

SAINT JOHN BOSCO PARISH OF BRANFORD

I SUNDAY OF ADVENT

NOVEMBER 30TH 2025

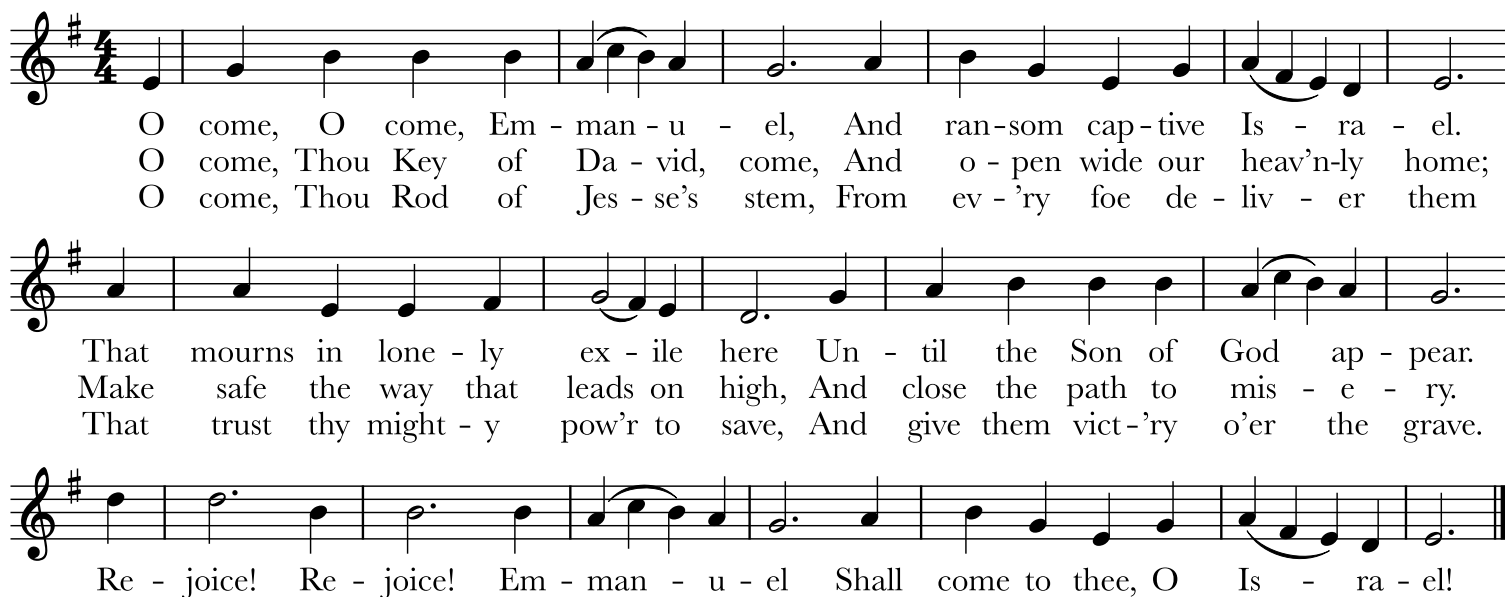
INTROITUS

AD TE LEVAVI

To you, I lift up my soul, O my God. In you, I have trusted; let me not be put to shame.
Nor let my enemies exult over me; and let none who hope in you be put to shame.

ENTRANCE HYMN

O Come, O Come, Emmanuel



O come, O come, Em - man - u - el, And ran-som cap-tive Is - ra - el.
O come, Thou Key of Da - vid, come, And o - pen wide our heav'n-ly home;
O come, Thou Rod of Jes - se's stem, From ev - 'ry foe de - liv - er them

That mourns in lone - ly ex - ile here Un - til the Son of God ap - pear.
Make safe the way that leads on high, And close the path to mis - e - ry.
That trust thy might - y pow'r to save, And give them vict-'ry o'er the grave.

Re - joice! Re - joice! Em - man - u - el Shall come to thee, O Is - ra - el!

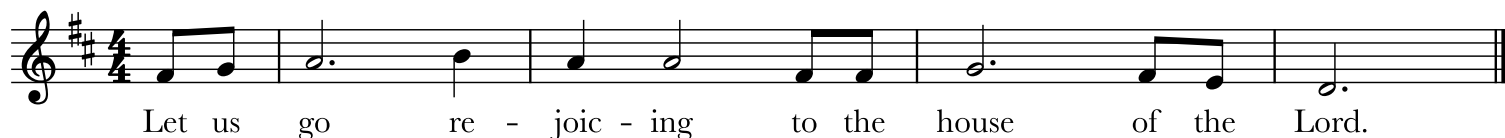
LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING

ISAIAH 2:1-5

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

PSALM 122: 1-2, 3-4, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9



Let us go re - joic - ing to the house of the Lord.

SECOND READING

ROMANS 13:11-14

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

PSALM 85:8

GOSPEL

MATTHEW 24:27-44

HOMILY

PROFESSION OF FAITH

PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

HYMN DURING THE PREPARATION OF GIFTS

ALLELUIA! HURRY, THE LORD IS NEAR



Al-le-lu - ia! Hur-ry, the Lord is near. Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia! Hur-ry, the Lord is near.



1. Sound the trum-pet, the Lord is near; Hur-ry, the Lord is near;
2. Earth has longed for his ap-proach: Hur-ry, the Lord is near;
3. Go out to meet him, shout his name: Hur-ry, the Lord is near;
4. He is the might - y one, he is the Word: Hur-ry, the Lord is near;



1. see, he comes to save us all. Hur-ry, the Lord is near!
2. straight - en the road, smooth the path. Hur-ry, the Lord is near!
3. his might - y king-dom shall nev - er end. Hur-ry, the Lord is near!
4. God ev - er - last - ing, Prince of Peace. Hur-ry, the Lord is near!

SANCTUS

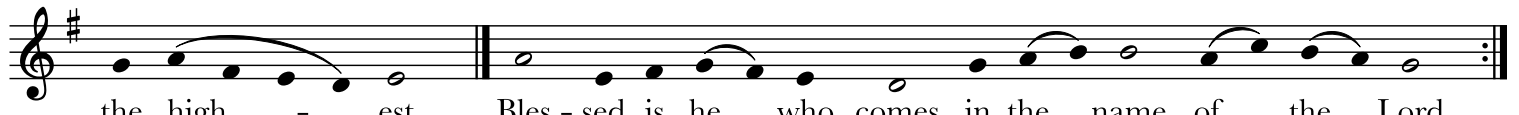
MISSA EMMANUEL



Ho-ly, Ho-ly, Ho - ly Lord, Ho-ly Lord God of Hosts. Heav-en and earth



are full of your glo - ry. Ho-san-na in the high - est, ho-san-na in



the high - est. Bles - sed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

MISSA EMMANUEL



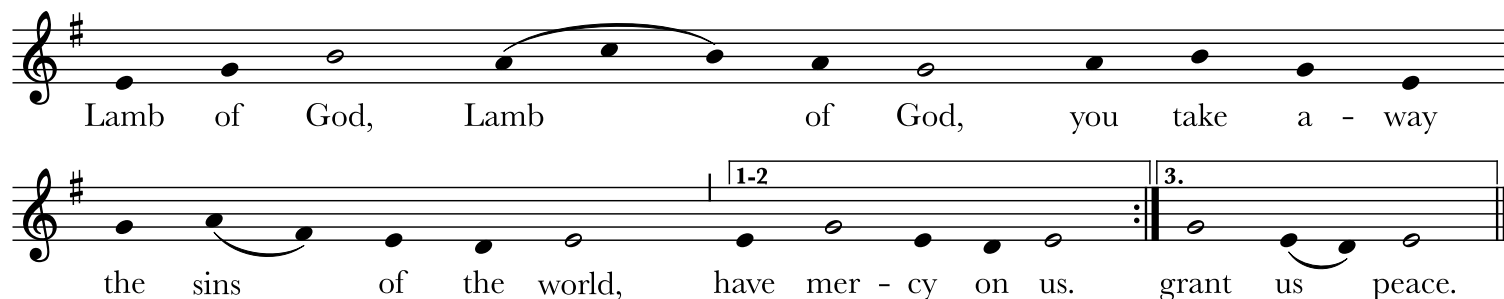
We pro-claim your Death, O Lord, and pro-fess your Res-ur-rec-tion un-til you come a-gain.

AMEN

MISSA EMMANUEL



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



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

COMMUNION HYMN

BEYOND THE MOON AND STARS

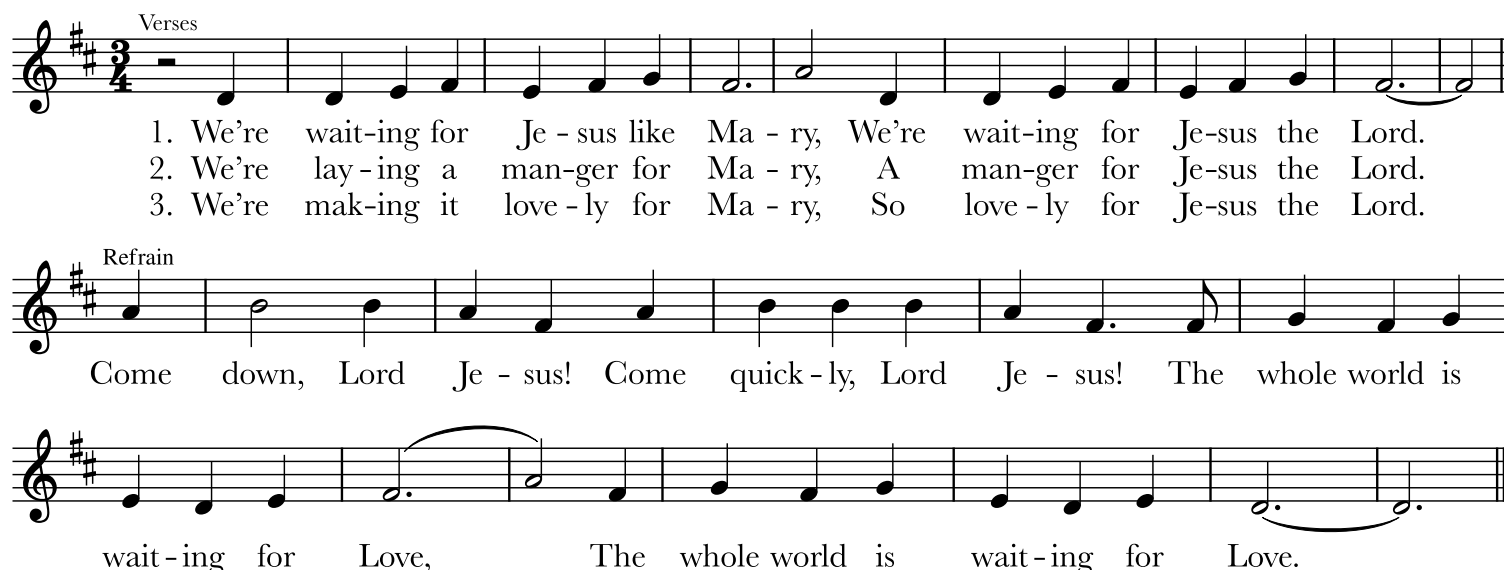


Refrain
Be-yond the moon and stars, as deep as night, so great our hun-ger, Lord,
to see your light. The spar-row finds her home Be-neath your wing. So may we
come to rest where an - gels sing.

Verses
1. Our eyes have longed to see
2. Your roads have led us, Lord,
3. Up - on our dark - ness, Lord,
4. With shin - ing star at night,
1. your lov - ing face, to live with - in your courts for all our days.
2. 'cross des - ert sand. We place our hopes and dreams with - in your hand.
3. a light has shone. You chose to dwell with us in flesh and bone.
4. and cloud by day, you brought us here to see your love's dis - play.

COMMUNION HYMN II


THE WHOLE WORLD IS WAITING FOR LOVE



Verses
1. We're wait-ing for Je - sus like Ma - ry, We're wait-ing for Je-sus the Lord.
2. We're lay-ing a man-ger for Ma - ry, A man-ger for Je-sus the Lord.
3. We're mak-ing it love - ly for Ma - ry, So love - ly for Je-sus the Lord.


Refrain
Come down, Lord Je - sus! Come quick - ly, Lord Je - sus! The whole world is
wait - ing for Love, The whole world is wait - ing for Love.

Refrain




Let the val - leys be raised and the moun - tains made low. Ev-'ry mead - ow and field
o-ver-turn. Make the path - way straight and the high - way run smooth for the com - ing of

Verses



God in our day. God, you come to your peo - ple as you prom - ised
You, lit-tle child, go be - fore him like the proph - ets
God, you come like the morn - ing on the dark - ness



of old. You have raised up a Sav - ior in the sight of us all.
of old, bring - ing news of his com - ing by the mer - cy of God.
of night, as a light to the peo - ple, like the break - ing of day.

PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS TO THE PRIESTHOOD

Heavenly Father, You have created us for a definite purpose. Grant us the grace to know the path You have planned for each of us in this life, and to respond with a generous "Yes." Make my parish, my home and my heart fruitful ground for Your gift of vocations to the priesthood of Jesus Christ. May our young men respond to Your call with courage and zeal. Stir among them a desire and the strength to be good and holy priests. We make our prayer for priestly vocations to You, Father, in the Holy Spirit, through Christ our Lord. Amen. Mary, Mother of the Church, pray for us. Saint Joseph, Patron of our Archdiocese, pray for us. Blessed Michael McGivney, pray for us.

RECESSIONAL HYMN

SOON AND VERY SOON



Soon and ver - y soon, We are going to see the King; Soon and ver - y soon,
No more cry - ing there, We are going to see the King; No more cry - ing there,
No more dy - ing there, We are going to see the King; No more dy - ing there,



We are going to see the King; Soon and ver - y soon, We are going to see the King;
We are going to see the King; No more cry - ing there, We are going to see the King;
We are going to see the King; No more dy - ing there, We are going to see the King;



Hal-le - lu - jah, Hal-le - lu - jah! We're going to see the King!

SAINT JOHN BOSCO PARISH OF BRANFORD

II SUNDAY OF ADVENT

DECEMBER 7TH 2025

INTROITUS

POPULUS SION

O people of Sion, behold, the Lord will come to save the nations,
and the Lord will make the glory of his voice heard in the joy of your heart.

ENTRANCE HYMN

ОП JORDAN'S BANK



1. On Jor - dan's bank the Bap-tist's cry An - noun - ces that the Lord is nigh;
2. Then cleansed be ev - 'ry soul from sin; Make straight the way of God with - in,
3. For thou art our sal - va - tion, Lord, Our re - fuge and our sure re - ward;
4. All praise, e - ter - nal Son, to thee Whose ad - vent set thy peo - ple free,



1. A - wake and heark - en, for he brings Glad tid - ings of the King of kings.
2. Pre - pare we in our hearts a home, Where such a might - y guest may come.
3. Shine forth, and let thy light re - store Our souls to heav'n - ly grace once more.
4. Whom with the Fa - ther we a - dore And Ho - ly Spir - it ev - er - more.

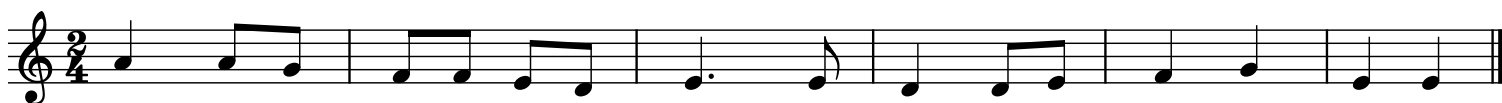
LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING

ISAIAH II:1-10

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

PSALM 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17



Jus - tice shall flour-ish in his name, and ful - ness of peace for - ev - er.

SECOND READING

ROMANS 15:4-9

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

LUKE 3:4, 6



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

GOSPEL

MATTHEW 3:1-12

HOMILY

PROFESSION OF FAITH

PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

HYMN DURING THE PREPARATION OF GIFTS

BEHOLD! THE MOUNTAIN OF THE LORD



1. Be - hold! the moun-tain of the Lord in lat - ter days shall rise
2. To this the joy - ful na-tions round, all tribes and tongues, shall flow;
3. The beam that shines from Zi-on's hill shall light - en ev - 'ry land;
4. A - mong the na - tions he shall judge; his judge-ments truth shall guide;
5. No strife shall rage, nor hos-tile feuds dis - turb those peace - ful years;
6. Come then, O house of Ja - cob! come to wor - ship at his shrine;



1. on moun - tain tops a - bove the hills, and draw the won-d'ring eyes.
2. up to the hill of God, they'll say, and to his house we'll go.
3. the King who reigns in Sa - lem's towers shall all the world com - mand.
4. his scep - tre shall pro - tect the just, and quell the sin - ner's pride.
5. to plough-shares men shall beat their swords, to prun-ing-hooks their spears.
6. and, walk - ing in the light of God, with ho - ly beau - ties shine.

SANCTUS

MISSA EMMANUEL



Ho-ly, Ho-ly, Ho - ly Lord, Ho-ly Lord God of Hosts. Heav-en and earth



are full of your glo - ry. Ho-san-na in the high - est, ho-san-na in



the high - est. Bles - sed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

MISSA EMMANUEL



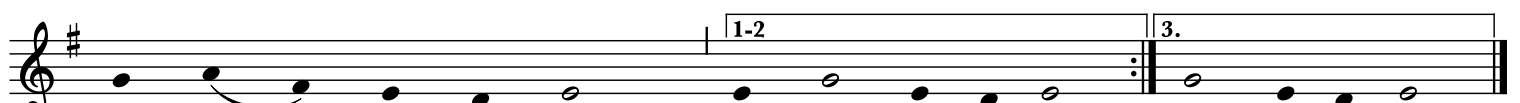
We pro-claim your Death, O Lord, and pro-fess your Res-ur-rec-tion un-til you come a-gain.

AGNUS DEI

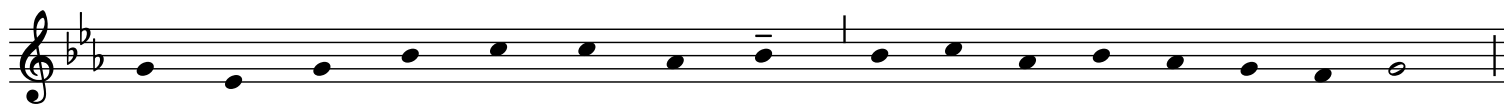
MISSA EMMANUEL



Lamb of God, Lamb of God, you take a - way



the sins of the world, have mer - cy on us. grant us peace.



1. Con - di - tor al - me si - de - rum ae - ter - na lux cre - den - ti - um
 2. Qui con - do - lens in - te - ri - tu mor - tis pe - ri - re sae - cu - lum
 3. Ver - gen - te mun - di ves - pe - re u - ti spon - sus de tha - la - mo
 4. Cu - ius for - ti po - ten - ti - ae ge - nu cur - van - tur om - ni - a
 5. Te, Sanc - te fi - de quae - su - mus, ven - tu - re ju - dex sae - cu - li,
 6. Sit, Chris - te rex pi - is - si - me ti - bi Pa - tri - que glo - ri - a



1. Chris - te re - dem - ptor om - ni - um ex - au - di pre - ces sup - pli - cum
 2. sal - vas - ti mun - dum lan - gui - dum do - nans re - is re - me - di - um.
 3. e - gres - sus ho - nes - tis - si - ma Vir - gi - nis ma - tris clau - su - la.
 4. cae - les - ti - a, ter - res - ti - a nu - tu fa - ten - tur sub - di - ta.
 5. con - ser - va nos in tem - po - re hos - tis a te - lo per - fi - di.
 6. cum Spi - ri - tu Pa - ra - cli - to in sem - pi - ter - na sae - cu - la.

1. Kind creator of the stars, eternal light of those who believe, O Christ, Redeemer of all, hear the petitions of your suppliants.
2. Having compassion that the race should perish in the destruction of death, You are the one who saved the fainting world, giving the remedy to all things.
3. When the world's evening drew to an end, as the spouse from his chamber, he came forth from the most honored womb of a Virgin Mother.
4. To whose almighty power all are bowed on bended knee, things of heaven and earth, acknowledging themselves submitted to his command.
5. O you, Holy One, we ask in faith, O coming judge of the world, preserve us in our time from the dart of the treacherous foe.
6. To you, O Christ, king most loving, and to the Father be glory with the Spirit, the Paraclete, for everlasting ages. Amen.



1. Be - hold! Be-hold He com - eth, Who doth sal - va - tion bring;
 2. Ho - san - na to the Sav - ior, Who came on Christ-mas morn,
 3. Yea, come in love and meek - ness Our Sav - ior now to be;




1. Lift up your heads re - joic - ing, And wel - come Zi - on's King;
 2. And, of a low - ly Vir - gin, Was in a sta - ble born;
 3. Come to be form - ed in - us, And make us like to Thee,




1. With hymns of joy we praise the Lord, Ho - san - na to th'In - car - nate Word.
 2. Em - man - u - el! Dear Je - sus come! With - in Thy chil - dren make Thy home.
 3. Be - fore the Day of Wrath draw near, When, as our Judge, Thou shalt ap - pear.

Verse 1




Con - sole my peo-ple, the ones dear to me; speak to the heart of Je - ru-sa-lem:




the time of your mourn-ing is end-ed now, the Lord of life will come.

Refrain

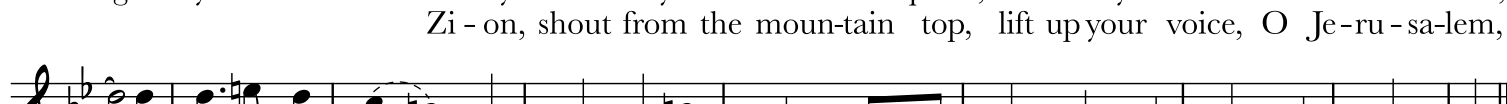


A voice cries out in the wil-der-ness: "Pre - pare a way for the Lord!" "Make straight a

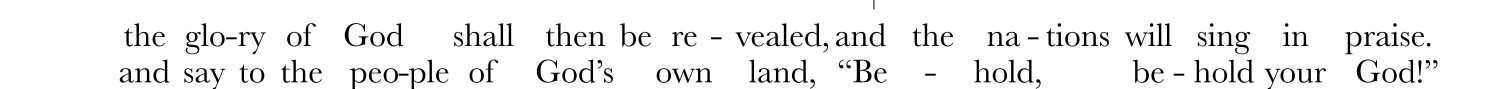


high-way for God!"

Verses 2, 3



Ev-'ry val - ley is made a plain, ev - 'ry moun-tain is lev - eled;
Zi - on, shout from the moun-tain top, lift up your voice, O Je - ru - sa - lem,




the glo-ry of God shall then be re - vealed, and the na - tions will sing in praise.
and say to the peo-ple of God's own land, "Be - hold, be - hold your God!"

PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS TO THE PRIESTHOOD


Heavenly Father, You have created us for a definite purpose. Grant us the grace to know the path You have planned for each of us in this life, and to respond with a generous "Yes." Make my parish, my home and my heart fruitful ground for Your gift of vocations to the priesthood of Jesus Christ. May our young men respond to Your call with courage and zeal. Stir among them a desire and the strength to be good and holy priests. We make our prayer for priestly vocations to You, Father, in the Holy Spirit, through Christ our Lord. Amen. Mary, Mother of the Church, pray for us. Saint Joseph, Patron of our Archdiocese, pray for us. Blessed Michael McGivney, pray for us.

RECESSIONAL HYMN

THE ADVENT OF OUR KING



1. The ad - vent of our King Our thoughts must now em - ploy;
2. The co - e - ter - nal Son A maid - en's off - spring see;
3. In glo - ry from his throne A - gain will Christ de - scend,
4. Our joy - ful prais - es sing To Christ, who set us free;



1. Then let us meet him on the road With songs of ho - ly joy.
2. A ser - vant's form Christ put - teth on, To set his peo - ple free.
3. And sum - mon all who are his own To joys that nev - er end.
4. Like trib - ute to the Fa - ther bring, And Ho - ly Ghost, to thee.

SAINT JOHN BOSCO PARISH OF BRANFORD

III SUNDAY OF ADVENT

DECEMBER 14TH 2024 — GAUDETE SUNDAY

INTROITUS

GAUDETE In Domino

Rejoice in the Lord always; again, I say, rejoice! Let your moderation be known to all,
for the Lord is near at hand; have no anxiety about anything, but in all things,
by prayer and supplication, with thanksgiving, let your requests be known to God.

ENTRANCE HYMN

COME, THOU LONG-EXPECTED JESUS



1. Come, thou long - ex - pect - ed Je - sus, Born to set thy peo - ple free!
2. Is - rael's strength and con - so - la - tion, Hope of all the earth thou art;
3. Born thy peo - ple to de - liv - er, Born a child, and yet a king:
4. By thine own e - ter - nal Spir - it Rule in all our hearts a - lone;



1. From our fears and sins re - lease us, Let us find our rest in thee.
2. Dear de - sire of ev - 'ry na - tion, Joy of ev - 'ry long - ing heart.
3. Born to reign in us for - ev - er, Now thy gra - cious king - dom bring.
4. By thine all - suf - fi - cient mer - it Raise us to thy glor - ious throne.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING

ISAIAH 35:1-6A, 10

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

PSALM 146:6-7, 8-9, 9-10



Lord, come and save us.

