

We wish you and your loved ones the peace and joy of the Christ Child, now and in the new year.
A merry and blessed Christmas to all!

Special thanks are extended to all who prepared for these special liturgies and participated in the various liturgical ministries: musicians, sacristans, lectors, ushers, altar servers, maintenance staff, and members of the flower committee.

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Celebration of the Eucharist



Solemnity of the Nativity of the Lord
Christmas 2015

CHRISTMAS EVE

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GUIDELINES FOR RECEIVING HOLY COMMUNION

All are welcome to join us in hearing the Word of God and in participating in the sung and spoken prayers of the Mass. Those who have made the following preparations are invited to receive Communion:

- Be a committed, practicing Catholic
- Fast one hour before receiving Communion
- Confess all grave sins in the Sacrament of Penance
- Consume the Body of Christ when you receive it

As Catholics, we believe the Eucharist is the Real Presence of the Body, Blood, Soul, and Divinity of Christ.

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AMEN



COMMUNION RITE

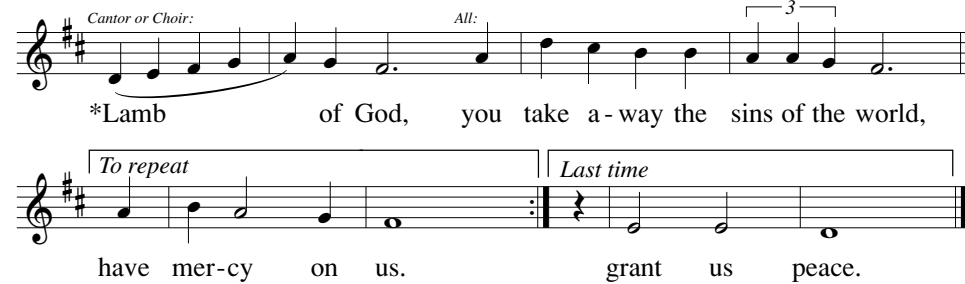
THE LORD'S PRAYER

SIGN of PEACE

THE FRACTION

Lamb of God

Holy Cross Mass



COMMUNION PROCESSION

- 9:00 AM **Away in a Manger** *hymnal no. 365*
- 10:30 & 12:00 **Child of Mercy** *hymnal no. 368*
- All Masses **Silent Night** *hymnal no. 371*

PRAYER after COMMUNION

CONCLUDING RITES

GREETING

FINAL BLESSING

DISMISSAL

SONG at the SENDING

- 9:00 AM **Angels We Have Heard on High** *hymnal no. 361*
- 10:30 & 12:00 **Joy to the World!** *see page 16*

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Carol Service

4:30 PM

*Saint Agnes Ensemble, Children's Choir,
and Junior Children's Choir*

Creator of the Stars of Night *hymnal no. 334*
(Refrain after every second verse)

✦ Reading: Jeremiah 23:5-6

O Come, Divine Messiah *hymnal no. 333*

God of All People *hymnal no. 349*

✦ Reading: Micah 5:1-4

Hodie Christus Natus Est (*Children's Choirs*) Michael Bedford

Once in Royal David's City *hymnal no. 380*

(Verse 3 sung by Children's Choir)

✦ Reading: Zephaniah 3:14-18a

Infant Holy, Infant Lowly (*Children's Choirs*) arr. Ken Berg

Little Drummer Boy (*Choirs*) Traditional

✦ Reading: Isaiah 9:1-6

Go Tell It on the Mountain *hymnal no. 363*

*Let us take a few moments in silence to prepare to celebrate
the Eucharist together, and to pray that the peace of Christ,
made flesh this night, may cover the world.*

The Nativity of the Lord: Vigil Mass

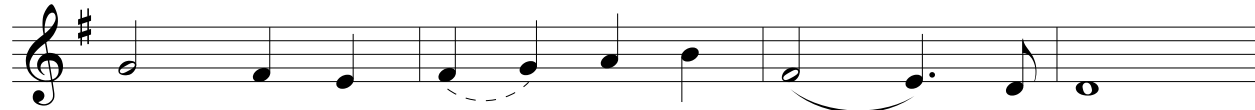
INTRODUCTORY RITES

ENTRANCE SONG

O Come, All Ye Faithful



1. *Ad - e - ste fi - de - les, lae - te, tri - um - phan - tes, Ve -*
 2. O Come, all ye faith - ful, joy - ful and tri - um - phant, O
 3. God of God, Light of Light,
 4. Sing, choirs of an - gels, sing in ex - ul - ta - tion, †



ni - te, ve - ni - te in Beth - le - hem.
 come ye, O come ye to Beth - le - hem;
 Lo! he comes forth from the Vir - gin's womb.
 Sing, all ye cit - i - zens of heav'n a - bove!



Na - tum vi - de - te, Re - gem an - ge - lo - rum.
 Come and be - hold him, born the King of an - gels;
 Our ve - ry God, be - got - ten not cre - a - ted,
 Glo - ry to God, all glo - ry in the high - est;



Ve - ni - te a - do - re - mus, ve - ni - te - a - do - re - mus,
 O come, let us a - dore him, O come, let us a - dore him,



ve - ni - te a - do - re - mus Do - mi - num.
 O come let us a - dore him, Christ, the Lord!

