

The background is a dark, almost black, textured surface. It features several glowing, ethereal lines and patterns. At the top, there are horizontal bands of bright blue and cyan. On the right side, there are faint, concentric, glowing blue lines that resemble a ripple effect or a stylized wave. At the bottom, there are more glowing lines, some in shades of orange and red, and some in blue, creating a sense of depth and movement. The overall aesthetic is futuristic and digital.

WELCOME BACK

WE'RE GLAD TO SEE YOU AGAIN!



Welcome Back To The New Academic Year - Mass

Introduction [Staff]

Fr Michael: The Lord be with you.
All: And with your spirit.


Welcome [Fr Michael]

Hymn

Cornerstone

My hope is built on nothing less
Than Jesus' blood and righteousness
I dare not trust the sweetest frame
But wholly trust in Jesus' Name

Christ alone cornerstone
Weak made strong in the Saviour's love
Through the storm He is Lord
Lord of all



JESUS CHRIST
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THE CHIEF
CORNERSTONE

When darkness seems to hide His face

I rest on His unchanging grace

In every high and stormy gale

My anchor holds within the veil

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Christ alone cornerstone

Weak made strong in the Saviour's love

Through the storm He is Lord

Lord of all

JESUS CHRIST



THE CHIEF
CORNERSTONE

When He shall come with trumpet sound

Oh may I then in Him be found

Dressed in His righteousness alone

Faultless I stand before the throne

Christ alone cornerstone

Weak made strong in the Saviour's love

Through the storm He is Lord

Lord of all

JESUS CHRIST



THE CHIEF
CORNERSTONE



Penitential Rite

Fr Michael:

You were sent to heal the contrite
of heart.

Lord, have mercy.

All:

Lord, have mercy.

Fr Michael:

You came to call sinners: Christ,
have mercy.

All:

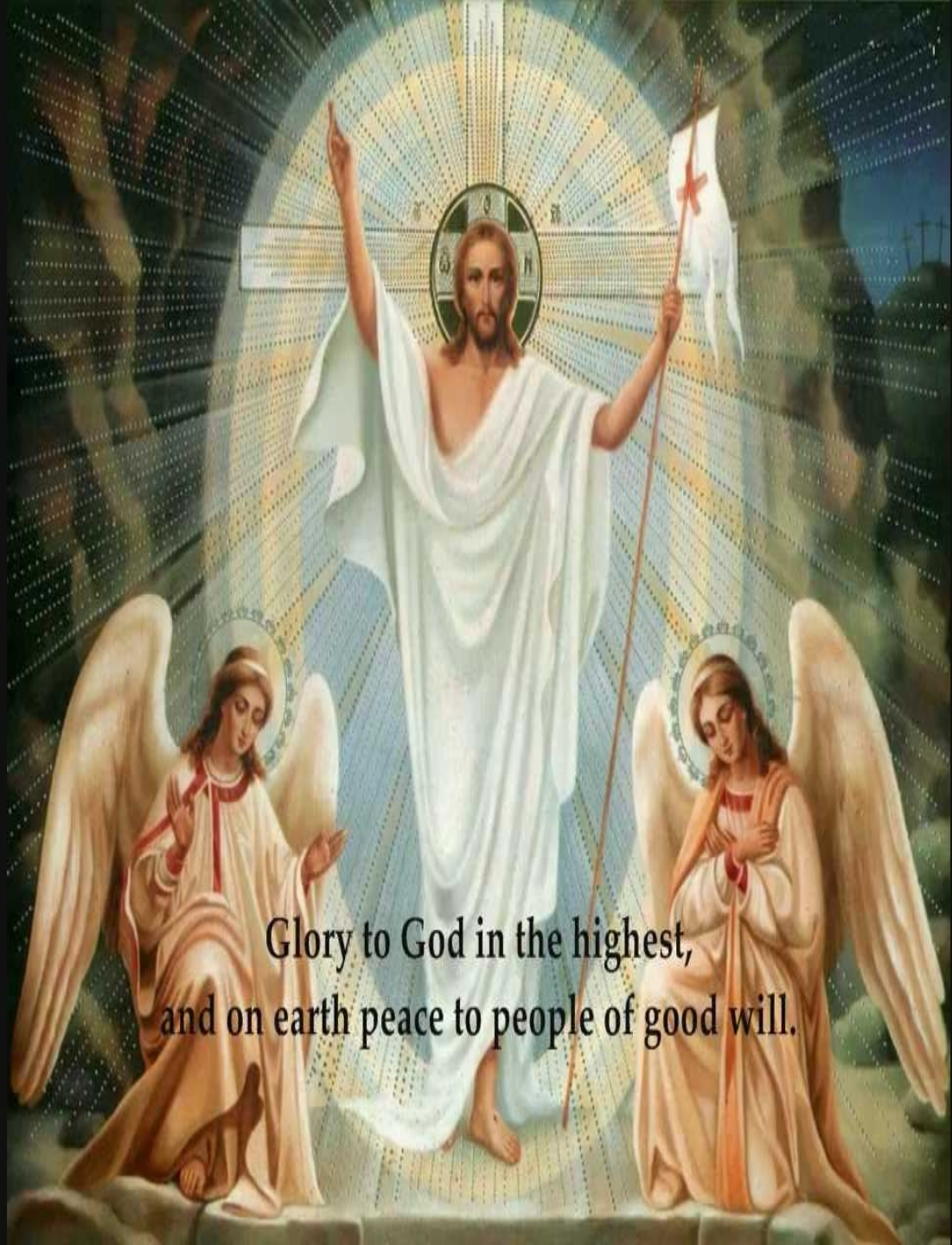
Christ, have mercy.

