

ORDER OF MASS
ON THE SOLEMNITY OF
THE NATIVITY OF
OUR LORD





Guidelines for the Reception of Holy Communion

For Catholics:

As Catholics, we fully participate in the celebration of the Eucharist when we receive Holy Communion. We are encouraged to receive Communion devoutly and frequently. In order to be properly disposed to receive Communion, participants should not be conscious of grave sin and normally should have fasted for one hour. A person who is conscious of grave sin is not to receive the Body and Blood of the Lord without prior sacramental confession except for a grave reason where there is no opportunity for confession. In this case, the person is to be mindful of the obligation to make an act of perfect contrition, including the intention of confessing as soon as possible (canon 916). A frequent reception of the Sacrament of Penance is encouraged for all.

For our fellow Christians:

We welcome our fellow Christians to this celebration of the Eucharist as our brothers and sisters. We pray that our common baptism and the action of the Holy Spirit in this Eucharist will draw us closer to one another and begin to dispel the sad divisions which separate us. We pray that these will lessen and finally disappear, in keeping with Christ's prayer for us "that they may all be one" (Jn 17:21). Because Catholics believe that the celebration of the Eucharist is a sign of the reality of the oneness of faith, life, and worship, members of those churches with whom we are not yet fully united are ordinarily not admitted to Holy Communion. Eucharistic sharing in exceptional circumstances by other Christians requires permission according to the directives of the diocesan bishop and the provisions of canon law (canon 844 §4). Members of the Orthodox Churches, the Assyrian Church of the East, and the Polish National Catholic Church are urged to respect the discipline of their own Churches. According to Roman Catholic discipline, the Code of Canon Law does not object to the reception of Communion by Christians of these Churches (canon 844 §3).

For those not receiving Holy Communion:

All who are not receiving Holy Communion are encouraged to express in their hearts a prayerful desire for unity with the Lord Jesus and with one another.

For non-Christians:

We also welcome to this celebration those who do not share our faith in Jesus Christ. While we cannot admit them to Holy Communion, we ask them to offer their prayers for the peace and the unity of the human family.

Mass at Dawn on the Solemnity of the Nativity of Our Lord

INTROIT:

Today a light will shine upon us, for the Lord is born for us; and He will be called Wondrous God, Prince of Peace, Father of future Ages: and His reign will be without end.

KYRIE:

Kyrie Eleison,
Christe Eleison,
Kyrie Eleison.

Lord have mercy,
Christ have mercy,
Lord have mercy.



GLORIA (P. 18)

FIRST READING:

ISAIAH 62:11-12

See, the LORD proclaims
to the ends of the earth:
say to daughter Zion,
your savior comes!
Here is his reward with him,
his recompense before him.
They shall be called the holy people,
the redeemed of the LORD,
and you shall be called "Frequented,"
a city that is not forsaken.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

PSALM 97:1, 6, 11-12

R/ A light will shine on us this day: the Lord is born for us.

The LORD is king; let the earth rejoice;
let the many isles be glad.

The heavens proclaim his justice,
and all peoples see his glory.

R/ A light will shine on us this day: the Lord is born for us.

Light dawns for the just;
and gladness, for the upright of heart.

Be glad in the LORD, you just,
and give thanks to his holy name.

R/ A light will shine on us this day: the Lord is born for us.

SECOND READING:**TITUS 3:4-7**

Beloved:
When the kindness and generous love
of God our savior appeared,

not because of any righteous deeds we had done
but because of his mercy,
He saved us through the bath of rebirth
and renewal by the Holy Spirit,
whom he richly poured out on us
through Jesus Christ our savior,
so that we might be justified by his grace
and become heirs in hope of eternal life.

ALLELUIA:

R. Alleluia, alleluia.
Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to those
on whom his favor rests.
R. Alleluia, alleluia.

GOSPEL:**LUKE 2:15-20**

When the angels went away from them to heaven, the shepherds said to one another, "Let us go, then, to Bethlehem to see this thing that has taken place, which the Lord has made known to us." So they went in haste 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.

