Christmas Mass During the Night

Saint Peter in Chains Cathedral
In the City and Archdiocese of Cincinnati

Monday, December 24, 2018 at 10:00 pm
Please respect the solemn nature of the Church's liturgy and those assembled in prayer and worship: kindly silence all mobile telephones and electronic devices while in the cathedral.
Choir: *A Babe is Born*  
**William Mathias**

A babe is born all of a may,  
To bring salvation unto us.  
To him we sing both night and day.  
*Veni Creator Spiritus.*

At Bethlehem, that blessed place,  
The child of bliss now born he was;  
And him to serve God give us grace,  
*O lux beata Trinitas.*

There came three kings out of the East,  
To worship the King that is so free,  
With gold and myrrh and frankincense,  
*A solis ortus cardine.*

Choir: *Infant Holy, Infant Lowly*  
**arr. Richard Proulx**

Infant holy,  
Infant lowly  
For his bed a cattle stall;  
Oxen lowing, Little knowing  
Christ the babe is Lord of all.  
Swift are winging Angels singing,  
Nowells ring, Tidings bringing,  
Christ the Babe is Lord of all.

Brass: *Carol of the Bells*  
**Ukrainian Carol**

Choir: *Mary’s Lullaby*  
**John Rutter**

See the child that Mary bore  
On her lap so softly sleeping:  
In a stable cold and poor,  
Ox and ass their vigil keeping.

Sing lullaby, sing lullaby,  
my own dear son, my child;  
Lullaby, sing lullaby;  
Lullaby, my little baby.

Flights of angels round his head  
Sing him joyful hymns of greeting:  
‘Peace on earth, goodwill to men.’  
Each to each the song repeating.

Shepherds kneeling by his bed  
Offer homage without measure;  
Wise men, by a bright star led,  
Bring him gifts of richest treasure.

Organ: *In Dulci Jubilo*  
**Johann Sebastian Bach**
Dormi Jesu, mater ridet
Quae tam dulcem somnum videt;
Dormi Jesu, blandule
Si non dormis, mater plorat,
Inter fila cantans orat,
Blande, veni, somnule.

The Lord said unto me: You are my Son, today I have begotten you. Why do the nations conspire
and the people plot in vain? Glory be to the Father...

Gloria in excelsis Deo!
Sing, my soul, to God the Lord,
All in glory’s highest key.
Lay the angel’s choir abroad,
In their highest holy day.

Choir: Dormi Jesu

Sleep, sweet baby, my cares beguiling:
Mother sits beside thee smiling:
Sleep, my darling, tenderly.
If thou sleep not, mother mourneth,
Singing as her wheel she turneth:
Come, soft slumber, balmily.

Late medieval carol

Choir: Sing With Joy (Fröhlich Soll)

Sing with joy! My heart rejoices.
As we hear, far and near,
All the angel voices.
Listen! to the joyful chorus.
All the world, sing to day:
Christus natus hodie.

Choir: Lux Arumque

Light, warm and heavy as pure gold and the
angels sing softly to the new-born baby.

Choir: Silent Night

Silent night, holy night,
All is calm, all is bright;
Round yon virgin Mother and Child,
Holy Infant, so tender and mild,
Sleep in heavenly peace,
Sleep in heavenly peace.

Silent night, holy night,
Shepherds first saw the sight:
Glories stream from heaven afar,
Heavenly hosts sing alleluia:
Christ, the Savior, is born!
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Choir: Dominus Dixit

The Lord said unto me: You are my Son, today I have begotten you. Why do the nations conspire
and the people plot in vain? Glory be to the Father...

Gloria in excelsis Deo!
Hark! A voice calls from the manger
Soft and sweet, does entreat:
Flee from woe and danger.
Listen! Angel voices singing.
Happy day, as we say,
Christus natus hodie.

Choir: Hodie Christu Natus Est

Come, then, hasten on this happy morn.
Here let all, great and small
Sing with joy, a child is born.
Listen! Glory of the angels.
Hail the star, from afar;
Christus natus hodie.

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Brass: Hodie Christu Natus Est

Hodie Christu Natus Est
Jan Pieterszoon Sweelinck

Choir: Silent Night

arr. Bob Chilcott

Choir: Lux Arumque

Eric Whitacre

Choir: Dormi Jesu

John Rutter

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Johann Crüger

Choir: Dominus Dixit

Gregorian Chant

Thomas Weelkes

Crave thy God to tune thy heart
Unto praise's highest part.
Gloria in excelsis Deo!
Amen.

Late medieval carol

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Procesional Hymn

O Come all ye faithful, joyful and triumphant,
O come ye, O come ye to Bethlehem;
Come and behold him Born the King of Angels:
O come, let us adore him, O come, let us adore him,
O come let us adore him, Christ the Lord!

