



St. Patrick's Episcopal Church

Christmas Eve 2025

5:00 and 8:00 p.m.

Welcome to St. Patrick's: If you are new to our parish or visiting with us, we are so glad you are here. Please sign our guest book in the narthex or fill out a pew card. Thank you for worshipping alongside us. *Questions? Email us at church@pats-dublin.org*

Children at St. Patrick's: We believe children point to the presence of the Holy Spirit during worship. Therefore, kids are welcome throughout the service. Children's Worship aids are located in the Narthex on the children's table. For younger children, ages 0 to 3 years old, we have nursery available staffed with 2 professional caregivers during the 5:00 p.m. service. Please ask the ushers if you need directions to the nursery.

Hearing/Vision Impaired: Wireless hearing devices are available. Please check with an usher for assistance.

St. Patrick's Mission Statement: St. Patrick's joyfully welcomes and includes you in a journey of Christian faith through the grace of the Holy Spirit.

St. Patrick's Vision Statement: St. Patrick's continues to grow as a joyful community of faith. Through worship, friendship, education and outreach, we live a Christ-centered life, caring for each other and our neighbors as ourselves.

Christmas Worship at St. Patrick's

Christmas Day, December 25th

10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist

First Sunday after Christmas, December 28th

One Worship Service

9:00 AM Eucharist

There will be no noon eucharist on 12/31.

All are welcome!

Prelude

4:45 p.m.

Good King Wenceslaus arr. Daniel Kelley and Paul Klintworth
Oh, Mary and the Baby, Sweet Lamb Traditional (Texas)
Lulajże Jezuniu Polish carol, arr. Andrea Schafer
Child of God Traditional (Louisiana and Georgia)
O Little Town of Bethlehem/It Came Upon the Midnight Clear
arr. Lewis H. Redner
Lo How a Rose /Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus
arr. Carolyn Kristi-Hutchinson

7:45 p.m.

Good King Wenceslaus arr. Daniel Kelley and Paul Klintworth
O Little Town of Bethlehem/It Came Upon the Midnight Clear
arr. Lewis H. Redner
Lo How a Rose/Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus
arr. Carolyn Kristi-Hutchinson
The Snow Lay on the Ground arr. Martha Lynn Thompson
Bring a Torch, Jeanette, Isabella Provençal carol, arr. J. D. Jones

Welcome and Greeting

Processional Hymn 83, vv. 1-3, 5-6 *O come, all ye faithful*

The Word of God

The people standing, the Presider says

Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People **And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

The Celebrant may say

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Hymn of Praise 87 *Hark! the herald angels sing*

The Collect of the Day

Presider The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Presider Let us pray.

O God, you have caused this holy night to shine with the brightness of the true Light: Grant that we, who have known the mystery of that Light on earth, may also enjoy him perfectly in heaven; where with you and the Holy Spirit he lives and reigns, one God, in glory everlasting. *Amen.*

The Lessons (*The people sit.*)

A reading from the book of the prophet Isaiah 9:2-7

The people who walked in darkness
 have seen a great light;

those who lived in a land of deep darkness--
 on them light has shined.

You have multiplied the nation,
 you have increased its joy;
they rejoice before you
 as with joy at the harvest,
 as people exult when dividing plunder.

For the yoke of their burden,
 and the bar across their shoulders,
 the rod of their oppressor,
 you have broken as on the day of Midian.

For all the boots of the tramping warriors
 and all the garments rolled in blood
 shall be burned as fuel for the fire.

For a child has been born for us,
 a son given to us;
authority rests upon his shoulders;
 and he is named

Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God,
 Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.

His authority shall grow continually,
 and there shall be endless peace
for the throne of David and his kingdom.
 He will establish and uphold it

with justice and with righteousness
 from this time onward and forevermore.

The zeal of the LORD of hosts will do this.

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 96

- 1 Sing to the LORD a new song; *
sing to the LORD, all the whole earth.
- 2 Sing to the LORD and bless his Name; *
proclaim the good news of his salvation from day to day.
- 3 Declare his glory among the nations *
and his wonders among all peoples.
- 4 For great is the LORD and greatly to be praised; *
he is more to be feared than all gods.
- 5 As for all the gods of the nations, they are but idols; *
but it is the LORD who made the heavens.
- 6 Oh, the majesty and magnificence of his presence! *
Oh, the power and the splendor of his sanctuary!
- 7 Ascribe to the LORD, you families of the peoples; *
ascribe to the LORD honor and power.
- 8 Ascribe to the LORD the honor due his Name; *
bring offerings and come into his courts.
- 9 Worship the LORD in the beauty of holiness; *
let the whole earth tremble before him.
- 10 Tell it out among the nations: "The LORD is King! *
he has made the world so firm that it cannot be moved;
he will judge the peoples with equity."
- 11 Let the heavens rejoice, and let the earth be glad;
let the sea thunder and all that is in it; *
let the field be joyful and all that is therein.
- 12 Then shall all the trees of the wood shout for joy
before the LORD when he comes, *
when he comes to judge the earth.
- 13 He will judge the world with righteousness *
and the peoples with his truth.

