

THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD (CHRISTMAS)



At the Mass during the Night
Midnight, December 25, 2020
Saint Rose of Lima Catholic Church

The Nativity of Our Lord Jesus Christ from the Roman Martyrology (Christmas Proclamation)

The Twenty-fifth Day of December, when ages beyond number had run their course from the creation of the world, when God in the beginning created heaven and earth, and formed man in his own likeness; when century upon century had passed since the Almighty set his bow in the clouds after the Great Flood, as a sign of covenant and peace; in the twenty-first century since Abraham, our father in faith, came out of Ur of the Chaldees; in the thirteenth century since the People of Israel were led by Moses in the Exodus from Egypt; around the thousandth year since David was anointed King; in the sixty-fifth week of the prophecy of Daniel; in the one hundred and ninety fourth Olympiad; in the year seven hundred and fifty-two since the foundation of the City of Rome; in the forty-second year of the reign of Caesar Octavian Augustus, the whole world being at peace, **JESUS CHRIST**, eternal God and Son of the eternal Father, desiring to consecrate the world by his most loving presence, was conceived by the Holy Spirit, and when nine months had passed since his conception, was born of the Virgin Mary in Bethlehem of Judah, and was made man: The Nativity of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to the flesh.

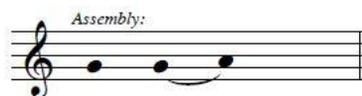
Introit (Ps. 2:7)

*Dominus dixit ad me: Filius meus es Tu,
Ego hodie genui Te.*

*The Lord said unto me: You are my Son,
Today I have begotten you.*

THE INTRODUCTORY RITES

P. In the Name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.



A - men.

P. The Lord be with you.



And with your spir - it.

CONFITEOR

C. I confess to almighty God, and to you my brothers and sisters, that I have greatly sinned, in my thoughts and in my words, in what I have done and what I have failed to do, (*strike breast*) through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault; therefore, I ask Blessed Mary, ever Virgin, all the

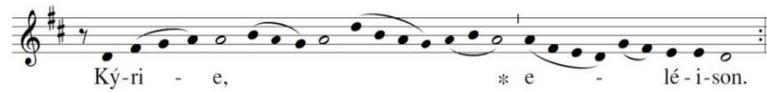
angels and saints, and you, my brothers and sisters, to pray for me to the Lord,
our God.

P. May almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us our sins, and bring us to
everlasting life.

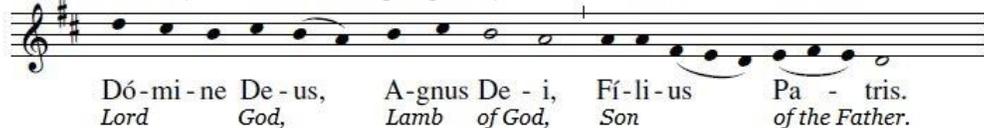
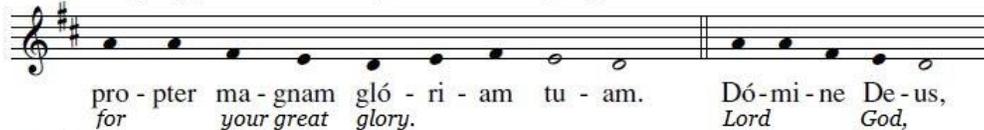
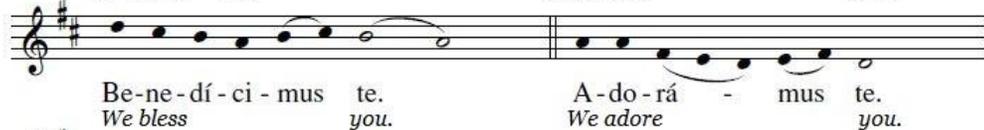
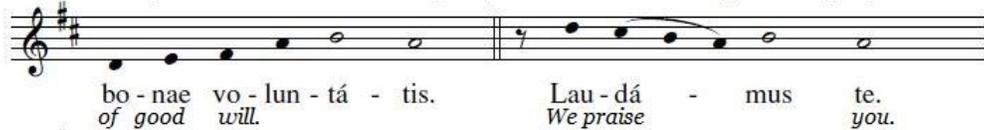
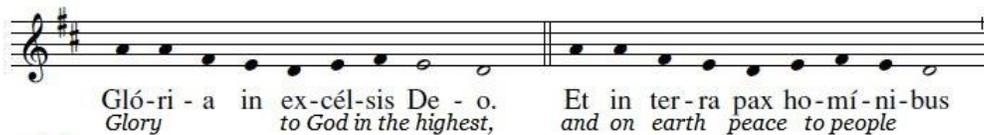


