



***Installation of  
General Leadership***

*Congregation of Sisters of St. Agnes*

*Holy Family Church  
Fond du Lac, Wisconsin*

*August 27, 2022*



*Eucharistic Celebration  
With  
Installation  
Of  
General Leadership  
Congregation of Sisters of St. Agnes*

*August 27, 2022  
Holy Family Church  
Fond du Lac, Wisconsin  
10:30 a.m.*

# *General Leadership*

*Sister Sharon Pollnow  
General Superior*

*Sister Peg Spindler  
General Vicar*

*Sister Madeline Gianforte  
General Councilor*

*Sister Lael Niblick  
General Councilor*

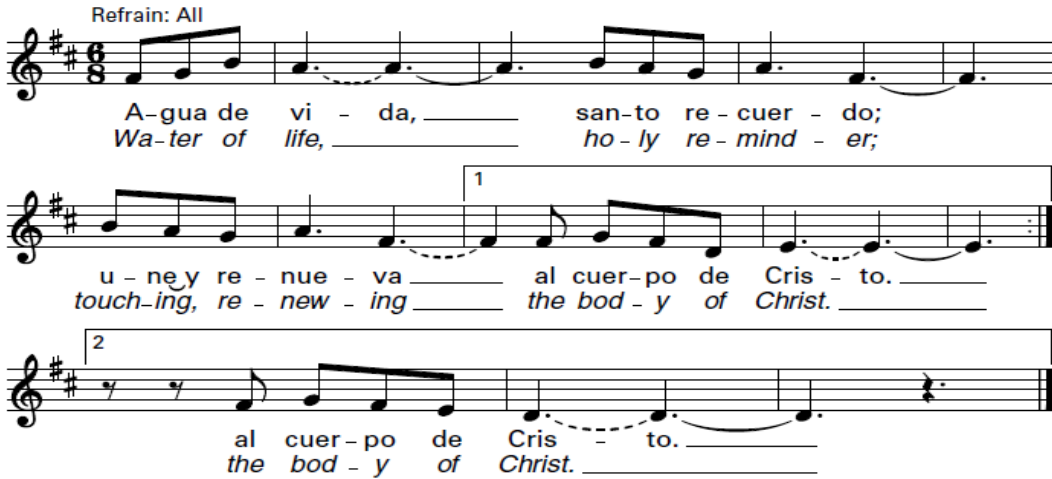
*Presider:  
Archbishop Jerome ListECKi  
Archdiocese of Milwaukee*

# MASS OF INSTALLATION

August 27, 2022

- Prelude Music**      *Instrumental*
- Welcome**            *Sister Jean Steffes*
- Gathering Song**    *O God Beyond All Praising*  
                                *Gather #598*
- Greeting**            *Archbishop ListECKi*
- Sprinkling Rite**    *Water of Life (Agua de Vida)*

Refrain: All



A-gua de vi - da, \_\_\_\_\_ san-to re - cuer - do;  
Wa-ter of life, \_\_\_\_\_ ho - ly re - mind - er;

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u - ne y re - nue - va \_\_\_\_\_ al cuer-po de Cris - to. \_\_\_\_\_  
touch-ing, re - new - ing \_\_\_\_\_ the bod - y of Christ. \_\_\_\_\_

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al cuer-po de Cris - to. \_\_\_\_\_  
the bod - y of Christ. \_\_\_\_\_

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## Opening Prayer

## LITURGY OF THE WORD

**First Reading**          Ephesians 4: 1—7

**Responsorial Psalm** *Psalm 100 We Are God's People* Gather #71

**Gospel Acclamation** *Honduras* Gather #338

**Gospel**                  Matthew 5: 13—16

**Homily**                Archbishop ListECKi

## INSTALLATION RITUAL

(Please remain seated.)

**Transfer of Leadership**      Sister Jean asks Sister Sharon to come forward.

**Sing**      *Take, O Take Me As I Am (twice)* Gather #795

### **Archbishop Listecki:**

Sister Sharon, your election to leadership is a call from the community and for the community. The office of general superior places on you an awesome responsibility, not only to the Sisters of St. Agnes, the associates, your CSA partners in ministry, but also to the broader Church as well. It is within the Church that the Congregation of Sisters of St. Agnes has its life and meaning. The CSA Constitutions state that “the general superior involves the sisters in discerning with her the ecclesial role that the congregation can fill in the world. As the primary voice of the congregation, she inspires, leads, and educates the sisters toward increased unity, holiness, and apostolic effectiveness in proclaiming the reign of God.” (*Constitutions #105*)

Sister Sharon, your congregation is a gift to the church and the church stands ready to support you in your ministry of leadership.