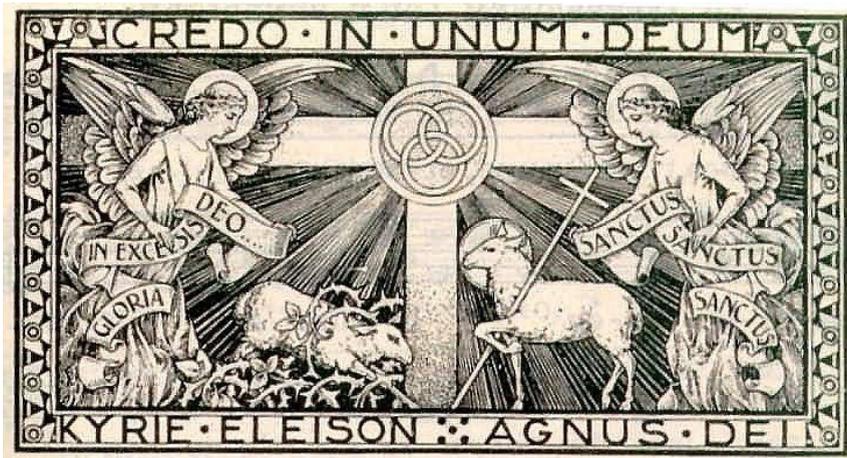
HOMILY:

NICENE CREED:

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. 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.

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.





SANCTUS:

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 your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed † is He who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

THE LORD'S PRAYER:

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. Amen.



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.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, grant us peace.

HOLY COMMUNION:

ANTIPHON:

Rejoice O Daughter Sion; lift up praise, Daughter Jerusalem: Behold, your King will come, the Holy One and Savior of the world.

FINAL BLESSING:



~PLEASE KEEP A REVERENT SILENCE IN THE CHURCH AFTER MASS~

Adoration of the Child (1620)
Gerard van Honthorst (1592-1656)
Galleria degli Uffizi, Florence, Italy

10am & 12pm Mass on the Solemnity of the Nativity of Our Lord

PROCESSIONAL HYMN: O COME, ALL YE FAITHFUL (P. 22)

INTROIT:

Puer natus est nobis
Et filius datus est nobis
Cuius imperium super humerum
eius Et vocabitur nomen eius
Magni consilii Angelus

Vs. Cantate Domino canticum
novum Quia mirabilia fecit

Gloria Patri, et Filio, et Spiritui
Sancto
Sicut erat in principio, et nunc,
et semper,
in secula seculorum. Amen.

A boy is born to us,
And a son is given to us,
upon whose shoulders authority
rests, and His name will be called
"The Angel of Great Counsel".

Vs. Sing to the Lord a new song,
because he has done the miraculous.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son,
and to the Holy Spirit.
As it was in the beginning, and is
now, and always will be,
in every human generation. Amen.

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GLORIA (P. 18)

FIRST READING:

ISAIAH 52:7-10

How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of him who brings glad tidings, announcing peace, bearing good news, announcing salvation, and saying to Zion “Your God is King!”

Hark! Your sentinels raise a cry, together they shout for joy, for they see directly, before their eyes, the LORD restoring Zion. Break out together in song, O ruins of Jerusalem! For the LORD comforts his people, he redeems Jerusalem. The LORD has bared his holy arm in the sight of all the nations; all the ends of the earth will behold the salvation of our God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

PSALM 98:1-2, 2-3, 11-12, 13

R. All the ends of the earth have seen the saving power of God.

Sing to the LORD a new song, for he has done wondrous deeds; his right hand has won victory for him, his holy arm.

R. All the ends of the earth have seen the saving power of God.

The LORD has made his salvation known: in the sight of the nations he has revealed his justice.

He has remembered his kindness and his faithfulness toward the house of Israel.

R. All the ends of the earth have seen the saving power of God.

All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation by our God.

Sing joyfully to the LORD, all you lands; break into song; sing praise.