SECOND READING

JAMES 5:7-10

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

ISAIAH 61:1



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

GOSPEL

MATTHEW 11:2-11

HOMILY

PROFESSION OF FAITH & PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

HYMN DURING THE PREPARATION OF GIFTS

Rejoice, Rejoice, Believers



Re - joice, re-joice, be - liev - ers, and let your lights ap - pear; the eve-ning is ad-
The watch-ers on the moun-tain Pro - claim the Bride-groom near; Go forth as He ap-
Our hope and ex - pec - ta - tion, O Je - sus, now ap - pear; a - rise, O Sun so



vanc - ing, and dark-er night is near. The Bride-groom is a - ris - ing and
proach - es, With al - le - lu - ias clear. The mar - riage feast is wait - ing; The
longed for, a - bove this sha-dowed sphere. With hearts and hands up - lift - ed we



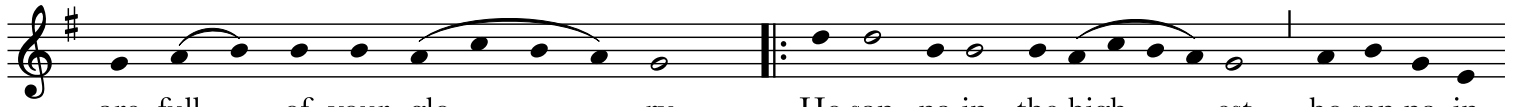
soon is draw-ing nigh. Up, watch in ex - pec - ta - tion; at mid - night comes the cry.
gates wide o - pen stand. A - rise, O heirs of glo - ry; The Bride-groom is at hand.
plead, O Lord, to see the day of earth's re - demp-tion that sets your peo-ple free.

САНКТУС

MISSA EMMANUEL



Ho-ly, Ho-ly, Ho - ly Lord, Ho-ly Lord God of Hosts. Heav-en and earth



are full of your glo - ry. Ho-san-na in the high - est, ho-san-na in



the high - est. Bles - sed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

MISSA EMMANUEL



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

ΑΜΕΝ

MISSA EMMANUEL



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

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

COMMUNION HYMN

SEE, HE COMES

See, He comes whom ev - 'ry na - tion, Taught of God, de - sired to see;
See, He comes whom kings and sa - ges, Proph - ets, pa - tri - archs of old,
See, the Lamb of God ap - pear - ing, God of God from Heav - en a - bove
Filled with hope and ex - pec - ta - tion, That He would their Sav - ior be.
Dis - tant climes and count - less a - ges, Wait - ed ea - ger to be - hold.
See the Heav - en - ly Bride - groom cheer - ing His dear Bride with words of love!
Sing, O! sing with ex - ul - ta - tion, Haste we to our Fa - ther's Home.
Peace, re - demp - tion, joy, sal - va - tion, Now from Heav - en to earth are come.

COMMUNION HYMN II

PREPARE THE WAY, O ZION

Pre - pare the way, O Zi - on, your Christ is draw - ing near! Let ev - 'ry hill and
Christ brings God's rule, O Zi - on; he comes from heav'n a - bove. His rule is peace and
Fling wide your gates, O Zi - on; your Sav - ior's rule em - brace. And tid - ings of sal -
val - ley a le - vel way ap - pear. Greet One who comes in glo - ry, fore -
free - dom, and jus - tice, truth, and love. Lift high your praise re - soun - ding, for
va - tion pro - claim in ev - 'ry place. All lands will bow be - fore him, their
told in sa - cred sto - ry.
grace and joy a - boun - ding. } Oh, blest is Christ that came in God's most ho - ly name.
voi - ces will a - dore him.

Refrain



Ev'-ry val-ley shall be ex-al-ted and ev'-ry hill made low, And all God's peo-ple shall see to-geth-er

Verses 1, 3



the glo-ry of the Lord. 1. A voice cries out in the wil-der-ness, "Pre-pare the way of the Lord.
3. Stand up-on the moun-tain top. O lift your voice to the world.

to Refrain Verse 2



Make straight in the des-ert a high-way a high-way for our God." 2. Com-fort all my
Sing joy-ful-ly Je - ru - sa - lem, "Be-hold, be-hold your God."

to Refrain




peo-ple. The time for war is gone. The blind shall see, the deaf shall hear, the lame shall leap for joy.

PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS TO THE PRIESTHOOD


Heavenly Father, You have created us for a definite purpose. Grant us the grace to know the path You have planned for each of us in this life, and to respond with a generous "Yes." Make my parish, my home and my heart fruitful ground for Your gift of vocations to the priesthood of Jesus Christ. May our young men respond to Your call with courage and zeal. Stir among them a desire and the strength to be good and holy priests. We make our prayer for priestly vocations to You, Father, in the Holy Spirit, through Christ our Lord. Amen. Mary, Mother of the Church, pray for us. Saint Joseph, Patron of our Archdiocese, pray for us. Blessed Michael McGivney, pray for us.

RECESSIONAL HYMN


PEOPLE, LOOK EAST



Peo - ple, look east. The time is near Of the crown - ing of the year.
Stars, keep the watch when night is dim. One more light the bowl shall brim,
An - gels, an - nounce on this great feast: Him who com - eth from the East.



Make your house fair as you are a - ble. Trim the hearth and set the ta - ble.
Shin - ing be - yond the frost - y weath - er, Bright as sun and moon to - geth - er.
Set ev - 'ry peak and val - ley hum - ming With the word, the Lord is com - ing.



Peo - ple, look east and sing to - day: Love, the guest, is on the way.
Peo - ple, look east and sing to - day: Love, the star, is on the way.
Peo - ple, look east and sing to - day: Love, the Lord, is on the way.

SAINT JOHN BOSCO PARISH OF BRANFORD

IV SUNDAY OF ADVENT

DECEMBER 21ST 2025

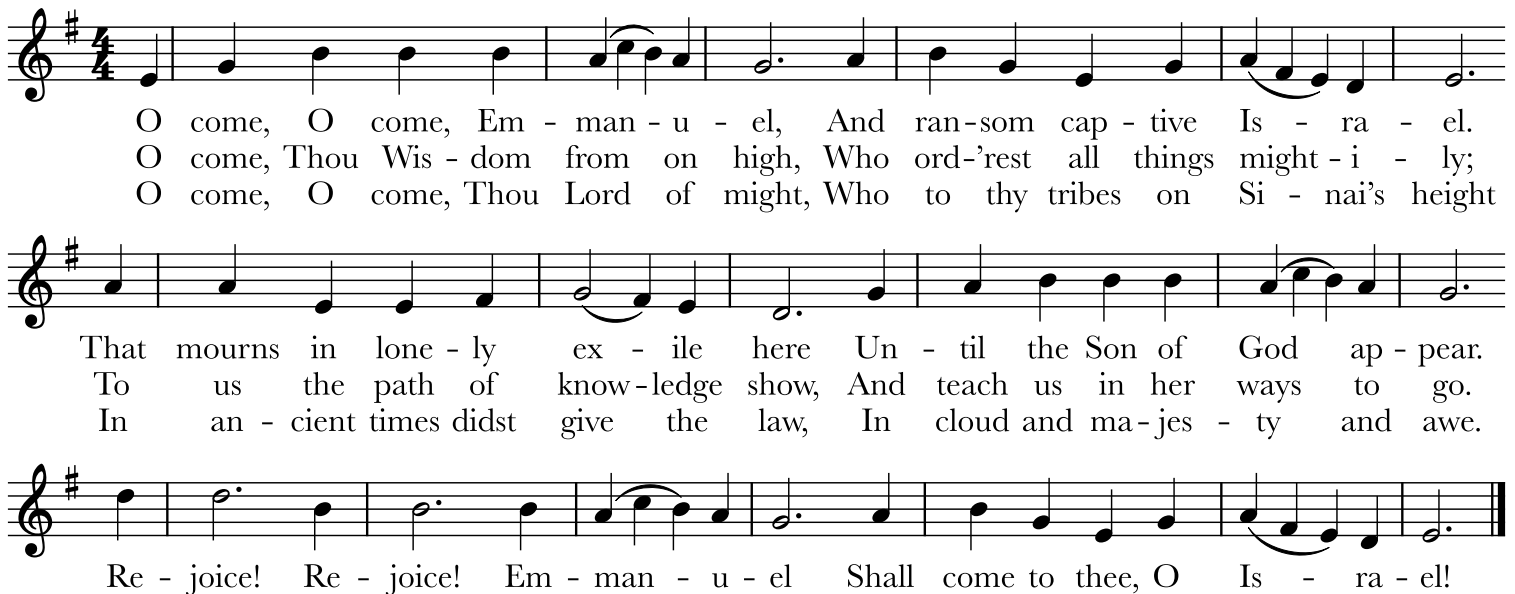
INTROITUS

RORATE CAELI

Drop down dew from heaven above, you heavens, and let the clouds rain down the Just One;
let the earth be opened and bring forth a Savior.

ENTRANCE HYMN

O COME, O COME, EMMAUEL



O come, O come, Em - man - u - el, And ran-som cap - tive Is - ra - el.
O come, Thou Wis - dom from on high, Who ord-'rest all things might - i - ly;
O come, O come, Thou Lord of might, Who to thy tribes on Si - nai's height
That mourns in lone - ly ex - ile here Un - til the Son of God ap - pear.
To us the path of know - ledge show, And teach us in her ways to go.
In an - cient times didst give the law, In cloud and ma - jes - ty and awe.
Re - joice! Re - joice! Em - man - u - el Shall come to thee, O Is - ra - el!

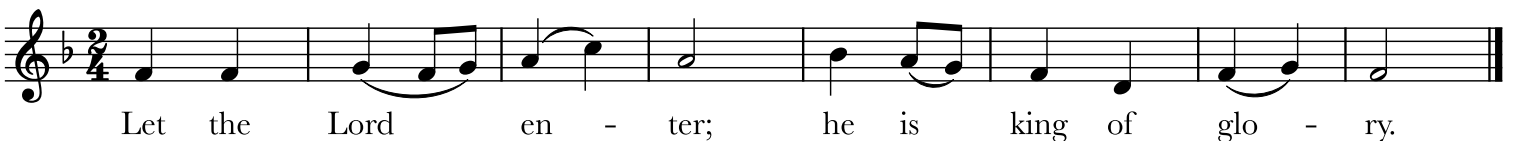
LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING

ISAIAH 7:10-14

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

PSALM 24:1-2, 3-4, 5-6



Let the Lord en - ter; he is king of glo - ry.

SECOND READING

ROMANS 1:1-7

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

MATTHEW 1:23

GOSPEL

MATTHEW 1:18-24

HOMILY

PROFESSION OF FAITH & PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

HYMN DURING THE PREPARATION OF GIFTS

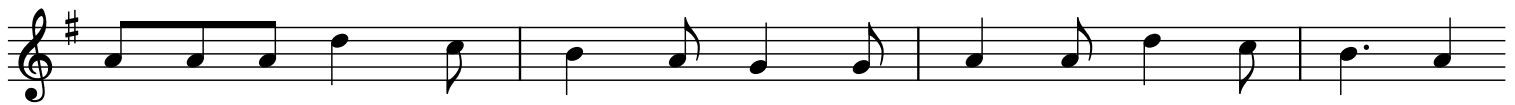
AWAKE AND GREET THE NEW MORN



A - wake! A-wake, and greet the new morn, For an - gels her - ald its dawn-ing,
In dark - est night his com-ing shall be, When all the world is des - pair-ing,
Re - jice, re-joyce, take heart in the night, Though dark the win - ter and cheer-less,



Sing out your joy, for now he is born, Be - hold! the Child of our long-ing.
As morn-ing light so qui - et and free, So warm and gen - tle and car - ing.
The ris - ing sun shall crown you with light, Be strong and lov - ing and fear-less;



Come as a ba - by weak and poor, To bring all hearts to - geth - er,
Then shall the mute break forth in song, The lame shall leap in won - der,
Love be our song and love our prayer, And love, our end - less sto - ry,



He o - pens wide the heav'n - ly door And lives now in-side us for ev - er.
The weak be raised a - bove the strong, And weap-ons be bro-ken a - sun - der.
May God fill ev - 'ry day we share, And bring us at last in - to glo - ry.

SANCTUS

MISSA EMMANUEL



Ho-ly, Ho-ly, Ho - ly Lord, Ho-ly Lord God of Hosts. Heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry.



Ho-san-na in the high - est, ho-san-na in the high - est. Bles-sed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

MISSA EMMANUEL



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

AGNUS DEI

MISSA EMMANUEL



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



Wake, O wake and sleep no long - er; For he who calls you is no strang - er;
 Zi - on hears the sound of sing - ing; Our hearts are thrilled with sud - den long - ing:
 Glo - ry, glo - ry, sing the an - gels, While mu - sic sounds from strings and cym - bals;



A - wake, God's own Je - ru - sa - lem! Hear, the mid - night bells are chim - ing,
 She stirs, and wakes, and stands pre-pared. Christ, her friend, and lord, and lov - er,
 All hu - man - kind, with songs a - rise! Twelve the gates in - to the cit - y,



The sig - nal for his roy - al com - ing: Let voice to voice an - nounce his name.
 Her star and sun and strong re - deem - er. At last his might - y voice is heard.
 Each one a pearl of shin - ing beau - ty; The streets of gold ring out with praise.



