

ST. PATRICK CHURCH

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THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH

THE ORDER OF MASS

INTRODUCTORY RITES



OPENING HYMN

Hark! The Herald Angels Sing



1. Hark! The her - ald an - gels sing, "Glo - ry to the
2. Christ, by high - est heav'n a - dored; Christ, the ev - er -
3. Hail the heav'n - born Prince of Peace! Hail the Sun of



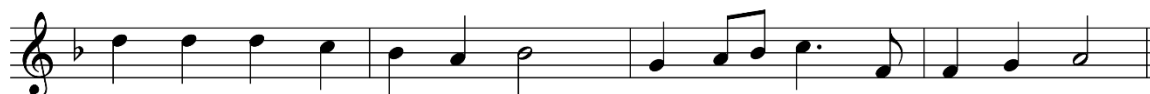
new - born King! Peace on earth and mer - cy mild,
last - ing Lord! Late in time be - hold him come,
Right-eous - ness! Light and life to all he brings,



God and sin - ners rec - on - ciled!" Joy - ful, all you
Off - spring of the Vir - gin's womb. Veiled in flesh the
Ris'n with heal - ing in his wings. Mild he lays his



na - tions, rise; Join the tri - umph of the skies;
God - head see; Hail the in - car - nate De - i - ty,
glo - ry by, Born that we no more may die,



With the an - gel - ic host pro - claim, "Christ is born in Beth - le - hem!"
Pleased as man with us to dwell, Je - sus, our Em - man - u - el.
Born to raise us from the earth, Born to give us sec - ond birth.



Hark! The her - ald an - gels sing, "Glo - ry to the new - born King!"

Text: Charles Wesley, 1707–1788, alt.

Tune: MENDELSSOHN, 77 77 D with refrain; Felix Mendelssohn, 1809–1847

GREETING

■ In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

■ Amen.

■ The Lord be with you.

■ And with your spirit.

PENITENTIAL ACT

■ Brothers and sisters, let us acknowledge our sins, and so prepare ourselves to celebrate the sacred mysteries.

A brief pause for silence follows.

Then all recite together the formula of general confession:

■ I confess to almighty God
and to you, my brothers and sisters,
that I have greatly sinned,
in my thoughts and in my words,
in what I have done and in what I have failed to do,

And, striking their breast, they say:

through my fault, through my fault,
through my most grievous fault;

Then they continue:

therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin,
all the Angels and Saints,
and you, my brothers and sisters,
to pray for me to the Lord our God.

The absolution by the Priest follows:

■ May almighty God have mercy on us,
forgive us our sins,
and bring us to everlasting life.

■ Amen.

KYRIE

The Kyrie, eleison (Lord, have mercy) invocations follow, unless they have just occurred in a formula of the Penitential Act.

PENITENTIAL ACT

Priest, deacon, or cantor, then all:



(Invocation) Ký - ri - e, e - lé - i - son.

Priest, deacon, or cantor, then all:



(Invocation) Chri - ste, e - lé - i - son.

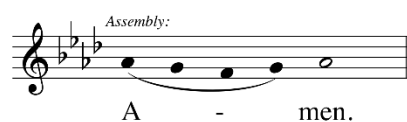
Priest, deacon, or cantor, then all:



(Invocation) Ký - ri - e, e - lé - i - son.

Priest: May almighty God...everlasting life.

Assembly:



A - men.

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GLORIA



All:
Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and on
earth peace to peo - ple of good will. We praise you, we
bless you, we a - dore you, we glo - ri - fy you, we
give you thanks for your great glo - ry, Lord God,
heav - en - ly King, O God, al - mighty Fa - ther.

Choir (Cong. ad lib.):
Lord Je - sus Christ, On - ly Be - got - ten Son, Lord God, Lamb of
God, Son of the Fa - ther, you take a - way the
sins of the world, have mer - cy on us;
you take a - way the sins of the world, re - ceive our prayer;
you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther, have
mer - cy on us.

The musical score is written on ten staves. The first five staves are for a solo voice, and the last five are for a choir. The key signature is three flats (B-flat, E-flat, A-flat) and the time signature is 4/4. The score includes various musical notations such as notes, rests, and dynamic markings. The lyrics are written below the staves, with some words hyphenated across lines. The choir part begins with a 'Cong. ad lib.' marking, indicating a congregational or ad libitum section.

All:

For you a-lone are the Ho-ly One, you a-lone are the
 Lord, you a-lone are the Most High, Je - sus
 Christ, with the Ho - ly Spir-it, in the glo-ry of God the
 Fa - ther. A - men.

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COLLECT

O God, who were pleased to give us
 the shining example of the Holy Family,
 graciously grant that we may imitate them
 in practicing the virtues of family life and in the bonds of charity,
 and so, in the joy of your house,
 delight one day in eternal rewards.
 Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
 who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
 God, for ever and ever

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING

Sir 3: 2-6, 12-14

God sets a father in honor over his children;
a mother's authority he confirms over her sons.
Whoever honors his father atones for sins,
and preserves himself from them.
When he prays, he is heard;
he stores up riches who reveres his mother.
Whoever honors his father is gladdened by children,
and, when he prays, is heard.
Whoever reveres his father will live a long life;
he who obeys his father brings comfort to his mother.

