The following pages contain information that will assist you in preparing your liturgy for the date below. The two pages that include music suggestions, Elaine Rendler's column and the music planning template, come from *Today's Liturgy*, a liturgy preparation magazine published quarterly by OCP. The page with a suggested introduction to Mass and general intercessions comes from *Prayer of the Faithful*, a resource for liturgy preparation published annually by OCP. Paul Covino's ritual commentary and the bulletin note and image come from Liturgy.com.

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ABBREVIATIONS USED II	N MUSIC SUGGESTIONS
BB	R2, R3 Rise Up and Sing (Second Edition, Third Edition) (young people) SS1, SS2 Spirit & Song 1 and Spirit & Song 2 (young adults) TM Today's Missal (published three times yearly) UC United in Christ/Unidos en Cristo 2009-11, music resource VOZ One Faith/Una Voz (hymnal) Trinitas (choral octavo series) Octavo
NTY Never Too Young: Spirit & Song for Young People	

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MUSIC SUGGESTIONS

See page 72 for an abbreviation key. For additional music suggestions, visit liturgy.com.

ENTRANCE/GATHERING SONG

Though the Mountains May Fall (Schutte) BB/MI 447 CM 139 CP2 432 GP2 605 H 434 J 689 J2 715 R2 216 R3 220 UC 692 VOZ 644 OCP 9499TL

O God, Our Help in Ages Past ST. ANNE BB/MI 439 CM 138 CP2 419 GP2 613 H 439 J 405 J2 705 UC 676 VOZ 627

For You Are My God (Foley) BB/MI 443 CP2 425 GP2 612 H 430 J 694 J2 710 UC 694 VOZ 645 OCP 10477TL

God of Mystery, God of Mercy mount st. mary's BB/MI 645 OCP 20987TL

In Christ Alone (Getty/Townend) BB/MI 525

Rain Down (Cortez) BB/MI 638 CP2 401 GP2 713 H 467 J 874 J2 651 NTY 25 SS1 134 UC 764 VOZ 616 OCP 9771TL

Lord of Glory (Manion) BB/MI 637 CP2 404 GP2 707 H 472 J 698 J2 645 VOZ 618

Now that the Morning Has Broken the Darkness (Brown) BB/MI 643 OCP 20576TL

I Will Choose Christ (Booth) BB/MI 500 GP2 459 H 401 J2 775 NTY 261 SS1 119 UC 266 OCP 10592TL

Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven LAUDA ANIMA BB/MI 572 CP2 367 GP2 685 H 373 J 366 J2 612 UC 711 VOZ 562

RESPONSORIAL PSALM AND GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Respond and Acclaim (Alstott) 44–45 A Lectionary Psalter (Schiavone) 113, 237

PREPARATION OF THE GIFTS

Isaiah 49 (Landry) BB/MI 639 CP2 403 GP2 711 H 466 J2 653 UC 763 VOZ 615

O God, You Search Me (B. Farrell) BB/MI 450 CP2 427 GP2 601 H 441 J 868 J2 711 R3 228 UC 696 VOZ 646 OCP 10057TL Age to Age (Vogt) BB/MI 534 H 421 J2 703 SS1 98 OCP 10900TL

Fly Like a Bird (Canedo) BB/MI 698 H 359 NTY 217 SS1 177 OCP 12065TL

Healing River of the Spirit BEACH SPRING BB/MI 684 H 342 Here I Am (Booth) BB/MI 453 CP2 428 GP2 625 H 442 J2 717 NTY 92 SS1 180 UC 681 VOZ 635 OCP 10662TL

You Have Called Us (B. Farrell) BB/MI 657 J2 540 NTY 235 R2 92 OCP 11353TL

Give Me Ears to Listen (Smith) BB/MI 660 NTY 258 OCP 20792TL

COMMUNION SONG

Only in God (Talbot) BB/MI 455 CP2 430 GP2 610 H 438 J 522 J2 712 UC 686 VOZ 636 OCP 10492TL

I Have Loved You (Joncas) BB/MI 634 CM 128 CP2 399 GP2 710 H 468 J 615 J2 649 UC 762 VOZ 612

Our God Is Here (Muglia) BB/MI 305 NTY 29 SS2 395 OCP 20091TL In the Land There Is a Hunger (Lynch) BB/MI 582 J 719

You Are Near (Schutte) BB/MI 454 CM 137 CP2 417 GP2 619 H 443 J 606 J2 722 R2 218 R3 222 UC 682 VOZ 631 OCP 9503TL