A - men.

KYRIE ELEISON (LORD, HAVE MERCY)



GLORIA IN EXCELSIS



Qui tol - lis pec - cá - ta mun - di, mi - se - ré - re no - bis.
You take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.

Qui tol - lis pec - cá - ta mun - di, sú - sci - pe de - pre - ca - ti - ó -
You take away the sins of the world, receive the prayer

nem no - stram. Qui se - des ad déx - te - ram Pa - tris,
of ours. You are seated at the right hand of the Father,

mi - se - ré - re no - bis. Quó - ni - am tu so - lus San - ctus.
have mercy on us. For you alone are the Holy One,

Tu so - lus Dó - mi - nus. Tu so - lus Al - tís - si - mus,
You alone are the Lord. You alone are the Most High,

Je - su Chri - ste. Cum San - cto Spí - ri - tu:
Jesus Christ. With the Holy Spirit:

in gló - ri - a De - i Pa - tris. A - men.
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

COLLECT (OPENING PRAYER)

P. ...forever and ever.

Assembly:

A - men.

(Sit)

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

THE FIRST LESSON

Isaiah 9:1-6

The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light;
upon those who dwelt in the land of gloom
a light has shone.
You have brought them abundant joy
and great rejoicing,

as they rejoice before you as at the harvest,
as people make merry when dividing spoils.

For the yoke that burdened them,
the pole on their shoulder,
and the rod of their taskmaster
you have smashed, as on the day of Midian.

For every boot that tramped in battle,
every cloak rolled in blood,
will be burned as fuel for flames.

For a child is born to us, a son is given us;
upon his shoulder dominion rests.

They name him Wonder-Counselor, God-Hero,
Father-Forever, Prince of Peace.

His dominion is vast
and forever peaceful,
from David's throne, and over his kingdom,
which he confirms and sustains
by judgment and justice,
both now and forever.

The zeal of the LORD of hosts will do this!

L. The Word of the Lord.

C. Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 96:1-3, 11-13



*Sing to the LORD a new song;
sing to the LORD, all you lands.
Sing to the LORD; bless his name. **R.***

*Announce his salvation, day after day.
Tell his glory among the nations;
among all peoples, his wondrous deeds. **R.***

*Let the heavens be glad and the earth rejoice;
let the sea and what fills it resound;
let the plains be joyful and all that is in them!
Then shall all the trees of the forest exult. **R.***

HOMILY

THE NICENE CREED

Cre-do in u-num De - um, Pa - trem o-mni-po - tén - tem, fa -
I believe in one God, The Father, the Almighty,

ctó-rem cae - li et ter-rae, vi - si - bí - li - um ó - mni - um
creator of heaven and earth, of all things visible

et in - vi - si - bí - li - um. Et in u - num Dó - mi - num
and invisible. And in one Lord

Je - sum Chri - stum, Fí - li - um De - i U - ni - gé - ni - tum.
Jesus Christ, Son of God only-begotten,

Et ex Pa-tre na - tum an - te ó - mni - a saé - cu - la.
And from the Father born before all ages.

