



ST. GERTRUDE
CHURCH



SOLEMNITY OF THE BLESSED
VIRGIN MARY, MOTHER OF GOD

December 31, 2022–January 1, 2023

Cover: Madonna and Child between Saints Dominic
and Catherine of Alexandria, *Fra Angelico, O.P., c. 1435*



ORDER OF MASS

Solemnity of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of God

PRELUDE

Variations on the Dominican Salve Regina

Thomas Rodeheffer

INTRODUCTORY RITES

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming

At the ringing of the sacristy bell, all stand and sing:

Saint Michael Hymnal 611

INTROIT *(10 a.m. and noon only)*

Salve sancta Parens,
enixa puerpera Regem,
qui cælum terramque regit
in sæcula sæculorum.

As the celebrant censes the altar, the choir sings:

*Hail, Holy Mother,
who gave birth to the King,
who rules heaven and earth
for ever.*

Words: Sedulius

Music: Dominican Chant

GREETING

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God,
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And with your spirit.

PENITENTIAL ACT

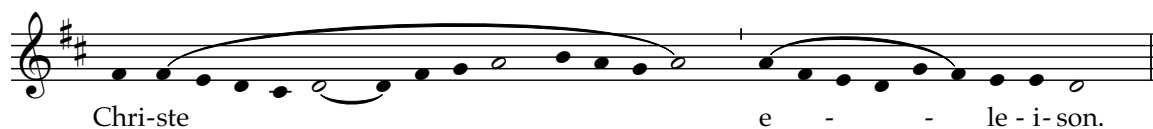
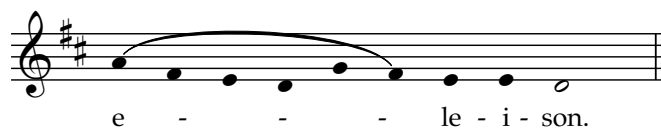
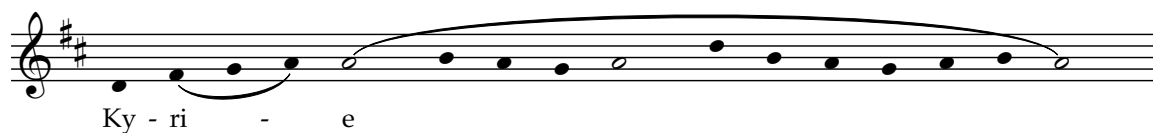
Brothers and sisters, let us acknowledge our sins,
and so prepare ourselves to celebrate the sacred mysteries.

**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 in what I have failed to do,
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.**

All strike breast three times

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

KYRIE, ELEISON



Choir only:

Ky-ri - e e - - le - i - son.

All:

Ky-ri - e

e - - - le - i - son.

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

Celebrant/Cantor:

All:

Glo-ri - a in ex-cel-sis De - o. Et in ter-ra pax ho-mi-ni-bus

bo-næ vo-lun-ta - tis. Lau-da - mus te. Be-ne-di-ci-mus te.

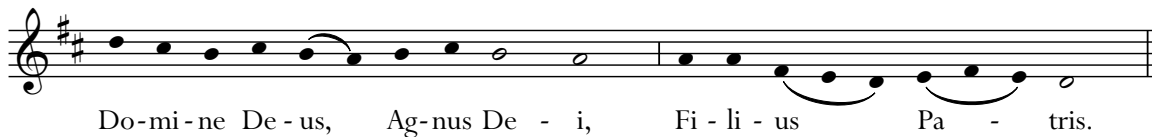
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Gra-ti - as a - gi - mus ti - bi prop-ter mag-nam glo-ri-am tu - am.

Do-mi-ne De-us, Rex cæ-le - stis, De-us Pa-ter om - ni - po - tens.



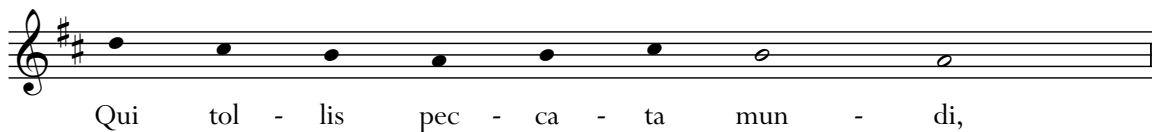
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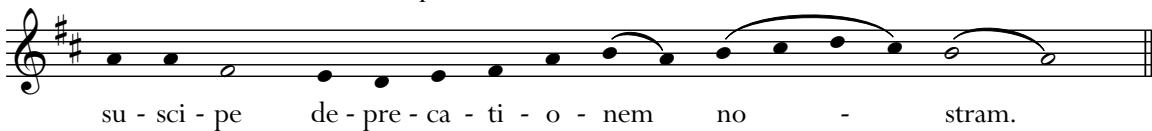
Do-mi-ne De - us, Ag-nus De - i, Fi - li - us Pa - tris.