A reading from the letter to Titus 2:11-14

For the grace of God has appeared, bringing salvation to all, training us to renounce impiety and worldly passions, and in the present age to live lives that are self-controlled, upright, and godly, while we wait for the blessed hope and the manifestation of the

glory of our great God and Savior, Jesus Christ. He it is who gave himself for us that he might redeem us from all iniquity and purify for himself a people of his own who are zealous for good deeds.

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Gradual Music

5:00 p.m. *O Holy Night*

Adolphe Adam

8:00 p.m. *The Cherry Tree Carol*

arr. Phil Adams

The Gospel: Luke 2:1-14

Then, all standing, the Deacon or Presider reads the Gospel, first saying
The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

In those days a decree went out from Emperor Augustus that all the world should be registered. This was the first registration and was taken while Quirinius was governor of Syria. All went to their own towns to be registered. Joseph also went from the town of Nazareth in Galilee to Judea, to the city of David called Bethlehem, because he was descended from the house and family of David. He went to be registered with Mary, to whom he was engaged and who was expecting a child. While they were there, the time came for her to deliver her child. And she gave birth to her firstborn son and wrapped him in bands of cloth, and laid him in a manger, because there was no place for them in the inn.

In that region there were shepherds living in the fields, keeping watch over their flock by night. Then an angel of the Lord stood before them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified. But the angel said to them, "Do not be afraid; for see-- I am bringing you good news of great joy for all the people: to you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is the Messiah, the Lord. This will be a sign for you: you will find a child wrapped in bands of cloth and lying in a manger." And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host, praising God and saying,

"Glory to God in the highest heaven,
and on earth peace among those whom he favors!"

After the Gospel, the Reader says

The Gospel of the Lord.

People

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon

The Nicene Creed *(All stand.)*

**We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father.**

Through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation

he came down from heaven:

by the power of the Holy Spirit

**he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
and was made man.**

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;

he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again

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.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father.**

With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.

He has spoken through the Prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

**We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

The Prayers of the People

Father, we pray for your holy catholic Church;

That we all may be one.

**Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly
serve you;**

That your Name may be glorified by all people.

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;
***That they may be faithful ministers of your Word
and Sacraments.***

We pray for those who govern and hold authority
in the nations of the world;
That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;
That our works may find favor in your sight.

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;
That they may be delivered from their distress.

Give to the departed eternal rest;
Let light perpetual shine upon them.

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;
May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.
(Silence. People may add their own petitions.)

The Presider says the following:

Almighty and eternal God, ruler of all things in heaven and earth:
Mercifully accept the prayers of your people, and strengthen us to
do your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord. ***Amen.***

The Peace

(All stand.) The Presider says to the people

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

The Offertory

The Offertory Anthem

Some Children See Him

Alfred Burt, arr. Joseph M. Martin

*The people's offerings of bread and wine, are presented and placed on
the Altar. Please stand during the presentation.*

Doxology

*3 Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise

him, all crea-tures here be - low; praise him a - bove, ye
heaven - ly host: praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost.

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer B with Expansive Language

Presider *People*
God _____ be _____ with _____ you. And _____ al - so with you.
Presider *People*
Lift _____ up your _____ hearts. _____ We lift _____ them to _____ the Lord. _____
Presider *People*
Let us give thanks _____ to the Lord _____ our God.
People
It is right _____ to give God thanks _____ and praise. _____

Presider

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Almighty God, Creator of heaven and earth. Because you gave Jesus Christ, your only Son, to be born for us; who, by the mighty power of the Holy Spirit, was made perfect Man of the flesh of the Virgin Mary his mother; so that we might be delivered from the bondage of sin, and receive power to become your children.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Presider and People

