

The Fourth Sunday in Advent

Expectation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

18 December 2022

Solemn Mass 11.00

Organ—Nun Komm, der Heiden Heiland, BWV 659

Johann Sebastian Bach

The Asperges

Ant. Aspérges me, Dómine, hyssópo, et mundábor; lavábis me, et super nivem dealbábor. *Ps. 50, 1.* Miserére mei Deus, secúndum magnam misericórdiam tuam. *℣* Glória Patri, et Fílio, et Spirítui Sancto. Sicut erat in princípío, et nunc, et semper, et in sácula sæculórum. Amen. Aspérges me.

Ant. Thou shalt purge me, O Lord, with hyssop, and I shall be clean: thou shalt wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow. *Ps. 51, 1.* Have mercy upon me, O God, after thy great goodness. *℣* Glory be to the Father, and to the Son; and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be: world without end. Amen. Thou shalt purge.

℣ O Lord show thy mercy upon us. *℞* And grant us thy salvation.

℣ O Lord, hear my prayer; *℞* And let my cry come unto thee.

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

Let us pray.

GRACIOUSLY hear us, O Lord holy, Father almighty, everlasting God: and vouchsafe to send thy holy angel from heaven to guard and cherish, to protect and visit, and to defend all who dwell in this thy holy habitation. Through Christ our Lord. *℞* Amen.

Introit—Isaiah 45, 8

RORATE cœli, désuper, et nubes pluant justum: aperiátur terra, et gérmínet Salvatórem. *Ps. 108, 2.* Cœli enárrant glóriam Dei: et ópera mánuum ejus annúntiat firmaméntum. *℣* Glória Patri. Rorate cœli.

Please kneel and stand as the servers so do.

DROP down, ye heavens, from above, and let the skies pour down righteousness: let the earth open, and bring forth the Saviour. *Ps. 109, 1.* The heavens declare the glory of God: and the firmament sheweth his handy-work. *℣* Glory be. Drop down.

Kyrie Eleison—Missa super Mon Cœur se recommande à vous

Orlandus Lassus

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.*

℣ The Lord be with you. ℞ And with thy spirit.

Please stand for the Collects.

Let us pray.

STIR up, we beseech thee, O Lord, thy power and come: and with great might succour us; that whereas through our sins we are sore let and hindered, thy bountiful grace and mercy may speedily help and deliver us: Who livest. ℞ Amen.

Let us pray.

O GOD, who wast pleased that thy Word should take flesh of the womb of the Blessed Virgin Mary at the message of an Angel: grant to us thy humble servants; that we, believing her to be indeed the Mother of God, may by her intercession be holpen in thy sight. Through the same. ℞ Amen.

The Epistle

Please be seated.

The Lesson from the Epistle of blessed Paul the Apostle to the Corinthians. I Cor. 4, 1–5

BRETHREN: Let a man so account of us, as of the ministers of Christ, and stewards of the mysteries of God. Moreover it is required in stewards, that a man be found faithful. But with me it is a very small thing that I should be judged of you, or of man's judgment: yea, I judge not mine own self. For I know nothing by myself: yet am I not hereby justified: but he that judgeth me is the Lord. Therefore judge nothing before the time, until the Lord come: who both will bring to light the hidden things of darkness, and will make manifest the counsels of the hearts: and then shall every man have praise of God. ℞ Thanks be to God.

Graduale. Ps. 144, 18 & 21. Prope est Dóminus ómnibus invocántibus eum: ómnibus, qui ínvocant eum in veritáte. ℣ Laudem Dómini loquétur os meum: et benedícat omnis caro nomen sanctum ejus.

Allelúja, allelúja. ℣ Veni, Dómine, et noli tardáre: reláxa facínora plebis tuæ Israë. Allelúja.

Gradual. Ps. 145, 18 & 21. The Lord is nigh unto all them that call upon him: yea, all such as call upon him faithfully. ℣ My mouth shall speak the praise of the Lord: and let all flesh give thanks unto his holy name.

Alleluia, alleluia. ℣ Come, O Lord, and tarry not: forgive the misdeeds of thy people Israel. Alleluia.

The Holy Gospel

Please stand for the Gospel.

℣ The Lord be with you. ℞ And with thy spirit.

Luke 3, 1–6

℣ ✠ The Continuation of the Holy Gospel according to Luke. ℞ Glory be to thee, O Lord.

