Cathedral of Saint Matthew the Apostle

Washington, District of Columbia



Christmas Day Mass December 25, 2020 10:00 am

Celebration of the Eucharist

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

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

ORGAN PRELUDE

J.S. Bach, arr. R. Gower

SINFONIA FROM CHRISTMAS ORATORIO

VOCAL PRELUDE

MARIA WIEGENLIED

Max Reger

ENTRANCE HYMN

O Come, All Ye Faithful / Adeste Fideles

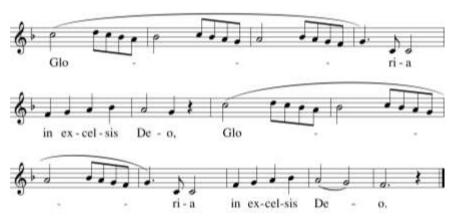


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PENITENTIAL ACT

GLORIA

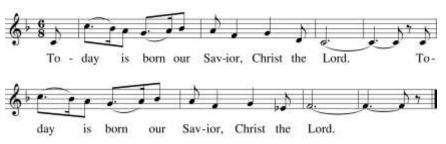
Hughes/Hommerding



OPENING PRAYER

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Howard Hughes



Text: Psalm 96: verses trans. Ø 1990. Confraternity of Christian Doctrine, Washington, D.C.; refmin trans. Ø 1969, ICEL. Music: Howard Hughes, SM, Ø 1976. GEA Publications, Inc.

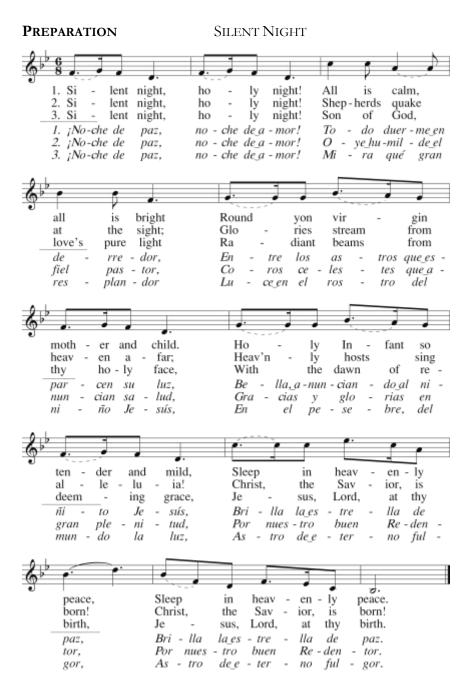
GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

ALLELUIA

Gerald Muller



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Text: Stille Nacke, beilige Nacht; Joseph Mehr, 1792–1848; English tr. by John F. Young, 1820–1885; Spanish tr. by Federico Fliedner, 1845–1901
Tune: STILLE NACHT, 66 89 66; Franz X. Gruber, 1787–1865

DEUTSCHE MESSE

LAMB OF GOD

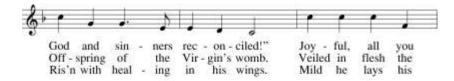
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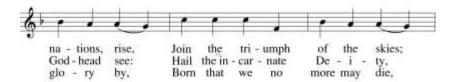
COMMUNION HYMN HARK THE HERALD ANGELS SING



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









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!"

RECESSIONAL JOY TO THE WORLD



lext: Psalm 98; Isaac Watts, 1674-1748

lune: ANTIOCH, CM; arr. from George F. Handel, 1685-1759, in T. Hawkes' Collection of Times, 1833

POSTLUDE

IN DULCI JUBILO, BWV 729

J.S. BACH

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