*

Signing of Ashes: *Ashes*

Preparation of the Gifts: *O Beauty Ever Ancient, BB 517*

Eucharist: *Ubi Caritas, BB328*

Recessional: *Again We Keep the Solemn Fast*

February 25 & 26 - First Sunday of Lent

Psalm: Psallite (same as Ash Wednesday)

Preparation of the Gifts: *Forty Days and Forty Nights*, BB128

Recessional: *Led By the Spirit*, BB126

March 4 & 5 - Second Sunday of Lent

Psalm: Guimont (see attached)

Preparation of the Gifts: *Transfiguration*, BB123

Recessional: *'Tis Good, Lord, To Be Here* BB122 *

*This hymn will need extra support as it is less familiar

March 11 & 12 - Third Sunday of Lent

Psalm: Guimont (see attached)

Preparation of the Gifts: *The King of Love, My Shepherd Is*, BB468

Recessional: *I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say* BB462

March 18 & 19 - Fourth Sunday of Lent

Psalm: Psallite/Collegeville Composers Group (See Attached)

Preparation of the Gifts: *Come Down, O Love Divine*, BB458

Recessional: *The Glory of These Forty Days*, BB 139

March 25 & 26 - Fifth Sunday of Lent

Psalm: R&A

Preparation of the Gifts: *O Breathe On Me, O Breath of God*, BB654

Recessional: *From the Depths We Cry to Thee*, BB130