

# The Sunday after Christmas Day

*(com. S. Sylvester, Bishop & Confessor, and the Octave of Christmas)*

Sunday, 31 December 2023

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



S. Bartholomew's Anglican Church, Regent Park  
*The Ancient Faith for the Contemporary World*

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# *Welcome to S. Bart's, Regent Park!*

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

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*CELEBRANT & PREACHER*

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

*CANTOR*

Katherine Hill, BMus, MA

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Fr David Smith

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# Sung Mass

## Prelude

In dulci jubilo, BuxWV 197

Dietrich Buxtehude

(1637-1707)

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

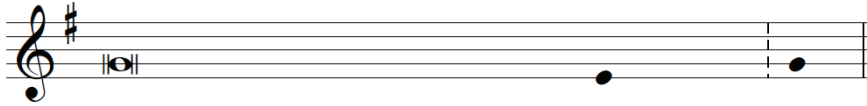
## DEVOTIONS BEFORE MASS

### Asperges

*CELEBRANT* *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.

*Cantor*  
Glo-ry be to the Fa-ther, and to the Son, and to the Ho-ly Ghost :\*  
*All*  
As it was in the be-gin-ning, is now, and ev-ver shall be :  
world with-out end. A-men. *Repeat Antiphon:*  
*Thou shalt purge me...*



∇ O Lord, show thy mercy up - on us.  
℞ And grant us thy salva - tion.  
∇ O Lord, hear our prayer.  
℞ And let our cry come un - to thee.  
∇ The Lord be with you.  
℞ And with thy spi - rit.

Let us pray.

**G**RACIOUSLY hear us, O Lord, holy Father Almighty, Everlasting God: and vouchsafe to send thy holy Angel from heaven; to guard and cherish, to protect and visit, and to defend all who dwell in this thy holy habitation. Through Christ our Lord.

℞ Amen.

## English Hymnal N° 16

Newbury

The Maker of the sun and moon

*The Maker of the sun and moon,*

*The Maker of our earth,*

*Lo! late in time, a fairer boon,*

*Himself is brought to birth!*

*How blest was all creation then,*

*When God so gave increase;*

*And Christ to heal the hearts of men,*

*Brought righteousness and peace!*

*No star in all the heights of heaven*

*But burned to see him go;*

*Yet unto earth alone was given*

*His human form to know.*

*His human form, by man denied,  
Took death for human sin;  
His endless love, through faith descried,  
Still lives the world to win.*

*O perfect love, outpassing sight,  
O Light beyond our ken,  
Come down through all the world to-night,  
And heal the hearts of men!*

## THE MASS OF THE CATECHUMENS

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### THE ENTRANCE RITES

Introit — *Dum medium silentium*

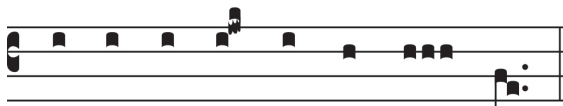
*Wisdom 18:14,15*

*(PLEASE KNEEL)*

CANTORS: When as all the world was in profoundest quietness,  
and night was in the midst of her swift course: \*



ALL: Thine al- mighty word, O Lord, leaped down from



heaven out of thy roy- al throne.

CANTORS: The Lord is King, and hath put on glorious apparel: \*



ALL: The Lord hath put on his ap- parel, and gird- ed him-



self with strength

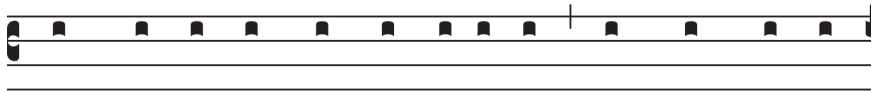
*CANTORS:* Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; \*



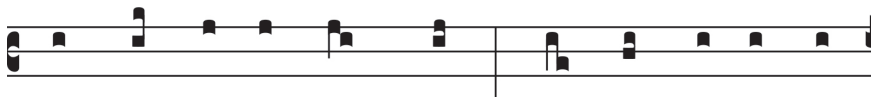
*ALL:* As it was in the beginning, is now and ev- er shall



be, world with- out end. A- men When as all the



world was in profoundest quietness, and night was in



the midst of her swift course: Thine al- mighty word,



○ Lord, leaped down from heaven out of thy roy-



al throne.

