

The Nativity of the Lord



25th December 2020
The Third Mass, of the Day, 11.00

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Organ—Whence is this goodly fragrance

Harrison Oxley

Please stand when the bell rings to announce the entrance of the Ministers.

Introit—Isaiah 9, 6.

Please kneel and stand as the servers so do.

PUER natus est nobis, et filius datus est nobis: cujus impérium super húmerum ejus: et vocábitur nomen ejus magni consílii Angelus. *Ps. 97, 1.* Cantáte Dómino cánticum novum, quia mirabília fecit. *¶* Glória Patri. Puer natus.

UNTO us a child is born, unto us a son is given: and the government shall be upon his shoulder: and his name shall be called Angel of mighty counsel. *Ps. 98, 1.* O sing unto the Lord a new song: for he hath done marvellous things. *¶* Glory be. Unto us.

Kyrie Eleison—Missa ‘O Magnum Mysterium’

Tomás Luis de Victoria

Kýrie, eléison. *ijj.* Christe, eléison. *ijj.*
Kýrie, eléison. *ijj.*

Lord, have mercy upon us. *ijj.* Christ, have mercy upon us. *ijj.* Lord, have mercy upon us. *ijj.*

Gloria in excelsis

Please remain standing until the Ministers sit, then all sit.

GLORIA in excélsis Deo, et in terra pax homínibus bonæ voluntátis. Laudámus te. Benedícimus te. Adorámus te. Glorificámus te. Grátias ágimus tibi propter magnam glóriam tuam. Dómine Deus, Rex cæléstis, Deus Pater omnípotens. Dómine Fili unigénite, Jesu Christe. Dómine Deus, Agnus Dei, Fílius Patris. Qui tollis peccáta mundi, miserére nobis. Qui tollis peccáta mundi, súscipe deprecationem nostram. Qui sedes ad dexteram Patris, miserére nobis. Quóniam tu solus Sanctus. Tu solus Dóminus. Tu solus Altíssimus, Jesu Christe. Cum Sancto Spírítu, *✠* in glória Dei Patris. Amen.

GLORY be to God on high. And in earth peace good will towards men. We praise thee. We bless thee. We worship thee. We glorify thee. We give thanks to thee for thy great glory. O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father almighty. O Lord, the only-begotten Son Jesu Christ. O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father. That takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us. Thou that takest away the sins of the world, receive our prayer. Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us. For thou only art Holy. Thou only art the Lord. Thou only, O Jesu Christ, with the Holy Ghost, *✠* art Most High in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

¶ The Lord be with you. *℞* And with thy spirit.

Please stand for the Collect.

Let us pray.

GRANT, we beseech thee, almighty God: that we who through our ancient bondage are held beneath the yoke of sin; may by the new Birth of thy only-begotten Son in the flesh obtain deliverance. Through the same. *℞* Amen.

The Epistle

Please be seated.

The Lesson from the Epistle of blessed Paul the Apostle to the Hebrews. Heb. 1, 1-12

GOD, who at sundry times and in divers manners spake in time past unto the fathers by the Prophets: hath in these last days spoken unto us by his Son, whom he hath appointed heir of all things, by whom also he made the worlds: who being the brightness of his glory, and the express image of his person, and upholding all things by the word of his power, when he had by himself purged our sins, sat down on the right hand of the Majesty on high: being made so much better than the Angels, as he hath by inheritance obtained a more excellent name than they. For unto which of the Angels said he at any time: Thou art my Son, this day have I begotten thee? And again, I will be to him a Father, and he shall be to me a Son? And again, when he bringeth in the First-begotten into the world, he saith: And let all the angels of God worship him. And of the Angels he saith: Who maketh his angels spirits, and his ministers a flame of fire. But unto the Son he saith: Thy throne, O God, is for ever and ever: a sceptre of righteousness is the sceptre of thy kingdom. Thou hast loved righteousness, and hated iniquity: therefore God, even thy God, hath anointed thee with the oil of gladness above thy fellows. And: Thou, Lord, in the beginning hast laid the foundation of the earth: and the heavens are the works of thine hands. They shall perish, but thou remainest; and they all shall wax old as doth a garment: and as a vesture shalt thou fold them up, and they shall be changed: but thou art the same, and thy years shall not fail. *℟*: Thanks be to God.

Graduale. Ps. 98, 4-5 & 3. Vidérunt omnes fines terræ salutare Dei nostri: jubiláte Deo, omnis terra. *℣*. Notum fecit Dominus salutare suum: ante conspéctum géntium revelávit justitiam suam.

Allelúja, allelúja. *℣*. Dies sanctificátus illúxit nobis: veníte, gentes, et adoráte Dóminum: quia hódie descéndit lux magna super terram. Allelúja.

