

**MONSIGNOR ANTHONY JOHN MARCACCIO**

5 MAY 1963 – 19 JULY 2024



**MASS OF CHRISTIAN BURIAL**

31 JULY 2024

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THE HOLY SEPULCHRE

THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS



# PRELUDE

*Sheep May Safely Graze* (J.S. Bach)

*Ave Verum Corpus* (Mozart)

St. Pius the Tenth Choir

## **O Esca Viatorum**

*O esca viatorum,  
O panis angelorum,  
O manna coelitum,  
Esurientes ciba  
Dulcedine non priva  
Corda quaerentium.*

*O lympa, fons amoris,  
Qui puro Salvatoris  
E corde profluit  
Te sitientes pota  
Haec sola nostra vota,  
His una sufficis.*

*O Jesu, tuum vultum  
Quem colimus occultum  
Sub panis specie.  
Fac, ut remoto velo  
Post libera in coelo  
Cernamus facie.*

Wurzburg (1647)  
Music: Robert G. Farrell

## **O Food of Men Wayfaring**

*O food of men wayfaring,  
The bread of angels sharing,  
O Manna from on high!  
We hunger; Lord, supply us,  
Nor thy delights deny us,  
Whose hearts to thee draw nigh.*

*O Stream of love past telling  
O purest fountain, welling  
From out the Saviour's side!  
We faint with thirst; revive us,  
Of thine abundance give us,  
And all we need provide.*

*O Jesu, by thee bidden,  
We here adore thee, hidden  
Neath forms of bread and wine.  
Grant when the veil is riven,  
We may behold, in heaven,  
Thy countenance divine.*

Athelstan Riley (1906)

# INTRODUCTORY RITES

*The body of Monsignor Anthony J. Marcaccio is sprinkled with Holy Water and covered with a funeral pall. These symbols, as well as the large Paschal Candle, remind us that he shared in the life and light of Christ by his baptism, and was clothed in the promise of eternal glory.*

## Processional Hymn

### THE KING OF LOVE MY SHEPHERD IS

ST. COLUMBA



1. The King of love my shep - herd is, Whose  
2. Where streams of liv - ing wa - ter flow With  
3. Per - verse and fool - ish I have strayed, But  
4. In death's dark vale I fear no ill With  
5. You spread a ta - ble in my sight, Your  
6. And so through all the length of days Your



1. good - ness fails me nev - er; I noth - ing lack if  
2. gen - tle care he leads me, And where the ver - dant  
3. yet in love he sought me, And on his shoul - der  
4. you, dear Lord, be - side me; Your rod and staff my  
5. sav - ing grace be - stow - ing; And O what joy and  
6. good - ness fails me nev - er: Good Shep - herd, may I



1. I am his, And he is mine for - ev - er.  
2. pas - tures grow, With heav'n - ly food he feeds me.  
3. gent - ly laid, And home, re - joic - ing, brought me.  
4. com - fort still, Your cross be - fore to guide me.  
5. true de - light From your pure chal - ice flow - ing!  
6. sing your praise With - in your house for - ev - er.

Text: 87 87; based on Psalm 23; Matthew 18; John 10; Henry Williams Baker, 1821-1877, alt. Music: Trad. Irish Melody.

## Greeting

Priest: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**All: Amen.**

Priest: The Lord be with you.

**All: And with your spirit.**

# LITURGY OF THE WORD

## **First Reading**

Wisdom 3:1-9

John Marcaccio

The souls of the righteous are in the hand of God,  
and no torment shall touch them.

They seemed, in the view of the foolish, to be dead;  
and their passing away was thought an affliction  
and their going forth from us, utter destruction.

But they are in peace.

For if to others, indeed, they seem punished,  
yet is their hope full of immortality;

Chastised a little, they shall be greatly blessed,  
because God tried them  
and found them worthy of himself.

As gold in the furnace, he proved them,  
and as sacrificial offerings he took them to himself.

In the time of their judgment they shall shine  
and dart about as sparks through stubble;

They shall judge nations and rule over peoples,  
and the LORD shall be their King forever.