*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 *(ALL)*

### *Missa de Angelis*



<i>Cantor:</i> Ky - ri	- e	e	-	le - i - son.
All: Ky - ri	- e	e	-	le - i - son.
<i>Cantor:</i> Ky - ri	- e	e	-	le - i - son.

All: Chri - ste e - - le - i - son.  
 Cantor: Chri - ste e - - le - i - son.  
 All: Chri - ste e - - le - i - son.

Cantor: Ky - ri - e e - - le - i - son.  
 All: Ky - ri - e e - - le - i - son.

Cantor: Ky - ri - e (Choir) e All: e - - le - i - son.

Gloria in Excelsis (PLEASE STAND)

Missa de Angelis

*Celebrant* *People*  
 Glo - ry be to God\_ on high, And in earth\_ peace, good will to - wards\_ men.

*Cantor* *People* *Cantor* *People*  
 We praise\_ thee, We\_ bless\_ thee, We wor - ship\_ thee, We glo - ri - fy\_ thee,

*Cantor* *People*  
 We give thanks to\_ thee, for thy\_ great glo - ry, O Lord God, hea - ven - ly King,

*Cantor*  
 God the Fa - ther Al - migh - ty. O Lord, the on - ly be got ten Son, Je - su\_ Christ,

*People*  
 O Lord\_ God, Lamb of God, Son of the\_ Fa - ther,

*Cantor*  
 That tak - est a - way the sin\_ of the world, have mer - cy up - on us.





**A**LMIGHTY God, who hast given us thy only-begotten Son to take our nature upon him, and as at this time to be born of a pure Virgin: grant that we, being regenerate, and made thy children by adoption and grace, may daily be renewed by thy Holy Spirit. Through the same Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee in the unity of the same Spirit, one God, world without end.

℞ Amen.

## THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

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

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

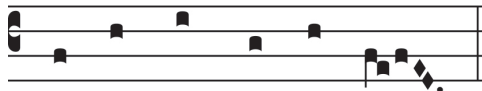
**B**RETHREN: Now I say that the heir, as long as he is a child, differeth nothing from a servant, though he be lord of all: but is under tutors and governors, until the time appointed of the father. Even so we, when we were children, were in bondage under the elements of the world: but when the fulness of the time was come, God sent forth his Son, made of a woman, made under the law, to redeem them that were under the law, that we might receive the adoption of sons. And because ye are sons, God hath sent forth the Spirit of his Son into your hearts crying: Abba, Father. Wherefore thou art no more a servant, but a son: and if a son, then an heir of God through Christ.

Here endeth the Epistle.

**Gradual** — *Speciosus*

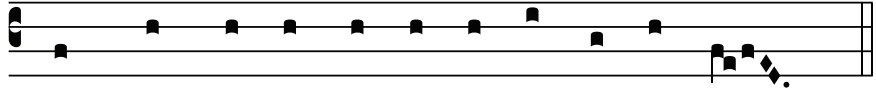
*Psalm 45*

*CANTORS:* Thou art fairer than the children of men: \*



*ALL:* Full of grace are thy lips.

CANTORS: My heart is inditing of a good matter;  
I speak of the things which I have made unto the King: \*



ALL: My tongue is the pen of a ready writer.

**Alleluia** — *Dominus regnavit* (PLEASE STAND)

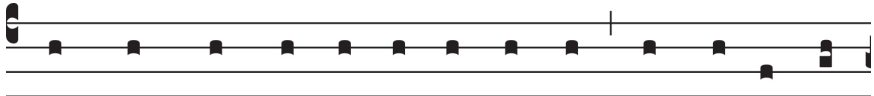
*Psalms 45*

CANTORS: Alleluia.

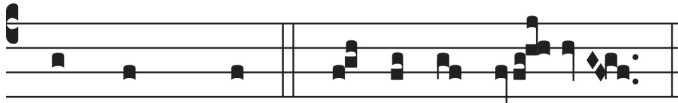


ALL: Al-le-lu-ia.

CANTORS: The Lord is King, and hath put on glorious apparel: \*



ALL: The Lord hath put on his ap-pa-rel, and girded him-



self with strength. Al-le-lu-ia.

**The Holy Gospel: S. Matthew 1:18** (PLEASE STAND)

∅ The Lord be with you.

℞ And with thy spirit.

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

℞ Glory be to thee, O Lord.