Only a Shadow (Landry) BB/MI 451 CP2 433 GP2 611 H 444 J2 707 R2 215 UC 690 VOZ 642 OCP 5595TL

God of My Salvation (Norbet) BB/MI 444 H 431

Like a Child Rests (C. Walker) BB/MI 474 CP2 434 GP2 635 H 456 J 654 J2 734 R2 212 R3 226 UC 604 VOZ 734 OCP 9139TL

If You Love Me (Consiglio) BB/MI 662 OCP 20625TL

Servant Song (McGargill) BB/MI 373 CM 116 CP2 506 GP2 550 H 529 J 597 J2 837 UC 595 VOZ 747 OCP 9263TL

Turn to Me (Foley) BB/MI 673 CM 52 CP2 252 GP2 342 H 241 J 242 J2 377 TM 127 UC 278 VOZ 314 OCP 10484TL

Ash Wednesday is March 9, only ten days away. Like the calm before the storm, this long stretch of Ordinary Time has given us some respite before Lent begins. During this lull, if we can call it that, please read through Martin Gay's pertinent article, "Avoiding Stress and Burnout in Music Ministry: Signs and Symptoms, Causes and Coping Strategies" on page 16. I shared this article with friends and family members. It pertains particularly to music ministers but is definitely of value to family members, as well. I wanted to encourage you to read it during Advent, but we all know how busy Advent can be (in these columns). If you feel burned out, or are not even sure what that feels like, take time to evaluate your well-being. Martin is a pastoral minister, musician, and professional counselor specializing in marriage and family therapy, so he obviously understands us. The article is also helpful for clergy who counsel—and for themselves, since they are "at risk" in these days of priest shortages.

There is an RCIA resource that directors of music, leaders of RCIA, and pastoral clergy will value and want in their libraries: Chris Walker's *Christ We Proclaim* (ocp. org/11293) as previously mentioned in my editor's letter. The excerpt on pages 8–10 examines and makes suggestions for the Rite of Acceptance. The next issue of *Today's Liturgy* (which will arrive soon) contains a practical excerpt on the Scrutinies. The *Christ We Proclaim* Resource Book belongs in the liturgical library for all involved with RCIA. The other volumes in the set offer music for the various seasons of the year and for the other sacraments of initiation.

— Elaine Rendler-McQueeney

SONG OF PRAISE OR SENDING FORTH

How Can I Keep from Singing ENDLESS SONG BB/MI 449 CP2 431 GP2 616 H 437 J 367 J2 721 NTY 116 SS1 117 UC 695 VOZ 638 OCP 9202TL

Christ Before Us (Whitaker) BB/MI 523 OCP 20463TL Stand by Me (Kendzia) BB/MI 585 OCP 12093TL

Go Make a Difference (Angrisano/Tomaszek) BB/MI 512 H 481 NTY 260 SS1 113

If God Is for Us (Brown) BB/MI 636 GP2 712 H 470 J 943 J2 647 UC 761 VOZ 614 OCP 10383TL

Your Grace Is Enough (Maher) BB/MI 632 NTY 112 SS2 403 OCP 12143TL

Blest Be the Lord (Schutte) BB/MI 452 CM 136 CP2 426 GP2 599 H 440 J 611 J2 708 UC 688 VOZ 640 OCP 9488TL

Be Still, My Soul FINLANDIA BB/MI 683 H 341 J2 575

A Mighty Fortress EIN' FESTE BURG BB/MI 446 CP2 421 H 427 UC 691 VOZ 641

Blessed by Your Sacrifice St. ELIZABETH BB 203 CM 155 CP2 360 H 378 J 340 J2 619 R3 262 TM 133 UC 731 VOZ 591

CHORAL

♣ Give Us a Pure Heart (Willcock) OCP 4529TL O Rest in the Lord (Mendelssohn/Wright) OCP 11934TL Come, Christ's Beloved (Foster/Quinn) OCP 12771TL

