

Funeral Mass of the Most Reverend

+ Dale J. Melczek, D.D.

Bishop Emeritus of Gary

29 August 2022 Holy Angels Cathedral

BISHOP EMERITUS OF GARY

Born to Life November 9, 1938

Ordained Priest June 6, 1964

Ordained Bishop January 2, 1983

Assigned to Gary August 19, 1992

Bishop Emeritus November 24, 2014

Born to Eternal Life August 25, 2022



Interlude 💃

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pray.

As

We

PROCESSIONAL—PROCESIONAL: O God, Beyond All Praising



THAXTED Michael Perry - vs. 1-3 Gustav Holst, 1874-1934 Delores Dufner, OSB - vs. 4 *All*: 1. O God. be - youd all prais - ing, wor - ship you we to -*All*: 2. The florw'r of earth - ly splen - dor time must sure - ly in O gra-cious Sav - ior, Choir: 3. Then hear. cept the love ac we *All*: 4. beau - ty ev - er blaz - ing flow - er, field, O in and All: 5.e - ter - nal high tea - cher and 0 Christ priest our our *All*: 6. most grac-ious Sav - ior And so, we gath - er here to sing the love a - maz - ing day and that songs can - not frag - ile bloom sur-ren - der die. its vou, the Lord most to we who know your fa - vor bring, that serve you may as our show your - self a - maz - ing face. vou in un - ex - pect - ed come to live a - mong King, you and mer - cy to us day the Ho - ly An - gels and as sist us as we for can on - ly won - der at ʻry gift you ev pay; high; hid - den from all na - ture the e - ter nal seed is but wheth - er our to - mor - rows be King; filled with good or and We you and re - mem - ber what place. once our dreams had

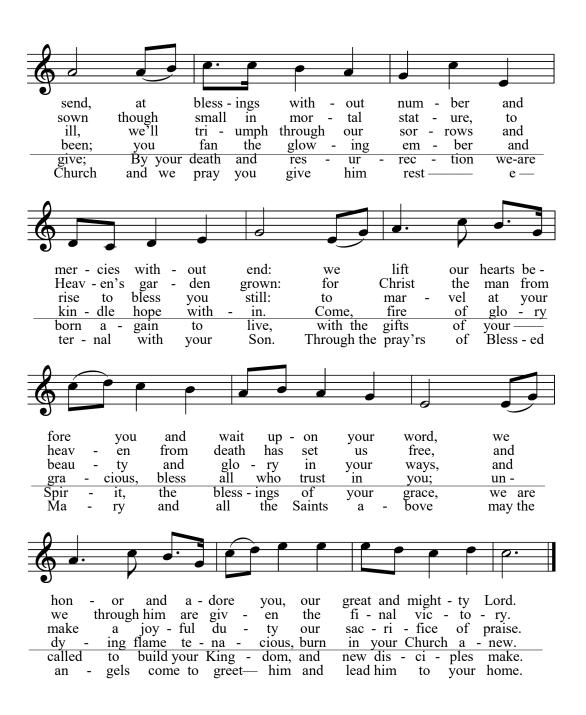
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life

for us

ser - vant, not to be served, your



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GREETING—EL SALUDO



SPRINKLING WITH HOLY WATER—APERSIÓN CON AGUA BENDITA

Archbishop Thompson sprinkles the coffin with holy water in remembrance of Bishop *Melczek's initiation and first acceptance into the community of faith.*

El arzobispo Thompson rocía el ataúd con agua bendita recordando la iniciación y primera aceptación del obispo Melczek en la comunidad de fe.

PLACING OF THE PALL—COLOCACIÓN DEL PALIO

The funeral pall is placed on the casket by those designated by Bishop Melczek as his pall bearers, priests from the Diocese of Gary. The pall is a reminder of the baptismal garment worn at baptism. It signifies our life in Christ which we are to bring unstained into everlasting life.

El palio es colocado sobre el ataúd por aquellos designados por el obispo Melczek como sus portadores, sacerdotes de la diócesis de Gary. El palio es un recordatorio de la prenda bautismal usada en el bautismo. Significa nuestra vida en Cristo que debemos llevar sin mancha a la vida eterna.