### **Sisters:**

Sister Sharon, as you begin this term of leadership, we, your sisters, look to you for:

- ◆ a discerning spirit to further the unfolding of our lives as we embrace our future with hope and trust
- ◆ a courageous heart that seeks truth and is open to God’s call as revealed through prayer and through deep listening
- ◆ a transforming love that will challenge each of us to live our call with authenticity and fidelity

### **Reception of Seal**

#### **Sister Jean:**

Sister Sharon, receive the seal of the Congregation of Sisters of St. Agnes. It is the emblem of your office and the sign of your authority to govern and serve the congregation in your term of leadership, 2022-2026.

**Sister Sharon:**

I accept the office entrusted to me by the Sisters of St. Agnes. With God's continuing grace and with the help of all, I will make every effort to carry out the duties and responsibilities that this role of leadership requires of me. I commit myself to furthering the direction for CSA set by Chapter 2022.

**Blessing** (All assembled extend their hands in blessing.)

**Archbishop Listeck:**

I sign you now with the cross of Jesus Christ and call forth God's blessings upon your ministry of leadership. May the God of wisdom be ever present to enlighten your deliberations and to guide your decisions; the God of courage and strength be there to support you when you are confronted with your own human limitations. May you carry out your office as general superior with a peace-filled spirit, confident that a power beyond your own is always at work within you. Begin this term, then, IN THE NAME OF THE FATHER, AND OF THE SON, AND OF THE HOLY SPIRIT.

**Assembly:** Amen.

**Sisters:**

With joyful confidence in God's providential care for our community, we accept you, Sister Sharon, as our general superior. We promise to support you with prayer, enthusiasm, loyalty, truth, and love.

**Others Assembled:**

As associates, partners in ministry, family, and friends of CSA, we, too, pledge our prayerful support to you, Sister Sharon, as you begin this term of ministry as general superior.

**Assembly:** Amen.



## Call to Leadership of General Councilors

(Sister Sharon invites Sisters Peg, Madeline, and Lael forward.)

**Song:** *Take, O Take Me As I Am* Gather #795 (twice)

### **Sister Sharon:**

Sisters Peg, Madeline, and Lael, your role in the leadership of the community is a vital one. As general superior, I look to you as councilors for advice, support, and continued collaboration. The congregation and the Church depend on you to use your unique gifts as we, together with our sisters, associates, and partners in ministry weave our future with honesty and hope, and further the mission of Jesus responding to the needs of our times with courage, wholeheartedness, and missionary zeal.

### **Sisters Peg, Madeline, and Lael:**

We stand here today ready to respond to the call of our sisters to serve in leadership ministry with you, Sister Sharon. Empowered by the grace of God at work within and among us, we place our lives and our individual gifts at the service of the community, the Church, and our longing world.

**Blessing** (All assembled extend their hands in blessing.)

### **Archbishop ListECKi:**

Sisters, may the love of Christ bring you together as you join Sister Sharon in the ministry of leadership. May the love that binds you together in service become an effective source of strength in your efforts to further the reign of God. We bless you now, IN THE NAME OF THE FATHER, AND OF THE SON, AND OF THE HOLY SPIRIT.

**Assembly:** Amen.

**Sisters:**

Sisters Peg, Madeline, and Lael, in a spirit of faith and love we accept your leadership role in our congregation. Grateful for the gifts that each of you brings to the general council, and thus to the community and the Church, we will support your efforts and respond to your leadership with prayer, enthusiasm, loyalty, truth, and love.

**Others Assembled:**

As associates, partners in ministry, family, and friends of CSA, we, too, pledge our prayerful support to you, Sisters Peg, Madeline, and Lael, as you begin your ministry as general councilors.

**Concluding Prayer** (All stand and pray together.)

God, Creator and Source of all that is good, we stand before you today aware of another new moment in CSA's history. We depend on your loving care of all women religious as we move into an era that is yet to be revealed. Send your Spirit upon these newly-elected leaders, Sisters Sharon, Peg, Madeline, and Lael.

Give them eyes to see the vision to which you continue to call the congregation.