Qui tol-lis pec-ca-ta mun - di, mi-se-re - re no - bis.



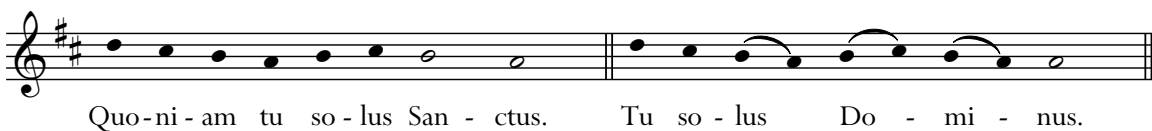
Qui tol - lis pec - ca - ta mun - di,



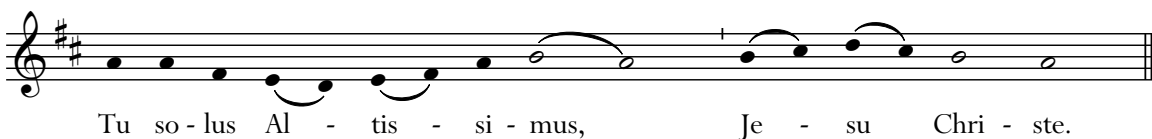
su - sci - pe de - pre - ca - ti - o - nem no - stram.



Qui se - des ad dex - te - ram Pa - tris, mi - se - re - re no - bis.



Quo-ni-am tu so - lus San - ctus. Tu so - lus Do - mi - nus.



Tu so - lus Al - tis - si - mus, Je - su Chri - ste.



Cum San-cto Spi - ri - tu, in glo - ri - a De - i Pa - tris.



A - - men.

Music: Gregorian Chant, Missa VIII "De Angelis"

COLLECT

O God, who through the fruitful virginity of Blessed Mary bestowed on the human race the grace of eternal salvation, grant, we pray, that we may experience the intercession of her, through whom we were found worthy to receive the author of life, our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son. Who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.

Amen.

All sit

LITURGY OF THE WORD

READING I

Numbers 6:22–27

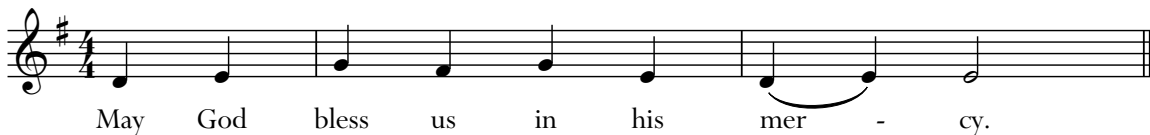
The LORD said to Moses: “Speak to Aaron and his sons and tell them: this is how you shall bless the Israelites. Say to them: The LORD bless you and keep you! The LORD let his face shine upon you, and be gracious to you! The LORD look upon you kindly and give you peace! So shall they invoke my name upon the Israelites, and I will bless them.”

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 67:2–3, 5, 6, 8



*May God have pity on us and bless us; may he let his face shine upon us.
So may your way be known upon earth; among all nations, your salvation. R̄.*

*May the nations be glad and exult because you rule the peoples in equity;
the nations on the earth you guide. R̄.*

*May the peoples praise you, O God; may all the peoples praise you!
May God bless us, and may all the ends of the earth fear him! R̄.*

Music: Dominican Chant — Prope est Dominus, adapted Christopher Holman

READING II

Galatians 4:4–7

Brothers and sisters: when the fullness of time had come, God sent his Son, born of a woman, born under the law, to ransom those under the law, so that we might receive adoption as sons. As proof that you are sons, God sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying out, “Abba, Father!” So you are no longer a slave but a son, and if a son then also an heir, through God.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

All stand



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

*In the past God spoke to our ancestors through the prophets;
in these last days, he has spoken to us through the Son. R̄.*

*Verse: Hebrews 1:1–2
Music: Gregorian Chant*

GOSPEL

Luke 2:16–21

The Lord be with you.