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and

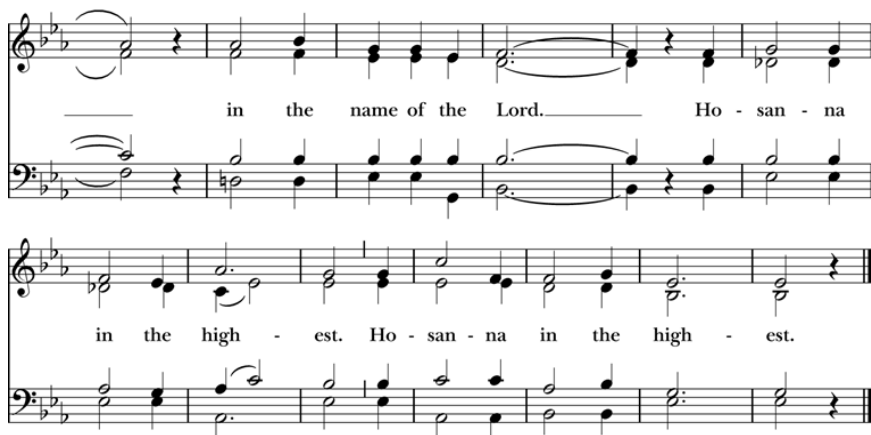
might, Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord,

God of power and might, hea - ven and earth are

full, full of your glo - ry. Ho -

san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na

in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes



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Presider

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in Jesus Christ, the Word made flesh. For in these last days you sent Jesus to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In Christ, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In Christ, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, our Savior Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper Jesus took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

People

**We remember Christ's death,
We proclaim Christ's resurrection,
We await Christ's coming in glory;**

Presider

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Savior of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine. We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant.

Unite us in the sacrifice of Jesus Christ, through whom we are acceptable to you, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with St. Patrick and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your children; through Jesus Christ our Savior, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation. By Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty God, now and forever.

AMEN.

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,

People and Presider

**Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your Name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those
who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial,
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours,
now and for ever. Amen.**

The Breaking of the Bread

The Presider breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.

Fraction Hymn 109, vv. 1 & 6 *The First Nowell*

*The first Nowell the angel did say
was to certain poor shepherds in fields as they lay;
in fields as they lay, keeping their sheep,
on a cold winter's night that was so deep.*

***Nowell, Nowell, Nowell, Nowell,
born is the King of Israel.***

***Then let us all with one accord
sing praises to our heavenly Lord;
that hath made heaven and earth of nought,
and with his blood our life hath bought.
Nowell, Nowell, Nowell, Nowell,
born is the King of Israel.***

Invitation to Communion

Facing the people, the Celebrant says the following Invitation
The Gifts of God for the People of God.

All persons are invited to the Altar.

If you choose to receive communion,

you may do so in one of the following ways:

- *Consume the bread first and then sip from the cup.*
- *Intinction is strongly discouraged, however if you choose to intinct please simply leave the wafer in your hands. The chalice bearer will dip the wafer for you then hand it back to you.*
- *Communion in one kind, or both, is acceptable.*
If you prefer to not receive the wine, you may proceed to your seat after receiving the bread.
- *If you would like to receive a blessing only, please cross your hands over your chest as a signal to the ministers.*
- *If you want a gluten free wafer, please place your palms down when you approach the ministers.*

