

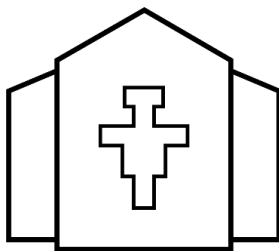
Celebration of the Eucharist

Second Sunday of Advent

8:00 AM Mass

Mass is a sacred and holy encounter with our Lord. Our disposition prior to and during Mass should reflect this truth.

- Fast for one hour prior to communion. No gum, food, or drink in the church.
- Dress modestly, no hats for men.
- Genuflect. Make space for others to sit. Do not sit or lean on the Baptism font.
- No conversation in the church.
- Mass begins with the procession.
- Wait for ushers to direct you to Communion.
- Bow in respect before you receive Communion. Do not “take” or “grab” Communion from the minister. Say Amen.
- Mass does not end until the final blessing. Wait for the priest to exit.



S T . F R A N C I S O F A S S I S I
C A T H O L I C C H U R C H

December 8th, 2024

INTRODUCTORY RITES

OPENING HYMN

On Jordan's Bank



1. On Jor - dan's bank the Bap - tist's cry An -
2. Then cleansed be ev - 'ry life from sin; Make
3. For you are our sal - va - tion, Lord, Our
4. To heal the sick stretch out your hand, And
5. All praise to you, e - ter - nal Son, Whose



noun - ces that the Lord is nigh; A - wake and heark - en,
straight the way for God with - in, And let each heart pre -
ref - uge and our great re - ward; With - out your grace we
bid the fall - en sin - ner stand; Shine forth and let your
ad - vent has our free - dom won, Whom with the Fa - ther



for he brings Glad tid - ings of the King of kings.
pare a home Where such a might - y guest may come.
waste a - way Like flow'rs that with - er and de - cay.
light re - store Earth's own true love - li - ness once more.
we a - dore, And Ho - ly Spir - it, ev - er - more.

Text: *Jordanis oras praevia*; Charles Coffin, 1676–1749; tr. by John Chandler, 1806–1876, alt.
Tune: WINCHESTER NEW, LM; adapt. from *Musikalisches Handbuch*, Hamburg, 1690

GREETING

PENITENTIAL RITE/CONFITEOR

I confess to almighty God and to you, my brothers and sisters,
that I have greatly sinned in my thoughts and in my words,
in what I have done, and in what I have failed to do; through my fault,
through my fault, through my most grievous fault;
therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin, all the Angels and Saints,
and you, my brothers and sisters, to pray for me to the Lord our God.

LETANÍA DE ALABANZA/KYRIE LITANY OF PRAISE

Bob Hurd

Estribillo/Refrain
Contrapunto/Descant

Se - ñor, ten pie - dad de no -
Lord, have mer - cy. Christ, have

Todos/All:
Melodía/Melody

1, 3. Ký - ri - e, Ký - ri - e,
2. Chri - ste, Chri - ste,

so - tros, ten pie - dad.
mer - cy on us.

1, 3. Ký - ri - e, e - lé - i - son.
2. Chri - ste, e - lé - i - son.

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COLLECT

LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING

Baruch 5: 1 -9

Jerusalem, take off your robe of mourning and misery; put on the splendor of glory from God forever: wrapped in the cloak of justice from God, bear on your head the mitre that displays the glory of the eternal name. For God will show all the earth your splendor: you will be named by God forever the peace of justice, the glory of God's worship. Up, Jerusalem! stand upon the heights; look to the east and see your children gathered from the east and the west at the word of the Holy One, rejoicing that they are remembered by God. Led away on foot by their enemies they left you: but God will bring them back to you borne aloft in glory as on royal thrones. For God has commanded that every lofty mountain be made low, and that the age-old depths and gorges be filled to level ground, that Israel may advance secure in the glory of God. The forests and every fragrant kind of tree have overshadowed Israel at God's command; for God is leading Israel in joy by the light of his glory, with his mercy and justice for company.

