



With Praise and Thanksgiving to Almighty God, the Clergy and the Lay Faithful of the

Diocese of Kansas City — St. Joseph gather together to celebrate Solemn Vespers in the Presence of His Excellency

The Most Reverend James V. Johnston Jr., D.D., J.C.L.

His Excellency
The Most Reverend Joseph F. Naumann
Apostolic Administrator of Kansas City—St. Joseph
Presiding

In the Presence of
His Excellency
The Most Reverend Carlo Maria Viganò
Apostolic Nuncio to the United States

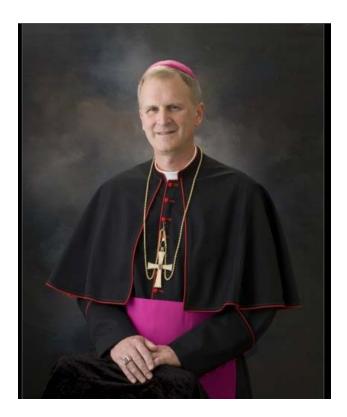
Co-Cathedral of St. Joseph

St. Joseph, Missouri

Tuesday the Third of November in the Year of Our Lord
Two thousand and fifteen



His Excellency
The Most Reverend James V. Johnston Jr.
Seventh Bishop of Kansas City—St. Joseph







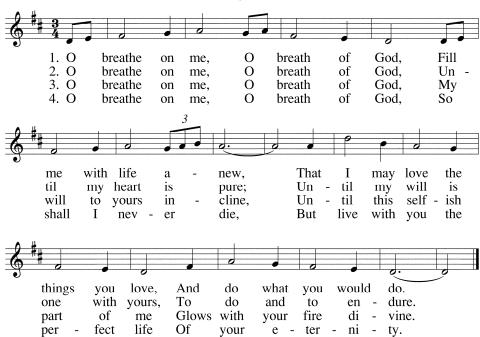
Solemn Evening Prayer

Prelude Music
Sicut Cervus- Palestrina
If Ye Love Me - Tallis
Ave Maria - Biebl
Ecce Fidelis - Fauré

At the Co-Cathedral glass center doors, Archbishop Naumann and the Rector meet Bishop Johnston. The Rector presents Bishop Johnston a crucifix to reverence with a kiss. Bishop Johnston then sprinkles himself and those around him with holy water. Following this, all process to the sanctuary.

Procession to the Altar (*Please stand*)

O Breathe on Me, O Breath of God



Words of Welcome: The Most Reverend Joseph F. Naumann (*Please be seated after the Welcome*)

Greeting of Bishop Johnston: Representatives of the Diocese and Religious Communities of Women and Men

(Please stand)



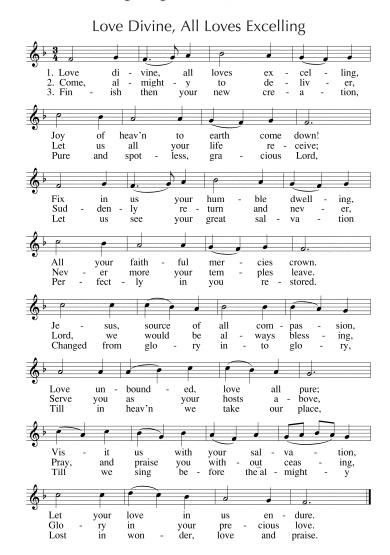
O God, K come to my as - sis-tance. Lord, make haste to help me.



Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Ho - ly Spir - it:



as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ev - er. A-men.





(Please sit)

Antiphon 1

Cantor, then all:

The Lord surrounds his people with his strength



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Psalm 125

CHOIR: Those who put their trust in the Lord †

are like Mount Zíon, that cánnot be sháken, that stánds for éver.

ALL: Jerúsalem! The móuntains surróund her,

so the Lórd surróunds his people both nów and for éver.

CHOIR: For the scépter of the wicked shall not rést

over the land of the just

ALL: for féar that the hánds of the júst

should túrn to évil.

CHOIR: Do góod, Lord, to thóse who are góod,

to the úpright of héart;

ALL: but the cróoked and thóse who do évil, †

dríve them awáy! On Ísrael, péace!

CHOIR: Glory to the Father, and to the Son,

and to the Holy Spirit:

ALL: as it was in the beginning, is now,

and will be forever. Amen.

