

Faciamus hominem ad imagi-



nem et similitudinem .. Gen.1,26.



Si ros in solo vellere fuerit et in



omni terra siccitas ... Jud. 6,37.



My Dear Parishioners and Friends,

It is my great joy to welcome all of you this afternoon to Saint Matthew's Cathedral by way of livestreaming and to express my warmest wishes to you and your families for a most blessed Christmas and joyful New Year.

To all of you, our friends and guests who join us today, know that you are most welcome now and throughout the year. I also look to you to help us by your prayers and generosity, which enable us to continue our many programs and activities and the on-going maintenance of this magnificent edifice in which we are all so privileged to worship. Help us to extend this hospitality to so many visitors who come to Saint Matthew's Cathedral, and allow us to remain a strong witness of the Catholic faith in downtown Washington.

On behalf of all the clergy and staff here at the Cathedral, thank you for joining us this afternoon for Mass. May the Lord bless you now and always with the love of Jesus, born of Mary this day in Bethlehem.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Monsignor W. Ronald Jameson

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# Solemnity of the Nativity of the Lord

## Solemn Mass of Christmas

CATHEDRAL OF SAINT MATTHEW THE APOSTLE

His Eminence  
**Wilton Cardinal Gregory**  
*Archbishop of Washington*  
Principal Celebrant and Homilist

24 December 2020  
*ten o'clock in the evening*

*Please take a moment before the liturgy to silence your phone  
and remove as many distractions as possible from your attention.*

## PRELUDE

**HODIE SCIETIS**

INTROIT FOR THE VIGIL MASS OF CHRISTMAS

*Today you will know that the Lord is coming to save us; and tomorrow you will see his glory.  
The earth is the Lord's and the fullness thereof; the world, and all those who dwell therein.*

**HODIE CHRISTUS NATUS EST**

LUCA MARENZIO (1553-1599)

*Today Christ is born, the Savior has now appeared,  
Today, on earth, the angels sing, the Archangels rejoice;  
Today, the righteous exult, saying, Glory to God in the highest, Alleluia.*

**CHRISTE REDEMPTOR OMNIUM**

VESPERS HYMN FOR CHRISTMASTIDE

*O Christ, redeemer of all people, the Father's only Son,  
Only you, before all rulers, Ineffably were born of the Father.*

*You are the light, the splendor of the Father, you are the enduring hope of all.  
Heed the prayers that your servants throughout the world pour out.*

*Thus the present day bears witness, coming around in the circle of the year,  
That you alone from the father's throne will come as savior of the world.*

*We too, who have been redeemed by your sacred blood,  
On the day of your birth join in singing a new hymn.*

*To you, Jesus, born of the Virgin,  
with the Father and the loving Spirit, be glory for all eternity.*

**PERSONENT HODIE**

ARR. ALICE PARKER (B. 1925)

*On this day earth shall ring with the song children sing  
to the Lord, Christ our King, born on earth to save us;  
him the Father gave us.*

*Refrain: Ideo, ideo, Ideo, gloria in excelsis Deo!*

*His the doom, ours the mirth; when he came down to earth,  
Bethlehem saw his birth; ox and ass beside him  
from the cold would hide him. [Refrain]*

*God's bright star, o'er his head, Wise Men three to him led;  
kneel they low by his bed, lay their gifts before him,  
praise him and adore him. [Refrain]*

*On this day angels sing; with their song earth shall ring,  
praising Christ, heaven's King, born on earth to save us;  
peace and love he gave us. [Refrain]*

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**VERBUM PATRIS HODIE**

DAVID FRANCIS URROWS

*Today the Word of the Father comes forth from the Virgin.*

*The Son of the Father of heavenly bliss was born on this day, I will not miss, from thralldom us to  
relieve and remit.*

*He was born of a virgin pure, not knowing a man, as I you assure,  
but all only by heavenly cure.*

*Gabriel the angel met Mary kneeling in her closet. Now is fulfilled  
what said the prophet.*

*Therefore be glad, thou hast a cause why to thank the Lord God  
that is on high, for thee to suffer and to die.*

Anonymous 16th Century English

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**BRING A TORCH JEANETTE ISABELLA**

CHRISTOPHER BRUSH

*Bring a torch, Jeanette Isabella. Bring a torch come hurry and run!  
It is Jesus, good folk of the village; Christ is born and Mary's calling  
Ah! Ah! Beautiful is the mother, Ah! Ah!, Beautiful is the Son.*