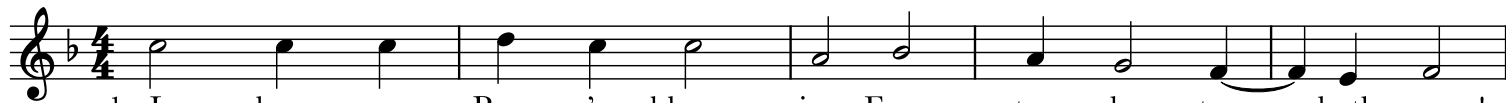
We feel his foot-steps near, The Bride-groom at the door, Al - le - lu - ia!
 The Son of God has come To make with us his home: Sing Ho - san - na!
 All crea - tures round the throne A - dore the ho - ly One with re - joic - ing:



The lamps will shine with light di - vine as Christ the Sav - ior comes to reign.
 The fight is won, The feast be - gun; We fix our eyes on Christ a - lone.
 A - men be sung by ev - 'ry tongue To crown their wel - come to the King.

COMMUNION HYMN II

LO, HOW A ROSE E'ER BLOOMING



1. Lo, how a Rose e'er bloom - ing From ten - der stem hath sprung!
 2. I - sa - iah 'twas fore - told it, The Rose I have in mind:
 3. This Flower, whose fra - grance ten - der With sweet - ness fills the air,
 4. The shep - herds heard the sto - ry pro - claimed by an - gels bright,



1. Of Jes - se's lin - eage com - ing As men of old have sung. It came, a
 2. With Mar - y we be - hold it, The vir - gin moth - er kind. To show God's
 3. Dis - pels with glo - rious splen - dor The dark - ness ev - 'ry - where. True man, yet
 4. How Christ, the Lord of glo - ry was born on earth this night. To Beth - le -



1. flow - er bright, A - mid the cold of win - ter When half-spent was the night.
 2. love a - right She bore to men a Sav - ior When half-spent was the night.
 3. ver - y God, From sin and death He saves us And ligh - tens ev - 'ry load.
 4. hem they sped and in the man - ger found Him, As an - gel her - alds said.



1. Lift up your heads, ye might-y gates; Be-hold the King of glo-ry waits!
2. O blest the land, the cit-y blest, Where Christ the rul-er is con-fest!
3. Fling wide the por-tals of your heart; Make it a tem-ple, set a-part
4. So come, my Sov-'reign; en-ter in! Let new and no-bler life be-gin;



1. The King of kings is draw-ing near; The Sav-ior of the world is here.
2. O hap-py hearts and hap-py homes To whom this King of tri-umph comes!
3. From earth-ly use for heav'n's em-ploy, A-dorned with prayer and love and joy
4. Thy Ho-ly Spir-it guide us on, Un-til the glo-rious crown be won.

PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS TO THE PRIESTHOOD

Heavenly Father, You have created us for a definite purpose. Grant us the grace to know the path You have planned for each of us in this life, and to respond with a generous "Yes." Make my parish, my home and my heart fruitful ground for Your gift of vocations to the priesthood of Jesus Christ. May our young men respond to Your call with courage and zeal. Stir among them a desire and the strength to be good and holy priests. We make our prayer for priestly vocations to You, Father, in the Holy Spirit, through Christ our Lord. Amen. Mary, Mother of the Church, pray for us. Saint Joseph, Patron of our Archdiocese, pray for us. Blessed Michael McGivney, pray for us.

RECESSIONAL HYMN

O COME DIVINE MESSIAH



O come, di-vine Mes-si-ah; The world in si-lence waits the day
O Christ, whom na-tions sigh for, Whom priest and proph-et long fore-told,
You come in peace and meek-ness And low-ly will your cra-dle be;



When hope shall sing its tri-umph And sad-ness flee a-way.
Come, break the cap-tive's fet-ters, Re-deem the long-lost fold.
All clothed in hu-man weak-ness Shall we your God-head see.



Dear Sav-ior, haste! Come, come to earth. Dis-pel the night and show your face,



and bid us hail the dawn of grace. O come, di-vine Mes-si-ah; the world in si-lence



a-waits the day when hope shall sing its tri-umph and sad-ness flee a-way.

SAINT JOHN BOSCO PARISH OF BRANFORD

THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD

DECEMBER 24TH – CHRISTMAS EVE & DECEMBER 25TH – CHRISTMAS DAY

PRELUDE

CHRISTMAS CAROLS

ENTRANCE HYMN

O COME, ALL YE FAITHFUL



O come, all ye faith - ful, joy - ful and tri - um - phant, O come ye,
Sing, choirs of an - gels, sing in ex - ul - ta - tion, & sing, all
Yea, Lord, we greet thee, born this hap - py mor - ning, & Je - sus,
A - des - te fi - de - les, lae - ti tri - um - phan - tes, Ve - ni - te,
O come ye to Beth - le - hem; Come and be - hold him, born the King of an - gels;
ye cit - i - zens of heav'n a - bove; glo - ry to God, all glo - ry in the high - est;
to thee be all glo - ry giv'n; Word of the Fa - ther, now in flesh ap - pear - ing;
ve - ni - te in Beth - le - hem. Na - tum vi - de - te Re - gem an - ge - lo - rum.
O come, let us a - dore him, O come, let us a - dore him,
Ve - ni - te, a - do - re - mus, ve - ni - te, a - do - re - mus,
O come, let us a - dore him, Christ, the Lord.
Ve - ni - te, a - do - re - mus Do - mi - num.

GLORIA

MASS OF JOY AND PEACE



Glo - ry to God, Glo - ry to God, Glo - ry to God in the high - est,
and on earth peace, on earth peace to peo - ple of good will. A - men.

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. ✠

LITURGY OF THE WORD

*** DECEMBER 24TH CHRISTMAS EVE VIGIL MASS ***

FIRST READING

ISAIAH 62:1-5

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

PSALM 89:4-5, 16-17, 27, 29



SECOND READING

ACTS OF THE APOSTLES 13:16-17, 22-25

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

TOMORROW THE WICKEDNESS OF THE EARTH

GOSPEL

MATTHEW 1:1-25

*** DECEMBER 24TH CHRISTMAS EVE MASS AT NIGHT ***

FIRST READING

ISAIAH 9:1-6

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

PSALM 96:1-2, 2-3, 11-12, 13



SECOND READING

TITUS 2:11-14

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

LUKE 2:10-11

GOSPEL

LUKE 2:1-14

*** DECEMBER 25TH CHRISTMAS DAY MASSES ***

FIRST READING

ISAIAH 52:7-10

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

PSALM 98:1, 2-3, 3-4, 5-6



SECOND READING

HEBREWS 1:1-6

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

A HOLY DAY HAS DAWNED UPON US



GOSPEL

JOHN 1:1-18

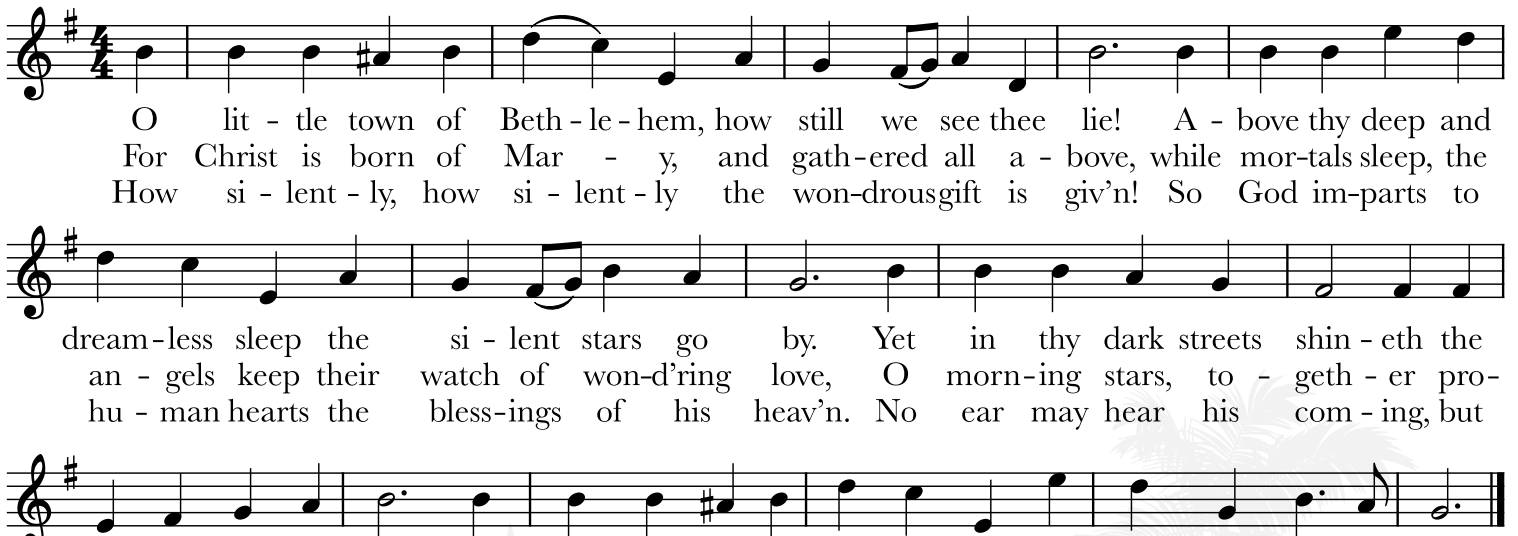
HOMILY

PROFESSION OF FAITH & PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

HYMN DURING THE PREPARATION OF GIFTS

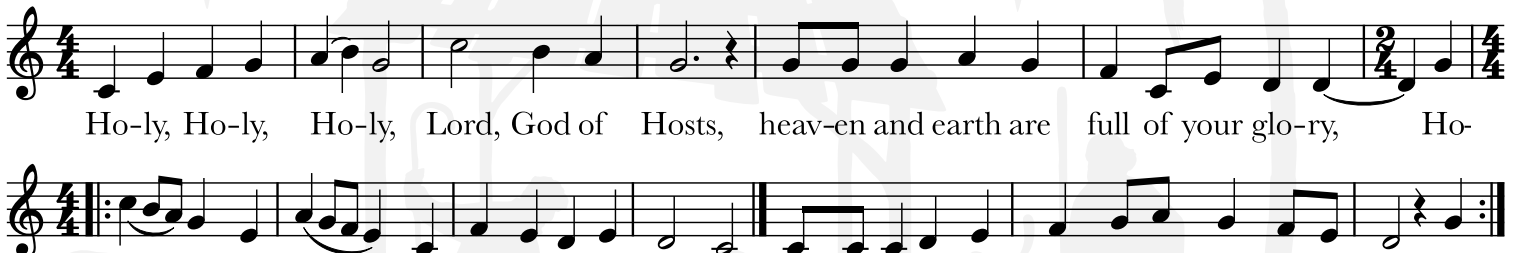
O Little Town Of Bethlehem



O lit - tle town of Beth - le - hem, how still we see thee lie! A - bove thy deep and
For Christ is born of Mar - y, and gath - ered all a - bove, while mor - tals sleep, the
How si - lent - ly, how si - lent - ly the won - drous gift is giv'n! So God im - parts to
dream - less sleep the si - lent stars go by. Yet in thy dark streets shin - eth the
an - gels keep their watch of won - d'ring love, O morn - ing stars, to - geth - er pro -
hu - man hearts the bless - ings of his heav'n. No ear may hear his com - ing, but
ev - er - last - ing Light; the hopes and fears of all the years are met in thee to - night.
claim the ho - ly birth, and prais - es sing to God the King, and peace to all on earth.
in this world of sin, where meek souls will re - ceive him still, the dear Christ en - ters in.

