



CATHEDRAL *of*
Saint Matthew *the* Apostle

WASHINGTON, DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Third Sunday of Advent (*Gaudete*)

December 14, 2025

Celebration of the Eucharist at 5:30pm

Intr.
1.
G Audé- te * in Dómino sem-per : í-terum díco,
gau- dé- te : modésti- a véstra nóta sit ómnibus homí-
ni- bus : Dómi- nus pro- pe est. Ní- hil sollí- ci- ti
sí- tis : sed in ó- mni ora- ti- ó- ne pe- ti- ti- ó- nes vé-
strae innotéscant a- pud Dé- um. *Ps.* Benedixísti, Dó-
mine, térram tú- am : * a- vertísti capti- vi- tátem Já- cob.

Phil 4: 4, 5; Ps 84

Ant.: Rejoice in the Lord always; again I say, rejoice. Let your forbearance be known to all. The Lord is at hand. Do not be anxious over anything; but in all manner of prayer, let your requests be made known to God. *Ps.:* Lord, you have blessed your land; you have put an end to Jacob's captivity.

Entrance Hymn Creator of the Stars of Night

VERSES



1. Cre - a - tor of the stars of night, Your peo - ple's
2. When we were draw-ing toward the night, You came; but
3. At your great name, O Je - sus, now All knees must



1. ev - er - last - ing light; O Christ, Re - deem - er of us
2. not in splen - dor bright, Not as a king but as the
3. bend, all hearts must bow; All things on earth with one ac -



1. all, We pray you hear us when we call. *To Vs. 2*
2. child Of Ma - ry, blame-less moth - er mild. *To Refrain*
3. cord, Like those in heav - en, call you Lord. *To Refrain*

REFRAIN



Come, come in your ho-ly light, we pray. O come, come re -
deem us, Lord. Come, come to your peo-ple now, we pray. O
come, come re - deem us, Lord. Lord. Re -

1. *To Verse 3* | 2.

BRIDGE



joice! Re-joice! Em-man-u - el shall come to you, O Is - ra - el. Re-
joice! Re-joice! Em-man-u - el shall come to you, O Is - ra - el.

FINAL REFRAIN



Come, come in your ho - ly light, we pray. O
come, come re - deem us, Lord.

Repeat 3 times

Responsorial Psalm

Lord, — — — — — come — — — — — and — — — — — save — — — — — us.
Al - le - lu - ia.

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Preparation Psalm 25: To You, O Lord

To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul. To
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Communion Rorate Caeli

Refrain
 Ro-rá - te cae-li dé - su-per, et nu-bes plu - ant ju - stum.

Final People, Look East



1. Peo - ple, look East. The time is near
2. Fur - rows, be glad. Though earth is bare,
3. Birds, though you long have ceased to build,
4. Stars, keep the watch. When night is dim,
5. An - gels an - nounce with shouts of mirth



Of the crown - ing of the year.
One more seed is plant - ed there.
Guard the nest that must be filled.
One more light the bowl shall brim,
Him who brings new life to earth.



Make your house fair as you are a - ble,
Give up your strength the seed to nour - ish,
E - ven the hour when wings are fro - zen,
Shin - ing be - yond the frost - y weath - er,
Set ev - 'ry peak and val - ley hum - ming



Trim the hearth and set the ta - ble.
That in course the flow'r may flour - ish.
God for fledg - ing - time has cho - sen.
Bright as sun and moon to - geth - er.
With the word, the Lord is com - ing.



Peo - ple, look East and sing to - day -



Love, the Guest, is on the way.
Love, the Rose, is on the way.
Love, the Bird, is on the way.
Love, the Star, is on the way.
Love, the Lord, is on the way.