My son, take care of your father when he is old;
grieve him not as long as he lives.
Even if his mind fail, be considerate of him;
revile him not all the days of his life;
kindness to a father will not be forgotten,
firmly planted against the debt of your sins
—a house raised in justice to you.

■ The word of the Lord.

■ Thanks be to God.

R. (cf. 1) **Blessed are those who fear the Lord and walk in his ways.**

Blessed is everyone who fears the LORD,
who walks in his ways!
For you shall eat the fruit of your handiwork;
blessed shall you be, and favored.

R. (cf. 1) **Blessed are those who fear the Lord and walk in his ways.**

Your wife shall be like a fruitful vine
in the recesses of your home;
your children like olive plants
around your table.

R. (cf. 1) **Blessed are those who fear the Lord and walk in his ways.**

Behold, thus is the man blessed
who fears the LORD.
The LORD bless you from Zion:
may you see the prosperity of Jerusalem
all the days of your life.

R. (cf. 1) **Blessed are those who fear the Lord and walk in his ways.**

SECOND READING

Col 3: 12-21

Brothers and sisters:

Put on, as God's chosen ones, holy and beloved,
heartfelt compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness, and patience,
bearing with one another and forgiving one another,
if one has a grievance against another;

as the Lord has forgiven you, so must you also do.

And over all these put on love,
that is, the bond of perfection.

And let the peace of Christ control your hearts,
the peace into which you were also called in one body.

And be thankful.

Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly,
as in all wisdom you teach and admonish one another,
singing psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs
with gratitude in your hearts to God.

And whatever you do, in word or in deed,
do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus,
giving thanks to God the Father through him.

Wives, be subordinate to your husbands,
as is proper in the Lord.

Husbands, love your wives,
and avoid any bitterness toward them.

Children, obey your parents in everything,
for this is pleasing to the Lord.

Fathers, do not provoke your children,
so they may not become discouraged.

■ The word of the Lord.

■ Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

ALLELUIA, ALLELUIA

May the peace of Christ rule your in your hearts: and
the fullness of his message live within you. **R.**

G O S P E L

Matthew 2: 13-15, 19-23

■ The Lord be with you.

■ And with your spirit.

■ A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke.

■ Glory to you, O Lord.

When the magi had departed, behold,
the angel of the Lord appeared to Joseph in a dream and said,
“Rise, take the child and his mother, flee to Egypt,
and stay there until I tell you.
Herod is going to search for the child to destroy him.”
Joseph rose and took the child and his mother by night
and departed for Egypt.
He stayed there until the death of Herod,
that what the Lord had said through the prophet might be fulfilled,
Out of Egypt I called my son.

When Herod had died, behold,
the angel of the Lord appeared in a dream
to Joseph in Egypt and said,
“Rise, take the child and his mother and go to the land of Israel,
for those who sought the child’s life are dead.”
He rose, took the child and his mother,
and went to the land of Israel.
But when he heard that Archelaus was ruling over Judea
in place of his father Herod,
he was afraid to go back there.
And because he had been warned in a dream,
he departed for the region of Galilee.
He went and dwelt in a town called Nazareth,
so that what had been spoken through the prophets
might be fulfilled,
He shall be called a Nazorean.

■ The Gospel of the Lord.

■ Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

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,

*At the words that follow,
up to and including and became man, all bow.*

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

■ ... **W**e pray to the Lord.

■ ...Lord, hear our prayer.

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

PRESENTATION AND PREPARATION OF THE GIFTS

Once in Royal David's City



1. Once in roy - al Da - vid's cit - y Stood a
 2. He came down to earth from heav - en Who is
 3. And, through all his won - drous child - hood, He would
 4. For he is our child - hood's pat - tern, Day by
 5. And our eyes at last shall see him, Through his



low - ly cat - tle shed, Where a moth - er laid her
 God and Lord of all, And his shel - ter was a
 hon - or and o - bey, Love and watch the low - ly
 day like us he grew; He was lit - tle, weak, and
 own re - deem - ing love; For that child so dear and



ba - by In a man - ger for his bed.
 sta - ble, And his cra - dle was a stall.
 maid - en In whose gen - tle arms he lay.
 help - less, Tears and smiles like us he knew.
 gen - tle Is our Lord in heav'n a - bove.



Mar - y was that moth - er mild;
 With the poor and meek and low - ly
 Chris - tian chil - dren all should be
 And he feels for all our sad - ness,
 And he leads his chil - dren on



Je - sus Christ, her lit - tle child.
 Lived on earth our Sav - ior ho - ly.
 Kind, o - be - dient, good as he.
 And he shares in all our glad - ness.
 To the place where he is gone.

■ Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation,
for through your goodness we have received
the bread we offer you:
fruit of the earth and work of human hands,
it will become for us the bread of life.

■ Blessed be God for ever.
By the mystery of this water and wine
may we come to share in the divinity of Christ
who humbled himself to share in our humanity.

■ Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation,
for through your goodness we have received
the wine we offer you:
fruit of the vine and work of human hands,
it will become our spiritual drink.

■ Blessed be God for ever.

With humble spirit and contrite heart
may we be accepted by you, O Lord,
and may our sacrifice in your sight this day
be pleasing to you, Lord God.
Wash me, O Lord, from my iniquity and cleanse me from my sin.

■ Pray, 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.

PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

■ We offer you, Lord, the sacrifice of conciliation,
humbly asking that,
through the intercession of the Virgin Mother of God and Saint Joseph,
you may establish our families firmly in your grace and your peace.
Through Christ our Lord.

■ Amen.

THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

■ The Lord be with you.

■ And with your spirit.

■ Lift up your hearts.

■ We lift them up to the Lord.

■ Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

■ It is right and just.

■ It is truly right and just, our duty and our salvation... And so, with hearts full of love,
we join the angels, today and every day of our lives, to sing of your glory as we acclaim:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

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Ho-ly, Ho-ly, Ho-ly Lord God of
hosts. Heav-en and earth are full of your glo-ry.
Ho-san-na in the high-est. Bless-ed is he who
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the
high-est. Ho-san-na in the high-est.

The musical score is written on five staves in G major (one sharp) and 3/4 time. It begins with a four-measure rest marked with a '4'. The melody is simple and hymn-like, with lyrics written below the notes. The piece concludes with a double bar line.

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■...**T**HE mystery of faith.

MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION B

When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup, we pro-
claim your Death, O Lord, un-til you come a-gain.

The musical score is written on two staves in G major (one sharp) and common time (C). The melody is simple and hymn-like, with lyrics written below the notes. The piece concludes with a double bar line.

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The Eucharistic Prayer culminates and concludes when the Priest sings or says:

■ Through him, and with him, and in him,
O God, almighty Father,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
all glory and honor is yours,
for ever and ever.

AMEN



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The Priest invites all to join in the Lord's Prayer:

■ At the Savior's command and formed by divine teaching, we dare to say:

A series of six musical staves, each with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat. The lyrics are written below the notes.

Our Fa - ther, who art in heav - en, hal - lowed be thy name;
thy king - dom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heav - en.
Give us this day our dai - ly bread, and for - give us our tres - pass - es,
as we for - give those who tres - pass a - gainst us; and lead us not
in - to temp - ta - tion, but de - liv - er us from e - vil.

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

A musical staff with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat. The melody consists of quarter notes: For the king - dom, the pow'r, and the glo - ry are yours now and for ev - er.

■ Lord Jesus Christ,
 who said to your Apostles:
 Peace I leave you, my peace I give you,
 look not on our sins,
 but on the faith of your Church,
 and graciously grant her peace and unity in accordance with your will.
 Who live and reign for ever and ever.

■ Amen.

■ The peace of the Lord be with you always

■ And with your spirit.

Then, if appropriate, the Deacon, or the Priest, adds:

■ Let us offer each other the sign of peace.

The people exchange a sign of peace, according to local custom.

LAMB OF GOD

Cantor: *Assembly:*

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

To repeat

world, have mer - cy on us.

Last time

world, grant us peace.

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The faithful kneel after the "Agnus Dei" unless the Diocesan Bishop determines otherwise.

COMMUNION

■ 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.

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

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

■ Bring those you refresh with this heavenly Sacrament,
most merciful Father,
to imitate constantly the example of the Holy Family,
so that, after the trials of this world,
we may share their company for ever.
Through Christ our Lord.

■ Amen.

■ The Lord be with you.

■ And with your spirit.

■ May almighty God bless you,
the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

■ Amen.

CLOSING HYMN

Joy to the World



1. Joy to the world, the Lord is come! Let
 2. Joy to the earth, the Sav - ior reigns! Let
 3. No more let sin and sor - row grow, Nor
 4. He rules the world with truth and grace, And



earth re - ceive her king; Let ev - 'ry
 us our songs em - ploy; While fields and
 thorns in - fest the ground; He comes to
 makes the na - tions prove The glo - ries



heart pre - pare him room And heav'n and na - ture
 floods, rocks, hills and plains Re - peat the sound - ing
 make his bless - ings flow Far as the curse is
 of his right - eous - ness, And won - ders of his



sing, And heav'n and na - ture sing, And
 joy, Re - peat the sound - ing joy, Re -
 found, Far as the curse is found, Far
 love, And won - ders of his love, And



heav'n, and heav'n and na - ture sing.
 peat, re - peat the sound - ing joy.
 as, far as the curse is found.
 won - ders, won - ders 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

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