De - um de De - o, lu - men de lú - mi - ne, De - um ve - rum
God from God, light from light, True God

de De-o ve-ro. Gé - ni - tum, non fa - ctum, con-sub-stan - ti -
from true God. Begotten, not made, consubstantial

á - lem Pa - tri: per quem ó - mni - a fa - cta sunt.
with the Father: through him all things were made.

Qui pro-pter nos hó-mi-nes et pro-pter no-stram sa - lú - tem de -
For us men and for our salvation

scén-dit de cae-lis.
he came down from heaven.

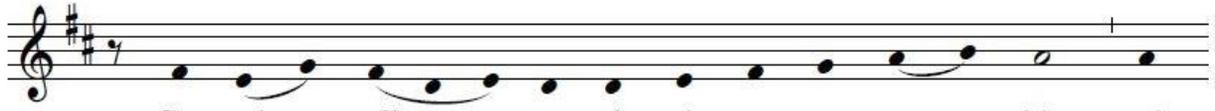
ALL KNEEL

Et in-car-ná - tus est de Spí - ri - tu
And was incarnate by the Holy Spirit



San - cto ex Ma - ri - a Vir - gi - ne, et ho - mo fa - ctus est.
of the Virgin Mary, and became man.

ALL STAND



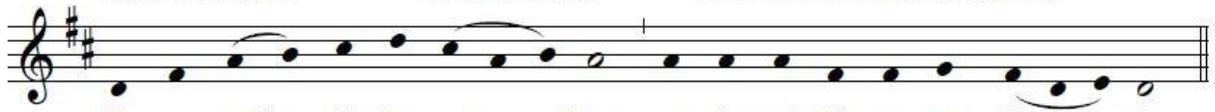
Cru - ci - fi - xus é - ti - am pro no - bis sub
He was crucified for us under



Pón - ti - o Pi - lá - to; pas - sus et se - púl - tus est.
Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried.



Et re - sur - ré - xit tér - ti - a di - e, se - cún - dum Scri - ptú - ras.
And he rose again on the third day, in accordance with the Scriptures.



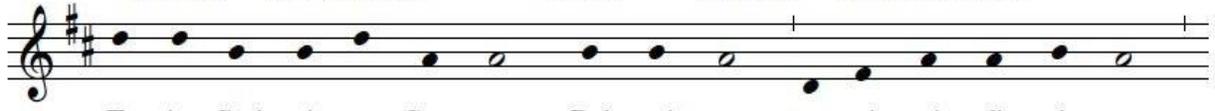
Et a - scén - dit in cae - lum, se - det ad déx - te - ram Pa - tris.
And he ascended into heaven, and sits at the right hand of the Father.