*Skies are glowing, the night is cloudless. Skies are glowing come rise from your beds.  
Hasten all who would see the dear infant, shining bright as the glorious star.  
Run! Run! Put on your finest garments. Run! Run! Presents for Jesus bring!*

*Who comes there with knocking so loudly? Who comes there with knocking so rude?  
Open the door and see what we've brought you: Wonderful gifts for the infant Jesus.  
Come! Come! Open the door receive us. Come! Come! We'll make a merry feast!*

*It is wrong the babe is sleeping. It is wrong to cry out so loud.  
Silence all, as you come nearer the stable; lest you should waken little Jesus.  
Hush! Hush! Peacefully now He slumbers; Hush! Hush Peacefully now he sleeps.*

**AWAY IN A MANGER**

THOMAS HOWE (B. 1957)

*Away in a manger no crib for a bed,  
The little Lord Jesus lay down his sweet head.  
The stars in the heavens look down where he lay,  
The little Lord Jesus asleep in the hay.*

*The cattle are lowing, the baby awakes  
But little Lord Jesus no crying he makes.  
I love thee, Lord Jesus, look down from the sky,  
and stay by my cradle till morning is nigh.*

*Be near me, Lord Jesus, I ask you to stay  
Close by me forever, and love me, I pray.  
Bless all the dear children in your tender care,  
And take us to heaven, to live with you there.*

**IN THE BLEAK MID'WINTER**

HAROLD DARKE(1888-1976)/CHRISTINA ROSETTI (1830-94)

In the bleak mid-winter frosty wind made moan;  
Earth stood hard as iron, water like a stone;  
Snow had fallen, snow on snow, snow on snow,  
In the bleak mid-winter long ago.

Our God, heaven cannot hold Him nor earth sustain,  
Heaven and earth shall flee away when He comes to reign:  
In the bleak mid-winter a stable-place sufficed  
The Lord God Almighty — Jesus Christ.

Enough for Him, whom cherubim worship night and day,  
A breastful of milk And a manger full of hay;  
Enough for Him, whom Angels fall down before,  
The ox and ass and camel which adore.

What can I give Him, poor as I am? —  
If I were a Shepherd, I would bring a lamb;  
If I were a Wise Man, I would do my part, —  
Yet what I can I give Him, — give my heart.

**DOMINUS DIXIT AD ME**

INTROIT FOR THE MASS AT MIDNIGHT

*The Lord said to me: You are my Son, today I have begotten you.  
Why do the nations conspire and people plot in vain?*

**PROCESSION TO THE NATIVITY SCENE**

**O MAGNUM MYSTERIUM**

PIERRE VILLETTE (1926-1998)

*O great mystery, and wonderful sacrament,  
That animals should see the new-born Lord, lying in a manger!  
Blessed is the Virgin whose womb was worthy to bear Christ the Lord.  
Alleluia!*

**CHRISTMAS PROCLAMATION**

## BLESSING OF THE NATIVITY SCENE

Presider: May the peace of our Lord Jesus Christ, who was born of the Virgin Mary,  
be with you all.

Assembly: **And with your spirit.**





# ORDER OF CELEBRATION

## ENTRANCE HYMN

### O Come, All Ye Faithful / Adeste Fideles



1. O come, all ye faith - ful, joy - ful and tri - um - phant, O  
2. † God of God, Light of Light,  
3. † Sing, choirs of an - gels, sing in ex - ul - ta - tion,  
4. † Yea, Lord, we greet thee, born this hap - py morn - ing,  
*1. Ad - é - ste fī - dé - les, laé - ti, tri - um - phán - tes, Ve -*  
*2. † De - um de De - o, Lu - men de Lú - mi - ne*  
*3. † Can - tet nunc i - o, cho - rus an - ge - lo - rum,*  
*4. † Er - go qui na - tus Di - e ho - di - ér - na,*



come ye, O come ye to Beth - le - hem;  
Lo! He comes forth from the Vir - gin's womb.  
Sing, all ye cit - i - zens of heav'n a - bove!  
Je - sus, to thee be all glo - ry giv'n;  
*ní - te, ve - ní - te in Béth - le - hem.*  
*Ge - stant pu - él - lae ví - sce - ra.*  
*Can - tet nunc au - lae - lés - ti - um.*  
*Je - su ti - bi sit gló - ri - a.*



