

The Third Sunday in Advent

(*Gaudete*)

Sunday, 17 December 2023

9:00 a.m. Low Mass | 11:00 a.m. Solemn Mass



JOHN SENT TWO OF HIS DISCIPLES UNTO CHRIST



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Welcome to S. Bart's, Regent Park!

We're so happy to have you worshipping with us this morning!

CELEBRANT

The Rev'd Théo Ipema,
Honourary Assistant, S. Mary Magdalene

PREACHER

The Rev'd Dr Walter Hannam,
Vicar, S. Bartholomew's

CANTOR

Katherine Hill, BMus, MA

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The Choir of S. Bartholomew's

ORGANIST

Fr David Smith

Solemn Mass

NOTE TO 9 O'CLOCK WORSHIPPERS: PLEASE TURN TO THE INTROIT ON PAGE 6.
THE EARLY MASS IS SAID RATHER THAN SUNG.

PREPARING FOR MASS: WE SHOULD ALWAYS TAKE A FEW MINUTES TO GATHER OUR ATTENTION, SO AS TO ENTER WITH OUR INTENTION INTO THE SILENCE AND STILLNESS OF GOD BY AN ACT OF FAITH. OFFER TO GOD YOUR WHOLE SELF — SOUL AND BODY — TO BE OFFERED WITHIN OUR LORD'S OFFERING AT THIS MASS. RECALL TO MIND THOSE WHOM YOU WISH TO REMEMBER AT THIS CELEBRATION, AND RECALL THEM AGAIN AT THE APPROPRIATE SILENT SPACE DURING THE PRAYER FOR THE CATHOLIC CHURCH.

PLEASE STAND WHEN THE BELL RINGS.
THE PEOPLE REMAIN STANDING UNTIL THE INTROIT.

Prelude (11 A.M. ONLY)

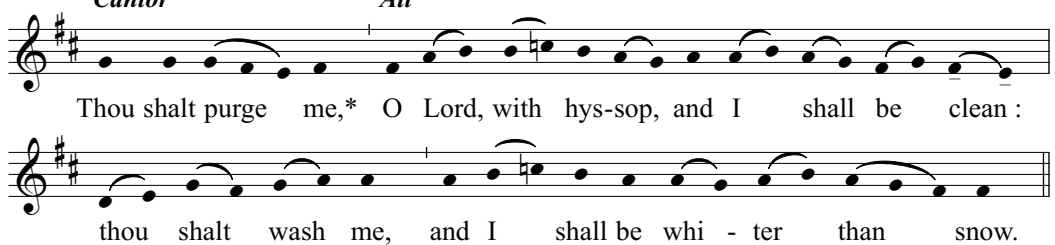
Aria Goldberg — Variationem
BWV 988

J. S. Bach
(1685-1750)

DEVOTIONS BEFORE MASS

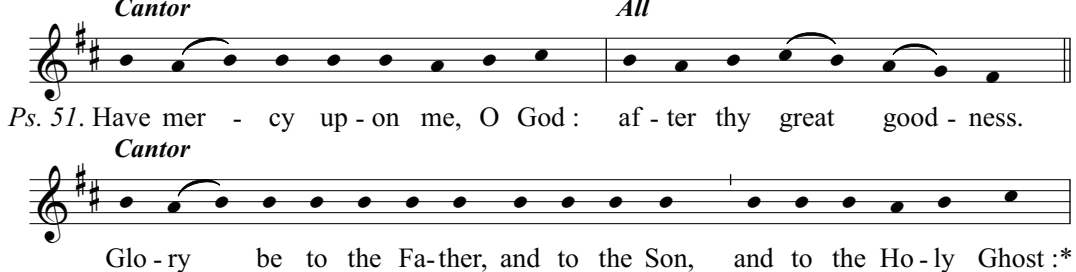
Asperges

Cantor *All*



Thou shalt purge me,* O Lord, with hys-sop, and I shall be clean :
thou shalt wash me, and I shall be whi - ter than snow.