Communion Hymns

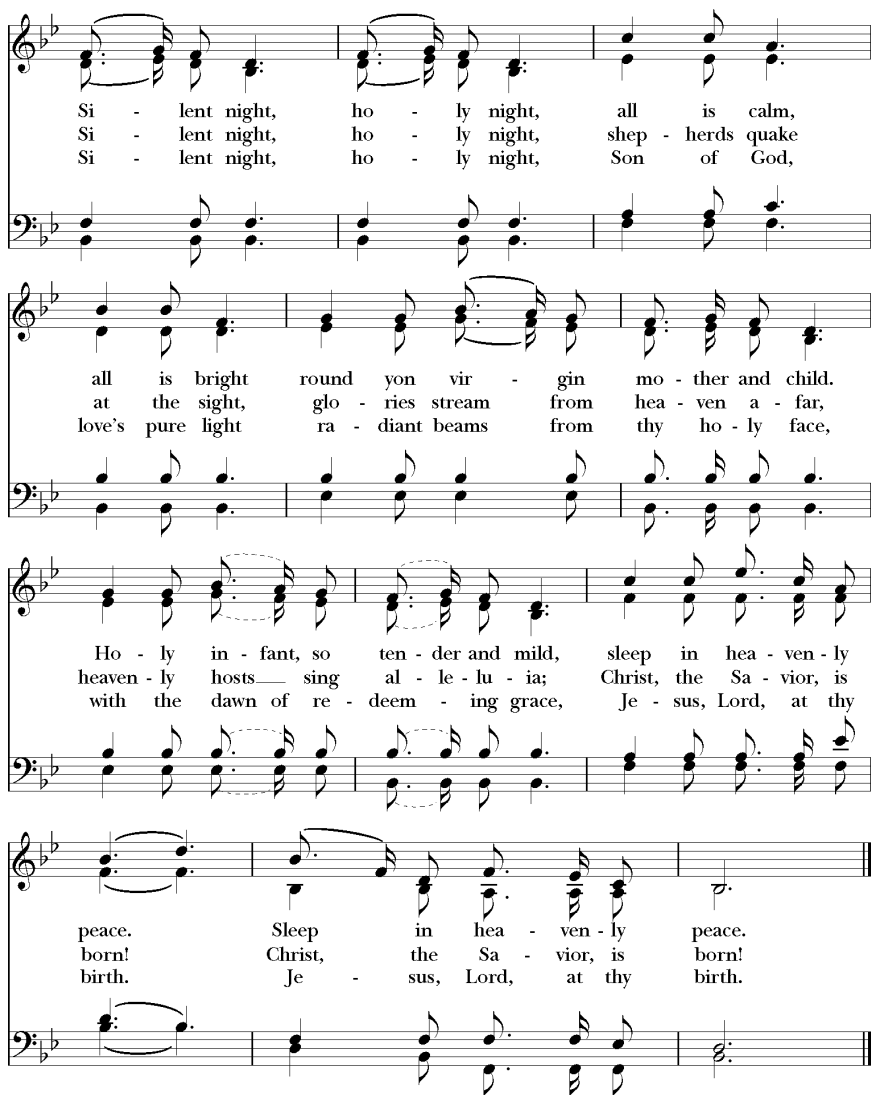
Please join in on the first verse of each of the following hymns.

Hymn 105	God rest you merry, gentlemen
Hymn 112	In the bleak midwinter
Hymn 107	Good Christian friends, rejoice
Hymn 115	What child is this
Hymn 99	Go tell it on the mountain
Hymn 101	Away in a manger
Hymn 110	The snow lay on the ground

Post Communion Lighting of candles

The church lights are turned down.

Hymn 111 *Silent Night*



Si - lent night, ho - ly night, all is calm,
 Si - lent night, ho - ly night, shep - herds quake
 Si - lent night, ho - ly night, Son of God,

all is bright round yon vir - gin mo - ther and child.
 at the sight, glo - ries stream from hea - ven a - far,
 love's pure light ra - dian beams from thy ho - ly face,

Ho - ly in - fant, so ten - der and mild, sleep in hea - ven - ly
 heaven - ly hosts sing al - le - lu - ia; Christ, the Sa - vior, is
 with the dawn of re - deem - ing grace, Je - sus, Lord, at thy

peace. Sleep in hea - ven - ly peace.
 born! the Christ, Sa - vior, is born!
 birth. Je - sus, Lord, at thy birth.

Then the Presider says

Let us pray.

Presider and People

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Blessing

Presider

May Almighty God, who sent his Son to take our nature upon him, bless you in this holy season, scatter the darkness of sin, and brighten your heart with the light of his holiness. **Amen.**

Recessional Hymn 100 *Joy to the world!*

Dismissal

Presider or Deacon

Let us go forth in the name of the Christ. Alleluia, alleluia.

People

Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.

Postlude

All My Heart This Night Rejoices Helmut Walcha

ST. PATRICK'S COMMUNITY NEWS

Pledge Completion Thank you for supporting God's mission through St. Patrick's. If you haven't yet completed your 2025 pledge, please plan to by Dec. 31 so we can finish the year strong.

2026 Pledge Drive We're close to reaching our \$570,000 goal! If you haven't pledged yet, please do so using the forms in the narthex. You can place your form in the offering plate or scan the QR code to pledge today. Thank you!



Way of Love Dinners: The Parables of Jesus

The next evening together is Wed, January 7th. A complimentary dinner is provided at 6:30PM. Engaging discussion and reflection follow. Use the QR code to register or sign up on the list in the narthex. All are encouraged to attend!

Welcome Class + Sunday, January 25th

The Newcomers Ministry Team invites those interested in learning more about everything St. Patrick's to join us in the Sanctuary after the 9:30AM worship service on Sunday, Jan 25th. During this time, we will share about the culture, ministry and missions of this special place! Bring your questions for us, too!

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Christmas Office Closure at St. Patrick's

*The church office will be closed
December 24th through January 2nd.
We will reopen Monday, January 5th.*

*For pastoral emergencies only, please TEXT
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