

# **Parish Mission Guidelines for Musicians**

## **First Night**

The only song that is sung this night is the closing song: Hear I am Lord.

## **Second Night**

Mass will not begin until 7:30 or 7:45 PM. Mass will either be the Mass of the day if there is a memorial that needs to be celebrated or it will be the votive Mass for the Holy Eucharist. There is no entrance procession, but at about on half hour of introduction, I will ask everyone to stand and start Mass with a gathering song. The music this night needs to be kept at a minimum, because of all the different exercises that will be taking place, but we can still sing all the Mass parts: Responsorial psalm, Gospel Acclamation, Sanctus, Memorial Acclamation, Great Amen. The other music used with Mass should have love or Eucharist for its theme. I have attached song suggestions, but you can use whatever your parish knows well – we always look for full participation in all the songs.

## **Third Night**

This night has no formal music during the Mission presentation, but there needs to be Music played while the people are going to confession. Since this nights tends to go on very long I suggest that you pick any background music that is appropriate to play throughout the night. Some parishes have live music for an hour or so, and then put in a tape or CD; it is totally up to you.

## **Fourth Night**

Again Adoration will not begin until 7:30 or 7:45 PM. There is no entrance procession but a half hour on introduction. When adoration begins, the opening song is sung that is printed on the sheets: “O Saving Victim” is sung in Latin or English or both; whatever your parish normally sings.

At about 8:00 PM we will begin with the Eucharistic Procession, see the suggestions on the attached sheet.

After the Eucharistic Procession there will also be a very short introduction to the anointing rite. While the people come forward to be anointed they can sing suitable songs that are suggested on the attached sheet.

Benediction will be the last thing that happens this night and it will usually happen at 8:55 PM. At that time the Song printed on the Handout “Down in Adoration Falling” is sung in either Latin or English or both; whatever you parish normally sings.

After the Divine praises the closing hymn for the Mission is sung: Holy God We praise thy name; again this is printed on the handout.

# Song Suggestions

(Song numbers are from GIA Gather Hymnal)

## **First Night**

The song is already printed on the hand out or #686 in Hymnal.

## **Second Night**

They'll know we are Christians by our Love #735

Ubi Caritas #408

Gather us in #744

Where Charity and love prevail #625

We are Many Parts #733

God Is Love #629

Love One Another #630

All Are Welcome # #753

I heard the Voice of Jesus Say #646

Whatsoever You Do #670

City of God #678

Here I am Lord #686

Anthem #690

We have been told #699

Make me a channel of Your Peace #726

You Satisfy the Hungry Heart #815

Life-Giving Bread, Saving Cup #822

I am the Bread of Life #828

One Bread, One Body #830

Take and Eat #831

Eat this bread #838

Look Beyond #843

## **Third Night**

Any Tape or CD of music played while people go to confession.

## **Fourth Night**

Song sheet for opening and closing of Adoration and Benediction

### ***During The Eucharistic Procession:***

Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence #540

Jesus my Lord, My God, My All #480

Hail Our Saviors Glorious Body #407

Holy God We Praise Your Name #524

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God Almighty #474

To Jesus Christ Our Sovereign King # 488

All Glory Laud and Honor #402

Joyful, Joyful, We adore you #528

All creatures of Our God and King #533

***During the Anointing with St. Joseph's Oil:***

You are Mine #649

Remember Your Love #881.

There is a Balm in Gilead #648

Eye has not seen #638

Healing River #584

We Remember #593

Amazing Grace #612

The King of Love my Shepherd is #635

I heard the Voice of Jesus say #646

***All of these are just suggestions, you know your parish best, sing what they know.***