**CELEBRATION OF SOLEMN MASS**

**FOR THE CLOSING**

**OF THE JUBILEE YEAR**

**AND THE DOOR OF MERCY**

**CATHEDRAL BASILICA**

**OF SAINTS PETER AND PAUL**

**ARCHDIOCESE OF PHILADELPHIA**

**ARCHBISHOP CHARLES J. CHAPUT**

**CELEBRANT AND HOMILIST**

**XXXII SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

**NOVEMBER 6, 2016**

**Preparations**

* *The Holy Door of Mercy is open.*
	+ *The steps and narthex are cleaned for the occasion.*
* *Green vestments are worn.*
* *The Basilica is prepared for a Solemn Stational Mass*
	+ *The Roman Missal and Lectionary for Mass are set for the Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time/Year C*

**INTRODUCTORY RITES**

*The Jubilee Hymn is sung as the Entrance for this Mass.*

*The Archbishop:*

**In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.**

*The people reply:* **Amen.**

*He then greets the people with these words:*

**May the mercy of the Father,**

**the peace of our Lord Jesus Christ,**

**and the communion of the Holy Spirit**

**be with all of you.**

*The people reply:* **And with your spirit.**

*The Archbishop:*

**Dearly beloved brothers and sisters,**

**we have reached the end of the Jubilee Year.**

**It has been an extraordinary time of grace and mercy.**

**In this Eucharistic celebration,**

**we raise our voices to the Father**

**in a hymn of praise and thanksgiving**

**for all the gifts he has bestowed upon us.**

**Once more, before approaching these sacred mysteries,**

**let us invoke the soothing balm of his mercy**

**acknowledging that we are sinners**

**and forgiving one another from the bottom of our hearts.**

*A brief pause for silence follows.*

*The cantor sings the invocations (Cf. the Roman Missal, Season of Lent):*

**You command us to forgive one another**

**beforeapproaching your altar: *Kyrie, eleison.***

**You invoked mercy upon sinners**

**as you hung upon the cross: *Christe, eleison.***

**You entrust the ministry of reconciliation**

**to your Church: *Kyrie, eleison.***

*The Archbishop:*

**May Almighty God have mercy on us,**

**forgive us our sins,**

**and bring us to everlasting life.**

*The people reply:* **Amen.**

*The Gloria in excelsis (Glory to God in the highest) and Collect follow as usual.*

*The Liturgy of the Word and the Liturgy of the Eucharist are carried out as usual.*

**CONCLUDING RITES**

*Following the Prayer after Communion, the Archbishop invites all those present to thank the Lord for all the spiritual gifts he has bestowed upon them during the Jubilee Year.*

**Brothers and sisters,**

**let us joyfully thank God,**

**the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.**

**Throughout this year of grace,**

**he has bestowed on us every heavenly blessing in Christ.**

**He has given us this precious time of mercy and conversion.**

**Let us express our thanks and joy**

**in the words of the Virgin Mary, our Mother.**

**As we sing the Lord’s mercy extending to every generation,**

**let us ask him to pour out, like the morning dewfall,**

**that same mercy unceasingly upon the entire world.**

*All join in singing the Magnificat.*

*Before the final solemn blessing, Father Dennis Gill will inform the lay faithful that the Archbishop will impart the Apostolic Blessing at the request of the Holy Father for this occasion.*

*The Archbishop then imparts the apostolic blessing.*

*The Archbishop:*

**The Lord be with you.**

*The people reply:* **And with your spirit.**

*The Deacon:*

**Bow down for the blessing.**

*The Archbishop (Cf. Roman Missal, XVIII Sunday in Ordinary Time, Collect):*

**Show us your mercy, Lord,**

**and come to the aid of your people**

**who call upon you as their shepherd and guide;**

**restore what you have created**

**and keep safe what you have restored.**

**Through Christ our Lord.**

*The people reply:*  **Amen.**

*The Archbishop continues.*

**And through the intercession of the Blessed Apostles,**

**Peter and Paul, may almighty God bless you,**

**+ the Father, + and the Son, + and the Holy Spirit.**

*The people reply:* **Amen.**

*After the blessing, the Deacon announces this dismissal:*

 **Be merciful, just as your heavenly Father is merciful. Go in peace.**

*The people reply:* **Thanks be to God.**

*Once the Archbishop is in the vestibule of the Basilica, he closes the Door of Mercy.*