Those who trust in him shall understand truth,  
and the faithful shall abide with him in love:

Because grace and mercy are with his holy ones,  
and his care is with the elect.

The Word of the LORD.

**All Respond: Thanks be to God.**

## **Responsorial Psalm**

Psalm 23

Steve Mitchell

*“Shepherd Me O God, beyond my wants, beyond my fears, from death into life.”*

We know that the one who raised the Lord Jesus  
will raise us also with Jesus  
and place us with you in his presence.

Everything indeed is for you,  
so that the grace bestowed in abundance on more and more people  
may cause the thanksgiving to overflow for the glory of God.

Therefore, we are not discouraged;  
rather, although our outer self is wasting away,  
our inner self is being renewed day by day.

For this momentary light affliction  
is producing for us an eternal weight of glory beyond all comparison,  
as we look not to what is seen but to what is unseen;  
for what is seen is transitory, but what is unseen is eternal.  
For we know that if our earthly dwelling, a tent, should be destroyed,  
we have a building from God,  
a dwelling not made with hands,  
eternal in heaven.

The Word of the LORD.

**All Respond: Thanks be to God.**

**Gospel Acclamation** *(please stand)*

Deacon/Priest: The Lord be with you.

**All: And with your spirit.**

Deacon/Priest: A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Luke.

**All: Glory to you, O Lord.**

Then he made the disciples get into the boat  
and precede him to the other side,  
while he dismissed the crowds.

After doing so, he went up on the mountain by himself to pray.

When it was evening he was there alone.

Meanwhile the boat, already a few miles offshore,  
was being tossed about by the waves, for the wind was against it.

During the fourth watch of the night,  
he came toward them, walking on the sea.

When the disciples saw him walking on the sea they were terrified.

“It is a ghost,” they said, and they cried out in fear.

At once Jesus spoke to them,

“Take courage, it is I; do not be afraid.”

Peter said to him in reply,

“Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water.”

He said, “Come.”

Peter got out of the boat and began to walk on the water toward Jesus.

But when he saw how strong the wind was he became frightened;  
and, beginning to sink, he cried out, “Lord, save me!”

Immediately Jesus stretched out his hand and caught him, and said to him,  
“O you of little faith, why did you doubt?”

After they got into the boat, the wind died down.

Those who were in the boat did him homage, saying,  
“Truly, you are the Son of God.”

The Gospel of the LORD.

**All Respond: Praise to You Lord Jesus Christ.**

**Prayers of the Faithful****All: Lord hear our prayer.****LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST****Presentation of the Gifts** *(please be seated)**Gifts are presented by the family of Monsignor Marcaccio.***Presentation Hymn****LET ALL MORTAL FLESH KEEP SILENCE**

PICARDY



1. Let all mor - tal flesh keep si - lence, And with fear and  
 2. King of kings, yet born of Ma - ry, As of old on  
 3. Rank on rank the host of heav - en Spreads its van-guard  
 4. At his feet the six-winged ser - aph; Cher - u - bim with



1. trem - bling stand; Pon - der noth - ing earth - ly - mind - ed,  
 2. earth he stood, Lord of lords in hu - man ves - ture;  
 3. on the way, As the Light of Light de - scend - eth  
 4. sleep - less eye, Veil their fac - es to the Pres - ence,



1. For with bless - ing in his hand Christ our God to earth de -  
 2. In the Bod - y and the Blood He will give to all the  
 3. From the realms of end - less day, That the pow'rs of hell may  
 4. As with cease-less voice they cry, "Al - le - lu - ia, al - le -



1. scend - eth, Our full hom-age to de - mand.  
 2. faith - ful His own self for heav'n - ly food.  
 3. van - ish As the dark-ness clears a - way.  
 4. lu - ial! Al - le - lu - ia, Lord Most High!"



## The Eucharistic Prayer

### Invitation to Prayer *(please stand)*

Priest: Pray, my brothers and sisters, that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.

**All: May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands for the praise and glory of His name, for our good and the good of all his holy Church.**

### Preface *(please stand)*

Priest: The Lord be with you.

**All: And with your spirit.**

Priest: Lift up your hearts.