SANCTUS

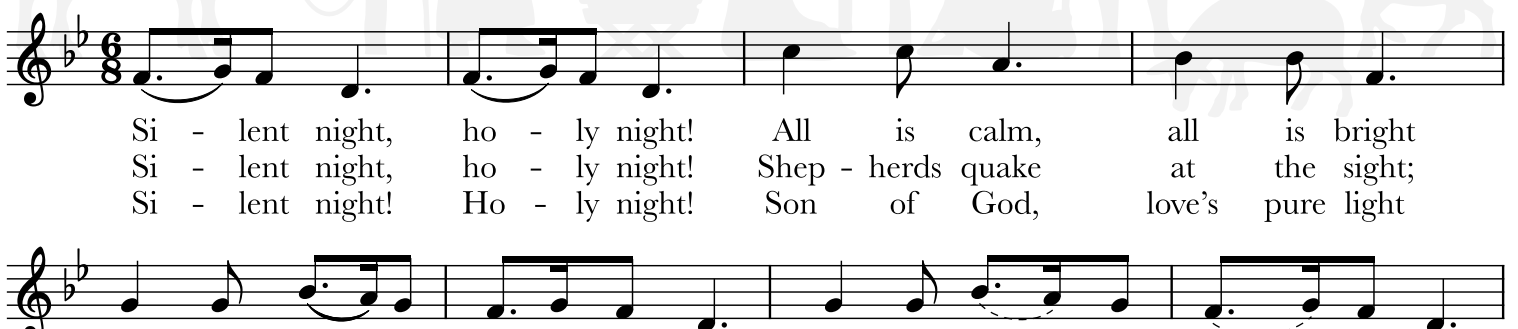
MASS OF THE RESURRECTION



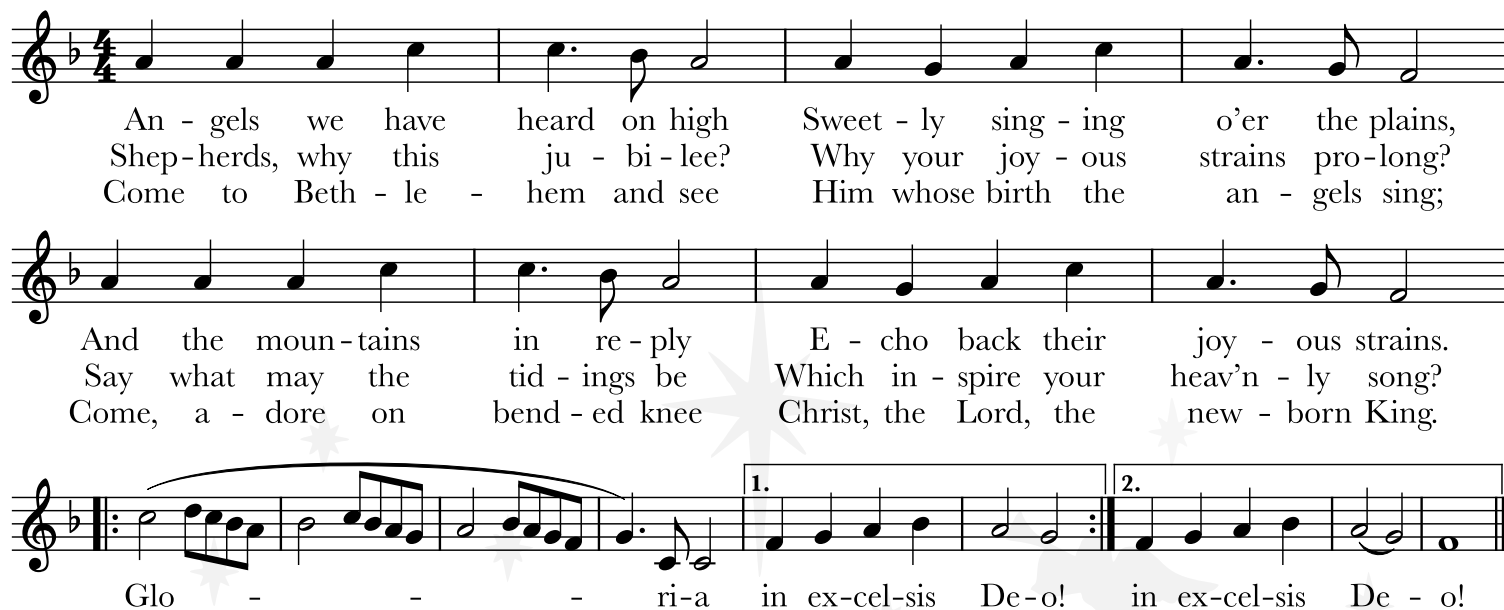
Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Lord, God of Hosts, heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry, Ho -
san - na, Ho - san - na, Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bles - sed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -

COMMUNION HYMN

Silent Night



Si - lent night, ho - ly night! All is calm, all is bright
Si - lent night, ho - ly night! Shep - herds quake at the sight;
Si - lent night! Ho - ly night! Son of God, love's pure light
'Round yon vir - gin moth - er and child! Ho - ly In - fant, so ten - der and mild,
Glo - ries stream from heav - en a - far, Heav'n - ly hosts sing "Al - le - lu - ia!
Ra - diant beams from thy ho - ly face, With the dawn of re - deem - ing grace,
Sleep in heav - en - ly peace, Sleep in heav - en - ly peace.
Christ, the Sav - ior, is born! Christ, the Sav - ior, is born!"
Je - sus, Lord, at thy birth, Je - sus, Lord, at thy birth.



An - gels we have heard on high Sweet - ly sing - ing o'er the plains,
 Shep - herds, why this ju - bi - lee? Why your joy - ous strains pro - long?
 Come to Beth - le - hem and see Him whose birth the an - gels sing;

And the moun - tains in re - ply E - cho back their joy - ous strains.
 Say what may the tid - ings be Which in - spire your heav'n - ly song?
 Come, a - dore on bend - ed knee Christ, the Lord, the new - born King.

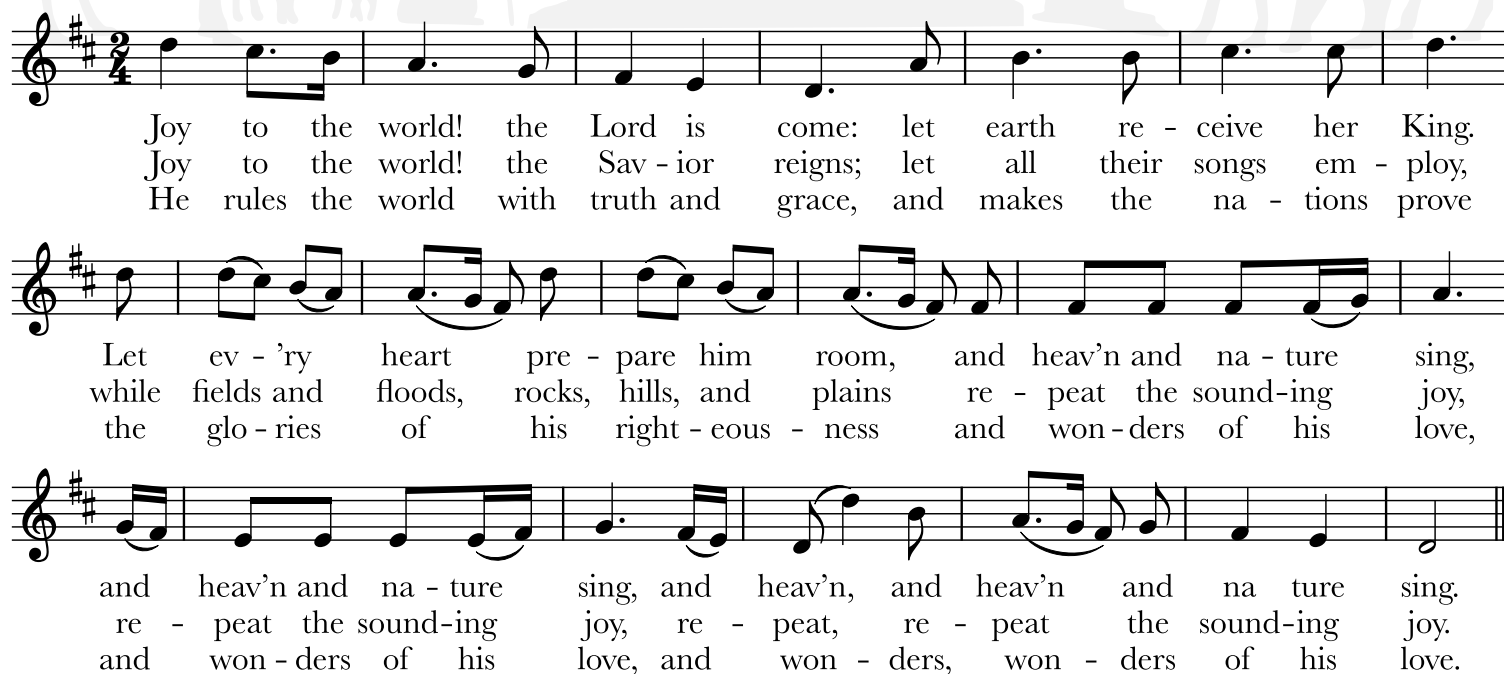
Glo - - - ri - a in ex - cel - sis De - o! 1. in ex - cel - sis De - o! 2.

PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS TO THE PRIESTHOOD

Heavenly Father, You have created us for a definite purpose. Grant us the grace to know the path You have planned for each of us in this life, and to respond with a generous "Yes." Make my parish, my home and my heart fruitful ground for Your gift of vocations to the priesthood of Jesus Christ. May our young men respond to Your call with courage and zeal. Stir among them a desire and the strength to be good and holy priests. We make our prayer for priestly vocations to You, Father, in the Holy Spirit, through Christ our Lord. Amen. Mary, Mother of the Church, pray for us. Saint Joseph, Patron of our Archdiocese, pray for us. Blessed Michael McGivney, pray for us.

RECESSIONAL HYMN

JOY TO THE WORLD



Joy to the world! the Lord is come: let earth re - ceive her King.
 Joy to the world! the Sav - ior reigns; let all their songs em - ploy,
 He rules the world with truth and grace, and makes the na - tions prove

Let ev - 'ry heart pre - pare him room, and heav'n and na - ture sing,
 while fields and floods, rocks, hills, and plains re - peat the sound - ing joy,
 the glo - ries of his right - eous - ness and won - ders of his love,

and heav'n and na - ture sing, and heav'n, and heav'n and na - ture sing.
 re - peat the sound - ing joy, re - peat, re - peat the sound - ing joy.
 and won - ders of his love, and won - ders, won - ders of his love.

POSTLUDE

HARK! THE HERALD ANGELS SING

SAINT JOHN BOSCO PARISH OF BRANFORD
FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY

DECEMBER 28TH 2025

PRELUDE

CHRISTMAS CAROLS

ENTRANCE HYMN

O COME, ALL YE FAITHFUL



O come, all ye faith - ful, joy - ful and tri - um - phant, O come ye,
Sing, choirs of an - gels, sing in ex - ul - ta - tion, & sing, all
Yea, Lord, we greet thee, born this hap - py mor - ning, & Je - sus,
A - des - te fi - de - les, lae - ti tri - um - phan - tes, Ve - ni - te,
O come ye to Beth - le - hem; Come and be - hold him, born the King of an - gels;
ye cit - i - zens of heav'n a - bove; glo - ry to God, all glo - ry in the high - est;
to thee be all glo - ry giv'n; Word of the Fa - ther, now in flesh ap - pear - ing;
ve - ni - te in Beth - le - hem. Na - tum vi - de - te Re - gem an - ge - lo - rum.
O come, let us a - dore him, O come, let us a - dore him,
Ve - ni - te, a - do - re - mus, ve - ni - te, a - do - re - mus,
O come, let us a - dore him, Christ, the Lord.
Ve - ni - te, a - do - re - mus Do - mi - num.

GLORIA

MASS OF JOY AND PEACE



Glo - ry to God, Glo - ry to God, Glo - ry to God in the high - est,
and on earth peace, on earth peace to peo - ple of good will. A - men.

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. ✠

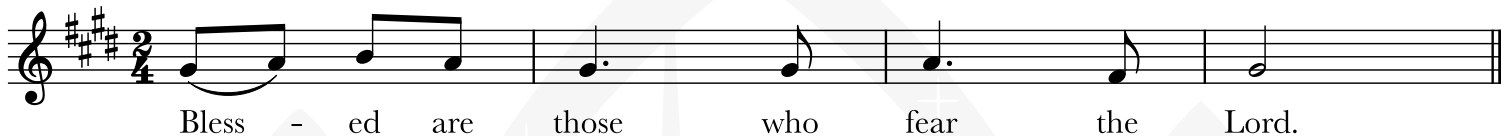
LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING

SIRACH 3:2-6, 12-14

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

PSALM 128:1-2, 3, 4-5



SECOND READING

COLOSSIANS 3:12-21

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

COLOSSIANS 3:15A, 16A

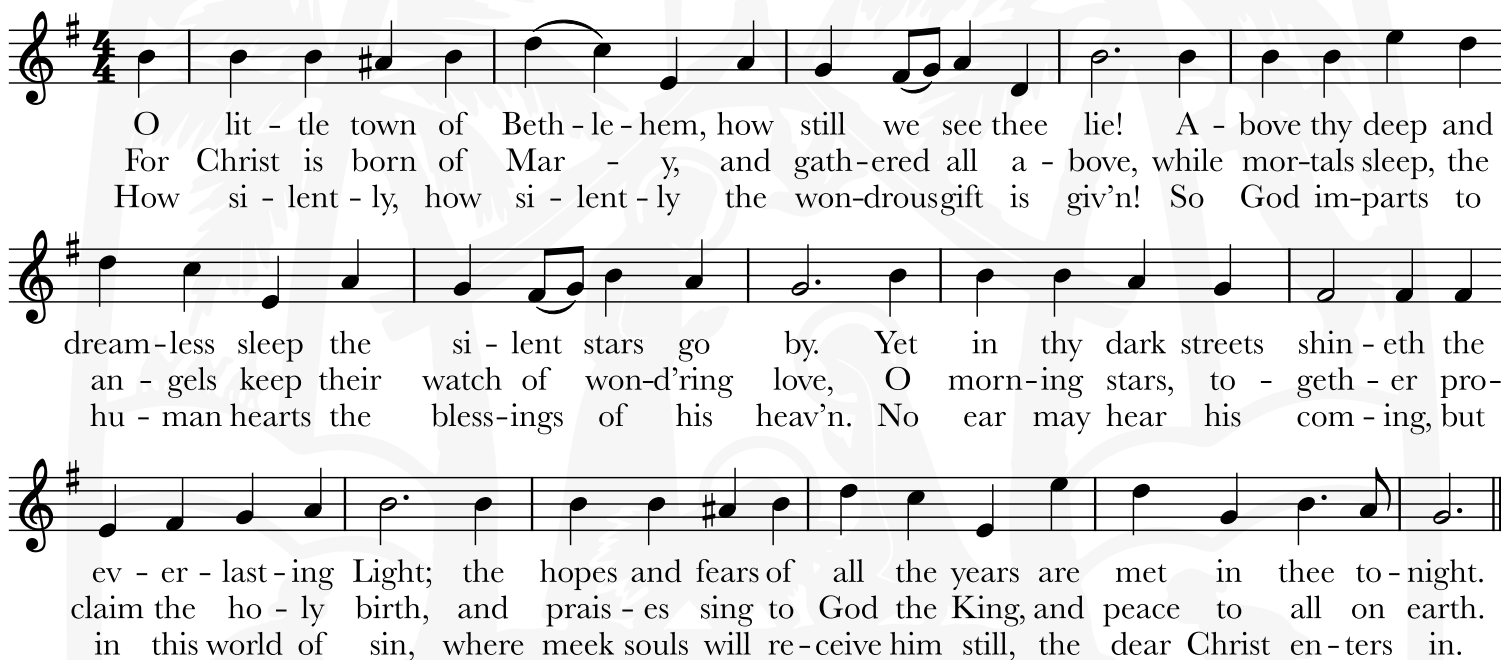
GOSPEL

MATTHEW 2:13-15, 19-23

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

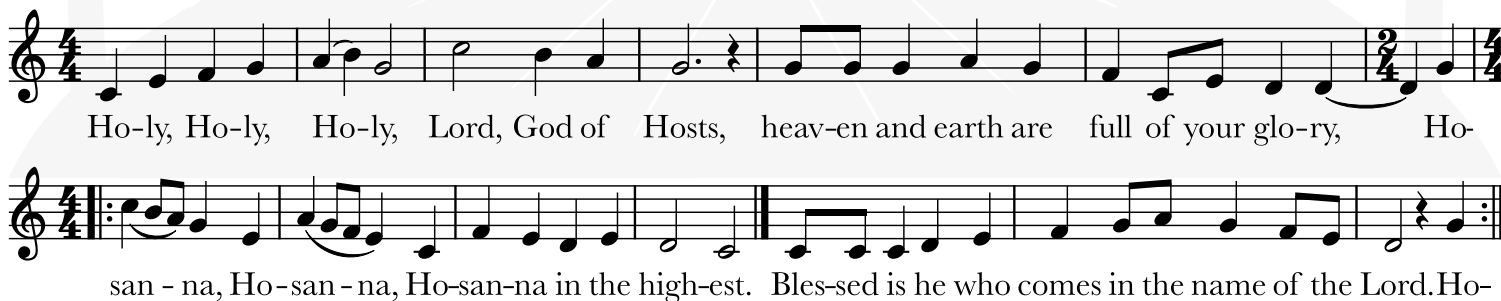
HYMN DURING THE PREPARATION OF GIFTS

O Little Town Of Bethlehem



SANCTUS

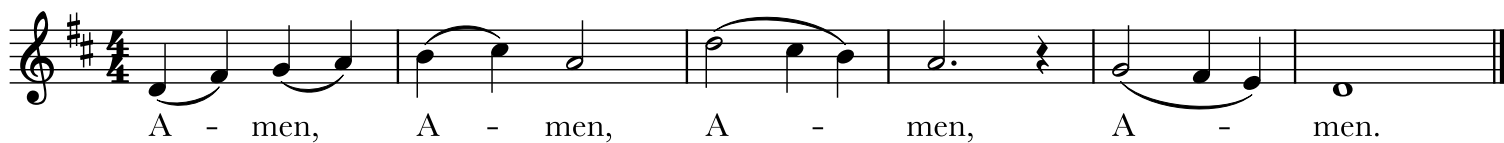
MASS OF THE RESURRECTION



MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

MASS OF THE RESURRECTION





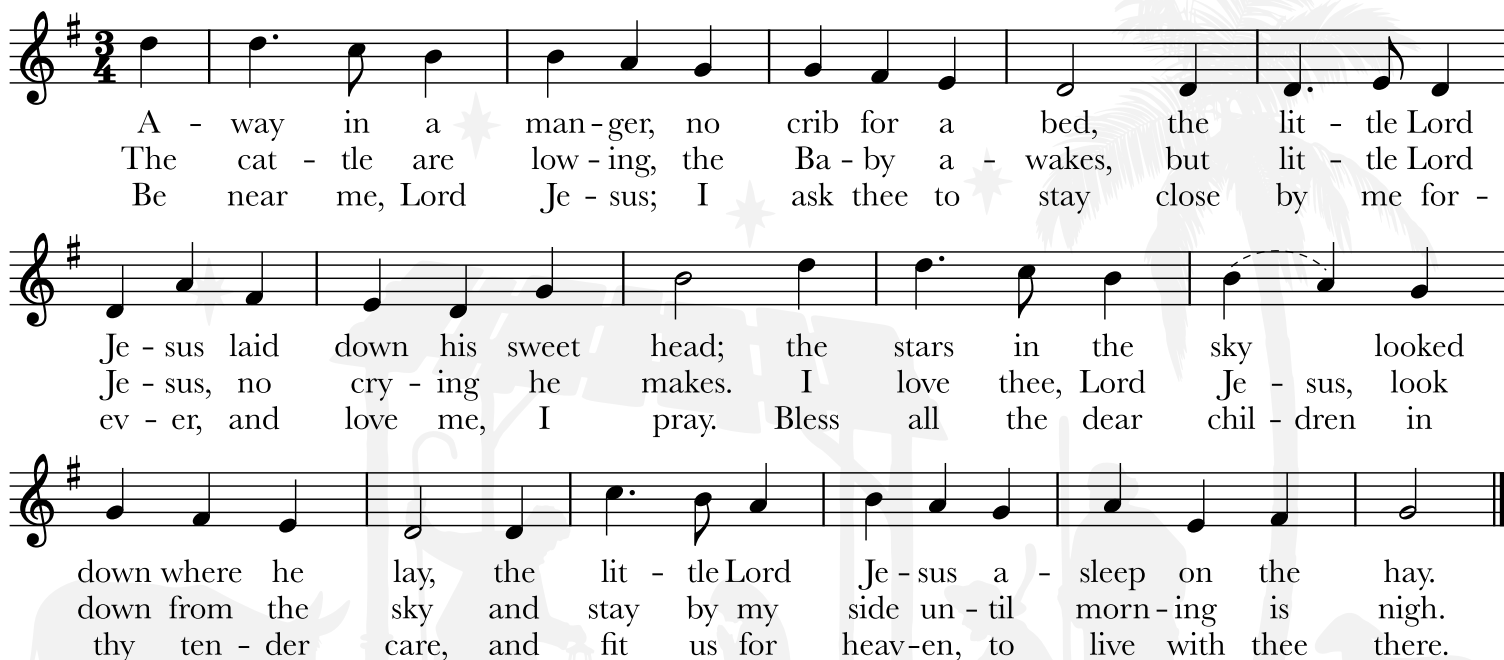
LAMB OF GOD

MASS OF THE RESURRECTION



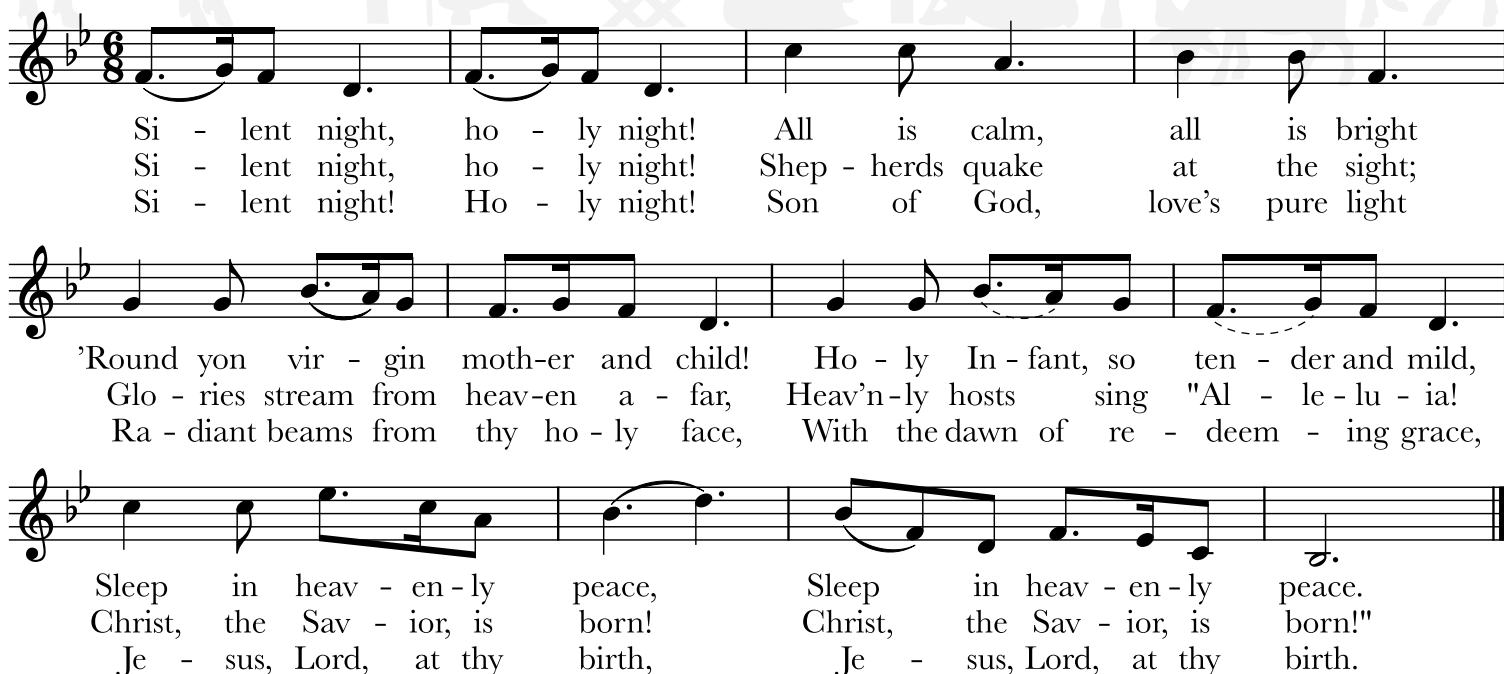
COMMUNION HYMN I

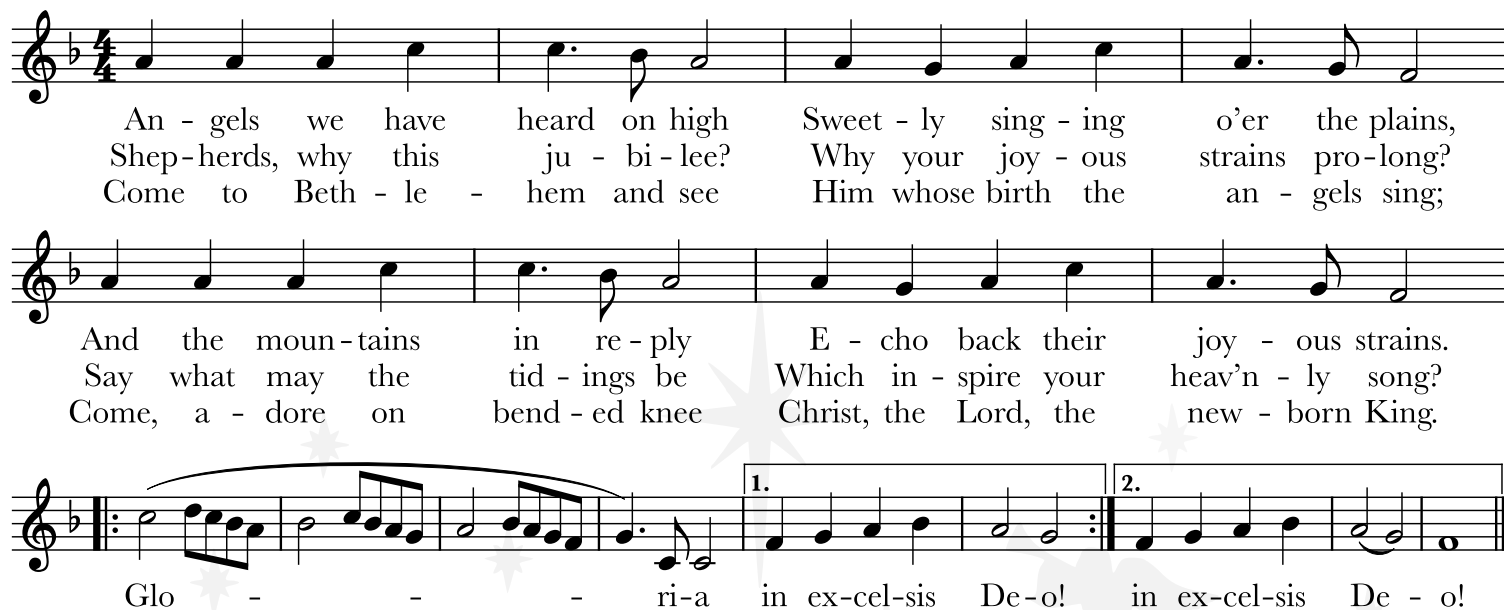
AWAY IN A MANGER



COMMUNION HYMN II

SILENT NIGHT





An - gels we have heard on high Sweet - ly sing - ing o'er the plains,
 Shep - herds, why this ju - bi - lee? Why your joy - ous strains pro - long?
 Come to Beth - le - hem and see Him whose birth the an - gels sing;

And the moun - tains in re - ply E - cho back their joy - ous strains.
 Say what may the tid - ings be Which in - spire your heav'n - ly song?
 Come, a - dore on bend - ed knee Christ, the Lord, the new - born King.