R. All the ends of the earth have seen the saving power of God.

Sing praise to the LORD with the harp, with the harp and melodious song.

With trumpets and the sound of the horn sing joyfully before the King, the LORD.

R. All the ends of the earth have seen the saving power of God.

SECOND READING:**HEBREWS 1:1-6**

Brothers and sisters:
In times past, God spoke in partial and various ways to our ancestors through the prophets; in these last days, he has spoken to us through the Son, whom he made heir of all things and through whom he created the universe, who is the refulgence of his glory, the very imprint of his being, and who sustains all things by his mighty word. When he had accomplished purification from sins, he took his seat at the right hand of the Majesty on high, as far superior to the angels as the name he has inherited is more excellent than theirs.

For to which of the angels did God ever say: *You are my son; this day I have begotten you?* Or again: *I will be a father to him, and he shall be a son to me?* And again, when he leads the firstborn into the world, he says: *Let all the angels of God worship him.*

ALLELUIA:

R . Alleluia, alleluia.
A holy day has dawned upon us.
Come, you nations, and adore the Lord.
For today a great light has come upon the earth.
R. Alleluia, alleluia.

GOSPEL:**JOHN 1:1-18**

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God. All things came to be through him, and without him nothing came to be. What came to be through him was life, and this life was the light of the human race; the light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it. A man named John was sent from God. He came for testimony, to testify to the light, so that all might believe through him. He was not the light, but came to testify to the light. The true light, which enlightens everyone, was coming into the world. He was in the world, and the world came to be through him, but the world did not know him. He came to what was his own, but his own people did not accept him.

But to those who did accept him he gave power to become children of God, to those who believe in his name, who were born not by natural generation nor by human choice nor by a man's decision but of God. And the Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us, and we saw his glory, the glory as of the Father's only Son, full of grace and truth. John testified to him and cried out, saying, "This was he of whom I said, 'The one who is coming after me ranks ahead of me because he existed before me.'" From his fullness we have all received, grace in place of grace, because while the law was given through Moses, grace and truth came through Jesus Christ. No one has ever seen God. The only Son, God, who is at the Father's side, has revealed him.



The Annunciation to the Shepherds (1639)
Govaert Flinck (1615-1660)
Louvre, Paris, France

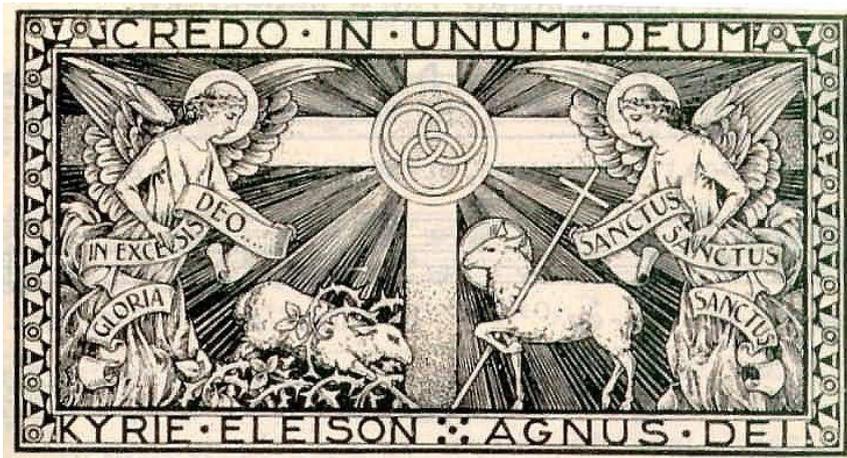
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OFFERTORY HYMN:

10AM—OF THE FATHER'S LOVE BEGOTTEN (CHORAL)

12PM—GESU BAMBINO (SOLO)

SANCTUS:

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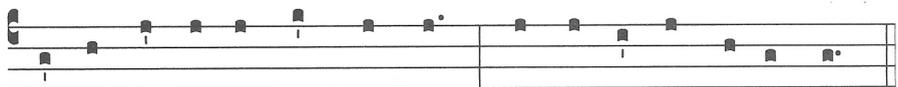
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HOLY COMMUNION:

ANTIPHON:

COMMUNION ANTIPHON Cf. Psalm 98 (97):3

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ALL the ends of the earth have seen * the sal-va-tion of our God.