PLACING OF THE BOOK OF THE GOSPELS— COLOCACIÓN DEL LIBRO DE LOS EVANGELIOS

Finally, the Deacon of the Gospel places the Book of the Gospels on the casket. We are reminded of the Gospel that Bishop Melczek committed himself to preach, teach and live as the Book of the Gospels was placed over his head on the day of his ordination to the episcopate.

Finalmente, el Diácono del Evangelio coloca el Libro de los Evangelios sobre el ataúd. Se nos recuerda el Evangelio que el obispo Melczek se comprometió a predicar, enseñar y vivir cuando el Libro de los Evangelios fue puesto sobre su cabeza el día de su ordenación episcopal.

OPENING COLLECT—ORACIÓN COLECTA



THE LITURGY OF THE WORD LITURGIA DE LA PALABRA



READING—LECTURA I: Isaiah/Isaias 25: 6-9

On this mountain the Lord of hosts will provide for all peoples

A feast of rich food and choice wines, juicy, rich food and pure, choice wines.

On this mountain he will destroy the veil that veils all peoples,

The web that is woven over all nations; he will destroy death forever.

The Lord God will wipe away the tears from all faces;

The reproach of his people he will remove

from the whole earth; for the Lord has spoken.

On that day it will be said:

"Behold our God, to whom we looked to save us!

This is the Lord for whom we looked;

let us rejoice and be glad that he has saved us!"

Lector: Palabra de Dios.

Assembly response: Te alabamos, Senor!

PSALM—SALMO 42



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READING—LECTURA II: Philippians/Filipenses 3: 8-14

Hermanos: Pienso que nada vale la pena en comparación con el bien supremo, que consiste en conocer a Cristo Jesús, mi Señor, por cuyo amor he renunciado a todo y todo lo considero como basura, con tal de ganar a Cristo y de estar unido a él, no porque haya obtenido la justificación que proviene de la ley, sino la que procede de la fe en Cristo

Jesús, con la que Dios hace justos a los e creen. Y todo esto para conocer a Cristo, experimentar la fuerza de su resurrección, compartir sus sufrimientos y asemejarme a él en su muerte, con la esperanza de resucitar con él de entre los muertos.

No quiero decir que haya logrado ya ese ideal o que sea ya perfecto, pero me esfuerzo en conquistarlo, porque Cristo Jesús me ha conquistado. No, hermanos, considero que todavía no lo he logrado. Pero eso sí, olvido lo que he dejado atrás, y me lanzo hacia adelante, en busca de la meta y del trofeo al que Dios, por medio de Cristo Jesús, nos llama desde el cielo.

Lector: The word of the Lord.

Assembly response: Thanks be to God!

Gospel Acclamation—Aclamación del Evangelio





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Gospel—Evangelio: John/Juan 14: 1-6



En aquel tiempo, Jesús dijo a sus discípulos: "No pierdan la paz. Si creen en Dios, crean también en mí. En la casa de mi Padre hay muchas habitaciones. Si no fuera así, yo se lo habría dicho a ustedes, porque voy a prepararles un lugar. Cuando me vaya y les prepare un sitio, volveré y los llevaré conmigo, para que donde yo esté, estén también ustedes. Y ya saben el camino para llegar al lugar a donde voy".

Entonces Tomás le dijo: "Señor, no sabemos a dónde vas, ¿cómo podemos saber el camino?" Jesús le respondió: "Yo soy el camino, la verdad y la vida. Nadíe va al Padre si no es por mí".

Homily—Homilía 💃

Universal Prayer—Oraciones Universales



THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST LA LITURGIA DE LA EUCARISTÍA

THE OFFERTORY — Preparation of the Gifts EL OFERTORIO — Preparación de las Ofrendas

—— Ave Maria, Franz Biebl (1906-2001) Gary Diocesan Choir



Bishop:

Pray, brethren (brothers and sisters), that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.

The people all STAND and reply:

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.

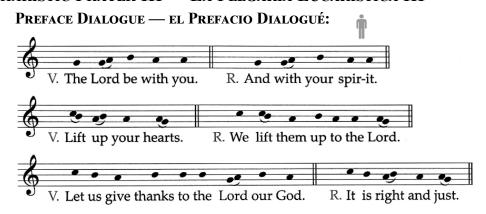
Obispo:

Orad, hermanos, para que este sacrificio, mio y vuestro, sea agradable a Dios, Padre todopoderoso.