**All: We lift them up to the Lord.**

Priest: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**All: It is right and just.**

### Sanctus *(sung)*

Holy, holy, holy Lord God of hosts.

Heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

### Mystery of Faith *((please kneel, sung)*

When we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim your death  
O Lord, until you come again.

## The Great Amen

## The Lord's Prayer

### Lamb of God *(sung)*

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, grant us peace.

Priest: Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who takes away the sins of the world. Blessed are those who are called to the supper of the Lamb.

**All: Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.**

### Guidelines for Receiving Holy Communion

*We welcome to this celebration of the Eucharist all who are gathered.*

*Catholics who regularly receive Holy Communion and who are spiritually prepared to do so, may come forward to receive Holy Communion.*

*Non-Catholics are invited to come forward for a blessing.*

*Please indicate your desire to receive a blessing by crossing your arms over your chest.*

### Communion Hymns

#### PANIS ANGELICUS / HOLY AND LIVING BREAD

SACRIS SOLEMNIIS



1. Pa - nis an - gé - li - cus, fit — pa - nis hó - mi - num,  
2. Te, tri - na Dé - i - tas ú - na - que, pó - sci - mus,  
1. Ho - ly and liv - ing bread, won - drous food from heav - en sent,  
2. God, ho - ly Three - In - One, through this off - 'ring of your Son



1. Dat pa - nis cáe - li - cus fi - gú - ris tér - mi - num.  
2. Sic nos tu ví - si - ta, sic - ut te có - li - mus;  
1. God's sac - ri - fice fore - told — now in our hands we hold.  
2. All now on earth can see what we are called to be:



1. O res mi - rá - bi - lis man - dú - cat Dó - mi - num,  
2. Per tu - as sé - mi - tas duc nos quo tén - di - mus,  
1. Sign and re - al - i - ty, chal - lenge for us to be  
2. Hope for a world in need, signs that love can suc - ceed



1. Pau - per, ser - vus, et hú - mi - lis.  
2. Ad lu - cem quam in - há - bi - tas.  
1. Hum - ble ser - vants to all the poor.  
2. Where true jus - tice and peace en - dure.

# At That First Eucharist



1. At that first Eu - cha - rist be - fore you died,  
2. For all your church, O Lord, we in - ter - cede;  
3. We pray for those who wan - der from the fold;  
4. So, Lord, at length when sac - ra - ments shall cease,



O Lord, you prayed that all be one in you;  
O make our lack of char - i - ty to cease;  
O bring them back, Good Shep - herd of the sheep,  
May we be one with all your Church a - bove,



At this our Eu - cha - rist a - gain pre - side,  
Draw us the near - er each to each we plead,  
Back to the faith which saints be - lieved of old,  
One with your saints in one un - bro - ken peace,



And in our hearts your law of love re - new.  
By draw - ing all to you, O Prince of Peace.  
Back to the Church which still that faith does keep.  
One with your saints in one un - bound - ed love.



Thus may we all one Bread, one Bod - y be;




Through this blest Sac - ra - ment of U - ni - ty.


# JESUS, MY LORD, MY GOD, MY ALL

SWEET SACRAMENT

Verses



1. Je - sus, my Lord, my God, my All, How can I  
2. Had I but Ma - ry's sin - less heart, To love thee  
3. O! see up - on the al - tar placed The vic - tim




1. love thee as I ought? And how re - vere this  
2. with, my dear - est King; O! with what bursts of  
3. of di - vin - est love! Let all the earth be -




1. won - drous gift, So far sur - pass - ing hope or thought?  
2. fer - vent praise Thy good - ness, Je - sus, would I sing.  
3. low a - dore, And join the choirs of heav'n a - bove.

Refrain



Sweet Sac - ra - ment, we thee a - dore! O make us love thee



more and more! O make us love thee more and more.

Text: LM with refrain; Frederick W. Faber, 1814–1863. Music: *Romischkatholisches Gesangbüchlein*, 1826.