ALL: The Lord surrounds his people with his strength



Antiphon 2

Cantor, then all:

Unless you acquire the heart of a child, you cannot enter the kingdom of God.



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Psalm 131

CHOIR: O Lórd, my héart is not próud

nor háughty my éyes.

ALL: I have not góne after thíngs too gréat

nor márvels beyónd me.

CHOIR: Trúly I have sét my sóul

in sílence and péace.

ALL: As a child has rest in its mother's arms,

even só is my sóul.

CHOIR: O Ísrael, hópe in the Lórd

both nów and for éver.

ALL: Glory to the Father, and to the Son,

and to the Holy Spirit:

CHOIR: as it was in the beginning, is now,

and will be for ever. Amen.

ALL: Unless you acquire the heart of a child, you cannot enter the kingdom of God.

Antiphon 3

Cantor, then all: Lord, you have made us a kingdom and priests for God our Father.



(Canticle – Revelation 4:11; 5:9, 10,12)

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CANTOR: O Lord our God, you are worthy *ALL*: to receive glory and honor and power.

CANTOR: For you have created all things;

ALL: by your will they came to be and were made.



CANTOR: Worthy are you, O Lord,

ALL: to receive the scroll and break open its seals.

CANTOR: For you were slain;

ALL: with your blood you purchased for God

CANTOR: men of every race and tongue,

ALL: *of every people and nation.*

CANTOR: You made of them a kingdom, †

and priests to serve our God,

ALL: and they shall reign on the earth.

CANTOR: Worthy is the Lamb that was slain

ALL: to receive power and riches,

CANTOR: wisdom and strength, *ALL*: honor and glory and praise.

CANTOR: Glory to the Father, and to the Son,

and to the Holy Spirit:

ALL: as it was in the beginning, is now,

and will be for ever. Amen.

ALL: Lord, you have made us a kingdom and priests for God our Father.

Reading Romans 12:9-12

Your love must be sincere. Detest what is evil, cling to what is good. Love one another with the affection of brothers. Anticipate each other in showing respect. Do not grow slack but be fervent in spirit; he whom you serve is the Lord. Rejoice in hope, be patient under trial, persevere in prayer.

Homily

His Excellency, The Most Reverend James V. Johnston, Jr.



Responsory



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CANTOR: Through all eternity, O Lord, your promise stands unshaken.

ALL: Through all eternity, O Lord, your promise stands unshaken.

CANTOR: Your faithfulness will never fail; *ALL*: *your promise stands unshaken.*

CANTOR: Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit,

ALL: Through all eternity, O Lord, your promise stands unshaken.

(*Please stand*)

Gospel Canticle (Choir) Magnificat—Morley

My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord.

for he has looked with favor on his lowly servant. From this day all generations will call me blessed: the Almighty has done great things for me, and holy is his Name.

He has mercy on those who fear him in every generation. He has shown the strength of his arm, he has scattered the proud in their conceit.

He has cast down the mighty from their thrones, and has lifted up the lowly. He has filled the hungry with good things, and the rich he has sent away empty.

He has come to the help of his servant Israel for he has remembered his promise of mercy, the promise he made to our fathers, to Abraham and his children for ever.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.



Intercessions

God establishes his people in hope. Let us cry out to him with joy: *You are the hope of your people, Lord.*

We thank you, Lord,

because in Christ you have given us all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge. *You are the hope of your people, Lord.*

O God, in your hands are the hearts of the powerful; bestow your wisdom upon government leaders, may they draw from the fountain of your counsel and please you in thought and deed.

You are the hope of your people, Lord.

The talents of artists reflect your splendor, may their work give the world hope and joy.

You are the hope of your people, Lord.

You do not allow us to be tested beyond our ability, strengthen the weak and raise up the fallen.

You are the hope of your people, Lord.

Through your Son you promised to raise men up on the Last Day, do not forget those who have died.

You are the hope of your people, Lord.

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.
Thy kingdom come.
Thy will be done on earth, as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us, and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.



Concluding Prayer

Lord,

may our evening prayer rise up to you, and your blessing come down upon us. May your help and salvation be ours now and through all eternity.

We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

Amen.

Dismissal

Closing Hymn

Rejoice, the Lord Is King



You are invited to a reception immediately following Solemn Vespers in the hall across the street at 10th and Isidore.



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Love Divine, All Love's Excelling
Rejoice the Lord is King