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THE CHAPEL AT HORSESHOE BAY

**DECEMBER 5, 1982** 

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Most Rev. Vincent M. Harris, Bishop of Austin

#### I. INTRODUCTORY RITES

Procession: "Praise to the Lord"

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation!
O my soul, praise him for he is our health and salvation.
All you who hear now to his presence draw near;
Join in profound adoration.
Praise to the Lord, let us offer our gifts at the altar.
Let not our sins and offenses 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.

Greeting Blessing and Sprinkling of Water Opening Prayers

## II. LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Reading: Baruch 5:19

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 126
"The Lord has done great things for us;
we are filled with joy."

Second Reading: 1 Peter 2:4-10 Gospel Acclamation Gospel Reading: Luke 19:1-10

Homily: Most Rev. Vincent M. Harris

## Profession of Faith

We believe in one God,
The Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is seen and unseen.
We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made, one in Being with the Father.
Through him all things were made.
For us men and for our salvation
he came down from heaven:

by the power of the Holy Spirit he was born of the Virgin Mary, and became man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered, died, and was buried. On the third day he rose again in fulfillment of the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshipped and glorified. He has spoken through the Prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

#### Intercessions

## III. BLESSING OF THE ALTAR Preparation of the Altar

#### IV. LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

Offering of the Gifts Eucharistic Prayer Sign of Peace Communion Rite

### V. THE INAUGURATION OF THE PLACE OF RESERVATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Announcements Blessing and Dismissal

Recessional: "Now Thank We All Our God."

Now thank we all our God With heart and hands and voices, Who wondrous things has done, In whom his world rejoices: Who from our mother's arms Has blessed us on our way With countless gifts of love, And still is ours today. O may this gracious God Through all our life be near us, With ever joyful hearts, And blessed peace to cheer us; Preserve us in his grace. And guide us in distress, And free us from all sin, Till heaven we possess.