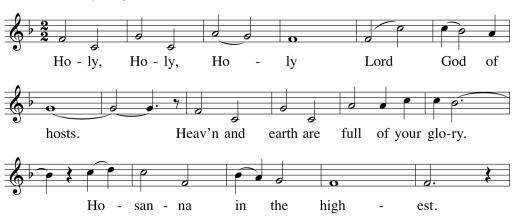
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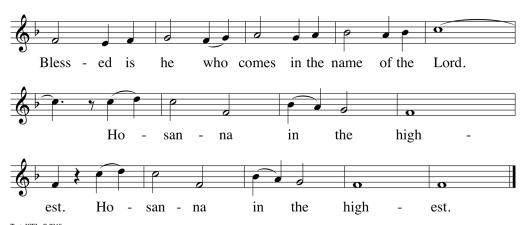
El Señor reciba de tus manos este sacrificio, para alabanza y gloria de su nombre, para nuestro bien y el de toda su santa Iglesia.

EUCHARISTIC PRAYER III — LA PLEGARIA EUCARÍSTICA III



Sanctus (stand)



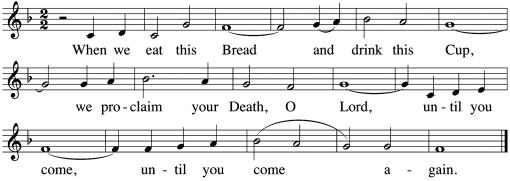


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Please kneel following the singing of the Holy, Holy until the end of the Great Amen. Por favor, se arrodilla tras el canto del Santo, Santo hasta el final de la Gran Amén.

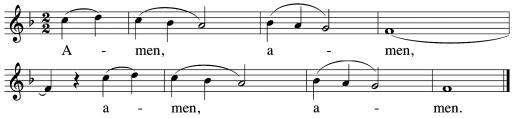
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Mystery of Faith—Misterio de Fe



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Great Amen—Grande Amén



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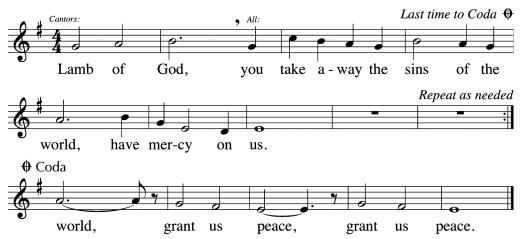
THE LORD'S PRAYER—PADRE NUESTRO



Breaking of the Bread—La Fracción del Pan







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Invitation to Communion—La Invitación a Comunión



Assembly's response:

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

Señor, no soy digno de que entres en mi casa, Pero una palabra tuya bastara para sanarme.

In the Diocese of Gary the assembly remains STANDING for the whole Rite of Communion as a sign of unity until after all have received communion.

En la diócesis de Gary la asamblea mantiene en pie de todo el rito de la comunión como un signo de unidad hasta después de que todos han recibido comunión.

Communion Procession—Procesión de Comunión: - ubi caritas







1. care for love God now in re - turn. nues - tro a - mor а quien pre - me - ro a Christ the Lord. ris - en Prince of Peace. our co - mu - nión Cris - to. Sal - va - dor. en 3. ment of love, vour heal-ing touch, O Christ. pro - ji - mo sa - na - ción. a V 4. ho - ly sign of jus - tice and new life. 4a. ran za, ius cia paz. 5. saints of God e - ter - nal praise. to sing 5a. san can - tar te sin tos. ce

SILENT PRAYER—ORAR EN SILENCIO

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION—ORACIÓN DESPUÉS DE LA COMUNIÓN

REMARKS—OBSERVACIONES — Bishop Robert McClory

FINAL COMMENDATION ÚLTIMA DESPEDIDA

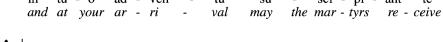


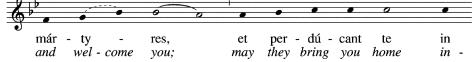
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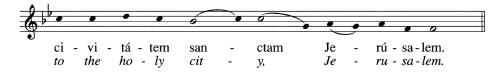
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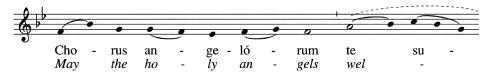