RECEPTION OF HOLY COMMUNION:

10AM—LET ALL MORTAL FLESH KEEP SILENCE (P. 21)

12PM—INFANT HOLY, INFANT LOWLY (P. 20)

**WHILE SHEPHERDS WATCHED THEIR FLOCKS
BY NIGHT (SOLO)**

FINAL BLESSING:

RECESSIONAL HYMN:

HARK! THE HERALD ANGELS SING (P. 19)

~PLEASE KEEP A REVERENT SILENCE IN THE CHURCH AFTER MASS~

GLORIA:

Gloria in excelsis Deo
et in terra pax hominibus
bonae voluntatis.
Laudamus te,
benedicimus te,
adoramus te,
glorificamus te,
gratias agimus tibi propter
magnam gloriam tuam,
Domine Deus, Rex caelestis,
Deus Pater omnipotens.

Domine Fili unigenite, Iesu
Christe,
Domine Deus, Agnus Dei, Fili-
us Patris,
qui tollis peccata mundi, mise-
rere nobis;
qui tollis peccata mundi, susci-
pe deprecationem nostram.
Qui sedes ad dexteram Patris,
miserere nobis.

Quoniam tu solus Sanctus, tu
solus Dominus, tu solus Altissi-
mus,
Iesu Christe, cum Sancto Spir-
itu: in gloria Dei Patris. Amen.

Glory to God in the highest,
and on earth peace to people
of good will.
We praise you,
we bless you,
we adore you,
we glorify you,
we give you thanks for your great
glory,
Lord God, heavenly King, O God
almighty Father.

Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten
Son,
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of
the Father,
you take away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us;
you take away the sins of the world,
receive our prayer;
you are seated at the right hand of
the Father, have mercy on us.

For You alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord, you alone
are the Most High,
Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in
the glory of God the Father. Amen.

153 HARK! THE HERALD ANGELS SING

1. Hark! the herald angels sing, "Glory to the new-born 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 hosts 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 a 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!"
3. Hail, the heav'n-born Prince of Peace! Hail the Sun of Righteousness!
Light and life to all he brings, Ris'n with healing in his wings.
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!
Hark! The herald angels sing, "Glory to the newborn King!"

Words: Charles Wesley, 1707–1788, alt.
Music: Felix Mendelssohn-Bartholdy, 1809–1847
Arr. by William H. Cummings, 1831–1915

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INFANT HOLY, INFANT LOWLY 169



1. In - fant ho - ly, In - fant low - ly, For his bed a cat - tle
2. Flocks were sleep - ing, shep - herds keep - ing vig - il till the morn - ing



stall; Ox - en low - ing, lit - tle know - ing Christ the Babe is Lord of all.
new Saw the glo - ry, heard the sto - ry, tid - ings of a gos - pel true.



Swift are wing - ing an - gels sing - ing, no - els ring - ing, tid - ings bring - ing:
Thus re - joic - ing, free from sor - row, prais - es voic - ing, greet the mor - row:



Christ the Babe is Lord of all, Christ the Babe is Lord of all.
Christ the Babe was born for you. Christ the Babe was born for you.