Come and be - hold him, born the King of an - gels;  
Our ver - y God, be - got - ten not cre - a - ted,  
Glo - ry to God, all glo - ry in the high - est;  
Word of the Fa - ther, now in flesh ap - pear - ing;  
*Na - tum vi - dé - te, Re - gem an - ge - ló - rum.*  
*De - um ve - rum, Gé - ni - tum, non fa - ctum.*  
*Gló - ri - a, gló - ri - a, in ex - cél - sis De - o.*  
*Pa - tris ae - ter - nae ver - bum ca - ro fa - ctum.*



O come, let us a - dore him, O come, let us a - dore him,  
*Ve - ní - te a - do - ré - mus, ve - ní - te a - do - ré - mus,*



O come, let us a - dore him, Christ, the Lord!  
*ve - ní - te a - do - ré - mus Dó - mi - num.*

**PENITENTIAL ACT**

**GLORIA**

HUGHES/HOMMERDING

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

**COLLECT**

**LITURGY OF THE WORD**

**FIRST READING**

Isaiah 9: 1-6

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM**

WORSHIP 941

To - day is born our Sav-ior, Christ the Lord. To -  
day is born our Sav-ior, Christ the Lord.

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**SECOND READING**

Titus 2: 11-14

*Please stand.*

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

Hodie Christus Alleluia

Gerald Muller



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**GOSPEL**

Luke 2: 1-14

**HOMILY**

**PROFESSION OF FAITH**

*Please note the change in posture within the Creed professed this evening.*

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, *Pause*

*All kneel.*

and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary,  
and became man. *All stand.*

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.

## **PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL**

*Lord, Hear Our Prayer.*

## **LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST**

### **PREPARATION OF THE OFFERINGS**

STEPHEN CARACCILO (B. 1962)

#### **There is No Rose**

*There is no rose of such virtue as is the rose that bare Jesu; Alleluia.  
For in this rose contained was heaven and earth in little space; Res miranda.  
By that rose we may well see there be one God in persons three, Parens forma.  
Now leave we all this worldly mirth and follow we this joyful birth; Transeamus.  
There is no rose of such virtue as is the rose that bare Jesu; Gaudeamus.*

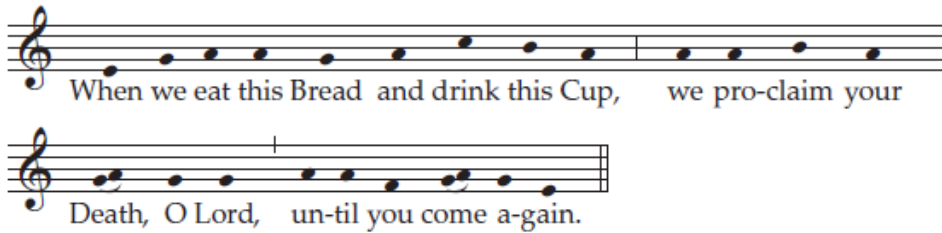
Anonymous, ca. 1420

Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly Lord God of  
 hosts. Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly  
 Lord God of hosts. Heav - en and earth are  
 full, full of your glo - ry. Ho -  
 san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the  
 high - est, Bless - ed is he who comes  
 in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the  
 high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

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## MYSTERY OF FAITH



GREAT AMEN

DANISH

## COMMUNION RITE

LORD'S PRAYER

BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Mass XVIII

ARR. GOUIN

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Presider: Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who takes away the sins of the world.  
Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.

Assembly: **Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.**

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

In Splendoribus

GREGORIAN CHANT

*Amidst the splendors of the heavenly sanctuary, from the womb,  
before the morning star, I have begotten you.*

COMMUNION HYMN

HARK! THE HERALD ANGELS SING



1. Hark! the her - ald an - gels sing, "Glo - ry to the  
 2. Christ, by high - est heaven a - dored, Christ the ev - er -  
 3. Hail the heav'n - born Prince of Peace! Hail the Sun of



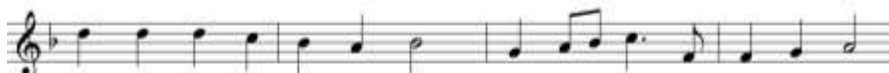
new - born King; Peace on earth, and mer - cy mild  
 last - ing Lord; Late in time be - hold him come,  
 Right - eous - ness! Light and life to all he brings,



