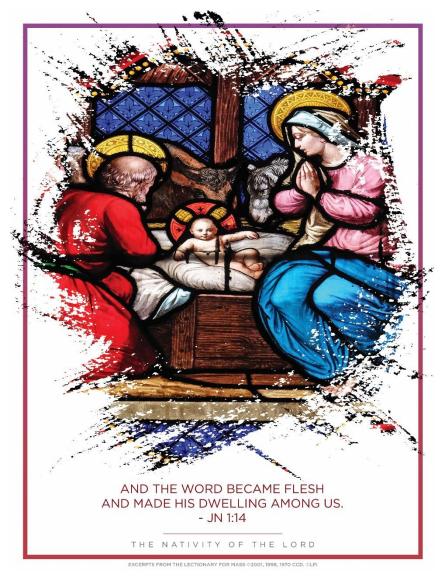
The Nativity of the Lord

DECEMBER 25TH AT 10:30 AM



Our Lady of Perpetual Help Catholic Church Salem, Virginia

Merry Christmas!

We are thankful that you are worshipping with us today!

A nursery (staffed by a nursery coordinator and parent volunteers) is available during the 10:30 AM Sunday Mass for children ages 6 months to 3 years.

The nursery is located down the hall from the commons in the Family Life Center.

(The nursery will be closed until January 11th.)

See an usher for directions to the nursery or restrooms, or to request a hearing assistance device.

If you would like information about activities or joining our parish, please contact the office at 540-387-0491 or email us at office@olphsalem.org.

You can also visit our website at www.olphsalem.org or find us on Facebook at www.facebook.com/OLPHSalem.

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INTRODUCTORY RITES

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Tune: ADESTE FIDELES, Irregular with refrain; John F. Wade, c.1711-1786

GREETING

Priest: In the name of the Father, and of the Son,

+ and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen

Priest: The Lord be with you. (or other greeting)

People: And with your spirit.

PENITENTIAL ACT

Priest/Deacon: (invocation) Lord, have mercy.

People: Lord, have mercy.

Priest/Deacon: (invocation) Christ, have mercy.

People: Christ, have mercy.

Priest/Deacon: (invocation) Lord, have mercy.

People: Lord, have mercy.

Priest: May almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us our sins,

and bring us to everlasting life.

People: Amen.

GLORIA





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COLLECT (OPENING PRAYER)

Priest: Let us pray.

(We pause to offer our silent intentions to God.)

... God, forever and ever.

People: Amen.

(sit)



THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING: Isaiah 9:1-6

Lector: The Word of the Lord. **People: Thanks be to God.**

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 96



SECOND READING: Titus 2:11-14

Lector: The Word of the Lord. **People: Thanks be to God.**

(stand)

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



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Priest/Deacon: The Lord be with you.

People: And with your spirit.

Priest/Deacon: A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Luke.

People: Glory to you, O Lord.

Gospel: Luke 2:1-14

Priest/Deacon: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ

(sit)

HOMILY

(stand)

PROFESSION OF FAITH - THE 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,

(please kneel)

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.

PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL

Deacon/Lector:... let us pray to the Lord.

People: Lord, hear our prayer.

THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

Today's second collection supports Commonwealth Catholic Charities.

Thank you for your generosity.

(sit)

OFFERTORY SONG HARK! THE HERALD ANGELS SING

Hark! the herald angels sing, "Glory to the newborn King; Peace on earth, and mercy mild - God and sinners reconciled!" Joyful, all you nations, rise, Join the triumph of the skies; With the angelic host proclaim, "Christ is born in Bethlehem!" Hark! the herald angels sing, "Glory to the newborn King!"

Christ, by highest heaven adored, Christ the everlasting Lord: Late in time behold Him come, Offspring of the Virgin's womb. Veiled in flesh the Godhead see: Hail the incarnate Deity, Pleased as man with us 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 the ones of earth, Born to give them second birth. Hark! the herald angels sing, "Glory to the newborn King!"

Text: Charles Wesley, 1707-1788, alt.
Tune: MENDELSSOHN 77 77 D with refrain: Felix Mendelssohn, 1809-1847

(stand)

Priest: Pray, brothers and sisters, that my sacrifice and yours

may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.

People: 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.

Priest: ...through Christ our Lord.

People: Amen.

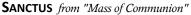
PREFACE DIALOGUE

Priest: The Lord be with you. **People: And with your spirit.**Priest: Lift up your hearts. **People: We lift them up to the Lord.**

Priest: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right and just.

PREFACE





(kneel)





GREAT AMEN



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(stand)

OUR FATHER

People: 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.

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

People: For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are

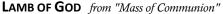
yours, now and forever.

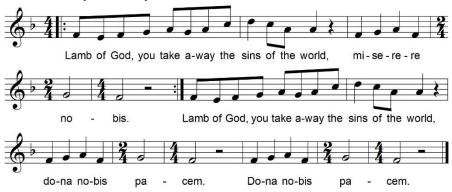
SIGN OF PEACE

Priest: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

People: And with your spirit.

Priest/Deacon: Let us offer each other the sign of peace.





(kneel)

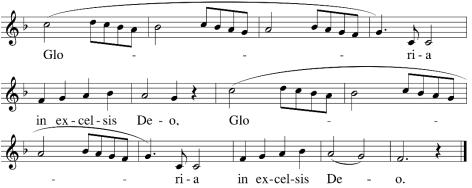
Priest: Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who takes away the sins of the world. Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.

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



Catholics who are prepared to receive the Eucharist are invited forward to receive Communion at this time. If you are Catholic but not prepared to receive the Eucharist, or if you are not Catholic, we invite you to come forward with your arms crossed over your chest, and we will share a short prayer with you.





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PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Priest: ...who lives and reigns forever and ever.

People: Amen.

THE CONCLUDING RITE

(stand)

BLESSING AND DISMISSAL

Priest: The Lord be with you. **People: And with your spirit.**

Priest: ... with the light of virtue. Priest: ... heralds of his Gospel. Priest: ...the Church in heaven. People: Amen. People: Amen.

Priest: And may the blessing of almighty God, the Father, and the

Son, + and the Holy Spirit come down on you and remain

with you for ever. **People: Amen.**

Priest/Deacon: Go in peace. (or other dismissal)

People: Thanks be to God.

CLOSING SONG JOY TO THE WORLD

- Joy to the world, the Lord is come! Let earth receive her King. Let every heart prepare him room, And heaven and nature sing, and heaven and nature sing, And heaven, and heaven and nature sing.
- Joy to the earth, the Savior reigns! Let us our songs employ. While fields and floods, rocks, hills, and plains Repeat the sounding joy, repeat the sounding joy, Repeat, repeat the sounding joy.
- No more let sin and sorrows grow, nor thorns infest the ground.
 He comes to make his blessings flow
 Far as the curse is found, far as the curse is found,
 Far as, far as the curse is found.
- 4. He rules the world with truth and grace, and makes the nations prove The glories of his righteousness, And wonders of his love, and wonders of his love, And wonders, wonders of his love.

Text: Psalm 98; Isaac Watts, 1674-1748

Tune: ANTIOCH, CM; arr. from George F. Handel, 1685-1759, in T. Hawkes; Collection of Tunes, 1833