God of God, Light of Light,
Lo! he abhors not the Virgin's womb;
Very God, Begotten not created:

Sing choirs of angels, Sing in exultation,
Sing, all ye citizens of heav'n above;
Glory to God In the highest:

Yea, Lord, we greet thee, Born this happy morning,
Jesus, to thee be glory giv'n;
Word of the Father, Now in flesh appearing:

ADESTE FIDELES
Words trans., F. Oakeley
Melody, J. F. Wade
arr. David Willcocks

Sign of the Cross and Greeting

Archbishop:
Peace be with you.  R. And with your spirit.

Penitential Act

Lord, have mercy • Christ, have mercy • Lord, have mercy

Gloria  Gloria de Noël

Glorificamus te. Gratias agimus tibi propter magnam gloriam tuam. Refrain

Domine Deus, Agnus Dei, Filius Patris. Qui tollis peccata mundi, miserere nobis.
Qui tollis peccata mundi, suscipe deprecationem nostram. Qui sedes ad dexteram
Patris, miserere nobis. Refrain

Quoniam tu solus sanctus. Tu solus Dominus. Tu solus Altissimus, Jesu Christe, cum
Sancto Spiritu, in gloria Dei Patris. Amen. Refrain

Collect
First Reading


At the end of the reading:
V. The word of the Lord. R. Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm


Sing to the Lord a new song; sing to the Lord, all you lands. Sing to the Lord; bless his name.
Announce his salvation, day after day. Tell his glory among the nations; Among all the peoples, his wondrous deeds.

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.

They shall exult before the Lord, for he comes; for he comes to rule the earth. He shall rule the world with justice and the peoples with his constancy.

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Second Reading

Titus 2: 11-14.

At the end of the reading:
V. The word of the Lord. R. Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation

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

Choir verse: Good News and great joy to all the world:
today is born our savior, Jesus Christ the Lord.

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Gospel Reading


Before the Gospel:
V. The Lord be with you. R. And with your spirit.
V. A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke.
R. Glory to you, O Lord.

At the end of the Gospel:
V. The Gospel of the Lord. R. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Homily

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 (kneel) at these words:
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.

Universal Prayer

Response: Lord, hear our prayer.
Prayer Over the Offerings

Eucharistic Prayer / Preface Dialogue

Archbishop:  The Lord be with you.
Congregation:  And with your spirit.
Archbishop:  Lift up your hearts.
Congregation:  We lift them up to the Lord.
Archbishop:  Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
Congregation:  It is right and just.

The people rise and reply:
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.

Presentation and Preparation of the Gifts

For Unto Us a Child is Born (Messiah)  Georg Frideric Handel

For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given: and the government shall be upon his shoulder; and his Name shall be called Wonderful, Counsellor, the Mighty God, the Everlasting Father, the Prince of Peace.

Archbishop:  Pray, brethren (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.

Liturgy of the Eucharist

Sanctus

Mass for the City

For Unto Us a Child is Born (Messiah)  Georg Frideric Handel
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.

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

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

Prayer for Peace

Sign of Peace

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

Lamb of God

Cantor/Choir
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us:

Cantor/Choir
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, grant us peace:

Prayer After Communion

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

Communion Procession
Please see the guidelines for the reception of Holy Communion in the insert.

Music During Holy Communion

Communion Antiphon

In splendoribus sanctorum, ex utero ante luciferum genui te.

Choral Motet: O Magnum Mysterium


Brass Carol: Sussex Mummers' Carol

Percy Grainger
arr. Michael Allen

Choir Carol: In the Bleak Mid-winter

Harold Darke

Prayer After Communion

In splendoribus Ps. 109:3

Amidst the splendors of the heavenly sanctuary, from the womb, before the morning star, I have begotten you.

O great mystery and wonderful sacrament that animals should see the newborn Lord lying in a manger! Blessed Virgin, whose womb was worthy to bear the Lord Jesus Christ. Alleluia.

Enough for him, whom cherubim Worship night and day; A breast full of milk And a manger full of hay; Enough for him, whom angels Fall down before, The ox and ass and camel Which adore.

What can I give him, Poor as I am? If I were a shepherd I would bring a lamb, If I were a Wise-Man I would do my part, Yet what I can I give him, Give my heart.

In the bleak mid-winter Long ago.

Our God, Heav'n cannot hold him Nor earth sustain; Heav'n and earth shall flee away When he comes to reign; In the bleak mid-winter A stable place sufficed The Lord God Almighty Jesus Christ.

In the bleak mid-winter,
Frosty wind made moan,
Earth stood hard as iron,
Water like a stone;
Snow had fallen, snow on snow,
Snow on snow,
In the bleak mid-winter Long ago.
Hark! the herald angels sing Glory to the newborn 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 host proclaim, Christ is born in Bethlehem.
Hark! the herald angels sing Glory to the newborn King.

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 God-head 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.

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 we no more may die,
Born to raise us from the earth, Born to give us second birth.
Hark! the herald angels sing Glory to the newborn King.

Words, C. WESLEY AND G. WHITEFIELD
Music, J. L. F. MENDELSSOHN-BARTHOLDY
arr. DAVID WILLCOCKS

Organ Postlude  In Dulci Jubilo  Johann Sebastian Bach
Prayer for Vocations

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.