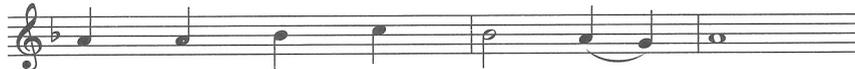
Words: Polish carol
Tr. by Edith M. Reed, 1885-1933, alt.
Music: Polish melody

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LET ALL MORTAL FLESH KEEP SILENCE 182



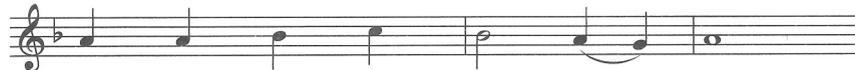
1. Let all mor - tal flesh keep___ si - lence,
 2. King of kings, yet born of___ Ma - ry,
 3. Rank on rank, the host of___ heav - en
 4. At his feet the six - wing'd ser - aph,



And with fear and trem - bling___ stand;
 As of old on earth he___ stood;
 Spreads its van - guard on the___ way,
 Cher - u - bim with sleep - less___ eye,



Pon - der noth - ing earth - ly - mind - ed,
 Lord of lords in hu - man___ ves - ture,
 As the light of light de - scend - eth
 Veil their fac - es to the___ Pres - ence,



For with bless - ing in his___ hand
 In the bod - y and the___ blood
 From the realms of end - less___ day,
 As with cease - less voice they___ cry,



Christ, our God, to earth de - scend - - - eth,
 He will give to all the faith - - - ful
 That the pow'rs of hell may van - - - ish
 "Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - - - ia,



Our full hom - age to de - mand.
 His own self for heav'n - ly___ food.
 As the dark - ness clears a - - - way.
 Al - le - lu - ia, Lord most___ high!"

Words: Cherubic hymn, Liturgy of St. James, 4th cent.
 Tr. by Gerard Moultrie, 1829-1885
 Music: Traditional French carol, 17th cent.

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201 O COME, ALL YE FAITHFUL



1. O come, all ye faith-ful, joy-ful and tri-um-phant; O
2. God of God, Light from 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,

1. *Ad - é - ste, fi - dé - les, laé - ti, tri - um - phán - tes; Ve -*
2. *De - um de De - o, Lu - men de Lú - mi - ne,*
3. *Can - tel nunc i - o, cho - rus an - ge - ló - rum.*
4. *Er - go qui na - tus Di - e ho - di - ér - na,*



1. come ye, O come ye to Beth - le - hem.
2. Lo! he ab - hors not the Vir - gin's womb:
3. Sing, all ye cit - i - zens of heav'n a - bove!
4. Je - sus, to thee be all glo - ry giv'n;

1. *ní - te, ve - ní - te in Béth - le - hem.*
2. *Ge - stant pu - él - - - lae ví - - - sce - ra,*
3. *Can - tet nunc au - la cae - lé - - sti - um.*
4. *Je - su, ti - bi sit gló - ri - a.*

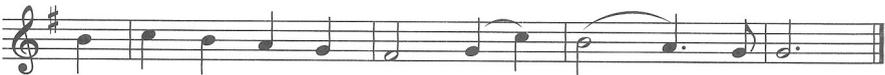


1. Come and be - hold him, born the King of an - gels;
2. Ve - ry God, be - got - ten, not cre - a - ted;
3. Glo - ry to God, glo - ry in the high - est;
4. Word of the Fa - ther, Now in flesh ap - pear - ing;

1. *Na - tum vi - dé - te Re - gem an - ge - ló - rum.*
2. *De - um ve - rum, Gé - ni - tum, non fa - ctum.*
3. *Gló - ri - a, gló - ria, in ex - cél - sis De - o.*
4. *Pa - tris ae - tér - ni Ver - bum ca - ro fac - tum.*



- O come, let us a - dore him, O come, let us a - dore him,
Ve - ní - te, a - do - ré - mus, Ve - ní - te, a - do - ré - mus,



- O come, let us a - dore him, Christ, the Lord.
Ve - ní - te, a - do - ré - mus Dó - - mi - num.

Words: *Adeste Fideles*, Attr. to John F. Wade, 1711–1786

Tr. by Frederick Oakeley, 1802–1880, alt.

Music: John F. Wade, 1711–1786

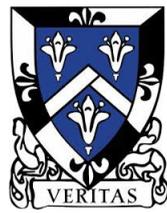
ADESTE FIDELES

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Thanks To:

Dominican Novice Brothers , directed by Catherine Fishlock
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Catherine Fishlock , Cantor
Donald Hurd, Organ 12:00



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