**Reflection** Chuck Marcaccio, Brother of Monsignor  
Derek Ritzel, Friend of Monsignor

## CONCLUDING RITES

### Final Blessing and Commendation

#### Song of Farewell

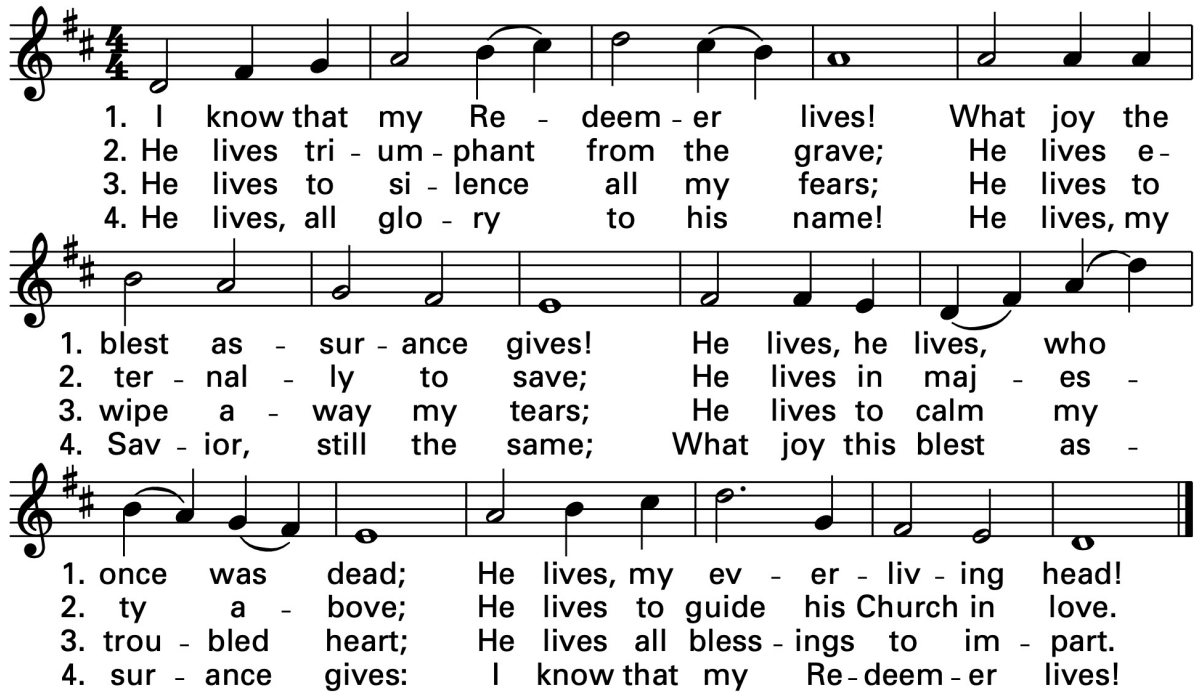
*The symbol of incense has been used from ancient times in worship, signifying our prayers rising to God's throne in heaven on behalf of our loved ones.*

*This is used today as a sign of honor to Anthony's remains, which through Baptism, he became a temple of the Holy Spirit.*

## Recessional Hymn

### I KNOW THAT MY REDEEMER LIVES

DUKE STREET



1. I know that my Re - deem - er lives! What joy the  
2. He lives tri - um - phant from the grave; He lives e -  
3. He lives to si - lence all my fears; He lives to  
4. He lives, all glo - ry to his name! He lives, my

1. blest as - sur - ance gives! He lives, he lives, who  
2. ter - nal - ly to save; He lives in maj - es -  
3. wipe a - way my tears; He lives to calm my  
4. Sav - ior, still the same; What joy this blest as -

1. once was dead; He lives, my ev - er - liv - ing head!  
2. ty a - bove; He lives to guide his Church in love.  
3. trou - bled heart; He lives all bless - ings to im - part.  
4. sur - ance gives: I know that my Re - deem - er lives!

Text: LM; based on Job 19:25; Samuel Medley, 1738–1799.

Music: John Hatton, c. 1710–1793.

