

PREFACE ACCLAMATION

Ho-ly, Ho-ly, Ho-ly Lord God of hosts.  
Heav'n and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho-  
san-na in the high-est, ho-san-na in the high-est.  
Blessed 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

When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup, we pro-  
claim your Death, O Lord, un-til you come a-gain.

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AMEN

A-men, a-men. a - - - men.

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COMMUNION RITE

LORD'S PRAYER & SIGN OF PEACE

LAMB OF GOD

Lamb of God, you take a-way the sins of the  
world, have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you  
take a-way the sins of the world, grant us peace.

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COMMUNION PROCESSION

ANTIPHON The Word of God Became Flesh

The Word of God be-came flesh.  
The Word of God made his  
dwell-ing a-mong us. We have  
seen his glo-ry, his glo-ry.

Text: John 1:14, alt. Psalm 98: 1-9ab  
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HYMN What Child is This

1. What child is this, who, laid to rest, On Mary's lap is sleeping?  
Whom angels greet with anthems sweet, While shepherds watch are keeping?

*Refrain:* This, this is Christ the King, Whom shepherds guard and angels sing;  
Haste, haste to bring him laud, The babe, the son of Mary.

2. Why lies he in such mean estate Where ox and ass are feeding?  
Good Christian, fear: for sinners here The silent Word is pleading. *Ref.*
3. So bring him incense, gold, and myrrh, Come peasant, king, to own him;  
The King of kings salvation brings, Let loving hearts enthrone him. *Ref.*

Text: 87 87 with refrain; Bramley and Stainer's Christmas Carols New and Old, 1871; William C. Dix, 1837-1898. Music: Trad.  
English melody, 16th cent.; Bramley and Stainer's Christmas Carols New and Old, 1871.

CONCLUDING RITES

BLESSING & DISMISSAL

HYMN Joy to the World

1. Joy to the world! the Lord is come; Let earth receive her King; Let ev'ry heart prepare him room, And heav'n and nature sing, And heav'n and nature sing, And heav'n, and heav'n and nature sing.
2. He rules the world with truth and grace, And makes the nations prove The glories of his righteousness, And wonders of his love, And wonders of his love, And wonders, wonders of his love.

Text: CM with repeats; based on Psalm 98:4-9; Isaac Watts, 1674-1748, alt. Music: T. Hawkes' Collection of Tunes, 1833;  
George Frideric Handel, 1685-1759; adapt. by Lowell Mason, 1792-1872, alt.



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INTRODUCTORY RITES

HYMN Hark! The Herald Angels Sing

1. Hark! the her-ald an-gels sing: "Glo-ry to the  
2. Christ, by high-est heav'n a-dored,  
3. Hail the heav'n-born Prince of Peace!  
Christ, the ev-er-Hail the Son of  
new-born King; Peace on earth, and mer-cy mild,  
last-ing Lord; Late in time, be-hold him come,  
Righ-teous-ness! Light and life to all he brings,  
God and sin-ners rec-on-ciled!" Joy-ful, all ye  
Off-spring of a 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 th'in-car-nate De-it-ty!  
glo-ry by, Born that man no more may die,  
With an-gele-c host pro-claim: Christ is born in Beth-le hem!  
Pleased as man with man 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.

Text: Charles Wesley, 1707-1788, alt.  
Music: MENDELSSOHN 77 77 D with Refrain. Felix Mendelssohn-Bartholdy, 1809-1847, Arr. by William H. Cummings, 1831-1915

SIGN OF THE CROSS & GREETING

PENITENTIAL ACT

## GLORIA

Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and on earth peace to peo-ple of good will. We praise you, we bless you, we a-dore you, we glo-ri-fy you, we give you thanks for your great glo - ry, Lord God, heav'n-ly King, O God, al - might - y Fa - ther.

Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, lamb of God, Son of the Fa-ther, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us; you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer; you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us

For you a-lone are the Ho-ly One, you a - lone are the Lord, you a - lone are the Most High, Je-sus Christ, with the Ho-ly Spir-it, in the glo - ry of God the Fa-ther, A - - - men.

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## READING I

## PSALM 128

## Blessed are Those

Bless-ed are those who fear the Lord and walk in his ways.

Text: Refrain trans., *Lectionary for Mass*, © 1969, 1981, 1997, ICEL; verses, *New American Bible*, © 1970, Confraternity of Christian Doctrine  
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1. Blessed is everyone who fears the Lord, who walks in his ways! For you shall eat the fruit of your handiwork; blessed shall you be, and favored.

2. Your wife shall be like a fruitful vine in the recessed of your home; your children like olive plants around your table.

3. Behold, thus is the man blessed who fears the Lord, The Lord bless you from Zion: may you see the prosperity of Jerusalem all the days of your life.

## READING II

## ACCLAMATION

Alleluia!

Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia.

Based on *In Dulci Jubilo*

Let the peace of Christ control your hearts;  
let the word of Christ dwell in you richly

## GOSPEL

## HOMILY

## CREED

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.

## UNIVERSAL PRAYER

## LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

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## PREPARATION OF THE ALTAR &amp; GIFTS

## HYMN Angels from the Realms

1. An - gels, from the realms of glo - ry,  
2. Shep - herds, in the fields a - bid - ing,  
3. Sag - es, leave your con - tem - pla - tions,  
4. Though an in - fant now we view him,

Wing your flight o'er all the earth; You who sang cre -  
Watch - ing o'er your flocks by night, God on earth is  
Bright - er vi - sions beam a - far; Seek the great De -  
He shall fill his heavn' - ly throne, Gath - er all the

a - tion's sto - ry, Now pro - claim Mes - si - ah's birth:  
now re - sid - ing; Yon - der shines the in - fant light:  
sire of Na - tions, You have seen his na - tal star:  
na - tions to him; Ev - 'ry knee shall then bow down:

Come and wor - ship, come and wor - ship,

Wor - ship Christ, the new - born King.

Text: Vss. 1-3, James Montgomery, 1771-1854; Vs. 4, *Christmas Box*, 1825  
Tune: REGENT SQUARE, 8 7 8 7 with refrain; Henry Smart, 1813-1879