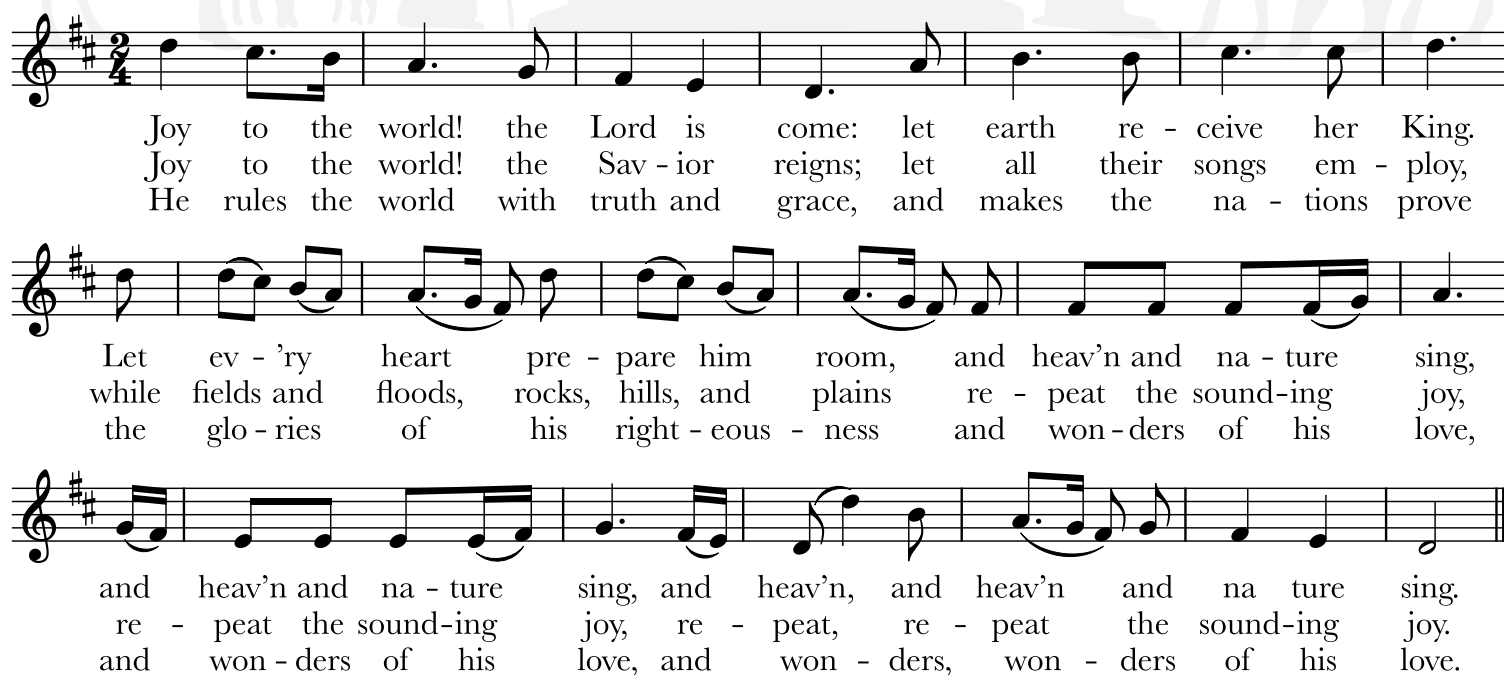
Glo - - - ri - a in ex - cel - sis De - o! 1. in ex - cel - sis De - o! 2.

PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS TO THE PRIESTHOOD

Heavenly Father, You have created us for a definite purpose. Grant us the grace to know the path You have planned for each of us in this life, and to respond with a generous "Yes." Make my parish, my home and my heart fruitful ground for Your gift of vocations to the priesthood of Jesus Christ. May our young men respond to Your call with courage and zeal. Stir among them a desire and the strength to be good and holy priests. We make our prayer for priestly vocations to You, Father, in the Holy Spirit, through Christ our Lord. Amen. Mary, Mother of the Church, pray for us. Saint Joseph, Patron of our Archdiocese, pray for us. Blessed Michael McGivney, pray for us.

RECESSIONAL HYMN

JOY TO THE WORLD



Joy to the world! the Lord is come: let earth re - ceive her King.
 Joy to the world! the Sav - ior reigns; let all their songs em - ploy,
 He rules the world with truth and grace, and makes the na - tions prove

Let ev - 'ry heart pre - pare him room, and heav'n and na - ture sing,
 while fields and floods, rocks, hills, and plains re - peat the sound - ing joy,
 the glo - ries of his right - eous - ness and won - ders of his love,

and heav'n and na - ture sing, and heav'n, and heav'n and na - ture sing.
 re - peat the sound - ing joy, re - peat, re - peat the sound - ing joy.
 and won - ders of his love, and won - ders, won - ders of his love.

POSTLUDE

HARK! THE HERALD ANGELS SING

SAINT JOHN BOSCO PARISH OF BRANFORD
MARY, HOLY MOTHER OF GOD

JANUARY 1ST 2026 — NEW YEAR'S DAY

PRELUDE

CHRISTMAS CAROLS

ΕΠΤΑΡΑΠΣΕ ΗΥΜΝ

ANGELS WE HAVE HEARD ON HIGH

An - gels we have heard on high Sweet - ly sing - ing o'er the plains,
Shep - herds, why this ju - bi - lee? Why your joy - ous strains pro-long?
Come to Beth - le - hem and see Him whose birth the an - gels sing;

And the moun - tains in re - ply E - cho back their joy - ous strains.
Say what may the tid - ings be Which in - spire your heav'n - ly song?
Come, a - dore on bend - ed knee Christ, the Lord, the new - born King.

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

KYRIE ELEISON

Ky - ri - e E - le - i - son. Chris - te E - le - i - son. Ky - ri - e E - le - i - son.

GLORIA

MASS OF JOY AND PEACE

Glo - ry to God, Glo - ry to God, Glo - ry to God in the high-est,
and on earth peace, on earth peace to peo - ple of good will. A - men.