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CALL TO WORSHIP	Time	Presiding Minister
Music Rehearsal/Liturgical Catechesis		
Introduction, see Prayer of the Faithful, page 32 _		
INTRODUCTORY RITES		
Entrance/Gathering Song		
Rite of Sprinkling or Penitential Rite		
Glory to God		
LITURGY OF THE WORD		
First Reading		Responsorial Psalm
Second Reading		Gospel Acclamation
Gospel		
Homily/Preaching		
Dismissal of the Catechumens and Elect		
General Intercessions, see Prayer of the Faith	ful, page 32 _	
LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST		
Music for Preparation of the Gifts		
Eucharistic Acclamations		
Holy		
Memorial Acclamation		Great Amen
Communion Rite		
Lord's Prayer		
Lamb of God		
Communion Processional		
Psalm or Hymn of Praise/Instrumental or Sile	nce	
CONCLUDING RITE		
Sending Forth		
Choral Anthem of the Day		
Prelude/Postlude		
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ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Psalm 17:19-20

The Lord has been my strength; he has led me into freedom. He saved me because he loves me.

FIRST READING

Isaiah 49:14-15 (82A)

Israel feels rejected and lost because of her sufferings. But Isaiah reminds Israel that, as a mother loves her infant, the Lord loves his people. He will not forget us in our time of trial.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 62:2–3, 6–7, 8–9

Rest in God alone, my soul.

SECOND READING 1 Corinthians 4:1–5

We are administrators of the mysteries of Christ. As such, we should do everything in our power to prove worthy of this great trust. We should not be passing judgment on others, for this is the Lord's right. Rather, we should joyfully await his return, when all shall be brought into the light.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Hebrews 4:12

The word of God is living and effective; discerning reflections and thoughts of the heart.

GOSPEL Matthew 6:24–34

No one can serve two masters. Therefore, we must choose either to live for the world or to live for Christ. We should not be concerned about what we are to eat or wear, for the Lord provides all these things to his people. Instead, we must seek first his kingdom.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Psalm 12:6

I will sing to the Lord for his goodness to me, I will sing the name of the Lord, Most High.

Matthew 28:20

I, the Lord, am with you always, until the end of the world.

Introduction to the Celebration

Today we are reminded to seek first the kingdom of God, and how God is the rock of our salvation, our refuge, and our strength.

PENITENTIAL RITE

Lord Jesus, you bring light to darkness. Lord, have mercy. Christ Jesus, you manifest the motives of our hearts. Christ, have mercy. Lord Jesus, you know all that we need. Christ, have mercy.

GENERAL INTERCESSIONS

Presiding Minister

Paul teaches us that we are the stewards of the mysteries of God. As faithful stewards we bring our concerns to the Lord.

Leader

- A That the Church continue preaching the good news, leading the faithful toward the kingdom of God, we pray to the Lord:
- B That the leaders of all nations encourage faithful stewardship of the earth, guarding against the causes of pollution and environmental waste, we pray to the Lord:
- C That the unemployed and the underemployed know the compassion of God as they search for gainful work and move toward independence, we pray to the Lord:

That the children of the world grow in awareness, joy, and light, we pray to the Lord:

D	That all in this gathering
	be a reflection of welcoming hospitality,
	we pray to the Lord:

Presiding Minister

God of all goodness and grace, hear us as faithful stewards of your sacred mysteries, We ask this through Christ our Lord.

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Ritual Notes

by Paul Covino, from Today's Liturgy 2010

Due to the late date for Easter this year, this block of Ordinary Time between the Christmas season and Lent is longer than usual. In years when Easter is earlier, the Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time falls after Pentecost but is often superseded by the Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity or the Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ. This is the first time in many years that we will hear the Year A readings for the Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time.

Today's first reading is very short. Make sure that the lector leaves time for the assembly to settle down after the opening prayer before proclaiming this reading, as well as time for silent reflection after the reading. The Introduction to the *Lectionary* emphasizes the need for silence during the liturgy of the word: "The liturgy of the word must be celebrated in a way that fosters meditation; clearly, any sort of haste that hinders recollection must be avoided. The dialogue between God and his people taking place through the Holy Spirit demands short intervals of silence, suited to the assembled congregation, as an opportunity to take the word of God to heart and to prepare a response to it in prayer. Proper times for silence during the liturgy of the word are, for example, before this liturgy begins, after the first and the second reading, after the homily" (#28).

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SEEK GOD FIRST

"Seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these will be given you besides" (Matthew 6:33). That's a promise we can count on! This rarely heard Gospel doesn't simply encourage us to seek God's kingdom, but to seek it first—before all things. It's reminiscent of giving first fruits—not leftovers—to the Lord. God asks for our first and best—just as he has given his first and best: Christ his Son. Let us then cast aside every fear and worry, resting in the providential care of our loving Father, who never forgets our needs.

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