IN the fifteenth year of the reign of Tiberius Cæsar, Pontius Pilate being governor of Judæa, and Herod being tetrarch of Galilee, and his brother Philip tetrarch of Ituræa and of the region of Trachonitis, and Lysanias the tetrarch of Abilene, Annas and Caiaphas being the high priests, the word of God came unto John the son of Zacharias in the wilderness. And he came into all the country about Jordan, preaching the baptism of repentance for the remission of sins, as it is written in the book

of the words of Esaias the prophet, saying: The voice of one crying in the wilderness: Prepare ye the way of the Lord: make his paths straight: every valley shall be filled: and every mountain and hill shall be brought low: and the crooked shall be made straight, and the rough ways shall be made smooth: and all flesh shall see the salvation of God. ℞. Praise be to thee, O Christ.

Hymn—Like the dawning

Köln



Like the dawning of the morning
On the mountain's golden heights,
Like the breaking of the moonbeams
On the gloom of cloudy nights,
Like a secret told by angels
Getting known upon the earth,
Is the mother's expectation
Of Messiah's speedy birth.

2. Thou wert happy, blessed Mother,
With the very bliss of Heav'n,
Since the angel's salutation
In thy raptured ear was giv'n,
Since the Ave of that midnight
When thou wert anointed Queen,
Like a river overflowing
Hath the grace within thee been.

3. Thou hast waited, child of David,
And thy waiting now is o'er.
Thou hast seen him, blessed Mother,
And wilt see him evermore.
Oh, his human face and features,
They were passing sweet to see!
Thou beholdest him this moment,
Mother, show them now to me.

Homily—Fr Lanier

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. *Genusflect.* Et incarnátus est de Spíritu Sancto ex María Virgine: Et homo factus est. *Arise.* Crucifixus étiam pro nobis: sub Póntio Piláto passus, et sepúltus est. Et resurrexit tértia die, secúndum Scriptúras. Et ascendit in cælum: sedet ad dexteram Patris. Et íterum ventúrus est cum glória judicáre vivos et mórtuos: cujus regni non erit finis. Et in Spíritum Sanctum, Dóminum et vivificántem: qui ex Patre Filió que procedit. Qui cum Patre et Fílio simul adorátur, et conglorificátur: qui locútus est per Prophétas. Et unam, sanctam, cathólicam et apostólicam Ecclésiám. Confíteor unum baptísma in remissionem peccatórum. Et exspécto resurrectionem mortuórum, ☩ et vitam ventúri sæculi. Amen.

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

Offertorium. Luc. 1, 28. Ave, María, grátia plena; Dóminus tecum: benedícta tu in muliéribus, et benedíctus fructus ventris tui.

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. *Genusflect.* And was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary: And was made man. *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. Luke 1, 28. Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee: blessed art thou among women, and blessed is the fruit of thy womb.

Hymn—There's a voice

Ascension



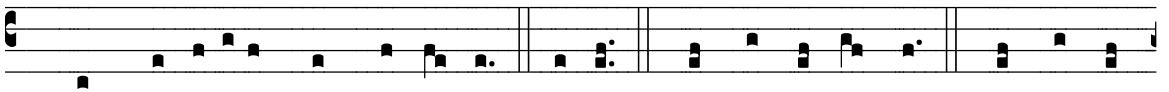
There's a voice in the wilderness crying,
A cry from the ways untrod:
Prepare in the desert a highway,
A highway for our God!
The valleys shall be exalted,
The lofty hills brought low:
Make straight all the crooked places,
Where the Lord our God may go.

2. O Zion, that bringest good tidings,
Get thee up to the heights and sing!
Proclaim to a desolate people
The coming of their King:
Like the flowers of the field they perish,
The works of men decay,
The power and pomp of nations
Shall pass like a dream away.

3. But the world of our God endureth,
The arm of the Lord is strong;
He stands in the midst of nations,
And he will right the wrong:
He shall feed his flock like a shepherd,
And fold the lambs to his breast;
In pastures of peace he'll lead them,
And give to the weary rest.

4. There's a voice in the wilderness crying,
A cry from the ways untrod:
Prepare in the desert a highway,
A highway for our God!
The valleys shall be exalted,
The lofty hills brought low:
Make straight all the crooked places,
Where the Lord our God may go.

Solemn Preface of Advent



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: through Christ our Lord. Who in thy mercy and faithfulness didst promise a Saviour to the fallen human race, that his truth might instruct the ignorant; his holiness justify the wicked, and his power give aid to the helpless. Now the time draweth nigh for the coming of him whom thou wilt send, and the day of our liberation is dawning, so with faith in thy promises we rejoice with holy exultation. 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:

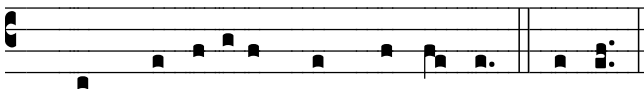
Sanctus & Benedictus

SANCTUS, Sanctus, Sanctus, Dóminus Deus Sábaoth. Pleni sunt cæli et terra glória tua. Hosánna in excélsis. ☩ 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.