GREETING

PRIEST: The Lord be with you.

ALL: And with your spirit.

LITURGY of the EUCHARIST



PRESENTATION of the GIFTS and PREPARATION of the ALTAR

9:00 AM **Once in Royal David's City**

hymnal no. 380

10:30 & 12:00 **Hark! The Herald Angels Sing**

hymnal no. 356

EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

PREFACE

9:00 AM *See page 8 for Eucharistic Acclamations*

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

A Community Mass



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.

MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION



When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup, we pro -



claim your Death, O Lord, un - til you come a - gain.

PROFESSION of FAITH

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,

All genuflect 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 thrid 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

Our response is, Lord, hear our prayer.

PENITENTIAL ACT

hymnal no. 156

GLORY TO GOD

Gloria for Christmastime

Refrain

Glo - ri - a
in ex - cel - sis - De - o.
Glo - ri - a
in ex - cel - sis De - o.

COLLECT

LITURGY of the WORD



Readings may be found at no. 891 in the Gather hymnal.

FIRST READING

Isaiah 62:1-5

The Lord delights in you.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps. 89

Cantor first time, then all

For ev - er I will sing the good - ness of the
Lord, the good - ness of the Lord

SECOND READING

Paul bears witness to Christ, the Son of David.

Acts 13:16-17, 22-25

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Christmastime Alleluia

Cantor first time, then all

Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia,
Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia!

GOSPEL

Today a Savior has been born for you.

Luke 2:1-14

HOMILY

PROFESSION of FAITH

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the Father almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all things visible and invisible.

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the Only Begotten Son of God,
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God from God, Light from Light,
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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,

All genuflect. 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

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps. 98

Cantor first time, then all

All the ends of the earth have seen the pow - er of
God; all the ends of the earth have
seen the pow - er of God.

9:00 AM SECOND READING

Because of his mercy, he saved us.

Titus 3:4-7

10:30 AM
12:00 NOON SECOND READING

God has spoken to us through the Son.

Hebrews 1:1-6

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Christmastime Alleluia

Cantor first time, then all

Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia,
Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia!

9:00 AM GOSPEL

The shepherds found Mary and Joseph and the infant.

Luke 2:15-20

10:30 AM
12:00 NOON GOSPEL

The Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us.

John 1:1-18

HOMILY

PENITENTIAL ACT

Cantor, then all:

Lord, have mer - cy. Christ, have mer - cy.

Cantor, then all:

Lord, have mer - cy.

GLORY TO GOD

Gloria for Christmastime

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COLLECT

LITURGY of the WORD



9:00 AM Readings may be found at no. 893 in the Gather hymnal.

10:30 AM & 12:00 NOON Readings may be found at no. 894 in the Gather hymnal.

9:00 AM FIRST READING

Behold, your savior comes!

Isaiah 62:11-12

10:30 AM
12:00 NOON FIRST READING

*All the ends of the earth will behold
the salvation of our God.*

Isaiah 52:7-10

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,
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UNIVERSAL PRAYER

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LITURGY of the EUCHARIST



PRESENTATION of the GIFTS and PREPARATION of the ALTAR

It Came Upon a Midnight Clear

hymnal no. 379

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

PREFACE

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

Mass of Creation

Ho-ly, Ho-ly, Ho-ly Lord God of
 hosts. Heav-en and earth are full of your glo-ry.
 Ho-san-na in the high-est. Bless-ed is he who
 comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the
 high-est. Ho-san-na in the high-est.

MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

We pro-claim your Death, O Lord, and pro-fess your Res-ur-
 rec-tion un-til you come a-gain, un-til you come a-gain.

AMEN

A-men, a-men, a-men!
 A-men, a-men, a-men!

Nativity of the Lord: Mass during the Day

INTRODUCTORY RITES

ENTRANCE SONG

9:00 AM **Hark! The Herald Angels Sing**

hymnal no. 356

10:30 & 12:00 **O Come, All Ye Faithful**

1. O Come, all ye faith-ful, joy-ful and tri-um-phant, O
 2. God of God, Light of Light,
 3. Sing, choirs of an-gels, sing in ex-ul-ta-tion,
 4. Yea, Lord, we greet thee, born this hap-py morn-ing,
 come ye, O come ye to Beth-le-hem;
 Lo! he comes forth from the Vir-gin's womb.
 Sing, all ye cit-i-zens of heav'n a-bove!
 Je-sus, to thee be all glo-ry giv'n;
 Come and be-hold him, born the King of an-gels;
 Our ve-ry God, be-got-ten not cre-a-ted,
 Glo-ry to God, all glo-ry in the high-est;
 Word of the Fa-ther, now in flesh ap-pear-ring;
 O come, let us a-dore him, O come, let us a-dore him,
 O come let us a-dore him, Christ, the Lord!