**T**HE birth of Jesus Christ was on this wise: When as his mother Mary was espoused to Joseph, before they came together she was found with child of the Holy Ghost. Then Joseph her husband, being a just man, and not willing to make her a public example,

was minded to put her away privily. But while he thought on these things, behold, the Angel of the Lord appeared unto him in a dream, saying: Joseph thou son of David, fear not to take unto thee Mary thy wife: for that which is conceived in her is of the Holy Ghost. And she shall bring forth a Son: and thou shalt call his Name JESUS: for he shall save his people from their sins.

℞ 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: The Father Vicar (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)

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### OFFERTORY (PLEASE KNEEL)

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

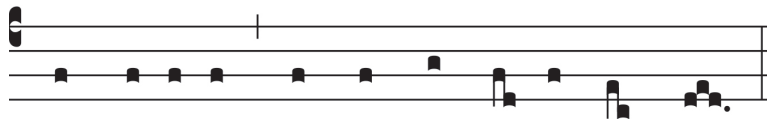
### Offertory Antiphon — *Deus enim*

*Psalm 93*

CANTORS: God hath made the round world so sure  
that it cannot be movèd: \*



ALL: Ev- er since the world began hath thy seat, O God,



been preparèd; thou art from ev- er- last- ing.

### Offertory Motet (CHOIR) (AT 11 A.M. ONLY)

Myn lyking

R.R. Terry (1912)

*I saw a fair maiden sitten and sing.  
She lullèd a little child, a sweetë Lording.*

Lullay myn lyking, my dear son, my sweeting,  
Lullay my dear heart, mine own dear darling.

*That same Lord is he that made alle thing;  
Of alle lordis he is Lord, of alle kinges King.*

*There was mickle\* melody at that childes birth:  
All that were in heav'nly bliss, they made mickle mirth.*

\* MUCH

*Angels bright sang their song to that child;  
Blessèd be thou, and so be she, so meek and so mild.*

### **English Hymnal N° 17**

*Vom Himmel Hoch*

Jesu, the Father's only Son

*Jesu, the Father's only Son,  
Whose death for all redemption won;  
Before the worlds, of God most high  
Begotten all ineffably:*

*The Father's light and splendour thou,  
Their endless hope to thee that bow;  
Accept the prayers and praise to-day  
That through the world thy servants pay.*

*Salvation's author, call to mind  
How, taking form of humankind,  
Born of a Virgin undefiled,  
Thou in man's flesh becam'st a child.*

*Thus testifies the present day,  
Through every year in long array,  
That thou, salvation's source alone,  
Proceededst from the Father's throne.*

*Whence sky, and stars, and sea's abyss,  
And earth, and all that therein is,  
Shall still, with laud and carol meet,  
The Author of thine advent greet.*

*And we who, by thy precious blood  
From sin redeemed, are marked for God,  
On this the day that saw thy birth,  
Sing the new song of ransomed earth:  
For that thine advent glory be,  
O Jesu, virgin-born, to thee;  
With Father, and with Holy Ghost,  
From men and from the heavenly host. 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)**

**G**RANT, we beseech thee, Almighty God: that these gifts  
which we offer in the sight of thy divine majesty, may  
obtain for us grace to serve thee in this life with all godliness,  
and bring us in the end to everlasting felicity Through Jesus  
Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the  
Holy Spirit, one God, world without end.

℞ Amen.

**G**RANT, we beseech thee, O Lord, that we, remembering  
with gladness the righteousness of thy Saints, may at  
all times and in all places feel the effectual succour of their  
intercession.

**W**E beseech thee, O Lord, that by this new birth of thy  
only-begotten Son thou wouldest vouchsafe to sanctify



these our oblations: and to cleanse us from the defilements of all our iniquities. Through the same Jesus Christ 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.

**A**LMIGHTY 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.

**W**E 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.

**G**IVE 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.

**A**ND 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. †

**W**E ✠ 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.

**G**RANT 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.

℞ 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

**Y**E 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.

**C**OME 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

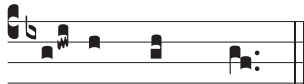
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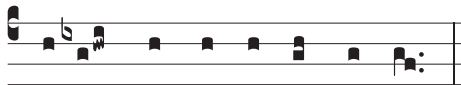
∞ The Lord be with you.



℞ And with thy spi-rit.