Cantor *All*



Ps. 51. Have mer - cy up - on me, O God : af - ter thy great good - ness.
Glo - ry be to the Fa-ther, and to the Son, and to the Ho - ly Ghost :*

*The watchers on the mountain Proclaim the Bridegroom near:
Go meet him as he cometh, With alleluias clear.*

*Ye wise and holy virgins, Now raise your voices higher,
Until in songs of triumph They meet the angel choir.
The marriage feast is waiting, The gates wide open stand:
Up, up! ye heirs of glory; The Bridegroom is at hand.*

*Our hope and expectation, O Jesus, now appear:
Arise, thou Sun so longed for, O'er this benighted sphere.
With hearts and hands uplifted We plead, O Lord, to see
The day of our redemption That brings us unto thee.*

THE MASS OF THE CATECHUMENS

THE ENTRANCE RITES

Introit — *Gaudete*

Philippians 4:4-7

(PLEASE KNEEL)

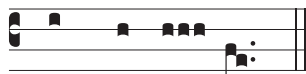
CANTOR: Rejoice ye in the Lord, and again I say, rejoice ye; let your moderation be known unto all men, the Lord is at hand: *



ALL: Be care-ful for nothing, nor troubled; but in all things, by prayer



and suppli-cation, with thankgiv-ing, let your requests be made



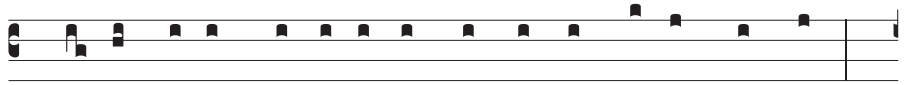
known unto God.

CANTOR: Lord, thou art become gracious unto thy land: *



ALL: Thou hast turnèd the capti-vi-ty of Ja-cob.

CANTOR: Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; *



ALL: As it was in the be-ginning, is now and ev-er shall be,

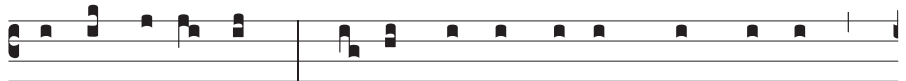
ANTIPHON



world with-out end. A-men Re- joice ye in the Lord, and again



I say, rejoice ye; let your mode-ration be known unto all men,



the Lord is at hand: be care-ful for nothing, nor troubled;



but in all things, by prayer and suppli-cation, with thankgiv-ing,



let your requests be made known unto God.

CELEBRANT: 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 them that trespass against us;

And lead us not into temptation,
But deliver us from evil. Amen.

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

℟ Amen.

The Summary of the Law

CELEBRANT: Our Lord Jesus Christ said:

Hear O Israel, The Lord our God is one Lord;
and thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart,
and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind,
and with all thy strength.

This is the first and great commandment

And the second is like unto it:

Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself.

On these two commandments

hang all the Law and the Prophets.

ALL: Lord, have mercy upon us,
and write both these thy laws in our hearts, we beseech thee.

Kyrie Eleison (*CHOIR*)

Missa Brevis on Two Chansons by Lassus
– *Walter MacNutt (1965)*

Kyrie eleison. *Lord, have mercy.*

Christe eleison. *Christ, have mercy.*

Kyrie eleison. *Lord, have mercy.*

The Collects

✠ The Lord be with you.
✠ And with thy spirit.

Let us pray. (*PLEASE KNEEL*)

OLORD Jesu Christ, who at thy first coming didst send thy messenger to prepare thy way before thee: Grant that the ministers and stewards of thy mysteries may likewise so prepare and make ready thy way, by turning the hearts of the disobedient to the wisdom of the just, that at thy second coming to judge the world we may be found an acceptable people in thy sight; who livest and reignest with the Father and the Holy Spirit, ever one God, world without end.

✠ Amen.

Let us pray.

ALMIGHTY God, give us grace that we may cast away the works of darkness, and put upon us the armour of light, now in the time of this mortal life, in which thy Son Jesus Christ came to visit us in great humility; that in the last day, when he shall come again in his glorious Majesty, to judge both the quick and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal; through him who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, now and ever.

✠ Amen.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

The Epistle: 1 Corinthians 4:1 (*PLEASE BE SEATED*)

The Epistle is written in the fourth chapter of the First Epistle of Paul the Apostle to the Corinthians, beginning at the first verse.