Gradual. Ps. 98, 4-5 & 3. All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God: O be joyful in God, all ye lands. *℣*. The Lord hath declared his salvation: in the sight of the heathen hath he openly shewed his righteousness.

Alleluia, alleluia. *℣*. A hallowed day hath dawned upon us: come, ye nations, and worship the Lord: for on this day a great light hath descended upon the earth. Alleluia.

The Holy Gospel

Please stand for the Gospel.

℣. The Lord be with you. *℟*. And with thy spirit. John 1, 1-14

✠ The Beginning of the holy Gospel according to John. *℟*. Glory be to thee, O Lord.

IN the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. The same was in the beginning with God. All things were made by Him: and without Him was not anything made that was made. In Him was life, and the life was the light of men: and the light shineth in darkness, and the darkness comprehended it not. There was a man sent from

God, whose name was John. The same came for a witness, to bear witness of the light, that all men through him might believe. He was not that light, but was sent to bear witness of that light. That was the true light, which lighteth every man that cometh into the world. He was in the world, and the world was made by him, and the world knew him not. He came unto his own, and his own received him not. But as many as received him, to them gave he power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on his name: which were born, not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God. *Here genuflect:* And the Word was made flesh, *Here rise:* and dwelt among us: and we beheld his glory, the glory as of the Only-begotten of the Father, full of grace and truth. ℞ Praise be to thee, O Christ.

1940 Hymnal N° 13—While shepherds watched their flocks

Winchester Old

While shepherds watched their flocks by night,

All seated on the ground,

The angel of the Lord came down,

And glory shone around.

2. “Fear not!” said he, for mighty dread

Had seized their troubled mind.

“Glad tidings of great joy I bring

To you and all mankind.

3. “To you, in David’s town, this day

Is born of David’s line

The Savior, who is Christ the Lord,

And this shall be the sign.

4. “The heavenly Babe you there shall find

To human view displayed,

All meanly wrapped in swathing bands,

And in a manger laid.”

5. Thus spake the seraph and forthwith

Appeared a shining throng

Of angels praising God who thus,

Addressed their joyful song:

6. “All glory be to God on high,

And to the Earth be peace;

Good will henceforth from heav’n to men

Begin and never cease!”

Homily—Fr Alton

Please be seated.

Nicene Creed

CREDO in unum Deum, Patrem Omnipotentem, factorem cæli et terræ, visibílium ómnium et invisibílium. Et in unum Dóminum Jesum Christum, Fílium Dei unigénitum. Et ex Patre natum ante ómnia sæcula. Deum de Deo, lumen de lúmine, Deum verum de Deo vero. Génitum, non factum, consubstantiálem Patri: per quem ómnia facta sunt. Qui propter nos hómines et propter nostram salutem descendit de cælis. *Here genuflect.* Et incarnátus est de Spírítu Sancto ex María Vírgine: Et homo factus est. *Here arise.* Crucifixus étiam pro nobis: sub Póntio Piláto passus, et sepúltus est. Et resurrexit tértia die, secúndum Scriptúras. Et ascéndit in cælum: sedet ad dexteram Patris. Et íterum ventúrus est cum glória judicáre vivos et mórtuos: cujus regni non erit finis. Et in Spírítum Sanctum, Dóminum et vivificántem: qui ex Patre Filióque procedit. Qui cum Patre et Fílio simul adorátur, et conglorificatur: qui locútus est per Prophétas. Et unam, sanctam, cathólicam et apostólicam Ecclésiám. Confíteor unum baptísma in remissionem peccatórum. Et expécto resurrectionem mortuórum, et vitam ✠ ventúri sæculi. Amen

Then the Celebrant sings:

∴ The Lord be with you. ☩ And with thy spirit. ∴ Let us pray.

Offertorium. Ps. 88, 12 & 15. Tui sunt cœli et tua est terra: orbem terrárum et plenitúdinem ejus tu fundásti: justítia et judícium præparátio sedis tuæ.

Please stand for the Creed.

IBELIEVE in one God. The Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible. And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God. Begotten of his Father before all worlds, God of God, light of light, very God of very God. Begotten not made, being of one substance with the Father: by whom all things were made. Who for us men, and for our salvation came down from heaven. *Here genuflect.* And was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary: And was made man. *Here arise.* And was crucified also for us: under Pontius Pilate he suffered, and was buried. And the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures. And ascended into heaven: and sitteth on the right hand of the Father. And he shall come again with glory to judge both the quick and the dead: Whose kingdom shall have no end. And I believe in the Holy Ghost, the Lord, and giver of life: who proceedeth from the Father and the Son. Who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified: who spake by the Prophets. And I believe one holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins. And I look for the resurrection of the dead. ✠ And the life of the world to come. Amen.