The Word of the Lord.

R: Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 126: 1 - 2, 2 - 3, 4 - 5, 6

R: The Lord has done great things for us; we are filled with joy.

When the LORD brought back the captives of Zion,
we were like men dreaming.

Then our mouth was filled with laughter,
and our tongue with rejoicing. **R:**

Then they said among the nations,
“The LORD has done great things for them.”

The LORD has done great things for us;
we are glad indeed. **R:**

Restore our fortunes, O LORD,
like the torrents in the southern desert.

Those who sow in tears
shall reap rejoicing. **R:**

Although they go forth weeping,
carrying the seed to be sown,

They shall come back rejoicing,
carrying their sheaves. **R:**

SECOND READING

Philippians 1: 4-6, 8-11

Brothers and sisters:

I pray always with joy in my every prayer for all of you, because of your partnership for the gospel from the first day until now. I am confident of this, that the one who began a good work in you will continue to complete it until the day of Christ Jesus.

God is my witness, how I long for all of you with the affection of Christ Jesus.

And this is my prayer: that your love may increase ever more and more in knowledge and every kind of perception, to discern what is of value, so that you may be pure and blameless for the day of Christ, filled with the fruit of righteousness that comes through Jesus Christ for the glory and praise of God.

The Word of the Lord.

R: Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION- ALLELUIA

GOSPEL

Luke 3: 1 - 6

In the fifteenth year of the reign of Tiberius Caesar, when Pontius Pilate was governor of Judea, and Herod was tetrarch of Galilee, and his brother Philip tetrarch of the region of Ituraea and Trachonitis, and Lysanias was tetrarch of Abilene, during the high priesthood of Annas and Caiaphas, the word of God came to John the son of Zechariah in the desert. John went throughout the whole region of the Jordan, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins, as it is written in the book of the words of the prophet Isaiah: A voice of one crying out in the desert:

“Prepare the way of the Lord, make straight his paths. Every valley shall be filled and every mountain and hill shall be made low. The winding roads shall be made straight, and the rough ways made smooth, and all flesh shall see the salvation of God.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

R: Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.

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, 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.

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

PREPARATION OF THE ALTAR AND GIFTS

OFFERTORY

During this part of the Mass, we give thanks to God for our many blessings and bring gifts to the Altar. This is also the time of the Mass reserved to make our weekly donation. For your convenience, you can scan the QR code provided here for our new online giving platform, PushPay. Thank you for your generosity.



Now the Heavens Start to Whisper



1. Now the heav - ens start to whis - per As the veil is
2. Heav - y clouds that block the moon-light Now be - gin to
3. Christ, e - ter - nal sun of jus - tice, Christ, the rose of



grow - ing thin. Earth from slum - ber wakes to lis - ten
drift a - way. Dia - mond bril - liance through the dark - ness
wis - dom's seed, Come to bless with fire and fra - grance



To the stir - ring, faint with - in: Seed of prom - ise,
Shines the hope of com - ing day. Christ, the morn - ing
Hours of yearn - ing, hurt, and need. In the lone - ly,



de - ly plant - ed, Child to spring from Jes - se's stem!
star of splen - dor, Gleams with - in a world grown dim.
in the stran - ger, In the out - cast hid from view:

Like the soil be - neath the frost - line,
 Heav - en's em - ber fans to full - ness;
 Child who comes to grace the man - ger,

Hearts grow soft to wel - come him.
 Hearts grow warm to wel - come him.
 Teach our hearts to wel - come you.

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 Tune: SUO GAN, 8 7 8 7 D; Welsh melody; arr. by Nicholas Palmer, b.1963

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

EUCHARISTIC ACCLAMATIONS

THE COMMUNION RITE

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven,
 hallowed be thy name;
 thy kingdom come,
 thy will be done
 on earth as it is in heaven.
 Give us this day our daily bread,
 and forgive us our trespasses,
 as we forgive those who trespass against us;
 and lead us not into temptation,
 but deliver us from evil.