LET a man so account of us, as of the ministers of Christ, and stewards of the mysteries of God. Moreover, it is required in

stewards, that a man be found faithful. But with me it is a very small thing that I should be judged of you, or of man's judgement: yea, I judge not mine own self. I know nothing against myself, yet am I not hereby justified; but he that judgeth me is the Lord. Therefore judge nothing before the time, until the Lord come, who both will bring to light the hidden things of darkness, and will make manifest the counsels of the hearts; and then shall every man have praise of God. Here endeth the Epistle.

Gradual — *Manifestare*

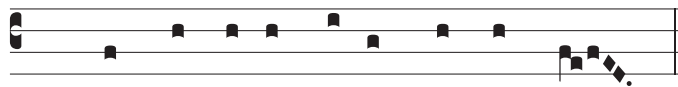
Psalm 80

CANTOR: Show thyself, O Lord, thou that sittest upon the Cherubim: *



ALL: Stir up thy strength and come.

CANTOR: Hear, O thou Shepherd of Israel: *



ALL: Thou that leadest Jo-seph like a sheep.

Alleluia — *Excita* (PLEASE STAND)

Psalm 122

CANTOR: Alleluia.



ALL: Al-le-lu-ia.

CANTOR: Stir up thy strength, O Lord: *



ALL: And come and help us. Al-le-lu-ia.

The Holy Gospel: S. Matthew 11:2 (PLEASE STAND)

∞ The Lord be with you.

∞ And with thy spirit.

✠ The Holy Gospel is written in the twenty-first chapter of the Gospel according to S. Matthew, beginning at the twenty-fifth verse.

∞ Glory be to thee, O Lord.

NOW when John had heard in the prison the works of Christ, he sent two of his disciples, and said unto him, Art thou he that should come, or do we look for another? Jesus answered and said unto them, Go and show John again those things which ye do hear and see: the blind receive their sight, and the lame walk, the lepers are cleansed, and the deaf hear, the dead are raised up, and the poor have the Gospel preached to them. And blessed is he whosoever shall not be offended in me. And as they departed, Jesus began to say unto the multitudes concerning John, What went ye out into the wilderness to see? a reed shaken with the wind? But what went ye out for to see? a man clothed in soft raiment? behold, they that wear soft clothing are in kings' houses. But what went ye out for to see? a prophet? yea, I say unto you, and more than a prophet. For this is he of whom it is written,

*Behold, I send my messenger before thy face,
Which shall prepare thy way before thee.*

∞ Praise be to thee, O Christ.

Creed (PLEASE STAND)

Missa de Angelis

Celebrant *All*

I be-lieve in one God, The Fa-ther Al-migh-ty, Ma-ker of hea-ven and earth,

and of all things vi - si - ble, and in - vi - si - ble: And in one Lord Je - sus Christ,
 the on - ly be - got - ten Son of God. Be - got - ten of the Fa - ther be - fore all worlds;
 God of God; Light of Light; Ve ry God of Ve - ry God; Be - got - ten, not made;
 Be - ing of one sub - stance with the Fa - ther; Through whom all things were made:
 Who for us men, and for our sal va - tion, came down from hea ven,

ALL KNEEL AS THE CHOIR SINGS:

AND WAS INCARNATE BY THE HOLY GHOST
 OF THE VIRGIN MARY, AND WAS MADE MAN:

And was cru - ci - fied, al - so for us, un - der Pon - tius Pi - late.
 He suf - fer - èd, and was bu - ri - èd. And the third day he rose a - gain
 ac - cord - ing to the Scrip - tures, And as - cend - ed in - to hea - ven,
 And sit - teth on the right hand of the Fa - ther.
 And he shall come a - gain with glo - ry to judge both the quick and the dead:
 Whose king - dom shall have no end. And I be - lieve in the Ho - ly Ghost,

The Lord, The Gi-ver of Life, Who pro-ceed-eth from the Fa-ther and the Son,
 Who with the Fa-ther and the Son to-ge ther is wor-ship-pèd, and glo-ri - fi - èd,
 Who spake by the Pro - phets. And I be-lieve One, Ho - ly, Ca - tho - lic,
 and A-po-sto-lic Church. I ac-know-ledge one Bap - tism for the re-mis-sion of sins.
 And I look for the Re-sur-rec-tion of the dead, And the life of the world to come.
 A - - - - - men.