## POSTLUDE

*Little Fugue in G Minor* (J.S. Bach)

*Toccata from Symphony for Organ No.5* (Charles-Marie Widor)

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## MEMORIAL DONATIONS

Donations may be made in memory of Monsignor Anthony Marcaccio to:

*The Marcaccio Family St. Anthony's Bread Endowment  
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## RECEPTION

All are invited to a reception at the St. Pius X School Connolly Gymnasium.

## INTERNMENT

A private internment will take place.

## **MONSIGNOR ANTHONY J. MARCACCIO**

The Rev. Msgr. Anthony J. Marcaccio died Friday, July 19, 2024, following complications from appendiceal cancer. He had served in priestly ministry for 33 years, most recently as the beloved pastor of St. Pius X Catholic Church in Greensboro. He was 61.

Anthony John Marcaccio was born in Detroit, Michigan, the youngest of four children of Tony and Rose Marcaccio. When he was very young, the family moved to Greenwood, South Carolina. In 1981, he graduated from Greenwood High School, then in 1985 graduated with a Bachelor of Science in political science from Francis Marion University in Florence, South Carolina. There he joined Sigma Phi Epsilon National Fraternity and the Pi Gamma Mu National Honor Society for Social Sciences.

He felt a calling to serve the Church from a young age and served with the Jesuit Volunteer Corps in Detroit from 1985 to 1986. He then entered seminary to become a Catholic priest. In 1991, he completed graduate studies in theology from The Catholic University of America in Washington, D.C.

He was ordained a priest on June 1, 1991, by Bishop John F. Donoghue of Charlotte, at St. John Neumann Catholic Church in Charlotte, North Carolina.

After ordination, he served as parochial vicar at St. Gabriel Catholic Parish in Charlotte and then as pastor of St. Margaret Mary Catholic Parish in Swannanoa, North Carolina, before becoming priest secretary to Charlotte Bishop William G. Curlin in 1994. During his time as priest secretary, he served as the diocese's Master of Ceremonies, in which he coordinated major diocesan liturgies. He also helped out during his priestly ministry as administrator for brief periods at St. Elizabeth Catholic Parish in Boone, North Carolina, St. John Neumann Catholic Parish in Charlotte, and St. Benedict Parish in Greensboro, and he served as chaplain to the Missionaries of Charity in Charlotte.

In 2000, he was appointed pastor of St. Pius X Catholic Parish in Greensboro, where he led the parish during a time of unprecedented growth, including the building of a new church in 2010, the Simmons Parish Center, and the DeJoy Primary Education

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Center. He fostered a spirituality of stewardship in the parish that was manifested in its many ministries, and under his leadership the parish's stewardship efforts received international accolades from the International Catholic Stewardship Council.

Msgr. Marcaccio served the Diocese of Charlotte in many leadership roles throughout his priestly ministry. He was on the Diocese of Charlotte Presbyteral Council for over 20 years, he was a member of the diocesan College of Consultors, and he led the Greensboro Vicariate as Vicar Forane from 2005 to 2024. He was also vice chancellor of the diocese in 2002.

Msgr. Marcaccio also served as Magistral Chaplain of the Sovereign Military Order of Malta, and he was a Knight of the Equestrian Order of the Holy Sepulchre of Jerusalem. He was also committed to the mission of the Knights of Columbus, serving as a Fourth Degree Knight and former State Chaplain.

In recognition of his remarkable service to the Catholic Church, Pope John Paul II named him a Chaplain of His Holiness in 2002, granting him the title of monsignor.

His other leadership work included serving on the board of Belmont Abbey College, and on the board and as chair of the Alumni Association of the Theological College at The Catholic University of America.

Aspiring to be a pirate from his youth, Msgr. Marcaccio enjoyed spending time on the coast in Beaufort as well as at his home in Black Mountain, North Carolina. He enjoyed movies and mysteries, dinners with friends, traveling with his parishioners on pilgrimage, and watching television with his French Bulldog Tater, who was as beloved at St. Pius X Parish as he was.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Rose and Tony Marcaccio, and his nephew Enio Marcaccio. Survivors include his brothers Charles (Mary) and John (Kay), his sister Celeste (Steve) Proffit, four nieces, two nephews and eight grandnieces and nephews.



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