

THE Ω ATIVITY of our Γ ORD JESUS CHRIST

Our Cathedral family extends a warm welcome to all visitors and guests.



Prelude

5:I5PM Hodie Christus Natus Est

Wolff/Gabrieli

How lovely are the messengers

Mendelssohn

How lovely are the messengers that preach us the gospel of peace!

To all the nations is gone forth the sound of their words,
throughout all the lands their glad tidings.

9:00AM

Divinum Mysterium

Phillips

II:00AM

Hodie Christus Natus Est

Wolff/Gabrieli

Introductory Rites

Processional Hymn

O Come, All Ye Faithful

arr. Willcocks

Adéste fidéles, laéti triumphántes, Veníte, veníte in Béthlehem. Natum vidéte, Regem angelórum. Veníte adorémus, veníte adorémus, veníte adorémus Dóminum.

O come, all ye faithful, joyful and triumphant, O come ye, O come ye to Bethlehem; Come and behold him born the King of angels:

Refrain: O come, let us adore him, O come, let us adore him, O come, let us adore him, Christ, the Lord!

Sing, choirs of angels, sing in exultation, Sing, all ye citizens of heav'n above; Glory to God in the highest: *Refrain*

Yea, Lord, we greet thee, born this happy morning, Jesu, to thee be glory giv'n; Word of the Father, now in flesh appearing: *Refrain*

Text: Adeste fidelis; John F. Wade, c. 1711-1786; tr. by Frederick Oakeley. 1802-1880. alt. Tune: ADESTE FIDELES. Irregular with refrain; John F. Wade. C. 1711-1786.

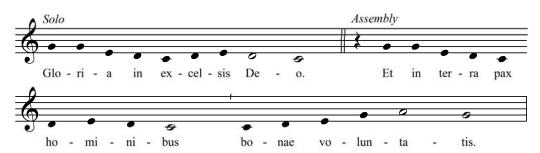
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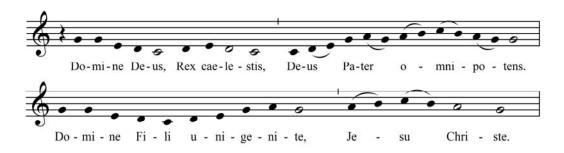
II:00AM

Gloria in excelsis Deo

arr. Latona



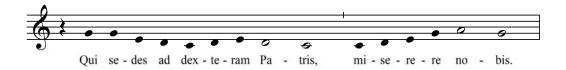
Laudamus te. Benedicimus te. Adoramus te. Glorificamus te. Gratias agimus tibi Propter magnam gloriam tuam.



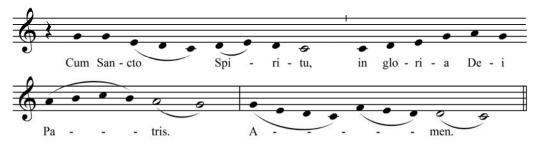
Domine Deus, Agnus Dei, Filius Patris.



Qui tollis peccata mundi, suscipe deprecationem nostrum.



Quoniam tu solus Sanctus. Tu solus Altissimus, Jesu Christe.



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Opening Prayer

LITURGY of the CORD

FIRST READING

Responsorial Psalm

5:15PM



I have made a covenant with my chosen one, I have sworn to David my servant: forever will I confirm your posterity and establish your throne for all generations.

Blessed the people who know the joyful shout; in the light of your countenance, O Lord, they walk. At your name they rejoice all the day, and through your justice they are exalted.

He shall say of me, "You are my father, my God, the rock, my savior."

Forever I will maintain my kindness toward him,
and my covenant with him stands firm.



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Sing to the Lord a new song, for he has done wondrous deeds; his right hand has won victory for him, his holy arm.

The Lord has made his salvation known: in the sight of nations he has revealed his justice. He has remembered his kindness and his faithfulness toward the house of Israel.

All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation by our God. Sing joyfully to the Lord, all you lands; break into song; sing praise.

Sing praise to the Lord with the harp, with the harp and melodious song. With trumpets and the sound of the horn sing joyfully before the King, the Lord.

SECOND READING

5:I5PM Acts 13: 16-17, 22-25



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GOSPFL

5:I5PM *Matthew 1: 1-25*

9:00AM & II:00AM John 1: 1-18

HOMILY

Profession of Faith

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.

I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the Only Begotten Son of God,
born of the Father before all ages.
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father;
through him all things were made.
For us men and for our salvation
he came down from heaven,

[all kneel] and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

GENERAL INTERCESSIONS



LITURGY of the EUCHARIST



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PREPARATION OF THE ALTAR AND GIFTS

5:15PM

O Magnum Mysterium

Wolff/Gabrieli

Laetentur Coeli

Sr. M. Gilana

Laetentur coeli ex exultet terra Let the heavens rejoice and let the earth be glad ante faciem Domini quoniam venit. before the face of the Lord for he cometh.

