

# Cathedral of Saint Matthew the Apostle

*Washington, District of Columbia*



## **Christmas Vigil Mass**

**December 24, 2020**

**4:00 pm**

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### **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

**PRELUDE**

SELECTIONS FORM THE MESSIAH

G. F. HANDEL

*Comfort Ye/ Every Valley*

*O Thou That Tellest*

**ENTRANCE HYMN     O COME ALL YE FAITHFUL**

O come, all ye faithful, joyful and triumphant!  
O come ye, O come ye to Bethlehem!  
Come and behold him, born the King of angels;

**O come, let us adore him,  
O come, let us adore him,  
O come, let us adore him, Christ, the Lord!**

God of God, Light of Light eternal,  
Lo! he abhors not the Virgin's womb;  
Son of the Father, begotten, not created, [Refrain]

**PENITENTIAL ACT**

**GLORIA                     THE GLENDALOUGH MASS**

**OPENING PRAYER**

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM** Gerald Muller  
Today is born our Savior, Christ the Lord.

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION     ALLELUIA                     Gerald Muller**

**PREPARATION             Away in a Manger             Kirkpatrick/Willcocks**



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**EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER ACCLAMATIONS**

**THE GLENDALOUGH MASS**

**LAMB OF GOD             THE GLENDALOUGH MASS**



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,  
 1. ¡No-che de paz, no - che de a - mor! To - do duer - me en  
 2. ¡No-che de paz, no - che de a - mor! O - ye hu - mil - de el  
 3. ¡No-che de paz, no - che de a - mor! Mi - ra qué gran



all is bright Round yon vir - gin  
 at the sight; Glo - ries stream from  
 love's pure light Ra - diant beams from  
 de - rre - dor, En - tre los as - tros que es -  
 fiel pas - tor, Co - ros ce - les - tes que a -  
 res - plan - dor Lu - ce en el ros - tro del



moth - er and child. Ho - ly In - fant so  
 heav - en a - far; Heav'n - ly hosts sing  
 thy ho - ly face, With the dawn of re -  
 par - cen su luz, Be - lla, a - nun - cian - do al ni -  
 nun - cian sa - lud, Gra - cias y glo - rias en  
 ni - ño Je - sús, En el pe - se - bre, del



ten - der and mild, Sleep in heav - en - ly  
 al - le - lu - ia! Christ, the Sav - ior, is  
 deem - ing grace, Je - sus, Lord, at thy  
 ñi - to Je - sús, Bri - lla la es - tre - lla de  
 gran ple - ni - tud, Por nues - tro buen Re - den -  
 mun - do la luz, As - tro de e - ter - no ful -



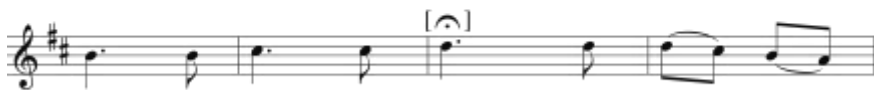
peace, Sleep in heav - en - ly peace.  
 born! Christ, the Sav - ior, is born!  
 birth, Je - sus, Lord, at thy birth.  
 paz, Bri - lla la es - tre - lla de paz.  
 tor, Por nues - tro buen Re - den - tor.  
 gor, As - tro de e - ter - no ful - gor.

## RECESSIONAL

## JOY TO THE WORLD



1. Joy to the world, the Lord is come! Let  
 2. Joy to the earth, the Sav - ior reigns! Let  
 3. No more let sin and sor - row 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 heav'n and na - ture  
 floods, rocks, hills and plains Re - peat the sound - ing  
 make his bless - ings flow Far as the curse is  
 of his right - eous - ness, And won - ders of his



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



heav'n, and heav'n and na - ture sing.  
 peat, re - peat the sound - ing joy.  
 as, far as the curse is found.  
 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 Tunes*, 1833

## POSTLUDE

## Jamaican Noel

Kirby Shaw