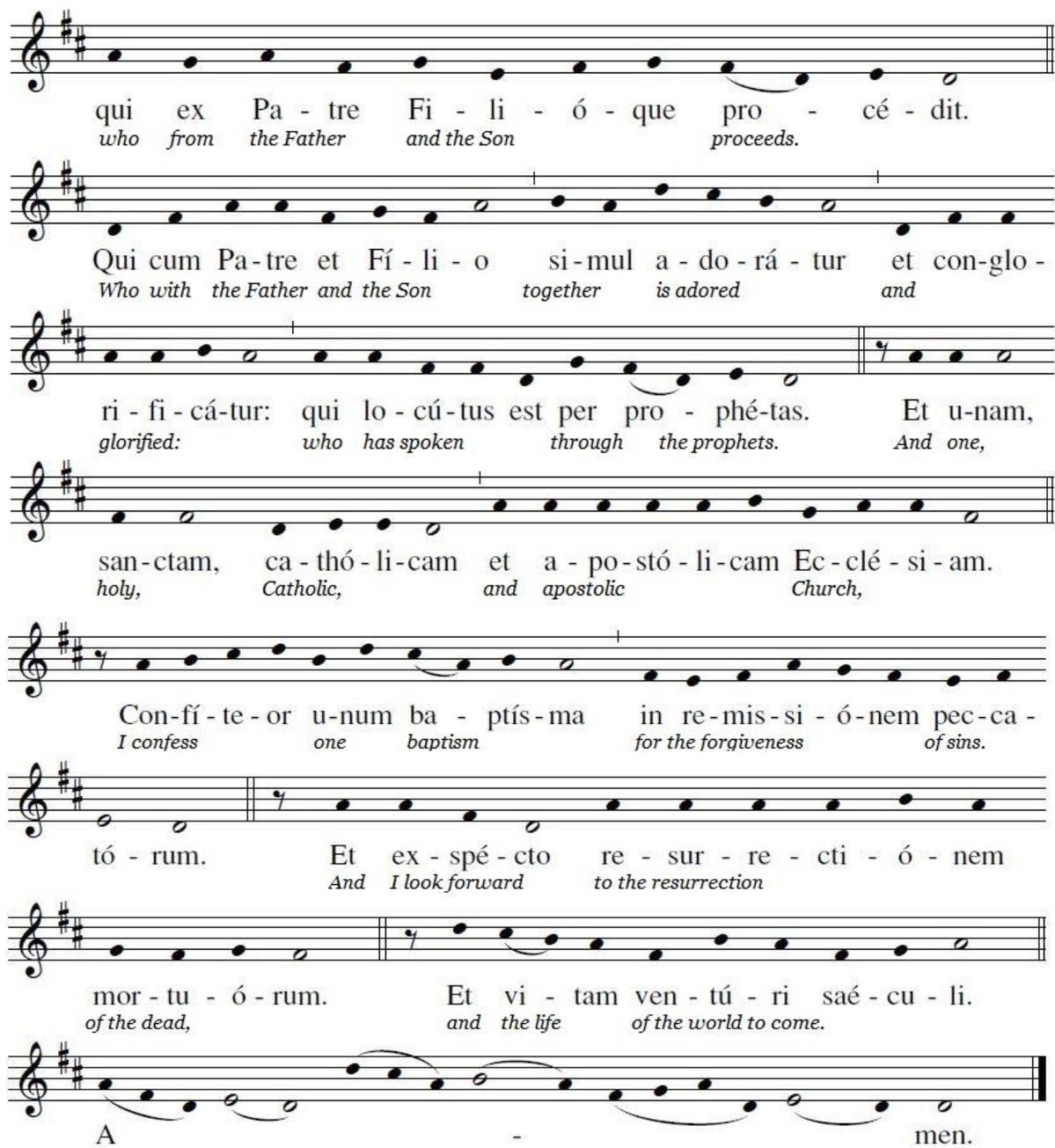
Et í - te - rum ven - tú - rus est cum gló - ri - a, ju - di - cá - re
And again he shall come with glory, to judge



vi - vos et mór - tu - os, cu - ius re - gni non e - rit fi - nis.
the living and the dead, and his kingdom shall have no end.



Et in Spí - ri - tum San - ctum, Dó - mi - num et vi - vi - fi - cán - tem:
And in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,



qui ex Pa - tre Fi - li - ó - que pro - cé - dit.
who from the Father and the Son proceeds.

Qui cum Pa-tre et Fí - li - o si - mul a - do - rá - tur et con - glo -
Who with the Father and the Son together is adored and

ri - fi - cá - tur: qui lo - cú - tus est per pro - phé - tas. Et u - nam,
glorified: who has spoken through the prophets. And one,

san - ctam, ca - thó - li - cam et a - po - stó - li - cam Ec - clé - si - am.
holy, Catholic, and apostolic Church,

Con - fí - te - or u - num ba - ptís - ma in re - mis - si - ó - nem pec - ca -
I confess one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

tó - rum. Et ex - spé - cto re - sur - re - cti - ó - nem
And I look forward to the resurrection

mor - tu - ó - rum. Et vi - tam ven - tú - ri saé - cu - li.
of the dead, and the life of the world to come.