The Prone (Bidding of the Bedes, Feasts & Fasts, Parish Announcements)

Sermon (11 A.M. ONLY)

PLEASE STAND AS THE CELEBRANT RETURNS TO THE ALTAR
 AT THE CONCLUSION OF THE SERMON.

THE MASS OF THE FAITHFUL (LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST)

OFFERTORY (PLEASE KNEEL)

∞ The Lord be with you.
 ☩ And with thy spirit.
 Let us pray.

*So when next he comes with glory,
Wrapping all the earth in fear,
May he then as our defender
On the clouds of heaven appear.*

*Honour, glory, virtue, merit,
To the Father and the Son.
With the co-eternal Spirit,
While unending ages run. Amen.*

Orate Fratres (CELEBRANT) (PLEASE KNEEL)

CELEBRANT: Pray, brethren, that this my sacrifice, and yours,
may be acceptable to God the Father Almighty.

PEOPLE: The Lord receive this Sacrifice at thy hands,
to the praise and glory of his Name, both to our benefit,
and that of all his holy Church.

Secrets (Prayers over the Gifts)

GRANT, we beseech thee, O Lord, that the continual
oblation of this our bounden duty and service: may
evermore avail for the fulfilment of the institution of thine
ordinance and for the accomplishment in us of the wondrous
work of thy salvation. Through Jesus Christ our Lord, who
liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God,
world without end.

℞ Amen.

GRANT, we beseech thee, O Lord, that the effectual power
of these thy holy mysteries may in such wise cleanse us
from all our iniquities that we may in all purity attain unto
him who is the author of the same, even Jesus Christ, thy Son
our Lord: Who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy
Spirit, one God, world without end.

℞ Amen.

Prayer for the Catholic Church *(CELEBRANT) (PLEASE REMAIN KNEELING)*

Let us pray for Christ's holy Catholic Church.

ALMIGHTY and everliving God, who by thy holy Apostle hast taught us to make prayers and supplications, and to give thanks, for all men: We humbly beseech thee most mercifully to accept our alms and oblations, and to receive these our prayers, which we offer unto thy Divine Majesty; beseeching thee to inspire continually the universal Church with the spirit of truth, unity, and concord: And grant that all they that do confess thy holy Name may agree in the truth of thy holy Word, and live in unity and godly love.

WE beseech thee also to lead all nations in the way of righteousness; and so to guide and direct their governors and rulers, that thy people may enjoy the blessings of freedom and peace: And grant unto thy servant CHARLES our King, and to all that are put in authority under him, that they may truly and impartially administer justice, to the maintenance of thy true religion and virtue.

GIVE grace, O heavenly Father, to all Bishops, Priests, and Deacons, and specially to thy servant Andrew our Bishop, that they may both by their life and doctrine set forth thy true and living Word, and rightly and duly administer thy holy Sacraments: Prosper, we pray thee, all those who proclaim the Gospel of thy kingdom among the nations: And to all thy people give thy heavenly grace, † and specially to this congregation here present, that, with meek heart and due reverence, they may hear and receive thy holy Word; truly serving thee in holiness and righteousness all the days of their life.

AND we most humbly beseech thee of thy goodness, O Lord, to comfort and succour all them, who in this transitory life are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity, especially those for whom our prayers are desired. †

WE ✠ remember before thee, O Lord, all thy servants departed this life in thy faith and fear: † and we bless thy holy Name for

all who in life and death have glorified thee; beseeching thee to give us grace that, rejoicing in their fellowship, we may follow their good examples, and with them be partakers of thy heavenly kingdom.

GRANT this, O Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our only Mediator and Advocate, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honour and glory, world without end.

R̄ Amen.

† *HERE THE CELEBRANT REMEMBERS THOSE FOR WHOM HE IS SPECIALLY BOUND TO PRAY, WHO HAVE NOT BEEN MENTIONED IN THE BIDDING OF THE BEDES. YOU MAY REMEMBER THOSE FOR WHOM YOU ARE OFFERING HOLY MASS, OR ANY PERSONS OR CLAIMS FOR WHICH YOU WISH TO PRAY.*

Confession and Absolution

YE that do truly and earnestly repent you of your sins, and are in love and charity with your neighbours, and intend to lead the new life, following the commandments of God, and walking from henceforth in his holy ways: Draw near with faith, and take this holy Sacrament to your comfort; and make your humble confession to Almighty God, meekly kneeling upon your knees.