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. ✠

LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING

NUMBERS 6:22-27

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

PSALM 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8



SECOND READING

GALATIANS 4:4-7

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

HEBREWS 1:1-2

GOSPEL

LUKE 2:16-21

HOMILY

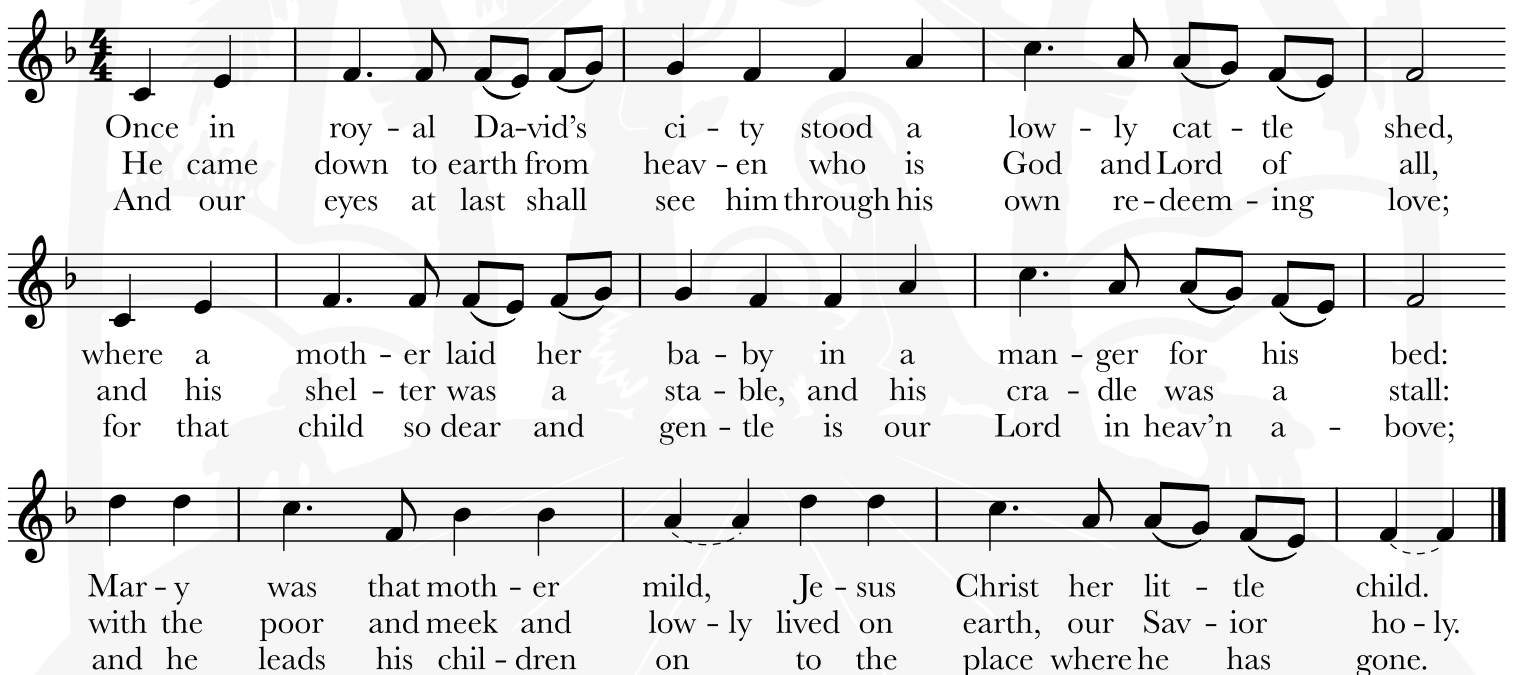
PROFESSION OF FAITH

PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

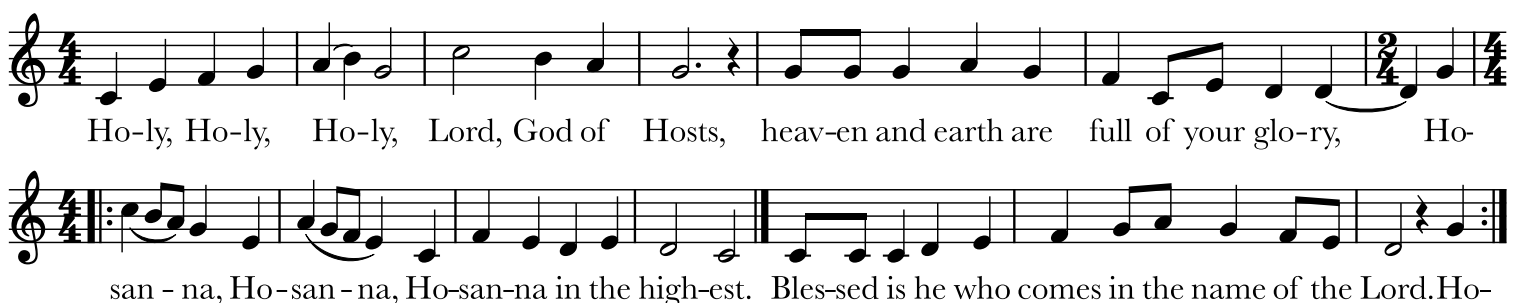
HYMN DURING THE PREPARATION OF GIFTS

ONCE IN ROYAL DAVID'S CITY



SANCTUS

MASS OF THE RESURRECTION




AMEN

MASS OF THE RESURRECTION

THE LORD'S PRAYER

LAMB OF GOD

MASS OF THE RESURRECTION



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

COMMUNION HYMN I

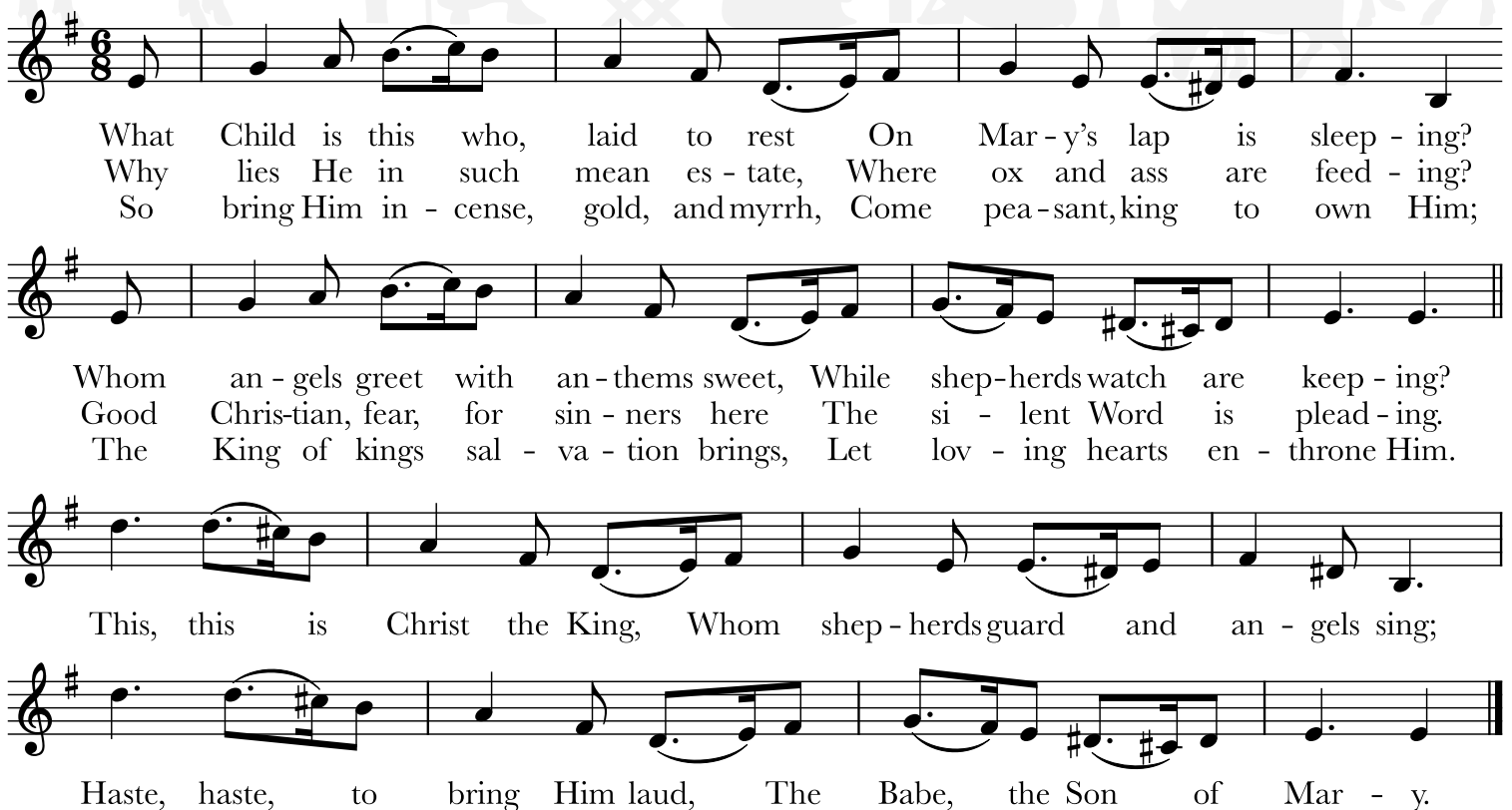
O COME, LITTLE CHILDREN



O come, lit-tle chil-dren; come one and come all, O come to the
O see in the man-ger so meek and so mild, O see in the
His bed, lit-tle chil-dren, a man-ger with hay; His Moth-er and
man-ger in Beth-le-hem's stall, And see what our Fa-ther in
soft light the heav-en-ly Child, In swad-dling clothes fold-ed, his
Jo-seph in ec-sta-sy pray, The sheph-erds in won-der their
heav-en a-bove Has sent to us all on this earth with his love.
beau-ty more sweet Than an-gels, whose voic-es his low-ly birth greet.
glad wor-ship bring, While cho-rus of an-gels sweet Glo-ri-as sing.

COMMUNION HYMN II

WHAT CHILD IS THIS



What Child is this who, laid to rest On Mar-y's lap is sleep-ing?
Why lies He in such mean es-tate, Where ox and ass are feed-ing?
So bring Him in-cense, gold, and myrrh, Come pea-sant, king to own Him;
Whom an-gels greet with an-thems sweet, While shep-herds watch are keep-ing?
Good Chris-tian, fear, for sin-ners here The si-lent Word is plead-ing.
The King of kings sal-va-tion brings, Let lov-ing hearts en-throne Him.
This, this is Christ the King, Whom shep-herds guard and an-gels sing;
Haste, haste, to bring Him laud, The Babe, the Son of Mar-y.

MEDITATION HYMN

IT CAME UPON THE MIDNIGHT CLEAR



It came up-on the mid - night clear, That glo - rious song of old,
 Still through the clo - ven skies they come With peace - ful wings un - furled,
 For lo! the days are has - t'ning on, By proph - et bards fore - told,
 From an - gels bend - ing near the earth, To touch their harps of gold;
 And still their heav'n - ly mu - sic floats O'er all the wea - ry world;
 When with the ev - er - cir - cling years Comes 'round the age of gold;
 Peace on the earth, good will to all From heav'n's all gra - cious King,
 A - bove its sad and low - ly plains, They bend on hov - v'ring wing,
 When peace shall o - ver all the earth Its an - cient splen - dors fling,
 The world in sol - emn still - ness lay, To hear the an - gels sing.
 And ev - er o'er its Ba - bel sounds The bless - ed an - gels sing.
 And all the world give back the song Which now the an - gels sing.

RECESSIONAL HYMN

HARK! THE HERALD ANGELS SING



Hark! the her - ald an - gels sing, "Glo - ry to the new-born King: peace on earth,
 Christ, by high - est heav'n a - dored, Christ, the ev - er - last - ing Lord, late in time
 Hail the heav'n-born Prince of Peace! Hail the Sun of Right-eous - ness! Light and life
 and mer - cy mild, God and sin - ners re - con - ciled!" Joy - ful, all ye na - tions, rise,
 be - hold him come, off-spring of the Vir - gin's womb: veiled in flesh the God-head see;
 to all he brings, Ris'n with heal - ing in his wings. Mild he lays his glo - ry by,
 join the tri-umph of the skies; with th'an - gel - ic hosts pro-claim, "Christ is born in
 hail th'in-car-nate De - i - ty, pleased with us in flesh to dwell, Je - sus, our Em -
 Born that we no more may die, Born to raise us from the earth, Born to give us
 Beth - le - hem!" } Hark! The her - ald an - gels sing, "Glo - ry to the new-born King."
 ma - nu - el.
 se - cond birth.

SAINT JOHN BOSCO PARISH OF BRANFORD

THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

JANUARY 4TH 2026

PRELUDE

CHRISTMAS CAROLS

ENTRANCE HYMN

ANGELS FROM THE REALMS OF GLORY



1. An - gels from the realms of glo - ry, wing your flight o'er all the earth;
2. Shep - herds in the fields a - bid - ing, watch - ing o'er your flocks by night,
3. Sa - ges, leave your con - tem - pla - tions, bright - er vi - sions beam a - far;
4. Though an in - fant now we view him, He shall fill his Fa - ther's throne,



1. ye who sang cre - a - tion's sto - ry, now pro - claim Mes - si - ah's birth:
2. God with us is now re - sid - ing; yon - der shines the in - fant Light:
3. seek the great De - sire of na - tions; ye have seen his na - tal star:
4. Gath - er all the na - tions to him; Ev - 'ry knee shall then bow down



Come and wor - ship, come and wor - ship, wor - ship Christ, the new-born King!

KYRIE ELEISON



LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING

ISAIAH 60:1-6

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

PSALM 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13



SECOND READING

EPHESIANS 3:2-3A, 5-6

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

MATTHEW 2:2

GOSPEL

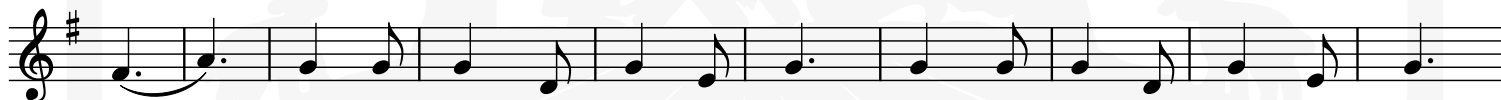
MATTHEW 2:1-12

HOMILY

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

HYMN DURING THE PREPARATION OF GIFTS

WE THREE KINGS



SANCTUS

MASS OF THE RESURRECTION



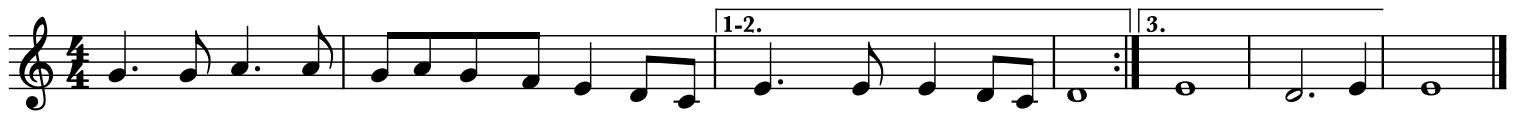
AMEP

MASS OF THE RESURRECTION

THE LORD'S PRAYER

LAMB OF GOD

MASS OF THE RESURRECTION



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

COMMUNION HYPOTHESES

O Little Town Of BETHLEHEM



O lit - tle town of Beth - le - hem, how still we see thee lie! A - bove thy deep and
For Christ is born of Mar - y, and gath-ered all a - bove, while mor-tals sleep, the
How si - lent - ly, how si - lent - ly the won-drousgift is giv'n! So God im-parts to



dream-less sleep the si - lent stars go by. Yet in thy dark streets shin - eth the
an - gels keep their watch of won-d'ring love, O morn-ing stars, to - geth - er pro-
hu - man hearts the bless-ings of his heav'n. No ear may hear his com - ing, but



ev - er - last - ing Light; the hopes and fears of all the years are met in thee to - night.
claim the ho - ly birth, and prais - es sing to God the King, and peace to all on earth.
in this world of sin, where meek souls will re - ceive him still, the dear Christ en - ters in.

COMMUNION HYMN II

WHAT CHILD IS THIS



What Child is this who, laid to rest On Mar - y's lap is sleep - ing?
 Why lies He in such mean es - tate, Where ox and ass are feed - ing?
 So bring Him in - cense, gold, and myrrh, Come pea - sant, king to own Him;



Whom an - gels greet with an - thems sweet, While shep-herds watch are keep - ing?
 Good Chris-tian, fear, for sin - ners here The si - lent Word is plead - ing.
 The King of kings sal - va - tion brings, Let lov - ing hearts en - throne Him.



This, this is Christ the King, Whom shep - herds guard and an - gels sing;



Haste, haste, to bring Him laud, The Babe, the Son of Mar - y.



The first No-well, the an-gel did say, was to cer-tain poor shep-herds in fields as they lay;
They look-ed up and saw a star shin-ing in the east, be - yond them far,
And by the light of that same star three wise men came from coun - try far,



in fields where they lay keep-ing their sheep, on a cold win-ter's night that was so deep.
and to the earth it gave great light, and so it con - tin-ued both day and night.
to seek for a king was their in - tent, and to fol-low the star wher - ev-er it went.



No - well, No - well, No - well, No - well, born is the King of Is - ra - el!

PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS TO THE PRIESTHOOD

Heavenly Father, You have created us for a definite purpose. Grant us the grace to know the path You have planned for each of us in this life, and to respond with a generous "Yes." Make my parish, my home and my heart fruitful ground for Your gift of vocations to the priesthood of Jesus Christ. May our young men respond to Your call with courage and zeal. Stir among them a desire and the strength to be good and holy priests. We make our prayer for priestly vocations to You, Father, in the Holy Spirit, through Christ our Lord. Amen. Mary, Mother of the Church, pray for us. Saint Joseph, Patron of our Archdiocese, pray for us. Blessed Michael McGivney, pray for us.

RECESSIONAL HYMN

GO, TELL IT ON THE MOUNTAIN



Go, tell it on the moun-tain, o-ver the hills and ev - 'ry - where; go, tell it on the moun-tain that



Je-sus Christ is born. 1. While shep-herds kept their watch-ing o'er si - lent flocks by
2. The shep-herds feared and trem-bled when high a - bove the
3. And lo, when they had heard it, they all bowed down and
4. Down in a low - ly man - ger the hum - ble Christ was



1. night, be - hold, through-out the heav-ens there shone a ho - ly light.
2. earth rang out the an - gel cho - rus that hailed our Sav - ior's birth.
3. prayed; they trav - eled on to - geth - er to where the Babe was born.
4. born, and God sent us sal - va - tion that bless - ed Christ-mas morn.

SAINT JOHN BOSCO PARISH OF BRANFORD