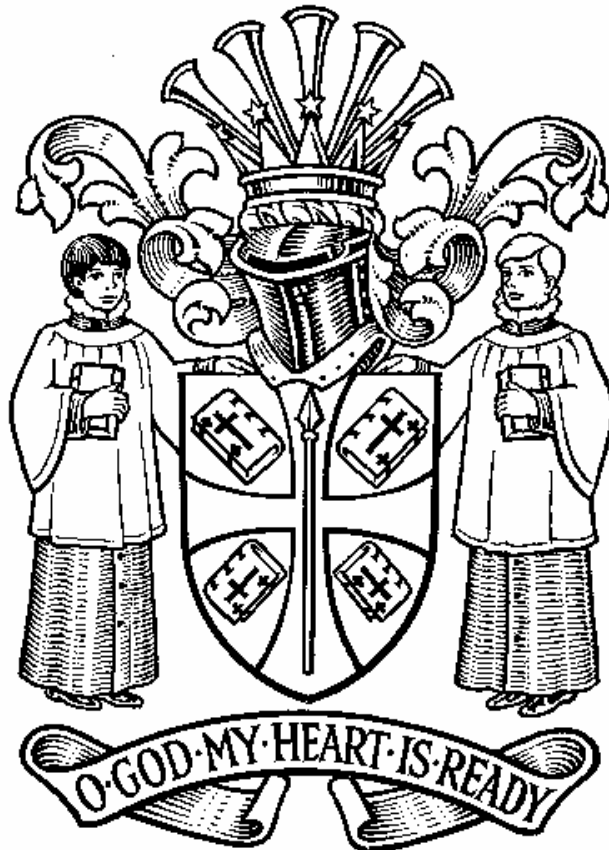


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PROCESSION AND
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MIDNIGHT MASS

SUNG BY THE SAINT THOMAS CHOIR OF MEN AND BOYS

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CHRISTMAS MUSIC FOR ORGAN AND BRASS

Personet Hodie	<i>Anon.</i> arranged by <i>Michel Rondeau</i> (b. 1948)
Vom Himmel hoch, da komm ich her	<i>Georg Böhm</i> (1661-1733)
Dixième Noël	<i>Louis-Claude Daquin</i> (1694-1772) arranged by <i>Michel Rondeau</i>
Adeste fideles	<i>Jeanne Demessieux</i> (1921-1968)
Douzième Noël	<i>Louis-Claude Daquin</i> arranged by <i>Michel Rondeau</i>
Fantasia: The Christmas Light	<i>Simon Preston</i> (1938-2022)
Weihnachten	<i>Max Reger</i> (1873-1916)

Scott McIntosh, *Trumpet*
Baldvin Oddsson, *Trumpet*
Dan Wions, *French Horn*
Mark Broschinsky, *Trombone*
Zachary Neikens, *Bass Trombone*
Frank Cassara, *Timpani*
Nicolas Haigh and Maks Adach, *Organ*



ORDER OF SERVICE

THE ORDINARY OF THE MASS Missa Bell' Amfitrit' altera *Orlandus Lassus*
(1532-1594)
The People stand at the entry of the Ministers.

THE OPENING ACCLAMATION

<i>Celebrant</i>	Do I not fill heaven and earth? Saith the Lord.
<i>People</i>	Now he is made flesh and laid in a narrow manger.
<i>Celebrant</i>	From eternity to eternity thou art God,
<i>People</i>	And now we see thee as a new-born child.
<i>Celebrant</i>	Alleluia. Unto us a child is born.
<i>People</i>	O come let us adore him. Alleluia.

