

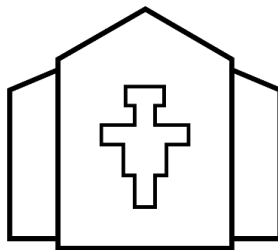
# Celebration of the Eucharist

## Second Sunday of Advent

### 4:30 PM 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.



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December 8<sup>th</sup>, 2024

## INTRODUCTORY RITES

### OPENING HYMN

#### **All Hail The King**

We make way for You  
Prepare a place for You  
Let our praise become Your throne  
Hear Your people sing  
Give You everything  
Jesus all for You alone

**All hail the King**

**All hail the Savior**

**Jesus the Son of God**

**All hail His name**

**All hail His power**

**Before His feet we fall**

**As we crown Him Lord of all**

This is royalty robed in majesty  
All the earth will stand in awe  
And for eternity all of heaven sings  
With an everlasting song

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### 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.

## 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.



## **I'll Be Ready**

Who will see the Lord  
Who is holy who is pure  
He's coming for His bride  
Fill your lamps and dress in white

**When He comes I'll be ready  
For that day I'm preparing  
I've got oil for the waiting  
When He comes I'll be ready  
Yes when He comes I'll be ready**

Now behold the One  
Riding on the dawn  
Every eye will see and believe  
Now behold the Son  
Every tribe and tongue  
All will worship at His feet

Keep Your oil burning  
Don't let it go out  
For He is returning

Keep Your fire blazing  
In the midnight hour  
Don't grow tired of waiting

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**HOLY, HOLY, HOLY**

**EUCCHARISTIC ACCLAMATIONS**

**THE COMMUNION RITE**

**THE LORD'S PRAYER**

**LAMB OF GOD**

## COMMUNION

### Here Again

Can't go back to the beginning  
Can't control  
What tomorrow will bring  
But I know here in the middle  
Is the place  
Where You promise to be

**I'm not enough  
Unless You come  
Will You meet me here again  
Cause all I want  
Is all You are  
Will You meet me here again**

As I walk now through the valley  
Let Your love rise above every fear  
Like the sun shaping the shadow  
In my weakness Your glory appears

Not for a minute was I forsaken  
The Lord is in this place  
The Lord is in this place  
Come Holy Spirit  
Dry bones awaken  
The Lord is in this place  
The Lord is in this place

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## BLESSING AND DISMISSAL

## Anticipation

I feel anticipation  
Feels like when  
Wind blows through the trees  
There's a hope  
And I can taste it  
Ready to explode  
Inside our praise  
I can hear You calling  
And it takes my breath away  
I feel Your spirit moving  
Come and multiply my faith

**Open every door**  
**Let earth and heaven roar**  
**Fling wide you heavenly gates**  
**Here let Your kingdom reign**  
**Behold the glory King**  
**Honor His majesty**  
**Fling wide you heavenly gates**  
**Throw high your praise**  
**And come awake**

We've only just begun to sing  
Only just begun  
To sing Your goodness  
We've only just begun to sing  
Only just begun  
To sing Your praise

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