And with your spirit.

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke.

Glory to you, O Lord.

The shepherds went in haste to Bethlehem and found Mary and Joseph, and the infant lying in the manger. When they saw this, they made known the message that had been told them about this child. All who heard it were amazed by what had been told them by the shepherds. And Mary kept all these things, reflecting on them in her heart. Then the shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all they had heard and seen, just as it had been told to them.

When eight days were completed for his circumcision, he was named Jesus, the name given him by the angel before he was conceived in the womb.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

All sit

HOMILY

Friars of the Order of Preachers

CREDO

All stand

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.

All bow

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.

All stand

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

Each petition concludes with:

We pray to the Lord:

Lord, hear our prayer.

After the final petition, all pray:

Almighty Father, you have created us for some definite purpose.

**Grant us the grace to know the path you have planned for us in this life
and to respond with a generous "Yes."**

**Make our archdiocese, parishes, homes, and hearts
fruitful ground for your gift of vocations.**

May our young people respond to your call with courage and zeal.

Stir among our men a desire and the strength to be good and holy priests.

Bless us with consecrated religious

and those called to a chaste single life,

permanent deacons, and faithful husbands and wives,

who are a sign of Christ's love for His Church.

We commend our prayer for vocations to you, Father,

through the intercession of Mary our Mother,

in the Holy Spirit, through Christ our Lord. Amen.

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

OFFERTORY

What Child is This

All sit and sing:

Saint Michael Hymnal 824

MOTET *(10 a.m. and noon)*

The choir sings:

Lully, lulla, thow littell tine child,
By by, lully, lullay
thow littell tyne child,
By by, lully, lullay!

Herod, the king, in his raging,
Chargid he hath this day
His men of might in his owne sight
All yonge children to slay.

O sisters too, how may we do
For to preserve this day
This pore yongling for whom we do singe
By by, lully, lullay?

That wo is me, pore child, for thee,
And ever morne and may
For thi parting nether say nor singe,
By by, lully, lullay.

*Words: Robert Croo
Music: Thomas Mawdyke*

ORATE, FRATRES

All stand

Pray, brothers and sisters, that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.

May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands for the praise and glory of his name, for our good, and the good of all his holy church.

O God, who in your kindness begin all good things and bring them to fulfillment, grant to us, who find joy in the Solemnity of the holy Mother of God, that, just as we glory in the beginnings of your grace, so one day we may rejoice in its completion. Through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

PREFACE DIALOGUE

The Lord be with you.

And with your spirit.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right and just.

It is truly right and just, our duty and our salvation, always and everywhere to give you thanks, Lord, holy Father, almighty and eternal God, and to praise, bless, and glorify your name on the Solemnity of the Motherhood of the Blessed ever-Virgin Mary.

For by the overshadowing of the Holy Spirit she conceived your Only Begotten Son, and without losing the glory of virginity, brought forth into the world the eternal Light, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Through him the Angels praise your majesty, Dominions adore and Powers tremble before you. Heaven and the Virtues of heaven and the blessed Seraphim worship together with exultation. May our voices, we pray, join with theirs in humble praise, as we acclaim:

SANCTUS

Choir: *All:*

San - ctus, San - ctus, San - ctus,
Do - - mi - nus De - us Sa - - -
- - - ba - oth. Ple - ni - sunt cae - li

The musical score consists of three staves of music in G major (one sharp). The first staff begins with a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp (F#). It contains three measures of music. The first measure is marked 'Choir:' and contains the lyrics 'San - ctus,'. The second measure is marked 'All:' and contains the lyrics 'San - ctus,'. The third measure contains the lyrics 'San - ctus,'. The second and third measures are connected by a long slur. The second staff contains two measures of music. The first measure contains the lyrics 'Do - - mi - nus De - us Sa' and the second measure contains the lyrics '- - -'. The second and third measures are connected by a long slur. The third staff contains two measures of music. The first measure contains the lyrics '- - - ba - oth.' and the second measure contains the lyrics 'Ple - ni - sunt cae - li'.

et ter - ra glo - ri - a tu - a.
 Ho - san - na in ex - cel - - - sis.
 Be - ne - di - ctus qui ve - - nit
 in no - mi - ne Do - mi - ni. Ho - san - - - na
 in ex - cel - - - - - sis.

THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

All kneel

The celebrant continues with the Eucharistic Prayer. After the words of Consecration, the celebrant sings:

The mystery of faith. *or* *Mysterium fidei.*

Mor-tem tu - am an - nun - ti - a - mus, Do - mi - ne,
 et tu - am re-sur-rec-ti - o-nem con-fi - te - mur, do - nec ve-ni - as.

*At the conclusion of the prayer the celebrant takes the chalice
and the paten with the host and, raising both, sings:*

Through him, and with him, and in him, O God, almighty Father,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honor is yours, for ever and ever.
Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

All stand

At the Savior's command and formed by divine teaching, we dare 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 evil.**

Deliver us, Lord, we pray, from every evil, graciously grant peace in our days, that, by the help
of your mercy, we may be always free from sin and safe from all distress, as we await the blessed
hope and the coming of our Savior, Jesus Christ.

For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours, now and for ever.

Lord Jesus Christ, who said to your Apostles: "Peace I leave you, my peace I give you," look
not on our sins, but on the faith of your Church, and graciously grant her peace and unity in
accordance with your will, who live and reign for ever and ever.

Amen.

The peace of the Lord be with you always.
And with your spirit.

Let us offer each other the sign of peace.

AGNUS DEI

Choir: A - gnus De - i, *All:* qui tol - lis pec-ca - ta mun - di:
mi - se - re - re no - bis.

Choir: A - gnus De - i, *All:* qui tol - lis pec-ca - ta mun - di:
mi - se - re - re no - bis.

Choir: A - gnus De - i, *All:* qui tol - lis pec-ca - ta mun - di:
do - na no - bis pa - cem.

Music: Gregorian Chant, Missa VIII "De Angelis"

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

All kneel

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.

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

COMMUNION

The choir sings:

Exsulta filia Sion,
lauda filia Jerusalem:
ecce Rex tuus venit sanctus,
et Salvator mundi.

*Exult greatly, O daughter Zion!
Shout for joy, O daughter Jerusalem!
Behold, your king is coming to you,
a just savior is he.*

☩. Specie tua et pulchritudine tua intende,
prosper procede, et regna,
propter veritatem, et mansuetudinem,
et justitiam; et deducet te
mirabiliter dextera tua.

☩. *Your face and beauty shines forth;
prosper and reign
for the sake of truth, and humility,
and justice; and your right hand
will lead you miraculously.*

☩. Filiae Tyri in muneribus
vultum tuum deprecabuntur;
omnes divites plebis.

☩. *The daughters of Tyre shall beseech
your face with gifts;
all the rich will seek your favor.*

☩. Memores erunt nominis tui in omni
generatione et generationem: propterea
populi confitebuntur tibi in aeternum,
et in saeculum saeculi.

☩. *I will make your name remembered from
generation to generation: therefore
the peoples will praise you for eternity,
world without end.*

☩. Gloria Patri, et Filio,
et Spiritui Sancto, sicut erat
in principio, et nunc, et semper,
et in saecula saeculorum. Amen.

☩. *Glory be to the Father, and to the Son,
and to the Holy Spirit, as it was
in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen.*

Antiphon: after Zachariah 9:9

Verses: Psalm 45:5, 13, 18

Music: Dominican Chant

MOTET (10 a.m. and noon)

The choir sings:

I will lift up mine eyes unto the hills: from whence cometh my help? My help cometh even from the Lord: who hath made heaven and earth. He will not suffer thy foot to be moved: and he that keepeth thee will not sleep. Behold, he that keepeth Israel shall neither slumber nor sleep.

Words: Psalm 121:1–4

Music: Ernest Walker

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

All stand

We have received this heavenly Sacrament with joy, O Lord: grant, we pray, that it may lead us to eternal life, for we rejoice to proclaim the blessed ever-Virgin Mary, Mother of your Son and Mother of the Church. Through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

THE CONCLUDING RITES

BLESSING AND DISMISSAL

The Lord be with you.

And with your spirit.

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

Amen.

Go forth, the Mass is ended.

Thanks be to God.

PRAYER TO ST. MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL

All kneel

St. 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 into hell Satan and all the evil spirits who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls.

Amen.

RECESSION

All stand and sing:

O Sanctissima

St. Michael Hymnal 684: verses in English

Variations on O Sanctissima

Benjamin Carr