1 O come, all ye faith - ful, joy - ful and tri - um - phant, O
 2 God from — God, — Light from Light e - ter - nal, —
 3 Sing, choirs of an - gels, sing in ex - ul - ta - tion, —
 *4 See how the shep - herds, sum - moned to his cra - dle, —
 *5 Child, for us sin - ners poor and in the man - ger, —

1 come ye, O come — ye to Beth - le - hem;
 2 lo! he ab - hors — not the Vir - gin's womb;
 3 sing, all ye ci - ti - zens of heaven a - bove;
 4 leav - ing their flocks, — draw — nigh to gaze;
 5 we would em - brace — thee, with love and awe;

1 come, and be - hold him, born the King of an - gels;
 2 on - ly - be - got - ten Son — of the Fa - ther;
 3 glo - ry to God, — glo - ry in the high - est;
 4 we too will thith - er bend our joy - ful foot - steps;
 5 who would not love thee, lov - ing us so dear - ly?

Refrain

O come, let us a - dore him, O come, let us a -

dore him, O come, let us a - dore him, Christ the Lord.

6 Sing, choirs of Angels,
sing in exultation,
sing, all ye citizens of heaven above;
Glory to God
in the highest:
Refrain.

7 Yea, Lord, we greet thee,
born this happy morning;
Jesu, to thee be glory given;
Word of the father,
now in flesh appearing:
Refrain.

THE OPENING ACCLAMATION AND COLLECT FOR PURITY

Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit
People **And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

ALMIGHTY God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known,
and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts
by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee,
and worthily magnify thy holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

Sung by the Choir

GLORIA in excelsis Deo,
et in terra pax
hominibus bonæ voluntatis.
Laudamus te, benedicimus te,
adoramus te, glorificamus te.
Gratias agimus tibi
propter magnam gloriam tuam.
Domine Deus, Rex coelestis,
Deus Pater omnipotens.
Domine Fili unigenite Jesu Christe.
Domine Deus, Agnus Dei,
Filius Patris, qui tollis peccata mundi,
miserere nobis.
Qui tollis peccata mundi,
suscipe deprecationem nostram.
Qui sedes ad dexteram Patris,
miserere nobis.
Quoniam tu solus Sanctus,
tu solus Dominus,
tu solus altissimus Jesu Christe.
Cum Sancto Spiritu
in Gloria Dei Patris. Amen.

*Glory be to God on high,
and on earth peace,
good will towards men.
We praise thee, we bless thee,
we worship thee, we glorify thee.
We give thanks to thee
for thy great glory,
O Lord God, heavenly King,
God the Father almighty.
O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ;
O Lord God, Lamb of God,
Son of the Father, that takest away the sins of the world,
have mercy upon us
Thou that takest away the sins of the world,
receive our prayer.
Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father,
have mercy upon us.
For thou only art holy;
thou only art the Lord;
thou only, O Christ.
With the Holy Ghost, art most high
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.*

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People **And with thy spirit.**
Celebrant Let us pray.

O GOD, who hast caused this holy night to shine with the illumination of the true Light:
Grant us, we beseech thee, that as we have known the mystery of that Light upon earth,
so may we also perfectly enjoy him in heaven; where with thee and the Holy Spirit
he liveth and reigneth, one God, in glory everlasting. **Amen.**

The People sit.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

THE LESSON

Isaiah 9:2-4, 6-7

Lector The Word of the Lord.
People **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 96

Sung by the Choir

Anglican Chant (*Hancock/Andrew*)

CANTATE DOMINO

O SING unto the Lord a new song : sing unto the Lord, all the whole earth.
Sing unto the Lord, and praise his Name : be telling of his salvation from day to day.
Declare his honour unto the heathen : and his wonders unto all people.
For the Lord is great, and cannot worthily be praised : he is more to be feared than all gods.
As for all the gods of the heathen, they are but idols : but it is the Lord that made the heavens.
Glory and worship are before him : power and honour are in his sanctuary.
Ascribe unto the Lord, O ye kindreds of the people : ascribe unto the Lord worship and power.
Ascribe unto the Lord the honour due unto his Name : bring presents, and come into his courts.
O worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness : let the whole earth stand in awe of him.
Tell it out among the heathen that the Lord is King : and that it is he who hath made the round world so fast that it cannot be moved; and how that he shall judge the people righteously.
Let the heavens rejoice, and let the earth be glad : let the sea make a noise, and all that therein is.
Let the field be joyful, and all that is in it : then shall all the trees of the wood rejoice before the Lord.
For he cometh, for he cometh to judge the earth :
and with righteousness to judge the world, and the people with his truth.
Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

THE EPISTLE

Titus 2:11-14

Subdeacon The Word of the Lord.
People **Thanks be to God.**

The People stand.