Offertory. Ps. 89, 12 & 15. The heavens are thine, the earth also is thine: thou hast laid the foundation of the round world, and all that therein is: righteousness and equity are the habitation of thy seat.

1940 Hymnal N° 42—Angels we have heard

Gloria

Angels we have heard on high
Singing sweetly through the night,
And the mountains in reply
Echoing their brave delight.

Gloria, in excelsis Deo! Gloria, in excelsis Deo!

2. Shepherds, why this jubilee?
Why these songs of happy cheer?
What great brightness did you see?
What glad tidings did you hear?

Gloria, in excelsis Deo! Gloria, in excelsis Deo!

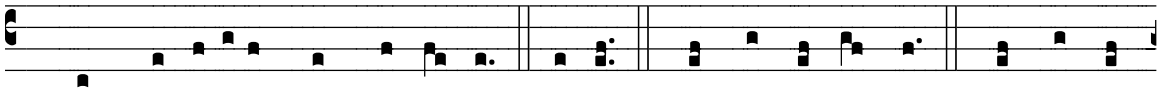
3. Come to Bethlehem and see
Christ Whose birth the angels sing;
Come, adore on bended knee,
Christ the Lord, the newborn King.

Gloria, in excelsis Deo! Gloria, in excelsis Deo!

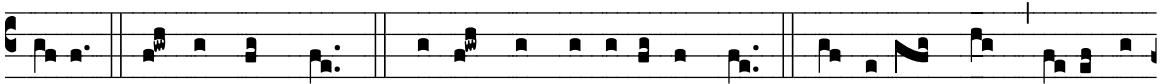
4. See Him in a manger laid,
Whom the choirs of angels praise;
Mary, Joseph, lend your aid,
While we raise our hearts in love.

Gloria, in excelsis Deo! Gloria, in excelsis Deo!

Preface of the Nativity



Throughout all ages, world without end. *℞* Amen. *℣* The Lord be with you. *℞* And with thy



spirit. *℣* Lift up your hearts. *℞* We lift them up unto the Lord. *℣* Let us give thanks unto our



Lord God. *℞* It is meet and right so to do.

IT is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, Holy Father, Almighty, Everlasting God: Because through the mystery of the Word made flesh, the light of thy glory hath shone anew upon the eyes of our mind: that as we acknowledge God made visible to man, we may through him be caught up to love of things invisible. And therefore with Angels and Archangels, with Thrones and Dominations, and with all the company of the heavenly host, we sing the majesty of thy glory, evermore praising thee, and saying:

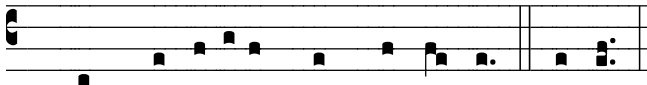
Sanctus & Benedictus

SANCTUS, Sanctus, Sanctus, Dóminus Deus Sábaoth. Pleni sunt cæli et terra glória tua. Hosánna in excelsis. ✠ Benedíctus qui venit in nómine Dómini. Hosánna in excélsis.

HOLY, holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts. Heaven and earth are full of Thy Glory. Hosanna in the highest. ✠ Blessed is He that cometh in the Name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Canon of the Mass

Please kneel for the Canon.

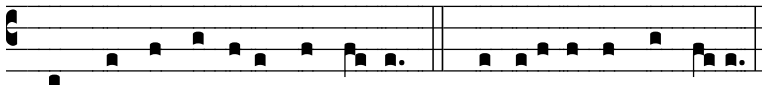


Throughout all ages, world without end. *℞* Amen.

Our Father

Let us pray: Comanded by saving precepts, and taught by divine institution, we are bold to say:

OUR Father, which art in heaven: hallowed be thy Name: Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done, in earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread: And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive them that trespass against us:

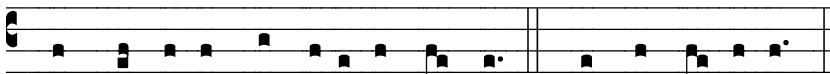


And lead us not into temptation. *℞* But deliver us from e-vil.

The Pax



Throughout all ages, world without end. *℞* Amen.



The peace of the Lord be alway with you. *℞* And with thy spirit.

Agnus Dei

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccáta mundi:
miserére nobis.

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccáta mundi:
miserére nobis.

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccáta mundi:
dona nobis pacem.

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the
world: have mercy upon us.

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the
world: have mercy upon us.

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the
world: grant us thy peace.

*Communio. Ps. 97, 3. Vidérunt omnes fines
terræ salutáre Dei nostri.*

*Communion. Ps. 98, 4. All the ends of the earth
have seen the salvation of our God.*

∿ The Lord be with you. ☩ And with thy spirit.