Almighty God,

ALL: Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,
Maker of all things, Judge of all men:
We acknowledge and confess
our manifold sins and wickedness,
Which we from time to time
most grievously have committed,
By thought, word, and deed,
Against thy Divine Majesty.
We do earnestly repent,
And are heartily sorry for these our misdoings.
Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father;

For thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake,
Forgive us all that is past;
And grant that we may ever hereafter
Serve and please thee in newness of life,
To the honour and glory of thy Name;
Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

CELEBRANT: Almighty God, our heavenly Father,
who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins
to all them that with hearty repentance
and true faith turn unto him:
Have mercy upon you;
✠ pardon and deliver you from all your sins;
confirm and strengthen you in all goodness;
and bring you to everlasting life;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
℞ Amen.

Hear what comfortable words our Saviour Christ saith
unto all that truly turn to him.

COME unto me all that labour and are heavy laden,
and I will refresh you. *S. Matthew 11:28*

God so loved the world, that he gave his only-begotten Son,
to the end that all that believe in him should not perish,
but have eternal life. *S. John 3:16*

Hear also what Saint Paul saith.

This is a true saying, and worthy of all men to be received,
that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners.

1 Timothy 1:15

Hear also what Saint John saith.
If any man sin, we have an Advocate with the Father,
Jesus Christ the righteous;
and he is the propitiation for our sins. *1 S. John 2:1,2*

CONSECRATION AND OBLATION

Sursum Corda and Preface



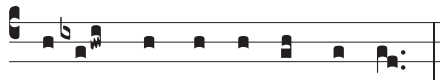
∞ The Lord be with you.



℞ And with thy spi-rit.



∞ Lift up your hearts.



℞ We lift them up unto the Lord.



∞ Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.



℞ It is meet and right so to do.

IT is very meet, right, and our bounden duty,
that we should at all times, and in all places
give thanks unto thee, O Lord, Holy Father,
Almighty, Everlasting God,
Creator and Preserver of all things.

THEREFORE with Angels and Archangels,
and with all the company of heaven,
we laud and magnify thy glorious Name;
evermore praising thee and saying:

Sanctus & Benedictus (CHOIR) *Missa Brevis on Two Chansons by Lassus*
– Walter MacNutt (1965)

HOLY, Holy, Holy, Lord God of hosts,
Heaven and earth are full of thy glory.
Glory be to thee, O Lord Most High.

✠ BLESSED is he that cometh in the Name of the Lord:
Hosanna in the highest.



CANON OF THE MASS

(CELEBRANT)

BLESSING and glory and thanksgiving be unto thee Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of thy tender mercy didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to take our nature upon him, and to suffer death upon the Cross for our redemption; who made there, by his one oblation of himself once offered, a full, perfect, and sufficient sacrifice, oblation, and satisfaction, for the sins of the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memorial of that his precious death, until his coming again.

HEAR us, O merciful Father, we most humbly beseech thee; and grant that we receiving these thy creatures of bread and wine, according to thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ's holy institution, in remembrance of his death and passion, may be partakers of his most blessed Body and Blood;

WHO, in the same night that he was betrayed, took Bread; and, when he had given thanks, he brake it; and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat;

THIS IS MY BODY WHICH IS GIVEN FOR YOU:
Do this in remembrance of me."

LIKEWISE after supper he took the Cup; and, when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink ye all, of this;

FOR THIS IS MY BLOOD OF THE NEW COVENANT,
WHICH IS SHED FOR YOU AND FOR MANY
FOR THE REMISSION OF SINS:
Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it,
in remembrance of me."

WHEREFORE, O Father, Lord of heaven and earth, we thy humble servants, with all thy holy Church, remembering the precious death of thy beloved Son, his mighty resurrection, and

glorious ascension, and looking for his coming again in glory, do make before thee, in this sacrament of the holy Bread of eternal life and the Cup of everlasting salvation, the memorial which he hath commanded;

AND we entirely desire thy fatherly goodness mercifully to Accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, most humbly beseeching thee to grant, that by the merits and death of thy Son Jesus Christ, and through faith in his blood, we and all thy whole Church may obtain remission of our sins, and all other benefits of his passion; And we pray that by the power of thy Holy Spirit, all we who are partakers of this holy Communion may be fulfilled with thy grace and ✠ heavenly benediction. Through Jesus Christ our Lord, by whom and with whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end.