HYMN

FOREST GREEN

The Choir sings verse 3 alone.

1 O lit - tle town of Beth - le - hem, how still we see thee lie!
2 For Christ is born of Ma - ry; and gath - ered all a - bove,
3 How si - lent - ly, how si - lent - ly, the won - drous gift is given!
4 Where child - ren pure and hap - py pray to the bless - ed Child,
5 O ho - ly Child of Beth - le - hem, de - scend to us, we pray;

1 A - bove thy deep and dream-less sleep the si - lent stars go by;
 2 while mor-tals sleep, the an - gels keep their watch of won-dering love.
 3 So God im-parts to hu - man hearts the bless-ings of his heaven.
 4 where mis - er - y cries out to thee, Son of the mo - ther mild;
 5 cast out our sin and en - ter in, be born in us to - day.

1 yet in thy dark streets shin - eth the ev - er - last - ing Light;
 2 O morn - ing stars, to - geth - er pro - claim the ho - ly birth!
 3 No ear may hear his com - ing, but in this world of sin,
 4 where char - i - ty stands watch - ing and faith holds wide the door,
 5 We hear the Christ - mas an - gels the great glad tid - ings tell;

1 the hopes and fears of all the years are met in thee to - night.
 2 and prais - es sing to God the King, and peace to men on earth.
 3 where meek souls will re - ceive him, still the dear Christ en - ters in.
 4 the dark night wakes, the glo - ry breaks, and Christ-mas comes once more.
 5 O come to us, a - bide with us, our Lord Em - man - u - el!

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

This acclamation heralds the Gospel reading. The Choir sings the Alleluia and all repeat.

Plainsong (Mode VI)

Arr. Colin Mawby

(1936-2019)

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

Choir Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

People **Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

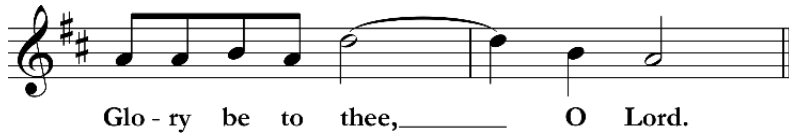
Cantor The Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us: and we beheld his glory,
 the glory as of the only begotten of the Father, full of grace and truth.

People **Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

Choir Alleluia!

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Saint Luke.

People



After the Gospel, the Deacon says

The Gospel of the Lord.

People



THE SERMON

The Rector

A period of silent reflection may follow the sermon.

THE NICENE CREED

The People stand. At Christmas, it is customary to kneel at the underlined words, otherwise to bow.

I BELIEVE in one God,
 the Father Almighty,
 maker of heaven and earth,
 and of all things visible and invisible;

And in one Lord Jesus Christ,
 the only-begotten Son of God,
 begotten of his Father before all worlds,
 God of God, Light of Light,
 very God of very God,
 begotten, not made,
 being of one substance with the Father;
 by whom all things were made;
 who for us men and for our salvation
 came down from heaven,
and was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary,
and was made man;
 and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate;
 he suffered and was buried;
 and the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures,
 and ascended into heaven,
 and sitteth on the right hand of the Father;
 and he shall come again, with glory,
 to judge both the quick and the dead;
 whose kingdom shall have no end.

**And I believe in the Holy Ghost, the Lord, and Giver of Life,
who proceedeth from the Father and the Son;
who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped
and glorified;
who spake by the Prophets.
And I believe one holy Catholic and Apostolic Church;
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins;
and I look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

The Celebrant says

Let us pray for the whole state of Christ's Church and the world.

The People kneel.

