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Con-Celebrant: Father Rash E. Starus OFM
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INTRODUCTION RITES

ENTRANCE SONG

"All Creatures of Our God and King"

- All creatures of our God and King. Lift up your voice with us and sing. Alleluia, Alleluia!
 - O burning sun with golden beam; and silver moon with softer gleam Oh, praise him, Oh, praise him! Alleluia, Alleluia!
- 2. Oh flowering waters pure and clear, Make music for your Lord to hear. Oh, praise him! Alleluia!
 - O fire so masterful and bright. Providing us with warmth and light. Oh, praise him, Oh, praise him! Alleluia, Alleluia!

GREETING

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

Amen

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you

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FIRST READING

A reading from the writings of St. Francis.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM.

Response: Our help is in the name of the Lord.

Had not the Lord been with us - Let Israel say,

Had not the Lord been with us - When men rose up against us, then would they have swallowed us alive, when their fury was inflamed against us.

R: Our help is in the name of the Lord.

Then would the waters have overwhelmed us; The torrent would have swept over us; over us then would have swept the ragin, waters.

Blessed be the Lord, who did not leave us a prey to their teeth.

R: Our help is in the name of the Lord.

We were rescued like a bird from the fowler's snare; Broken was the snare, and we were freed. Our help is in the name of the Lord, who made heaven and earth.

R: Our help is in the name of the Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Gospel Verse R. Alleluia

Turn my heart to do your will; teach me your law, O God

R. Alleluia

GOSPEL: Matthew 10, 34 - 11, 1

Con Celebrant: A reading from the Holy Gospel according to

Jesus said to his aporties: "Do not suppose that mission on earth is to spread peace. My mission is to spread, not peace, but division. I have come to set a man at odds with his father, a daughter with her mother, a daughter-in-law with the mother-in-law: in short, to make a man's enemies hose of his own household. Whoever loves father or mother, son or daughter more than me, is not worthy of me. He who will not take up his cross and come after me is not worthy of me. He who seeks only himself brings himself to ruin, whereas he who brings himself to nought for me discovers who he is.

"He who welcomes you welcomes me, and he who welcomes me welcomes him who sent me. He who welcomes a prophet because he bears the name of prophet receives a prophet's reward; he who welcomes a holy man because he is known as holy receives a holy man's reward. And I promise you that whoever gives a cup of cold water to one of these lowly ones because he is a disciple will not want for reward."

When Jesus had finished instructing his twelve disciples, he left that locality to teach and preach in their towns.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you Lord, Jesus Christ.

EUCHARISTIC PRAYER III

MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

Keep in mind that Jesus Christ has died for us and is risen from the dead. He is our saving Lord, he is joy for all ages.

STAND

COMMUNION RITE

The Lord's Prayer

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.

Deliver us Lord from every evil and grant us peace in our day. Celebrant: In your mercy keep us free from sin and protect us from all

anxiety as we wait in joyful hope for the coming of our Savior,

Jesus Christ.

For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and All:

forever. **AMEN**

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world; All:

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.

Celebrant: This is the Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world.

Happy are those who are called to his supper.

Lord, I am not worthy to receive you but only say the word and All:

I shall be healed.

COMMUNION HYMN

"O Lord, I Am Not Worthy"

O Lord, I am not worthy that thou shouldst come to me, But speak the words of comfort; My spirit hear a shall be.

O Come, all ye who labor; in sorrow and it pain; Come, eat this bread from heaven; thy peace & strength regain.

O Jesus, we adore thee, Our victim and our priest, Whose precious blood and body become our sacred feast.

O sacrament most holy, O sacrament divine, All praise and all thanksgiving; be every moment thine. **COMMUNION MEDITATION:**

AVE MARIA

Solo by Alsace Perera

RECESSIONAL HYMN:

Prayer of St. Francis

Make me a channel of your peace. Where there is hatred let me bring your love. Where there is injury your pardon Lord. And where there's doubt, true faith in you.

Make me a channel of your peace. where there's despair in life, let me bring hope. Where here is darkness, only light. And where there's sadness ever joy.

O Master great that I may never seek so much to be consoled as to console. To be understood as to understand. To be loved, as to love with all my soul.

Make me a channel of your peace. It is in pardoning that we are pardoned. In giving to all men that we receive. And in dying that we're born to eternal life.

BLESSING OF ST. FRANCIS IN OPH LOBBY INTRODUCTION:

Br. Michael:

Blessings such as we are doing today are a part of our rich liturgical heritage as Christians. Through blessings we give praise to God and ask Him to bless us and the places and things we use in and for His service.

The gestures and symbolisms used help us to reach out to God. Blessed water is a symbol of life and a reminder of our Baptism. The blessing with its ritual gestures help us to express and deepen our Faith.

May occasions such as this stir up in us the grace of God that we may recall the blessings we have received from Him in the past and be open to those He wishes to bestow upon us now and in the future.

CALL TO WORSHIP

Fr. Ray:

O God, come to our assistance.

All:

Glory to Abba our God, to Christ the Word, and to the Holy Spirit. As it was in the beginning, is now and will be forever.

Amen.

DECLARATION OF PURPOSE

Fr. Ray:

Dear friends in Christ and St. Francis, we are gathered here to bless and dedicate this beautiful piece of art of St. Francis the children and the animals in memory of Anna and Michael Lozin. May it stand as a symbol of our care and concern for all those patients who enter this hespital to be physically and spiritually restored to health. We also want to bless and thank Melvin Lozin, Ange's son, for his generous donation that made this expaisite, hand-carved sculpture possible.

PRESENTATION OF THE ST. FRANCIS STATUE

Melvin Lozin: I present this St. Francis wood carving in honor of my mother Anna and my father Michael. May they find peace and may all those who look upon it find hope, peace and compassion.

Fr. Ray:

Blesses St. Francis wood sculpture and all present with holy water.

CLOSING PRAYER

Fr. Ray:

God, our Creator and Sustainer, You loved us long before we knew ourselves to be lovable and You love us still. Give us, we pray, a greater awareness of Your love for all people, and a confidence in the action of Your grace in us and in Your Church. Inspire us with a greater sensitivity to the poor and oppressed. Give us the courage to act on their behalf. We praise You today Your mysterious ways among us and Your ever present healing powers.

By the power of Your Spirit, may we grow in the truth that impels us to act justly, and thus give expression to the compassion of Your Child, Jesus.

This we ask through Jesus Christ, who lives among us friend and Savior.

CLOSING BLESSING:

Fr. Ray

May the Lord show His face to you and give you His peace!

I bless you in the Name of the Father, and the Son, and Holy Spirit.

All:

Amen.

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