Give them ears to hear your Word, whether spoken in their hearts, around their meeting table, or in the voices of the community, the church, and the world.

Give them hearts eager to receive, to love, and to forgive, thus calling each of us to reflect the face of God in all of our relationships. Amen.

## Prayer of the Faithful (Sing twice at beginning of petitions and once at end.)



Lord, hear our prayer; De-us, ex-au-di nos; Se-nior, es-cú-cha - nos.

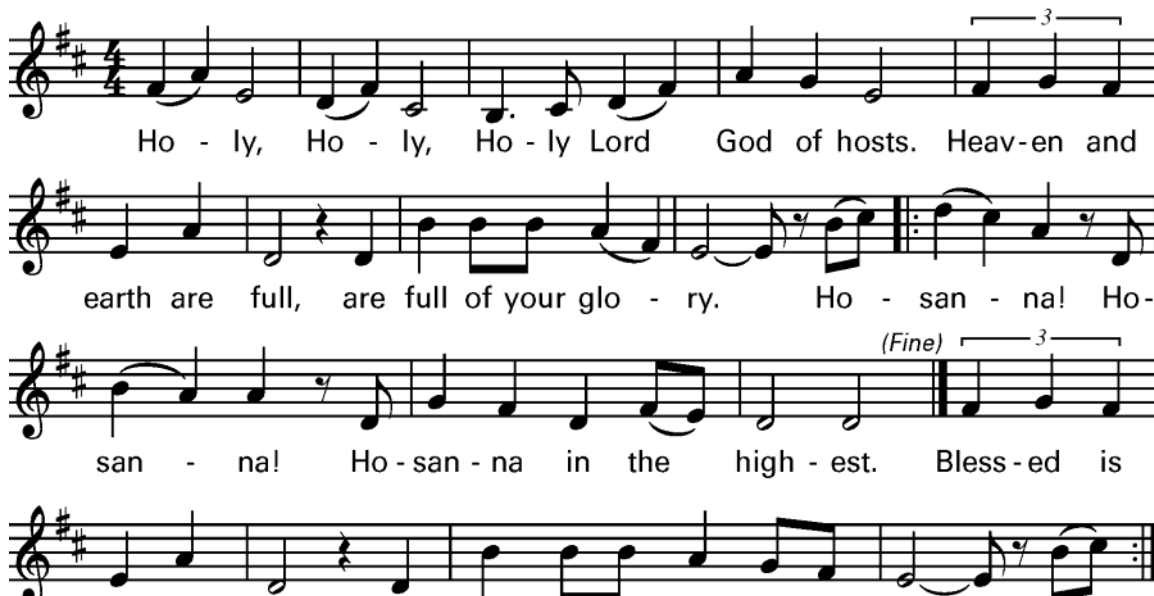
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## LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

### Presentation of Gifts

**Presentation Song**      *We Come to Your Feast*  
Gather #938 verses 1-3

**Holy, Holy**      *Mass of Christ the Savior*



Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly Lord God of hosts. Heav-en and  
earth are full, are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na! Ho -  
san - na! Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is  
he who comes, who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -

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**Memorial Acclamation**    *When We Eat This Bread*  
By Dan Schutte

When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup, we pro-  
claim your Death, O Lord, un - til you come a - gain.

The musical notation is written on two staves in treble clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a 4/4 time signature. The melody is simple and hymn-like, with lyrics written below the notes.

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**Amen**    *Mass of Christ the Savior*  
By Dan Schutte

A - men. A - men. A \_\_\_\_\_ men

The musical notation is on a single staff in treble clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a 4/4 time signature. It begins with a fermata over the first note, and the lyrics are written below the notes.

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**Lord's Prayer** Recited  
**Archbishop Listecki** invites all to share a **Sign of Peace.**  
**Lamb of God**    *Mass of Christ the Savior*

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the  
world, have mer-cy on us. world, grant us peace.

The musical notation is on two staves in treble clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#). The first staff has a 4/4 time signature, and the second staff has a 4/4 time signature. The melody is simple and hymn-like, with lyrics written below the notes. The second staff includes a first ending bracket labeled '1, 2' and a final ending bracket labeled 'Final'.

