2023-03-13 Meditation for Monday in the Third Week of Lent is now available at: https://pgimf.org/meditations/

[The opening theme song with a poetic paraphrase begins:]

Ich bete an die Macht der Liebe,

O Pow'r of love, all else transcending,

Die sich in Jesu offenbart;

In Jesus present evermore,

Ich geb' mich hin dem freien Triebe,

I worship thee, in homage bending,

Requiem: In Paradisum

Lyrics: Traditional texts for Mass for the Faithful Departed

Music: Gabriel Fauré (1845-1924)

Artists: Atlanta Symphony Orchestra and Chorus, Robert Shaw (dir.)

Judith Blegen (soprano), James Morris (Bass)

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UnilUPXmipM (entire Requiem)

[Organ playing arpeggiated chords with soft strings]

[Women in unison]

In Paradisum deducant Angeli in tuo

May the angels receive them in Paradise,

adventu suscipiant te Martyres

At their coming may the martyrs receive you

et perducant te in civitatem sanctam Jerusalem

And bring you into the holy city Jerusalem.

[Chorus sings this single word several times, which is a metaphor for heaven.] *Jerusalem.*

[Women in unison]

Chorus Angelorum te suscipiat

May the angels receive them in Paradise

et cum Lazaro quondam paupere,

And with Lazarus, once a beggar,

æternam habeas requiem.

May you have eternal rest.

[Chorus]

Æternam habeas requiem.

May you have eternal rest.

[Closing words to our theme song:]

O! dass diess jeder Sünder wüsste,

O! that every sinner would know this,

Sein Herz wohl bald dich lieben müsste.

His heart must soon surely love You.

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