

Low Mass Plan for Organists

Underlined words indicate organ playing

Bold passages indicate Seven Last Words

Prelude

Entrance: Improvise on the Introit while meditating on its text

Confiteor: Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do (Lk 23:34)

Collect: follow the text

Epistle: follow the text

Gradual: follow the text

Alleluia or Tract: follow the text

Gospel: follow the text

Sermon

Credo: follow the text

Offertory: Amen I say to you, this day you shall be with me in Paradise (Lk 23:43)

Improvise on the Offertory antiphon while meditating on its text.

THEN meditate on the above text during the “Per omnia” dialogue between the priest and servers.

Sanctus: Woman, behold your son....behold your mother (Jn 19:26-27)

Meditate on this text while playing first half of Canon

Consecration: My God, My God, why have You forsaken Me? (Mt 27:46)

Meditate on this text while playing second half of Canon

Communion: I thirst! (Mt 27:46)

Improvise on the Communion antiphon while meditating on its text.

THEN meditate on the above text during Postcommunion

Ite Missa Est: It is finished. (Jn 19:30)

Last Gospel: Father, into Your hands I commend My Spirit. (Lk 23:46)

Postlude

People’s Communion after Mass

Meditate on the text “I thirst” while improvising or playing a piece