ALMIGHTY and everliving God, who in thy holy Word hast taught us to make prayers, and supplications, and to give thanks for all men: Receive these our prayers which we offer unto thy divine Majesty, beseeching thee to inspire continually the Universal Church with the spirit of truth, unity, and concord; and grant that all those who do confess thy holy Name may agree in the truth of thy holy Word, and live in unity and godly love.

Give grace, O heavenly Father, to all bishops and other ministers especially Justin, Archbishop of Canterbury, Michael the Presiding Bishop, Andrew our Bishop, Allen his Suffragan, Mary his Assistant, and Matthew the Bishop Coadjutor Elect, that they may, both by their life and doctrine, set forth thy true and lively Word, and rightly and duly administer thy holy Sacraments.

And to all thy people give thy heavenly grace, and especially to this congregation here present; that, with meek heart and due reverence, they may hear and receive thy holy Word, truly serving thee in holiness and righteousness all the days of their life.

We beseech thee also so to rule the hearts of those who bear the authority of government in this and every land especially the President of the United States, the Governor of the State of New York, and the Mayor of the City of New York, that they may be led to wise decisions and right actions for the welfare and peace of the world.

Open, O Lord, the eyes of all people to behold thy gracious hand in all thy works, that, rejoicing in thy whole creation, they may honor thee with their substance, and be faithful stewards of thy bounty.

And we most humbly beseech thee, of thy goodness, O Lord, to comfort and succor all those who in this transitory life, are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity,

And we also bless thy holy Name for all thy servants departed this life in thy faith and fear especially our own loved and those whom we wish to remember on this holy night (*silence is kept*) beseeching thee to grant them continual growth in thy love and service; and to grant us grace so to follow the good examples of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of God, Saint Joseph her spouse, Saint Thomas our patron, and all thy saints, that with them we may be partakers of thy heavenly kingdom.

Grant these our prayers, O Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our only Mediator and Advocate. **Amen.**

CONFESSION OF SIN

The Celebrant says

YE that do truly and earnestly repent you of your sins, and are in love and charity with your neighbors, and intend to lead a new life, following the commandments of God, and walking from henceforth in his holy ways: Draw near with faith, and take this holy Sacrament to your comfort; and make your humble confession to Almighty God, meekly kneeling upon your knees.

Celebrant and People

ALMIGHTY God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, maker of all things, judge of all men: We acknowledge and bewail our manifold sins and wickedness, which we, from time to time, most grievously have committed, by thought, word, and deed, against thy divine Majesty, provoking most justly thy wrath and indignation against us. We do earnestly repent, and are heartily sorry for these our misdoings; the remembrance of them is grievous unto us; the burden of them is intolerable. Have mercy upon us, have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; for thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, forgive us all that is past; and grant that we may ever hereafter serve and please thee in newness of life, to the honor and glory of thy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Celebrant says

ALMIGHTY God, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all those who with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto him, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The People stand.

THE PEACE

The Celebrant says

UNTO us a child is born. Unto us a son is given.
And his name shall be called the Prince of Peace.

People The peace of the Lord be always with you.
And with thy spirit.

THE GREETINGS

THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

AT THE OFFERTORY, ANTHEM

Toby Young
(b. 1990)

STARS in heaven shining bright,
dance across the black of night,
sun and moon, and winds that blow,
sing unto the earth below:
Parvula infinitas mundum transformabis.
[Tiny infinity, you will transform the world.]

Soil and stone, seed and flower,
celebrate this holy hour;
shepherd, kings, and mother mild,
come adore the true Christ Child!
Parvula infinitas mundum transformabis.

Child of heaven, Son of Man,
born before this world began;
Holy Child, so young, so old,
save us as the prophets told.
Parvula infinitas mundum transformabis.

Charles Anthony Silvestri (b. 1965)

1 An - gels we have heard on high, sing - ing sweet - ly through the night,
 2 Shep - herds, why this ju - bi - lee? Why these songs of hap - py cheer?
 3 Come to Beth - le - hem and see him whose birth the an - gels sing;
 4 See him in a man - ger laid whom the an - gels praise a - bove;

and the moun - tains in re - ply ech - o - ing their brave de - light.
 What great bright - ness did you see? What glad tid - ings did you hear?
 come, a - dore on bend - ed knee Christ, the Lord, the new - born King.
 Ma - ry, Jo - seph, lend your aid, while we raise our hearts in love.