R̄ Amen.


COMMUNION OF THE FAITHFUL

Pater Noster

CELEBRANT: Let us pray.

As our Saviour Christ hath commanded and taught us,
we are bold to say,

CELEBRANT *ALL*



O UR Father, * who art in heav-en, Hal-low-ed 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 them that tres-pass a-gainst us; And lead us not
in-to temp-ta-tion, But de-liv-er us from e-vil.
For thine is the king-dom, the pow-er, and the glo-ry,
For ev-er and ev-er. A-men.

Fraction and Pax

Celebrant

The peace of the Lord be always with you. - R. And with thy spirit. -

The Prayer of Humble Access

CELEBRANT: We do not presume

ALL: to come to this thy Table, O merciful Lord,
Trusting in our own righteousness,

But in thy manifold and great mercies.
 We are not worthy
 So much as to gather up the crumbs under thy Table.
 But thou art the same Lord,
 Whose property is always to have mercy:
 Grant us therefore, gracious Lord,
 So to eat the Flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ,
 And to drink his Blood,
 That our sinful bodies may be made clean by his Body,
 And our souls washed through his most precious Blood,
 And that we may evermore dwell in him,
 And he in us. Amen.

Agnus Dei (CHOIR)

Missa Brevis on Two Chansons by Lassus
 – Walter MacNutt (1965)

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world,
 have mercy upon us.
 O Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world,
 have mercy upon us.
 O Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world,
 grant us thy peace.

Communion Antiphon —

Dicite

Isaiah 35

CANTOR: Say to them that are of a fearful heart: *



ALL: Be strong, fear not; behold, your God will come and save you.

THE CELEBRANT TURNS TO SHOW THE BLESSED SACRAMENT.
THE PEOPLE LOOK UP AND MAKE THE SIGN OF THE CROSS.

CELEBRANT: Behold the Lamb of God,
behold him that taketh away the sin of the world.

ALL SAY TOGETHER THREE TIMES, STRIKING THE BREAST AT EACH BEGINNING:

ALL: Lord, I am not worthy
that thou shouldst come under my roof,
but speak the word only, and my soul shall be healed.

ALL CHRISTIANS WHO HAVE BEEN BAPTISED WITH WATER IN THE NAME OF THE FATHER, AND OF THE SON, AND OF THE HOLY GHOST, AND ARE COMMUNICANT MEMBERS OF THEIR OWN CHURCHES, ARE WELCOME TO RECEIVE THE HOLY COMMUNION.

THE SACRED HOST WILL BE PLACED UPON YOUR TONGUE OR IN THE PALM OF YOUR HAND. PLEASE GUIDE THE CHALICE TO YOUR MOUTH BY PLACING YOUR RIGHT HAND ONLY UPON THE BASE OF THE CHALICE. IF YOU WISH TO RECEIVE A BLESSING, PLEASE FOLD YOUR ARMS ACROSS YOUR CHEST TO SIGNIFY THIS TO THE PRIEST.

SHOULD YOU BE UNABLE TO MANAGE STEPS, HOLY COMMUNION CAN BE ADMINISTERED AT YOUR PEW. PLEASE ASK ONE OF THE SIDESMEN, WHO WILL BE HAPPY TO ASSIST YOU.

THE FIRST PRAYER-BOOK EXHORTATION ENCOURAGES US TO RECEIVE THE SACRAMENT IN FAITH AND REPENTANCE, 'DISCERNING THE LORD'S BODY.'