GREETING

PRIEST:
ALL:

The Lord be with you.
And with your spirit.



1. Joy to the world! the Lord is come: Let
 2. Joy to the world! the Sav - ior reigns: Let
 3. No more let sin and sor - rows 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
 floods, rocks, hills and plains Re -
 make his bless - ings flow Far -
 of his right - eous - ness, And



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



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

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COMMUNION RITE

THE LORD'S PRAYER

SIGN of PEACE

THE FRACTION

Lamb of God

Mass of Remembrance



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sins of the world: have mer-cy on



us. world: grant us peace, grant us peace.

COMMUNION PROCESSION

What Child Is This

hymnal no. 387

Away in a Manger

hymnal no. 365

O Little Town of Bethlehem

hymnal no. 359

Silent Night

hymnal no. 371

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Joy to the World!

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Carol Service

9:30 PM

Saint Agnes Parish Choir

CHRISTMAS

Hark! The Herald Angels Sing

✦ Reading: Jeremiah 23:5-6

Sweet Was the Song the Virgin Sang, *Choir*

Good Christian Friends, Rejoice

God Rest Ye Merry, Gentlemen, *Choir*

✦ Reading: Isaiah 7:14

Sussex Carol, *Choir*

What Child Is This?

✦ Reading: Micah 5:1-4a

O Little Town of Bethlehem

A Child is Born, *Choir*

hymnal no. 356

David White

hymnal no. 367

arr. Georgiann Toole

arr. Philip Young

hymnal no. 387

hymnal no. 359

arr. Richard Proulx

Let us take a few moments in silence to prepare to celebrate the Eucharist together, and to pray that the peace of Christ, made flesh this night, may cover the world.

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE BIRTH OF CHRIST

from the Roman Martyrology

COMMUNION RITE

THE LORD'S PRAYER

SIGN of PEACE

THE FRACTION

Lamb of God

Holy Cross Mass

Cantor or Choir: *All:*

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

To repeat *Last time*

COMMUNION PROCESSION

Child of Mercy

Refrain

Child of mer - cy, child of peace, Je-sus, Bread of life,
 food to fill our long - ing. Child of jus - tice, child of light,
 Je-sus, sav - ing cup, Em-man-u - el, God with us.

Silent Night

hymnal no. 371

PRAYER after COMMUNION

CONCLUDING RITES

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SONG at the SENDING

Joy to the World!

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EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

PREFACE

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

A Community Mass

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.

MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

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

AMEN

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

Nativity of the Lord: Mass during the Night

INTRODUCTORY RITES

ENTRANCE SONG

O Come, All Ye Faithful

1. O Come, all ye faith - ful, joy - ful and tri - um - phant, O
 2. God, of ye God, Light of Light,
 3. Sing, choirs of an - gels, sing in ex - ul - ta - tion,
 4. Yea, Lord, we greet thee, born this hap - py morn - ing,
 come ye, O come ye to the Beth - le - hem;
 Lo! he comes forth from the Vir - gin's womb.
 Sing, all ye cit - i - zens of heav'n a - bove!
 Je - sus, to thee be all glo - ry giv'n;
 Come and be - hold him, born the King of an - gels;
 Our ve - ry God, be - got - ten not cre - a - ted,
 Glo - ry to God, all glo - ry in the high - est;
 Word of the Fa - ther, now in flesh ap - pear - ring;
 O come, let us a - dore him, O come, let us a - dore him,
 O come let us a - dore him, Christ, the Lord!

GREETING

PRIEST:

The Lord be with you.

ALL:

And with your spirit.

PENITENTIAL ACT

hymnal no. 156

GLORY TO GOD

Gloria for Christmastime

Refrain

Glo - ri - a
in ex - cel - sis - De - o.
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COLLECT

LITURGY of the WORD



Readings may be found at no. 892 in the Gather hymnal.

FIRST READING

Isaiah 9:1-6a

A son is given us.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps. 96

Cantor first time, then all
To - day is born our Sav - ior, Christ the Lord. To -
day is born our Sav - ior, Christ the Lord.

SECOND READING

Titus 2:11-14

The grace of God has appeared to all.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Christmastime Alleluia

Cantor first time, then all
Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia,
Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia!

GOSPEL

Luke 2:1-14

Today a Savior has been born for you.

HOMILY

PROFESSION of FAITH

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*At the words "and by the Holy Spirit..."
all genuflect.*

UNIVERSAL PRAYER

Our response is, Lord, hear our prayer.

LITURGY of the EUCHARIST



PRESENTATION of the GIFTS and PREPARATION of the ALTAR

It Came Upon the Midnight Clear

hymnal no. 379

Once the priest has prepared the gifts of bread and wine, the gifts, altar, and crucifix are honored with incense. Incensation is a sign of our prayer rising up to God. The Celebrant and Concelebrants, as priests, receive an incensation. Finally, the minister incenses the entire assembly, God's holy people. As he bows to them, they bow to the minister and remain standing. When the entire assembly has received the incensation, the Mass continues with all standing for the Prayer over the Offerings.