A - - - - - men.

UNIVERSAL PRAYER

V. ...we pray to the Lord.

C. Lord, hear our prayer.

(sit)

THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

Offertory Antiphon (Ps. 92:1-2)

*Laetentur caeli, et exsultet terra
Ante faciem Dominum: quoniam venit.*

*Let the heavens rejoice and the earth be glad
Before the face of the Lord for he cometh.*

Motet at the Offertory

Today the Virgin

John Tavener
(1944-2013)

*Today the Virgin comes to the cave
To give birth to the Word eternal:*

*R. Rejoice O World!
With the Angels and the Shepherds
Give glory to the Child!
Alleluia!*

*Mary, my wife, O Mary, my wife!
What do I see?
I took you blameless before the Lord
From the priests of the Temple.
What do I see? R.*

*Joseph, the Bridegroom, O Joseph the Bridegroom!
Do not fear.
God in his mercy has come down to earth,
He takes flesh in my womb
For all the world to see. R.*

*Mary, my Bride, O Mary, my Bride!
What do I see?
You, a Virgin, giving birth.
Strange mystery! R.*

*Joseph, the Bridegroom, O Joseph the Bridegroom!
Do not fear.
God in his mercy has come down to earth,
He takes flesh in my womb
For all the world to see. R.*

*Warned by the Angel we believe
That Mary gives birth inexplicable
To the infant, Christ our God. R.
Text by Mother Thekla (1918-2011)*

SANCTUS (HOLY)

San - ctus, * San - ctus, San -
Holy, Holy, Holy

ctus Dó - mi - nus De - us Sá -
Lord God of Hosts.

ba - oth. Ple - ni sunt cae - li et
Full are heaven and

ter - ra gló - ri - a tu - a. Ho - sán -
earth of your glory. Hosanna

na in ex - cé - sis. Be - ne - dí - ctus qui
in the highest. Blessed is he who

ve - nit in nó - mi - ne Dó - mi - ni. Ho - sán -
comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna

na in ex - cé - sis.

THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER (kneel)

P. The Mystery of Faith.

We pro - claim your Death, O Lord, and pro - fess your

Res - sur - rec - tion un - til you come a - gain.