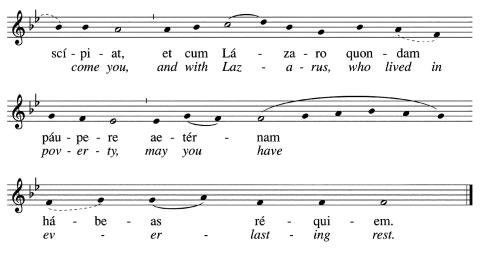












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PRAYER OF COMMENDATION—ORACIÓN DE DESPEDIDA

PROCESSION TO THE PLACE OF COMMITTAL PROCESIÓN AL LUGAR DE SEPULTURA





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PRAYER OVER THE PLACE OF COMMITTAL— ORACIÓN SOBRE EL LUGAR DE SEPULTURA

COMMITTAL—SEPELIO

INTERCESSORY LITANY

THE LORD'S PRAYER—PADRE NUESTRO

CONCLUDING PRAYER—ORACIÓN FINAL

PRAYER OVER THE PEOPLE—ORACIÓN SOBRE EL PUEBLO

Archbishop:

Eternal Rest grant unto him, O Lord.

Assembly:

And let perpetual light shine upon him.

Archbishop:

May he rest in peace.

Assembly:

Amen.

Archbishop:

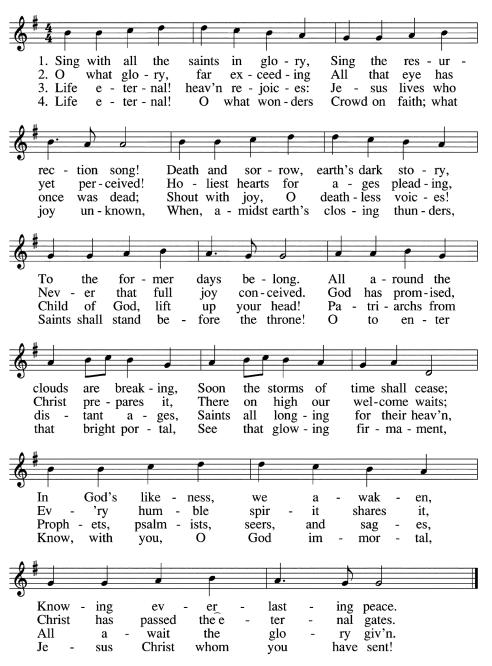
May his soul and all the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

Assembly:

Amen.

RECESSIONAL — <u>Sing With All the Saints in Glory</u>





Text: 1 Corinthians 15:20; William J. Irons, 1812-1883, alt. Tune: HYMN TO JOY, 8 7 8 7 D; arr. from Ludwig van Beethoven, 1770-1827, by Edward Hodges, 1796-1867



MOST REVEREND DALE J. MELCZEK THIRD BISHOP OF THE DIOCESE OF GARY

The Most Reverend Dale J. Melczek, third Bishop of the Diocese of Gary, passed from this life peacefully on August 25, 2022, at the age of 83. The Diocese of Gary has been blessed tremendously to have such a hopeful and caring leader. He was a true shepherd who loved his flock—a tireless servant and a compassionate pastor. He recently celebrated thirty years with the Diocese of Gary and was still looking for new ways to share the love of Jesus in Northwest Indiana.

Bishop Melczek was born in Detroit, Mich., on November 9, 1938, the eldest of Aloysius and Geraldine Melczek's three children. He studied at St. Mary's College in Orchard Lake, Mich. and earned a Master of Divinity from St. John Provincial Seminary in Plymouth, Mich. He was ordained to the priesthood by then Archbishop John F. Dearden on June 6, 1964. Upon ordination, he was assigned associate pastor and later co-pastor (1970-1972) of St. Sylvester parish in Warren, Mich. While there, he earned a Master of Education from the University of Detroit — specializing in guidance and counseling— and a teaching certificate from the State of Michigan; he did post-graduate work in liturgy at the University of Notre Dame. He was assigned pastor of St. Christine parish in Detroit in 1972 and served there until 1975 when he was appointed to serve as the assistant vicar for parishes. In 1977 he was appointed priest-secretary and vicar general for the Archdiocese of Detroit with John Cardinal Dearden and later Edmund Cardinal Szoka. He also served on the College of Consultors from 1977-1983.