Refrain

Glo - - - - - ri - a

in ex - cel - sis De - o. Glo - - - - -

- - - - - ri - a in ex - cel - sis De - o.

Words: French carol; tr. James Chadwick (1813-1882), alt. Music: *Gloria*, French carol; arr. Edward Shippen Barnes (1887-1958).

LIKEWISE, after supper, he took the cup; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink ye all of this; for this is my Blood of the New Testament, which is shed for you, and for many, for the remission of sins. Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me."

Wherefore, O Lord and heavenly Father, according to the institution of thy dearly beloved Son our Savior Jesus Christ, we, thy humble servants, do celebrate and make here before thy divine Majesty, with these thy holy gifts, which we now offer unto thee, the memorial thy Son hath commanded us to make; having in remembrance his blessed passion and precious death, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; rendering unto thee most hearty thanks for the innumerable benefits procured unto us by the same.

And we most humbly beseech thee, O merciful Father, to hear us; and, of thy almighty goodness, vouchsafe to bless and sanctify, with thy Word and Holy Spirit, these thy gifts and creatures of bread and wine; that we, receiving them according to thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ's holy institution, in remembrance of his death and passion, may be partakers of his most blessed Body and Blood.

And we earnestly desire thy fatherly goodness mercifully to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving; most humbly beseeching thee to grant that, by the merits and death of thy Son Jesus Christ, and through faith in his blood, we, and all thy whole Church, may obtain remission of our sins, and all other benefits of his passion.

And here we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, our selves, our souls and bodies, to be a reasonable, holy, and living sacrifice unto thee; humbly beseeching thee that we, and all others who shall be partakers of this Holy Communion, may worthily receive the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son Jesus Christ, be filled with thy grace and heavenly benediction, and made one body with him, that he may dwell in us, and we in him.

And although we are unworthy, through our manifold sins, to offer unto thee any sacrifice, yet we beseech thee to accept this our bounden duty and service, not weighing our merits, but pardoning our offenses, through Jesus Christ our Lord;

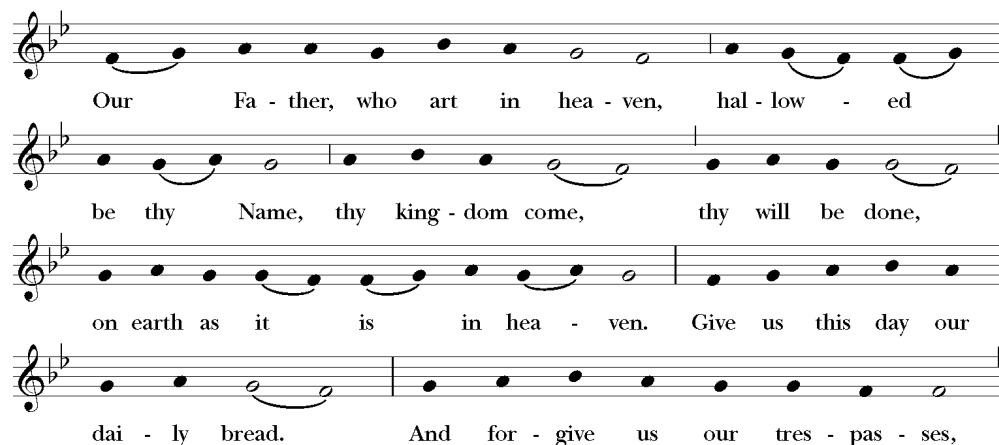
By whom, and with whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost, all honor and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end.