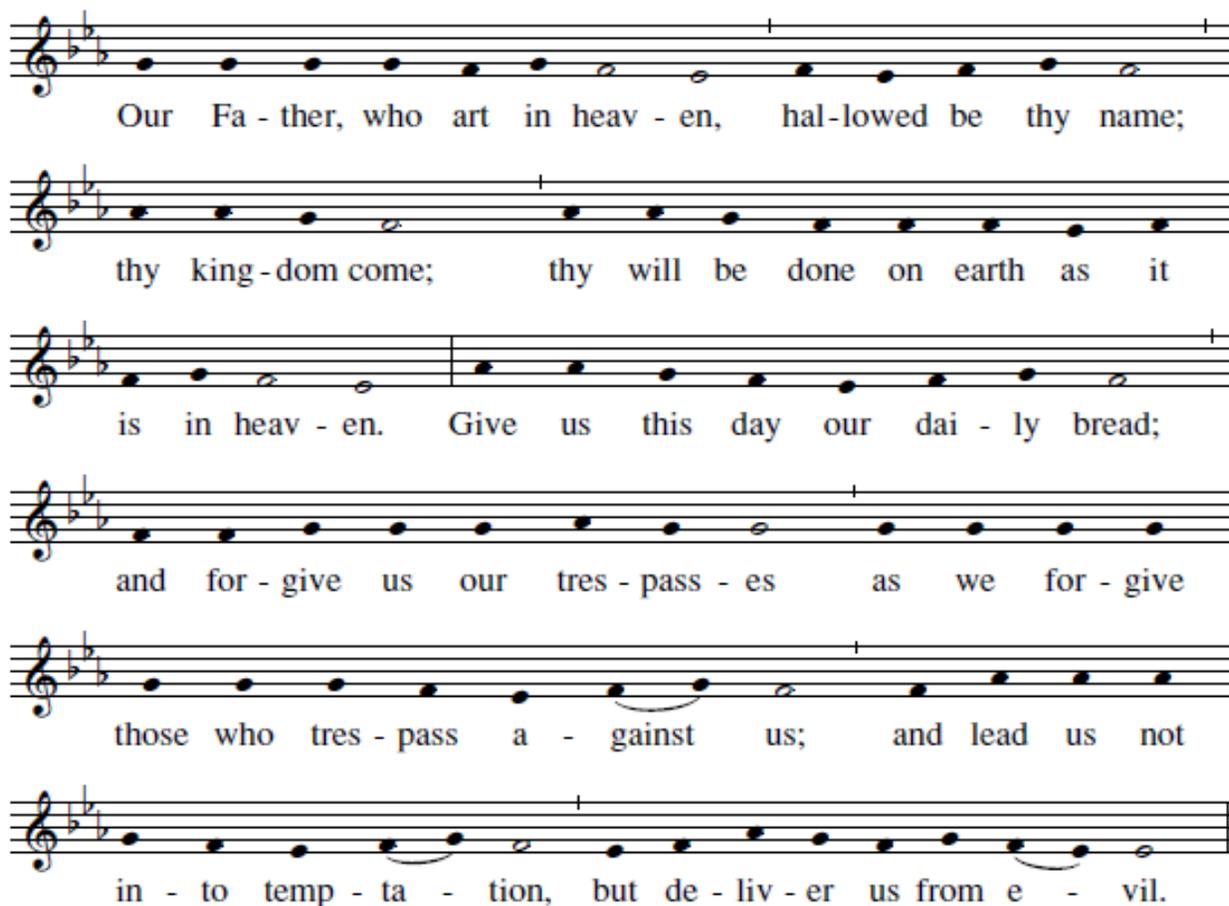
P. ...forever and ever.

Assembly:

A - men.

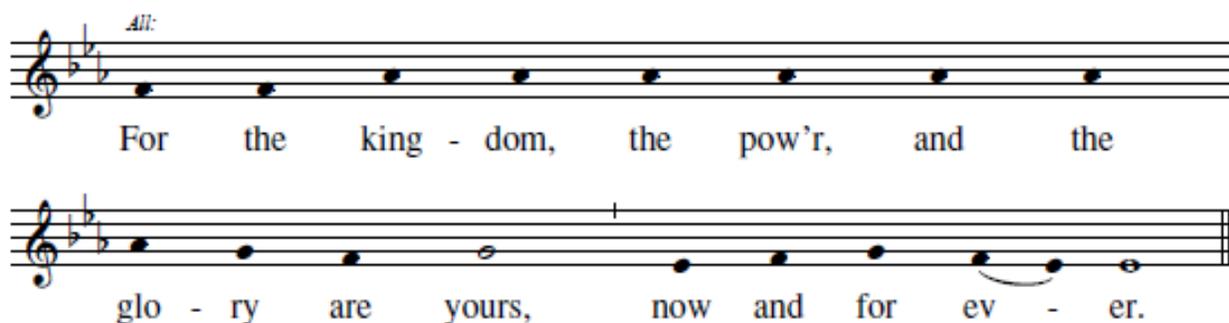
PATER NOSTER (LORD'S PRAYER)

P. At the Savior's command, and formed by divine teaching, we dare to say:



Our Fa - ther, who art in heav - en, hal - lowed be thy name;
thy king - dom come; thy will be done on earth as it
is in heav - en. Give us this day our dai - ly bread;
and for - give us our tres - pass - es as we for - give
those who tres - pass a - gainst us; and lead us not
in - to temp - ta - tion, but de - liv - er us from e - vil.