On December 3, 1982, Pope John Paul II appointed then-Father Melczek as Auxiliary Bishop of Detroit and Titular Bishop of Tragurium. He was consecrated on January 27, 1983 by then-Archbishop Edmund C. Szoka, with Bishops Harold Perry and Arthur Krawczak serving as co-consecrators. As an

auxiliary bishop, he served as episcopal vicar of the Northwest Region of the Archdiocese of Detroit, where he had administrative and pastoral responsibilities for 80 parishes, including schools and institutions. In September 1987, he had the privilege of coordinating Pope John Paul II's visit to Detroit.

Pope John Paul II appointed Bishop Melczek as apostolic administrator for the Diocese of Gary on August 19, 1992, due to the failing health of Bishop Norbert F. Gaughan. He was appointed coadjutor bishop on October 28, 1995 and officially became the third Bishop of Gary on June 1, 1996, where he served until Pope Francis accepted his resignation on November 24, 2014. Wanting to remain active, Bishop Melczek joyfully accepted his appointment by Bishop Donald J. Hying to serve as administrator of St. Mary of Lake parish in Gary, Ind. where he faithfully served until the time of his death.

As bishop of Gary, Bishop Melczek was deeply devoted to servant leadership and to fully implementing Vatican Council II. Believing that all are baptized as missionary disciples, he initiated a Lay Ecclesial Ministry Program as well as a Permanent Diaconate Program. He asked parishes to implement active parish pastoral councils and commissions as well as RCIA, youth, and adult faith formation programs. Bishop Melczek implemented a Diocesan Pastoral Council, a Clergy Council and four Lay Deanery Councils.

Bishop Melczek was well known for his tireless advocacy of Catholic schools. He founded the Catholic Foundation for Northwest Indiana and established endowment funds for each of the three Catholic high schools to ensure these schools with important future resources.

Many would describe Bishop Melczek's leadership style as collaborative, with a commitment to involve the laity in numerous ways, such as with the Program and Budget Review Committee in which the laity were encouraged to promote stewardship, fiscal responsibility, and social justice.

In 2002, Bishop Melczek began to address the sin of racism in Northwest Indiana as a priority with the release of his first Pastoral Letter, "The Many Faces of Our Church: a Pastoral Letter on Cultural Diversity." In the parish-based facilitated discussions that followed the letter, Catholics came together to examine the gifts of their diverse ethnic and racial cultures to the Church and to society.

The following year, Bishop Melczek wrote another letter, "Created in God's Image: a Pastoral Letter on the Sin of Racism and a Call to Conversion." The letter was followed by parish-based discussions, diocesan-wide listening sessions, and a beautiful diocesan liturgy of atonement. Bishop Melczek co-chaired the Race Relations Council of Northwest Indiana from 2002-2007.

In addition to his shepherding of the faithful and presbyterate, Bishop Melczek served the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops for many years. He worked on several committees including Human Values, Nominations, Diaconate, Marriage and the Family, Agenda, Budget and Finance, Religious Life and Ministry, Social Development and World Peace, International Policy, the Ad Hoc Committee for Central and Eastern Europe, and the Committee on Economic Concerns of the Holy See.

The bishop further served on the USCCB administrative board and chaired committees on the Diaconate, the Laity, and the Nominations Committee. He was co-chairman of the Race Relations Council of Northwest Indiana (2002-2007), and episcopal liaison to the National Association of Catholic Chaplains (2002-2007) and for more than thirty years as a member of the Joint Committee of Roman Catholic and Orthodox Bishops.

Bishop Melczek was elected to serve on the board of Catholic Relief Services (CRS) from 1996-2002. He represented CRS on trips to the Philippines, Myanmar and Cambodia, Indonesia and East Timor, the Democratic Republic of Congo and Congo, Angola, and Tanzania. Even upon retirement, Bishop Melczek continued to travel on behalf of Catholic Relief Services to places such as the Philippines and Egypt.

Bishop Melczek is survived by his sisters Sharon Lipinski and Terri (Rob) Philo, three nieces and two nephews. In lieu of flowers, memorial gifts may be made through the Catholic Foundation for Northwest Indiana (<u>catholicfuture.org</u>; 219-769-9292, ext. 268; email: info@catholicfuture.org) to one or all three of the Catholic high school endowment funds established by Bishop Melczek (*Bishop Dale J. Melczek Endowment Fund for Andrean High School; Bishop Dale J. Melczek Endowment Fund for Bishop Noll Institute; Bishop Dale J. Melczek Endowment Fund for Marquette High School).*



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