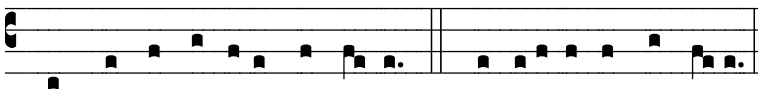


Throughout all ages, world without end. ☩ Amen.

Our Father

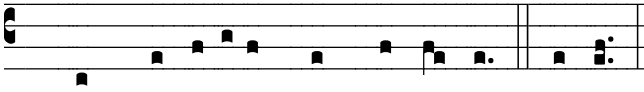
Let us pray: Commanded by saving precepts, and taught by divine institution, we are bold to say:

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

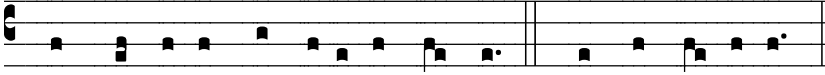


And lead us not into temptation. ☩ But deliver us from e-vil.

The Pax



Throughout all ages, world without end. R̄ Amen.



The peace of the Lord be alway with you. R̄ 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.

Communion of the Faithful

∿ Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who taketh away the sins of the world. R̄ Lord, I am not worthy, that thou shouldest come under my roof: but speak the word only, and my soul shall be healed. [*Repeated thrice*]

All baptized Christians are welcome to receive Holy Communion. Please make your way via the center aisle to the rails, the Ushers will direct and assist you. If you are unable to navigate the steps, please alert the Ushers that the Sacrament may be brought to your pew.

Communio. Is. 7, 14. Ecce, Virgo concípiet
et páriet fílium: et vocábitur nomen ejus
Emmánuel.

Communio. Is. 7, 14. Behold, a Virgin shall
conceive, and bear a son: and his name shall be
called Emmanuel.

Motet—Rorate coeli

RORATE cœli, désuper, et nubes pluant
justum: aperiátur terra, et gérminet
Salvatórem. Osténde nobis, Dómine,
misericórdiam tuam, et salutáre tuam da
nobis. Veni Dómine, et noli tardáre.

Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina

DROP down, ye heavens, from above, and let
the skies pour down righteousness: let the
earth open, and bring forth the Saviour. O Lord,
shew thy mercy upon us, and grant us thy
salvation. Come, O Lord, and tarry not.

1940 Hymnal N° 541—O North, with all thy vales

Conquest

O North, with all thy vales of green!
O South, with all thy palms!
From peopled towns and vales between,
Uplift the voice of psalms;
Raise, ancient East, the anthem high,
And let the youthful West reply.

3. O Father, haste the promised hour,
When at his feet shall lie
All rule, authority, and power
Beneath the ample sky;
When he shall reign from pole to pole,
The Lord of every human soul:

2. Lo, in the clouds of heaven appears
God's well beloved Son;
He brings a train of brighter years;
His kingdom is begun.
He comes, a guilty world to bless
With mercy, truth, and righteousness.

4. When all shall heed the words he said,
Amid their daily cares,
And by the loving life he led
Shall seek to pattern theirs;
And he who conquered death shall win
The mightier conquest over sin.

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

Please stand for the Postcommunions.

Let us pray.

O LORD, who hast made us to be partakers of thy bounty: we beseech thee; that we, continually drawing near to this holy mystery, may thereby grow in grace to the attainment of everlasting salvation. Through. ☩ Amen.

Let us pray.

WE beseech thee, O Lord, pour thy grace into our hearts: that as we have known the Incarnation of Christ thy Son by the message of an Angel; so through his passion and cross we may be brought unto the glory of his resurrection. Through the same. ☩ Amen.

Dismissal

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

∇ Benedicámus Dómino.

De - o - gra - (a) - - - ti - as.

Blessing

Please kneel for the Blessing.

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

The Last Gospel

Please stand for the Last Gospel.

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

Luke 1, 26–38

✠ The Continuation of the Holy Gospel according to Luke. ℞ Glory be to thee, O Lord.