Priest: Deliver us, Lord...
for the coming of our Savior, Jesus Christ.



All:
For the king - dom, the pow'r, and the
glo - ry are yours, now and for ev - er.

AGNUS DEI (LAMB OF GOD)

A - gnus De - i, * qui tol - lis pec - cá -
Lamb of God, you take away the sins
ta mun - di: mi - se - ré - re no - bis.
of the world: have mercy on us.
A - gnus De - i, * qui tol - lis pec - cá -
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A - gnus De - i, * qui tol - lis pec - cá -
Lamb of God, you take away the sins
ta mun - di: do - na no - bis pa - cem.
of the world: grant us peace.

P. Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who takes away the sins of the world.
Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.

All:

Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter un - der my roof,
but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.

COMMUNION RITE

Communion Antiphon (Ps. 109:3)

*In splendoribus sanctorum, ex utero Amidst the splendours of the heavenly sanctuary,
Ante luciferum genuite. From the womb, before the morning star, I have
begotten you.*

Motet at the Communion

“O Magnum Mysterium”

Tomás Luis de Victoria

(1548-1611)

*O magnum mysterium,
Et admirabile sacramentum,
Ut animalia viderent Dominum natum,
Iacentem in praesepio!
Beata Virgo, cuius viscera
Meruerunt portare
Dominum Iesum Christum.
Alleluia!*

*O great mystery,
And wonderful sacrament,
That animals should see the newborn Lord,
Lying in a manger!
Blessed Virgin, whose womb
was found worthy to bear
The Lord Jesus Christ.
Alleluia!*

Hymn after Communion

“Alma Redemptoris Mater”



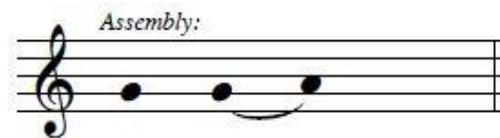
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A L-ma * Redemptó-ris Ma-ter, quæ pérv-i a cæ-li
porta manes, Et stella ma-ris, succúrre cadénti súrge-
re qui cu-rat pópu-lo: Tu quæ genu-ísti, na-tú-ra mi-
rante, tu-um sanctum Ge-ni-tó-rem: Virgo pri-us ac po-
sté-ri-us, Gabri-é-lis ab o-re sumens illud Ave, pecca-
tó-rum mi-se-ré-re.

Translation:

*Loving Mother of the Redeemer,
who remains the accessible Gateway of Heaven,
and Star of the Sea,
Give aid to a falling people
that strives to rise;
O Thou who begot thy holy Creator,
while all nature marvelled,
Virgin before and after
receiving that "Ave" from the mouth of Gabriel,
have mercy on sinners.*

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

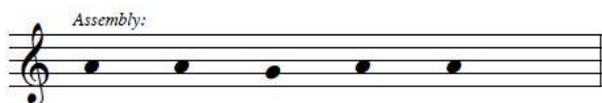


A - men.

THE CONCLUDING RITES

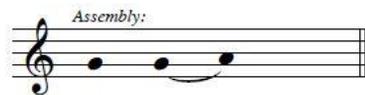
DISMISSAL

P. The Lord be with you.



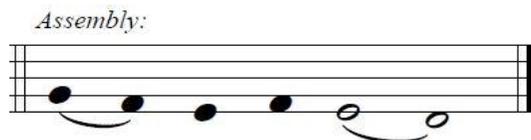
And with your spir - it.

P. May almighty God bless you: the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit.



A - men.

D. Go in peace.



Thanks be to God.

Prayer to Saint Michael

Saint Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle. Be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray; and do thou, o prince of the heavenly host, by the power of God, cast in to hell Satan and all the evil spirits who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.

Postlude

Christmas Fanfare and Toccata

K. Isaac Johnson

(b. 1993)

