Liturgical and Music Planning Overview

For April 15, 2018
Which is the 3rd Sunday of Easter, Year B

Lectionary #47

Readings: 3rd Sunday of Easter
II: 1 John 2:1-5a

For reflection

Peter and Jesus are both instructing the new disciples – and they both do so with the utmost compassion. Our need for God comes through clearly in each of the readings for today – along with the joy of knowing that God loves us absolutely and completely. All three readings invite our response: repent and be converted; keep the commandments; believe in, and courageously witness to, the Passion, Death and Resurrection of Jesus Christ.

Have we lived as Christians in word as well as in deed? Have we professed faith, but lived up to the challenge of the Christian life? Have we witnessed to the life of Christ, and the saving power of his Death and Resurrection?

Lord, help us to always be a witness to your love, in word and deed.

Planning your Music

Mass Setting: _______________________

Opening Song Suggestions:
Alleluia, Alleluia, Give Thanks #501
Sing With All The Saints In Glory #517
The Strife Is O’er #521
Jesus Christ Is Risen Today #513

Gloria? Yes, every week during the Easter Season.

Psalm: The psalm for this week is Psalm 4. See the arrangement at #171 in the Newman Hymnal, or consider #19 in the Gather Hymnal if you wish. During the Easter season you may also use Psalm 118. See arrangements for Psalm 118 at #327-331 in the Newman Hymnal.

Alleluia (from your chosen Mass setting)
Alleluia Verse:
Lord Jesus, open the Scriptures to us;
make our hearts burn while you speak to us.

Preparation of the Altar and Gifts – Song Suggestions:
Two Were Bound For Emmaus #523
Shepherd Of Our Hearts #598 in Gather
Psalm 40: Here I Am, O God #229
O God, You Search Me #707

Holy, Holy; Memorial Acclamation; Amen (from your chosen Mass setting)

Lord's Prayer (spoken or sung)

Lamb of God (Agnus Dei) (from your chosen Mass setting)

Communion Song Suggestions:
Ven Al Banquete/Come To The Feast #160
Jesus, My Lord, My God, My All #822
Draw Near #136
Take And Eat This Bread #158

Closing Song Suggestions:
Sing With All The Saints In Glory #517
The Strife Is O’er #521
God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending #622
Halleluyah! We Sing Your Praises #623 (you could use the verses or just repeat the refrain as the procession departs)