English Hymnal N° 370

Blest are the pure in heart

Franconia

*Blest are the pure in heart,
For they shall see our God,
The secret of the Lord is theirs,
Their soul is Christ's abode.*

*The Lord, who left the heavens
Our life and peace to bring,
To dwell in lowliness with men,
Their Pattern and their King;*

*Still to the lowly soul
He doth himself impart,*

*And for his dwelling and his throne
Chooseth the pure in heart.*

*Lord, we thy presence seek;
May ours this blessing be;
Give us a pure and lowly heart
A temple meet for thee.*

THANKSGIVING

Post-Communion Thanksgiving

Let us pray. *(PLEASE KNEEL)*

ALMIGHTY and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee that thou dost graciously feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ; assuring us thereby of thy favour and goodness towards us; and that we are living members of his mystical body, which is the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs through hope of thy everlasting kingdom. And here we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, ourselves, our souls and bodies, to be a reasonable, holy, and living sacrifice unto thee. And although we are unworthy, yet we beseech thee to accept this our bounden duty and service, not weighing our merits, but pardoning our offences. Through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honour and glory, world without end.

℞ Amen.

Post-Communion Collects

∇ The Lord be with you.

℞ And with thy spirit.

Let us pray. (*PLEASE KNEEL*)

HAVE mercy upon us, O Lord, we beseech thee: and grant that the heavenly assistance of thy holy mysteries may so cleanse us from all our iniquities that we may be made ready worthily to keep thy coming festival. Through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, world without end.

℞ Amen.

Let us pray.

ASSIST us, O Lord, we pray thee, so to wait for thy loving-kindness in the midst of thy temple: that we may with all worthy reverence prevent the coming festival of our redemption. Through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, world without end.

℞ Amen.

Dismissal (*PLEASE STAND*)

∿ The Lord be with you.

℞ And with thy spirit.



∿ Let us bless the Lord.



℞ Thanks be to God.

The Last Gospel: S. John 1:1 *(PLEASE REMAIN STANDING)*

☩ The Lord be with you.

☩ And with thy spirit.

✠ The beginning of the Holy Gospel according to John.

☩ Glory be to thee, O Lord.

IN the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. The same was in the beginning with God. All things were made through him: and without him was not any thing made that was made: in him was life, and the life was the light of men: and the light shineth in darkness, and the darkness comprehended it not. There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. The same came for a witness, to bear witness of the light, that all men through him might believe. He was not that light, but was sent to bear witness of that light. That was the true light, which lighteth every man that cometh into the world. He was in the world, and the world was made through him, and the world knew him not. He came unto his own, and his own received him not. But as many as received him, to them gave he power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on his Name: which were born, not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God. *(ALL KNEEL) AND THE WORD WAS MADE FLESH (ALL RISE)*, and dwelt among us, and we beheld his glory, the glory as of the Only-begotten of the Father, full of grace and truth.

☩ Thanks be to God.

DEVOTIONS AFTER MASS

Angelus *(11 A.M. ONLY)*

☩ The Angel of the Lord brought tidings to Mary.

☩ And she conceived by the Holy Ghost.

Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee;
blessed art thou among women,
and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus.
*Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners,
now and at the hour of our death.*

∇ Behold the handmaid of the Lord.

℟ Be it unto me according to thy word.

Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee;
blessed art thou among women,
and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus.
*Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners,
now and at the hour of our death.*

∇ And the Word was made flesh.

℟ And dwelt among us.

Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee;
blessed art thou among women,
and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus.
*Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners,
now and at the hour of our death.*

∇ Pray for us, O holy Mother of God.

℟ That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

Let us pray:

We beseech thee, O Lord, pour thy grace into our hearts;
that as we have known the Incarnation of thy Son Jesus Christ
by the message of an angel, so by his Cross ✠ and Passion,
we may be brought unto the glory of his Resurrection.
Through the same Christ our Lord.

℟ Amen.

English Hymnal N° 7

Lo! he comes with clouds descending

Helmsley

*Lo! he comes with clouds descending,
Once for favoured sinners slain;
Thousand thousand Saints attending
Swell the triumph of his train:
Alleluia! God appears, on earth to reign.*

*Every eye shall now behold him
Robed in dreadful majesty;
Those who set at nought and sold him,
Pierced and nailed him to the tree,
Deeply wailing: Shall the true Messiah see.*

*Those dear tokens of his passion
Still his dazzling body bears,
Cause of endless exultation
To his ransomed worshippers:
With what rapture: Gaze we on those glorious scars!*

*Yea, amen! Let all adore thee,
High on thine eternal throne;
Saviour, take the power and glory:
Claim the kingdom for thine own:
O come quickly! Alleluia! Come, Lord, come!*

Postlude (11 A.M. ONLY)

Improvisation

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