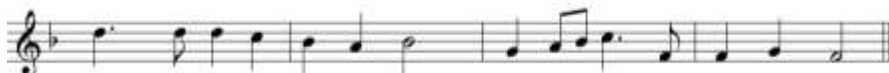
God and sin - ners rec - on - ciled!" Joy - ful, all you  
 Off - spring of the Vir - gin's womb, Veiled in flesh the  
 Ris'n with heal - ing in his wings. Mild he lays his



na - tions, rise, Join the tri - umph of the skies;  
 God - head see: Hail the in - car - nate De - i - ty,  
 glo - ry by, Born that we no more may die,



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.  
 Born to raise us from the earth, Born to give us sec - ond birth.



Hark! the her - ald an - gels sing, "Glo - ry to the new - born King!"

Tune: Charles Wesley, 1707-1788, alt.  
 Tune: MENDELSSOHN, 77.77.D with refrain, Felix Mendelssohn, 1809-1847

## Silent Night, Holy Night

1. Si - lent night, ho - ly night, All is calm,  
2. Si - lent night, ho - ly night, Shep - herds quake  
3. Si - lent night, ho - ly night, Son of God,

all is bright Round yon Vir - gin Moth - er and Child,  
at the sight; Glo - ries stream from heav - en a - far,  
love's pure light Ra - diant beams from thy ho - ly face,

Ho - ly In - fant so ten - der and mild, Sleep in heav - en - ly  
Heav'n - ly hosts sing al - le - lu - ia; Christ, the Sav - ior, is  
With the dawn of re - deem - ing grace, Je - sus, Lord, at thy

peace, Sleep in heav - en - ly peace.  
born! Christ, the Sav - ior, is born!  
birth, Je - sus, Lord, at thy birth.

Text: *Stille Nacht, heilige Nacht*; Joseph Mohr, 1792-1849; tr. John F. Young, 1820-1885  
Tune: STILLE NACHT, 66 89 66; Franz X. Gruber, 1787-1863

**PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**



## SOLEMN BLESSING AND DISMISSAL

Cardinal: The Lord be with you.

*R. / And with your spirit.*

May the God of infinite goodness, who by the Incarnation of his Son has driven darkness from the world and by that glorious Birth has illumined this most holy night, drive far from you the darkness of vice and illumine your hearts with the light of virtue. *R. / Amen.*

May God, who willed that the great joy of his Son's saving Birth be announced to shepherds by the Angel, fill your minds with the gladness he gives and make you heralds of his Gospel. *R. / Amen.*

And may God, who by the Incarnation brought together the earthly and heavenly realm, fill you with the gift of his peace and favor and make you sharers with the Church in heaven. *R. / Amen.*

May almighty God bless you, the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit. *R. / Amen.*

Deacon: Go in peace. *R. / Thanks be to God.*

# Joy to the World



1. Joy to the world! the Lord is come: Let  
 2. Joy to the world! the Sav - ior reigns: Let  
 3. No more let sin and sor - rows grow, Nor  
 4. He rules the world with truth and grace, And



earth re - ceive her King; Let ev - 'ry  
 us, our songs em - ploy; While fields and  
 thorns in - fest the ground; He comes to  
 makes the na - tions prove The glo - ries



heart pre - pare him room, And  
 floods, rocks, hills and plains Re -  
 make his bless - ings flow Far  
 of his right - eous - ness, And



heav'n and na - ture sing, And heav'n and na - ture  
 peat the sound - ing joy, Re - peat the sound - ing  
 as the curse is found, Far as the curse is  
 won - ders of his love, And won - ders of his



sing, And heav'n, and heav'n and na - ture sing,  
 joy, Re - peat, re - peat the sound - ing joy.  
 found, Far as, far as the curse is found.  
 love, And won - ders, won - ders 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 Times*, 1833.

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*to celebrate the completion of the Cathedral's Great Organ and the*

### Feast of the Baptism of the Lord

Cathedral Organist, Paul Hardy

*featuring the works of J.S. Bach, Frank Bridge, Joseph Jongen, Herbert Howells, and Keith Chapman*

Sunday January 10, 2021

3:30pm

*Live-streamed and in person, (with masks and social distancing.)*

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