9:00AM Angels We Have Heard on High

Angels we have heard on high, sweetly singing o'er the plains, And the mountains in reply, echo back their joyous strains.
Gloria in excelsis Deo, Gloria in excelsis Deo.

Shepherds, why this jubilee?
Why your joyous strains prolong?
Say what may the tidings be,
which inspire your heav'nly song.
Gloria in excelsis Deo, Gloria in excelsis Deo.

Come to Bethlehem and see
Him whose birth the angels sing;
Come adore, on bended knee,
Christ, the Lord, the newborn King.
Gloria in excelsis Deo, Gloria in excelsis Deo.

See him in a manger laid,
whom the choirs of angels praise;
Mary, Joseph, lend your aid,
while our hearts in love we raise.
Gloria in excelsis Deo, Gloria in excelsis Deo.

Text: Les anges dans nos campagnes; French, c. 18th C.; tr. from Crown of Jesus Music, London, 1862
Tune: GLORIA, with refrain; French traditional

II:00AM

Hodie Christus Natus Est

Sweelinck

Today Christ is born, today the Savior has appeared, today on earth the angels sing, and the archangels rejoice; today the righteous exult, saying: "Glory to God in the highest. Alleluia."

PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

EUCHARISTIC PRAYER



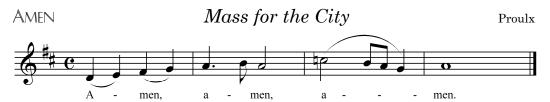
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MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION





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Rite of Communion

LORD'S PRAYER

SIGN OF PEACE

AGNUS DEI $Lamb \ of \ God$ Hughes

Repeat "have mercy on us" after the Cantor

Agnus Dei, Lamb of God,

qui tollis peccata mundi: who takes away the sins of the world,

miserere nobis. have mercy on us. Agnus Dei, Lamb of God,

qui tollis peccata mundi: who takes away the sins of the world,

dona nobis pacem grant us peace.

Please remain standing at the conclusion of the Agnus Dei. When coming forward for communion, please bow your head as a gesture of reverence to our Lord in the consecrated bread and wine.

COMMUNION

What Child Is This

What child is this, who, laid to rest, On Mary's lap is sleeping? Whom angels greet with anthems sweet, While shepherds watch are keeping?

Refrain: This, this is Christ the King,
Whom shepherds guard and angels sing;
Haste, haste to bring him laud,
The babe, the son of Mary.

Why lies he in such mean estate, Where ox and ass are feeding? Good Christian, fear; for sinners here The silent Word is pleading. *Refrain*

So bring him incense, gold and myrrh, Come peasant, king to own him; The King of kings salvation brings, Let loving hearts enthrone him. *Refrain*

Text: William C. Dix, 1827-1898 Tune: GREENSLEEVES, with refrain; English melody, 16th C.; harm. by John Stainer, 1840-1901

Silent Night, Holy Night

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, Shepherds quake at the sight; Glories stream from heaven afar, Heav'nly hosts sing alleluia; Christ, the Savior, is born! Christ, the Savior, is born!

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.

Text: Joseph Mohr, 1792-1849; Tr: John F. Young, 1820-1885. Tune: STILLE NACHT, Franz X. Gruber, 1787-1863.

Prayer after Communion

Concluding \mathfrak{R} ite

BLESSING & DISMISSAL

HYMN

Joy to the World

Joy to the world! the Lord is come: Let earth receive her King; Let ev'ry heart prepare him room, and heav'n and nature sing, And heav'n and nature sing, And heav'n, and heav'n and nature sing.

Joy to the world! the Savior reigns: Let us, our songs employ; While fields and floods, rocks, hills and plains Repeat the sounding joy, Repeat the sounding joy, Repeat, repeat the sounding joy.

No more let sin and sorrows grow, Nor thorns infest the ground; He comes to make his blessings flow Far as the curse is found, Far as the curse is found, Far as, far as the curse is found.

He rules the world with truth and grace, And makes the nations prove The glories of his righteousness, And wonders of his love, And wonders of his love, And wonders, wonders of his love.

Text: Psalm 98; Isaac Watts, 1674-1748
Tune: ANTIOCH, CM; arr. from George F. Handel, 1685-1759, in T. Hawkes' Collection of Tunes, 1833

Postiude

Postlude on Adeste Fideles

Dickenson



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