Please stand for the Postcommunion

Let us pray.

GRANT, we beseech thee, almighty God: that like as thy Son, born this day the Saviour of the world, is the author of our heavenly birth; so he may likewise bestow on us the gift of everlasting life: Who liveth. ☩ Amen.

Dismissal

∿ The Lord be with you. ☩ And with thy spirit.

(M.M. ♪ = 132.)

3. 
(*mi-do*) I- te, mis- sa est.
Dé- o grá- ti- as.

Blessing

All kneel for the Blessing.

May Almighty God bless you, the Father the Son, ☩ and the Holy Ghost. ☩ Amen.

The Last Gospel

All stand for the Last Gospel.

∿ The Lord be with you. ☩ And with thy spirit.

Matthew 2, 33-40

☩ The Continuation of the holy Gospel according to Matthew. ☩ Glory be to thee, O Lord.

WHEN Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judæa in the days of Herod the king, behold, there came wise men from the east to Jerusalem, saying: Where is he that is born King of the Jews? for we have seen his star in the east, and are come to worship him. When Herod the king had heard these things, he was troubled, and all Jerusalem with him. And when he had gathered all the chief priests and scribes of the people together, he demanded of them where Christ should be born. And they said unto him: In Bethlehem of Judæa: for thus it is written by the prophet: And thou Bethlehem, in the land of Juda, art not the least among the princes of Juda; for out of thee shall come a

Governor that shall rule my people Israel. Then Herod, when he had privily called the wise men, enquired of them diligently what time the star appeared: and he sent them to Bethlehem, and said: Go and search diligently for the young child: and when ye have found him, bring me word again, that I may come and worship him also. When they had heard the king, they departed. And lo, the star which they saw in the East went before them, till it came and stood over where the young Child was. When they saw the star, they rejoiced with exceeding great joy. And when they were come into the house, they saw the young Child with Mary his Mother, *Here genuflect*, and fell down, and worshipped him. *Here arise*. And when they had opened their treasures, they presented unto him gifts, gold, and frankincense, and myrrh. And being warned of God in a dream that they should not return to Herod, they departed into their own country another way. ℞. Thanks be to God.

1940 Hymnal N° 27—Hark! the herald Angels

Mendelssohn

Hark! The herald angels sing, “Glory to the newborn King; Peace on earth, and mercy mild, God and sinners reconciled!” Joyful, all ye nations rise, Join the triumph of the skies; With th’angelic host proclaim, “Christ is born in Bethlehem!” Hark! the herald angels sing, “Glory to the newborn King!”	2. Christ, by highest Heav’n adored; Christ the everlasting Lord; Late in time, behold Him come, Offspring of the Virgin’s womb. Veiled in flesh the Godhead see; Hail th’incarnate Deity, Pleased as man with man to dwell, Jesus, our Emmanuel. Hark! the herald angels sing, “Glory to the newborn King!”
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3. Mild He lays His glory by,
Born that man no more may die.
Born to raise the sons of earth,
Born to give them second birth.
Ris’n with healing in His wings.
Light and life to all He brings,
Hail the Sun of Righteousness!
Hail the heav’n-born Prince of Peace!
Hark! the herald angels sing,
“Glory to the newborn King!”

Organ—In dulci jubilo ‘in organo pleno’

Johann Sebastian Bach

Anniversaries

- 22 December Benjamin Stewart Bert, Priest, RIP (1942)
- 23 December Elizabeth Livingston Kelley, Benefactress, RIP (1928)
Edward Fredrick Lindley Wood, Viscount Halifax, RIP (1959)
Anne Ashburn, Benefactress, RIP (1967)
William Hampton Brady, Bishop, RIP (1996)
- 24 December Daniel Ingalls Odell, Priest, RIP (1925)
- 25 December Josephine Gertrude Barron, Benefactress, RIP (1984)
- 26 December Henry Clay Borden, Benefactor, RIP
Samuel Charles Borden, Benefactor, RIP (1916)
- 27 December Elizabeth Jackson Baker, Benefactress, RIP (1966)
Anna Irene Ramage, Benefactress, RIP (1959)
- 28 December Frederick Spies Penfold, Priest & Curate, RIP (1926)
Gilbert Ramsey Underhill, Priest & Curate, RIP (1937)
Thomas Barclay Prichett, Benefactor, RIP (1936)



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Sunday

Low Mass 8.00

Rosary 10.30

Sung Mass 11.00

Vespers & Benediction 3.00

Monday–Friday

Low Mass 12.10

Vespers & Novena 5.30

Saturday

Low Mass 10.00

Rosary 10.30

(1ST Saturdays)

Vespers & Novena 3.00