The People respond **AMEN.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

The Celebrant says

And now, as our Savior Christ hath taught us, we are bold to say,



Our Fa - ther, who art in hea - ven, hal - low - ed
be thy Name, thy king - dom come, thy will be done,
on earth as it is in hea - ven. Give us this day our
dai - ly bread. And for - give us our tres - pas - ses,

as we for - give those who tres - pass a - gainst us. And lead
 us not in - to temp - ta - tion, but de - liv - er us
 from e - vil. For thine is the king - dom, and the power,
 and the glo - ry, for ev - er and ev - er. A - men.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
People **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

AGNUS DEI

Sung by the Choir

AGNUS Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, miserere nobis. *O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.*
 Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, dona nobis pacem. *O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, grant us thy peace.*

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

The Celebrant says

BEHOLD the Lamb of God: behold him that taketh away the sins of the world. Blessed are those who are called to his supper.

People **Lord, I am not worthy that thou shouldst come under my roof, but speak the word only and my soul shall be healed.**

The People remain kneeling until the bell rings.

AN ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION *(for those unable to receive Holy Communion)*

IBELIEVE in thee, O my Jesus, present in the most holy Sacrament of the Altar; I love thee above all things, and I desire to receive thee into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive thee sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace thee, and I unite myself to thee as if thou wast already there. Never permit me to be separated from thee! O Lord Jesus Christ, let the sweet and consuming force of thy love absorb my whole soul, that I may die for the love of thee, who wast pleased to die for the love of me. Amen.

HOLY COMMUNION

*All baptized Christians are invited to receive Holy Communion.
 The Sacrament is distributed at various stations around the church.
 Please follow the direction of the ushers. You do not have to receive from the chalice, but intinction is not permitted.
 Gluten free hosts are available - please ask the priest.*

CAROLS

Sung by the Choir

There is no rose

Arthur Wills
(1926-2020)

THERE is no rose of such virtue
As is the rose that bare Jesu:
Alleluia.

The angels sungen the shepherds to:
Gloria in excelsis Deo.
Gaudeamus. [*Let us rejoice*]

For in this rose contained was
Heaven and earth in little space:
Res miranda. [*Thing of wonder*]

Leave we all this worldly mirth,
And follow we this joyful birth:
Transeamus. [*We travel onward*]

By that rose we may well see
There be one God in Persons Three:
Pares forma. [*Equal in form*]

Anonymous 15th Century

The Christ Child

John Bradley
(1930-2009)

THE Christ-child lay on Mary's lap,
His hair was like a light.
(O weary, weary were the world,
But here is all aright.)

The Christ-child lay on Mary's heart,
His hair was like a fire.
(O weary, weary is the world,
But here the world's desire.)

The Christ-child lay on Mary's breast,
His hair was like a star.
(O stern and cunning Kings,
But here the true hearts are.)

The Christ-child stood at Mary's knees,
His hair was like a crown,
And all the flowers looked up at him
And all the stars looked down.

Words by G. K. Chesterton

THE PLACING OF THE CHRIST CHILD IN THE CRÈCHE

As the Celebrant places the image of the Christ Child in the Crèche, the Choir sings this carol. The People kneel.

CAROL

Silent Night

Franz Gruber
(1787-1863)
Arr. *Jeremy Filsell*
(b. 1964)

SILENT night, holy night,
All is calm, all is bright
Round yon virgin mother and child.
Holy infant, so tender and mild,
Sleep in heavenly peace,
Sleep in heavenly peace.

Silent night, holy night,
Son of God, love's pure light
Radiant beams from thy holy face,
With the dawn of redeeming grace,
Jesus, Lord, at thy birth,
Jesus, Lord, at thy birth.

Joseph Mohr (1792-1848)

THE PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

The Celebrant says

Let us pray.

The People kneel and silence is kept.

Celebrant and People

ALMIGHTY and everliving God,
we most heartily thank thee
for that thou dost feed us, in these holy mysteries,
with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood
of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ;
and dost assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards us;
and that we are very members incorporate
in the mystical body of thy Son,
the blessed company of all faithful people;
and are also heirs, through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom.
And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father,
so to assist us with thy grace,
that we may continue in that holy fellowship,
and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory,
world without end. Amen.

THE SOLEMN BLESSING AND DISMISSAL

The Celebrant says

The Lord be with you.