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**Communion Songs** *Let Us Be Bread* Gather #946

*Pan de Vida* Gather #920

*Sister Ruth Battaglia will distribute gluten-free hosts. If you cannot come up to receive, a minister will bring you the host after all others have received. Please raise your hand so minister can see you.*

### **Prayer after Communion**

**Remarks:** Sister Sharon Pollnow, CSA

### **Concluding Rite**

**Archbishop Listecki:** The Lord be with you.

**Assembly:** And with your spirit.

### **Blessing**

**Archbishop Listecki:**

Inspired by the charism and mission of the Sisters of St. Agnes, may you be blessed with a missionary zeal for nurturing the seed of faith.

**Assembly:** Amen.

**Archbishop Listecki:**

May you be blessed with the ability to respond to life with wholeheartedness and joy, to manifest unassuming simplicity in all your relationships, and to receive with genuine hospitality all who come to you.

**Assembly:** Amen.

**Archbishop Listecki:**

May almighty God bless you, the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

**Assembly:** Amen.

**Archbishop Listecki:**

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

**Assembly:** Amen.

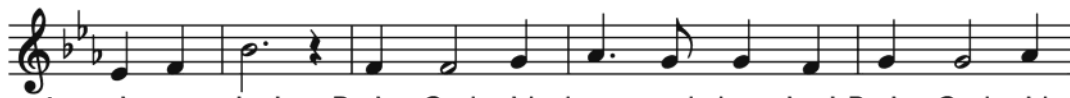
## Recessional Song *Sing, O Sing* by Dan Schutte



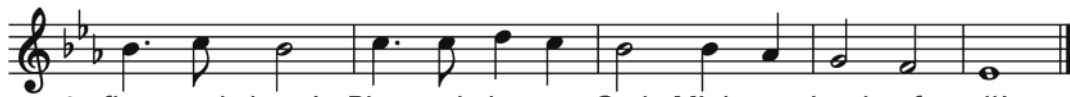
1. Sing, O sing, like the wind and sea; let mu - sic fill the
2. Night and day we an-nounce your praise, O Lord of ev - 'ry
3. Might - y Mas - ter of rag - ing storm, we kneel be - fore your
4. Hear us, Lord of the sun and moon; we bless you night and
5. Make us shine like the stars of night; we bless your ho - ly



1. skies! Lift your voice like the thun-d'ring waves: let songs of
2. land, give you thanks for the sun and stars, all bless-ings
3. pow'r. Lov - ing Lord of the faith - ful rain that makes the
4. day. Guide us, Lord, as we jour - ney home; be with us
5. name! Make our love like a blaz - ing light; O set our



1. praise a - rise! Praise God with drums and danc-ing! Praise God with
2. of your hand. Help - er of all who la - bor, Com - fort to
3. des-ert flow'r. Giv - er of song and sor - row, Grow - er of
4. on our way. Spir - it of field and for - est, Pow - er of
5. hearts a - flame! Mas - ter of dawn and dark-ness, Mak - er of



1. flute and horn! Bless-ed be our God, Might-y Lord of all!
2. all who mourn. Praise to you, O God, Might-y Lord of all!
3. ev - 'ry seed. Praise to you, O God, Might-y Lord of all!
4. snow and rain. Praise to you, O God, Might-y Lord of all!
5. shin - ing star. Praise to you, O God, Might-y Lord of all!

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# Thank You

**Greeters/Ushers:** Sisters Judy Vander Grinten, Marilyn Winkel,  
Mary Riedel, Mary Noel Brown

**Music:** Paul Thelen  
**Cantor:** Sister Alice Ann Pfeifer  
**Flute:** Sister Cyndi Nienhaus

**Altar Assistant:** Sister Ruth Battaglia

**Cross Bearer:** Wayne Pollnow

**Sprinkling:** Archbishop Listecky, Sister Jane Jaszewski, Sister Ruth  
Battaglia, and Carol Braun

**Symbols:**  
Seal Sister Jean Steffes  
Constitutions Sister Jean Hinderer  
Chapter Statement Sister Joanita Stelter

**First Reading:** Al Frecker

**General Intercessions:**  
Written by Sister Jeremy Quinn and Read by Sister Donna Innes

**Preparation of the Gifts:**  
Altar Cloth Sisters Josephine Goebel and Katie Schilling  
Candles Patrick Gianforte and Sister Wilhelmina Schoch  
Gifts: Bread Rose Gianforte  
Wine Mary Frecker

**Eucharistic Ministers:**  
Eucharist Archbishop Listecky, Sister Jomarie Zielke,  
Associate Esther Hicks, Ralph Pollnow

# Thank You

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