AT that time: The Angel Gabriel was sent from God unto a city of Galilee named Nazareth, to a virgin espoused to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David, and the virgin's name was Mary. And the angel came in unto her, and said, Hail, full of grace, the Lord is with thee: blessed art thou among women. And when she saw him, she was troubled at his saying, and cast in her mind what manner of salutation this should be. And the angel said unto her: Fear not, Mary: for thou hast found favour with God: and, behold, thou shalt conceive in thy womb, and bring forth a son, and shalt call his name Jesus. He shall be great, and shall be called the Son of the Highest, and the Lord God shall give unto him the throne of his father David: and he shall reign over the house of Jacob for ever, and of his kingdom there shall be no end. Then said Mary unto the Angel: How shall this be, seeing I know not a man? And the angel answered and said unto her: The Holy Ghost shall come upon thee, and the power of the Highest shall overshadow thee. Therefore also that holy thing which shall be born of thee shall be called the Son of God. And, behold, thy cousin Elisabeth, she hath also conceived a son in her old age: and this is the sixth month with her, who was called barren: for with God nothing shall be impossible. And Mary said: Behold the handmaid of the Lord, be it unto me according to thy word. ℞ Thanks be to God.

The Angelus

∿ The Angel of the Lord brought tidings unto Mary. ℞ And she conceived by the Holy Ghost.

∿ Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee. Blessed art thou among women and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus. ℞ Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners, now and at the hour of our death. Amen.

∿ Behold, the handmaid of the Lord. ℞ Be it unto me according to thy word.

∿ Hail Mary. ℞ Holy Mary.

∿ And the word was made flesh. ℞ And dwelt among us.

∿ Hail Mary. ℞ Holy Mary.

∿ Pray for us, O Holy Mother of God. ℞ That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

Let us pray.

WE beseech thee, O Lord, pour thy grace into our hearts: that, as we have known the Incarnation of thy Son Jesus Christ by the message of an angel; so by his ✠ Cross and Passion we may be brought unto the glory of his resurrection, through the same Christ our Lord. ℞ Amen.

1940 Hymnal N° 2—O come, O come, Emmanuel

Veni Emmanuel

O come, O come, Emmanuel,
And ransom captive Israel,
That mourns in lonely exile here
Until the Son of God appear.

Refrain: Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel
Shall come to thee, O Israel.

2. O come, thou Wisdom from on high,
Who orderest all things mightily,
To us the path of knowledge show,
And teach us in her ways to go.

Refrain

3. O come, O come, thou Lord of might,
Who to thy tribes on Sinai's height
In ancient times didst give the law,
In cloud, and majesty, and awe.

Refrain

4. O come, thou Rod of Jesse's stem,
From every foe deliver them
That trust thy mighty power to save
And give them victory o'er the grave.

Refrain

5. O come, thou Key of David come,
And open wide our heavenly home;
Make save the way that leads on high,
And close the path to misery.

Refrain

6. O come, thou Dayspring from on high,
And cheer us by thy drawing nigh;
Disperse the gloomy clouds of night,
And death's dark shadow put to flight.

Refrain

7. O come, Desire of nations, bind
In one the hearts of all mankind;
Bid thou our sad divisions cease,
And be thyself our King of Peace.

Refrain

Organ—Nun Komm, der Heiden Heiland, BWV 661a

Bach

Anniversaries

- 18 December Ellis Hornor Yarnall, Benefactor, RIP (1907)
19 December Joseph W. McGuire, Birth
Sister Beatrice Anne, CSM, RIP (1984)
20 December Madeline Kennedy Bean, Benefactress, RIP (1976)
21 December Helen Haedrich Fritz, Benefactress, RIP (1950)
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)

Kalendar

19 December	Feria
20 December	Vigil; <i>Feria</i>
21 December	S. THOMAS, AP.; <i>Feria</i>
22 December	S. Frances Cabrini; <i>Feria</i>
23 December	Feria
24 December	Vigil
25 December	CHRISTMAS DAY

Parish Notes

We welcome all those who are worshiping with us today. Please join us after Mass in the Parish Hall for a light reception.

Vespers will be chanted in Latin at 3.00 this afternoon, please join us.

Offering Envelopes for Christmas Greens are available on the Ushers' Table.

Please note that the online giving site is going to undergo some changes in the near future. Please see Mr. Nardone, the Parish Administrator, with any questions.

Christmas at Saint Clement's

Saturday, 24 December

Vigil of the Nativity

9.00	Little Hours
10.00	Mass of the Vigil of the Nativity
11.00	Confessions
12.00	First Vespers of the Nativity
9.00	Matins
11.00	First Mass In the Night & Procession

Sunday, 25 December

The Nativity of the Lord

Lauds immediately following the First Mass	
8.00	Second Mass at Dawn
9.30	Little Hours
10.30	Rosary
11.00	Third Mass of Christmas Day
1.00	Second Vespers



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Mr. Peter Richard Conte, *Organist & Choirmaster*

Mr. Bernard Kunkel, *Associate Organist & Secretary to the Rector*

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