People **And with thy spirit.**

MAY Almighty God, who sent his Son to take our nature upon him, bless you in this holy season,
scatter the darkness of sin, and brighten your heart with the light of his holiness. **Amen.**

May God, who sent his angels to proclaim the glad news of the Savior's birth, fill you with joy,
and make you heralds of the Gospel. **Amen.**

May God, who in the Word made flesh joined heaven to earth and earth to heaven,
give you his peace and favor. **Amen.**

And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be upon you and remain with you for ever. **Amen.**

Deacon Let us go forth in the Name of Christ.

People **Thanks be to God.**

1 Hark! the her-ald an - gels sing glo - ry to the new-born King!
 2 Christ, by high-est heaven a - dored; Christ, the ev - er - last - ing Lord;
 3 Mild he lays his glo - ry by, born that we no more may die,

Peace on earth and mer - cy mild, God and sin - ners rec - on - ciled!
 late in time be - hold him come, off - spring of the Vir - gin's womb.
 born to raise us from the earth, born to give us sec - ond birth.

Joy - ful, all ye na - tions, rise, join the tri-umph of the skies;
 Veiled in flesh the God-head see; hail the in-car-nate De - i - ty.
 Risen with heal-ing in his wings, light and life to all he brings,

with the an - gel - ic host pro - claim Christ is born in Beth - le - hem!
 Pleased as man with us to dwell; Je - sus, our Em - man - u - el!
 hail, the Sun of Right-ous-ness! hail, the heaven-born Prince of Peace!

Refrain

Hark! the her - ald an - gels sing glo - ry to the new-born King!

CHRISTMAS DAY

The 11 am service will be video livestreamed, and, thereafter, available on-demand

✠ SUNDAY, DECEMBER 25

9 a.m. Said Mass at the High Altar

11 a.m. Procession and Solemn Eucharist of the Nativity

sung by the Saint Thomas Choir of Men and Boys

Music of *Filsell, Young, Cohen and Bradley*

Sermon by Fr. Moretz

SERVICES NEXT WEEK AND BEYOND

The Church is open for Private Prayer and Visits to the Christmas Crèche

Monday to Friday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Saturday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Shrine Prayers (Intercessions)

Monday – Saturday at 12 p.m. *Live audio stream and then on-demand.*

Please send your requests for prayers via the website [click here](#) or emailed to: prayer@saintthomaschurch.org

The Daily Eucharist

Monday – Saturday at 12:05 p.m. *Live audio stream and then on-demand.*

Confessions, Spiritual Advice, and Healing Ministry

Saturday, December 31, 11 a.m. – 11:45 a.m. Confessor: Fr. Mark Brown

SUNDAY, JANUARY 1, 2023 – NEW YEAR'S DAY

THE FEAST OF THE HOLY NAME OF JESUS

Come and begin the New Year with a beautiful Mass in church.

The Church opens at 8 a.m.

Note, there is no 7:45 a.m. Mass today.

9:00 a.m. Said Mass

11:00 a.m. Solemn Eucharist

sung by the Gentlemen of the Choir

Sermon by Fr. Gioia

Followed by Coffee Hour in the Parish House

Note, there is no Choral Evensong today. The Church will close at 1:30 p.m.

CHRISTMAS FLOWERS
Given to the Greater Glory of God and in Loving Memory of

<i>The Rev. Walter J. Abbott, S.J.</i>	<i>Barrington Clarke</i>	<i>Gordon S. Gray</i>
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<i>Lote & Janis Abolins</i>	<i>Elizabeth Coggill</i>	<i>Donald C. Griffin</i>
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<i>Arthur and Dorothy Ailey</i>	<i>Barbara L. Como</i>	<i>Dorothy Trent Haas</i>
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<i>Joanne T. and Donald K. Asperheim</i>	<i>Winifred Davila</i>	<i>Margaret Harding</i>
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<i>Louis M.S. Beal</i>	<i>Wilkes Dowdy</i>	<i>James Heineman</i>
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