LAMB OF GOD

COMMUNION

“Maranatha One” – Westphal, Sung by Choir


READY THE WAY

Bob Hurd


Verses



1. “Read - y the way of the Lord! Read - y the
2. “Let ev - ‘ry val - ley be filled. Let ev - ‘ry
3. Des - ert and waste-land will bloom. Des - ert and
4. Those who are blind will then see. Those who are
5. Strength-en the ones who are weak. Strength-en the



1. way of the Lord!” A voice cries out in the wil-der-
2. val - ley be filled. Let ev - ‘ry moun-tain be hum -
3. waste-land will bloom. † Glo - ry and splen-dor will fill the
4. deaf will then hear. † Those who are lame will then leap for
5. ones who are weak. † Say to the fright-ened: “Have cour -



1. ness: “Read - y the way of the Lord!” (to Verse 2)
2. bled; let ev - ‘ry val - ley be filled.” (to Refrain)
3. land. Des - ert and waste-land will bloom. (to Verse 4)
4. joy. Those who are mute will then sing. (to Refrain)
5. age.” Strength-en the ones who are weak. (to Refrain)

Refrain



Here is your God, com-ing with your vin-di - ca - tion.

Look and be - hold the sav - ing pow - er of God.

1, 2 to Verses 3, 5 Final

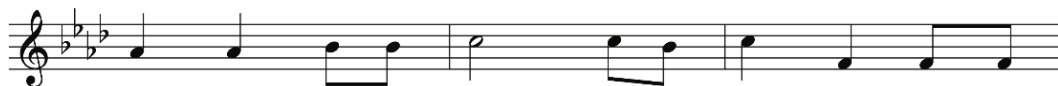
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Unexpected and Mysterious



1. Un - ex - pect - ed and mys - te - rious Is the
2. In a mo - men - tar - y meet - ing Of e -
3. We are called to pon - der mys - t'ry And a -



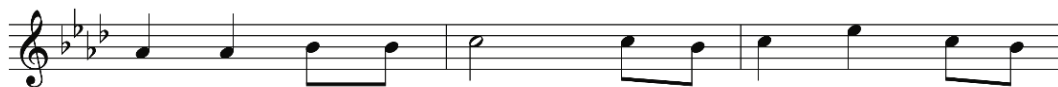
gen - tle word of grace. Ev - er - lov - ing and sus -
ter - ni - ty and time, Mar - y learned that she would
wait the com - ing Christ, To em - bod - y God's com -



tain - ing Is the peace of God's em - brace.
car - ry Both the mor - tal and di - vine.
pas - sion For each frag - ile hu - man life.



If we fal - ter in our cour - age And we
Then she learned of God's com - pas - sion, Of E -
God is with us in our long - ing To bring



doubt what we have known, God is faith - ful to con -
liz - a - beth's great joy, And she ran to greet the
heal - ing to the earth, While we watch with joy and



sole us As a moth - er tends her own.
wom - an Who would rec - og - nize her boy.
won - der For the prom - ised Sav - ior's birth.

BLESSING AND DISMISSAL

People, Look East

1. People, look East. The time is near,
of the crowning of the year.
Make your house fair as you are able,
Trim the hearth and set the table.
People, look East and sing today---
Love, the Guest, is on the way.
2. Furrows be glad. Though earth is bare,
One more seed is planted there.
Give up your strength the seed to nourish.
That in course the flower may flourish.
People, look East and sing today
Love, the Rose, is on the way.
3. Birds, though you long have ceased to build,
Guard the nest that must be filled.
Even the hour when wings are frozen,
God for fledging time has chosen.
Love, the Bird, is on the way.
4. Stars, keep the watch, when night is dim.
One more light the bowl shall brim,
Shining beyond the frosty weather,
Bright as sun and moon together.
People, look East and sing today
Love, the Star, is on the way.