Fr Michael:

You are seated at the right hand of
the Father to intercede for us: Lord,
have mercy.

All:

Lord, have mercy.



Gloria

Fr Michael:

Glory to God in the highest ...

All:

... and on earth peace to people of good will.
We praise you, we bless you,
we adore you, we glorify you,
we give you thanks for your great glory,
Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father.

Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
you take away the sins of the world, have mercy
on us; you take away the sins of the world,
receive our prayer; you are seated at the right
hand of the Father, have mercy on us.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the
Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the
Father. Amen.

Greeting the Gospel

Student: Alleluia, Alleluia ... Let your face shine upon your servant; and teach me your laws.

All: Alleluia, Alleluia

Gospel Reading

Fr Michael: The Lord be with you.

All: And with your spirit.

Fr Michael: A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

All: Glory to you, O Lord.



Fr Michael:

As Jesus passed on from there, he saw a man called Matthew sitting at the tax office; and he said to him, "Follow me." And he rose and followed him. And as he sat at table in the house, behold, many tax collectors and sinners came and sat down with Jesus and his disciples. And when the Pharisees saw this, they said to his disciples, "Why does your teacher eat with tax collectors and sinners?" But when he heard it, he said, "Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick. Go and learn what this means, 'I desire mercy, and not sacrifice.' For I came not to call the righteous, but sinners."

The Gospel of the Lord

All:

Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ

Homily [Fr Michael]



Bidding Prayers

Student: We pray for world leaders: that they may make wise decisions for the good of all the members of our global family.

All: Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer

Student: We pray for all people who are working to build peace in their communities; that they may inspire others and find strength to carry on, even in the hardest times.

All: Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer

Student: We pray that as a church family who are starting the new year together, we will all work hard to look after each other, particularly those who most need our care.

All: Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer





All: Hail Mary, full of grace
The Lord is with thee
Blessed art thou amongst women
And blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus

Holy Mary, Mother of God
Prayer for us sinners now
And at the hour of our death.

Amen.



Fr Michael:

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation, for through your goodness we have received the bread we offer you: fruit of the earth and work of human hands, it will become for us the bread of life.

All:

Blessed be God for ever

Fr Michael:

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation, for through your goodness we have received the wine we offer you: fruit of the vine and work of human hands, it will become our spiritual drink.

All:

Blessed be God for ever

Fr Michael:

Pray, 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 Dialogue

Fr Michael: The Lord be with you.

All: And with your spirit.

Fr Michael: Lift up your hearts.

All : We lift them up to the Lord.

Fr Michael: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: It is right and just.

Holy, Holy, Holy

All: 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



Memorial Acclamation

Fr Michael: The mystery of faith.

All: When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup,
we proclaim your Death, O Lord,
until you come again.

Doxology

Fr Michael: Through him, and with him and in him, O God
almighty Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all
glory and honour is yours, for ever and ever.

All: Amen



Our Father

Fr Michael:

At the Saviour's command and formed by divine teaching, we dare to say ...

All:

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.

Fr Michael:

Deliver us, Lord, we pray, from every evil, graciously grant peace in our days, that, by the help of your mercy, we may be always free from sin and safe from all distress, as we await the blessed hope and the coming of our Saviour, Jesus Christ.

All:

For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours now and for ever.

Lamb of God

All:

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.

Communion



A serene landscape featuring a calm body of water in the foreground, reflecting the surrounding environment. The water is still, creating a clear mirror image of the sky and the forest. On the left side, a wooden dock extends into the water. The background is dominated by a dense forest of trees, many of which have turned yellow and orange, indicating autumn. The sky is a pale, overcast grey, contributing to a quiet and reflective atmosphere.

**Time
to
REFLECT**



Concluding Rites

Fr Michael: The Lord be with you.

All: And with your spirit.

Dismissal & Final Blessing