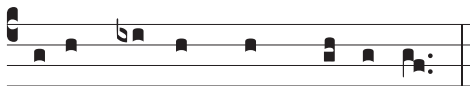
∞ Lift up your hearts.



℞ We lift them up unto the Lord.



∞ Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.



℞ It is meet and right so to do.

**I**T 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.

**B**ECAUSE thou didst give Jesus Christ thine only Son  
to be born as at this time for us;  
who, by the operation of the Holy Spirit,  
was made very man of the substance  
of the Virgin Mary his mother;  
and that without spot of sin, to make us clean from all sin.

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

Sanctus and Benedictus (ALL)

*Missa de Angelis*

*Cantor* All

San - ctus, \* San ctus, San - ctus, Do -  
-mi - nus De - us Sa - ba - oth. Ple - ni sunt  
cae - li et ter - ra glo - ri - a tu - a.  
Ho - san - na in ex - cel - sis. Be - ne - di - ctus  
qui ve - nit in no - mi - ne Do - mi - ni.



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.

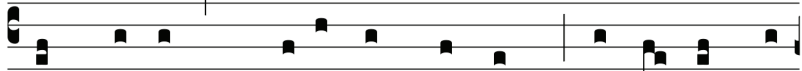
℞ Amen.

## COMMUNION OF THE FAITHFUL

### Pater Noster

*CELEBRANT:* Let us pray.

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

	<i>CELEBRANT</i>	<i>ALL</i>
O		
	<p><i>UR Father, * who art in heav-en, Hal-low-ed be</i></p>	

		
<p>thy Name, Thy king-dom come, Thy will be done, on</p>		

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 (ALL)

Missa de Angelis

*Cantor* *All*

A - gnus\_ De - i, \* Qui tol - lis\_ pec-ca - ta\_ mun - di,

*Cantor*

mi - se - re - re\_ no - bis. A - gnus\_ De - i, \*

*All*

Qui tol - lis pec-ca - ta\_ mun - di, mi - se - re - re\_ no - bis.

*Cantor* *All*

A - gnus\_ De - i, \* Qui tol - lis\_ pec-ca - ta\_

mun - di, do - na\_ no - bis\_ pa - cem.

## Communion Antiphon —

*Tolle puerum*

*S. Matthew 2*

CANTOR: Take the young Child and his mother,  
and go into the land of Israel: \*



ALL: For they are dead which sought the young Child's



life.

*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° 19

*Es ist ein' Ros entsprungen*

A great and mighty wonder

*A great and mighty wonder, A full and holy cure!*

*The Virgin bears the Infant With virgin-honour pure.*

*Repeat the hymn again!*

*'To God on high be glory, And peace on earth to men!'*

*The Word becomes incarnate And yet remains on high!*

*And Cherubim sing anthems To shepherds from the sky.*

*Repeat the hymn again!*

*'To God on high be glory, And peace on earth to men!'*

*While thus they sing your Monarch, Those bright angelic bands,*

*Rejoice, ye vales and mountains, Ye oceans clap your hands.*

*Repeat the hymn again!*

*'To God on high be glory, And peace on earth to men!'*

*Since all he comes to ransom, By all be he adored,*

*The Infant born in Beth'lem, The Saviour and the Lord.*

*Repeat the hymn again!*

*'To God on high be glory, And peace on earth to men!'*

*And idol forms shall perish, And error shall decay,*

*And Christ shall wield his sceptre, Our Lord and God for ay.*

*Repeat the hymn again!*

*'To God on high be glory, And peace on earth to men!'*

## THANKSGIVING

### Post-Communion Thanksgiving

Let us pray. (PLEASE KNEEL)

**A**LMIGHTY 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)*

**G**RANT, O Lord, that by the operation of these thy mysteries we may be cleansed from all our sins and obtain that which we have asked according to thy will. Through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, world without end.

℞ Amen.

Let us pray.

**G**RANT, we beseech thee, Almighty God, that we may so show forth our thankfulness for the gifts which we have now received: that, at the intercession of Saint Sylvester, thy Confessor and Bishop, we may obtain yet more abundant mercies.

**G**RANT, we beseech thee, Almighty God: that like as thy Son, born this day the Saviour of the world, hath been made the author of our heavenly birth; so he may bestow upon us the gift of everlasting life. Who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, world without end.

℞ Amen.

**Blessing** *(CELEBRANT)*

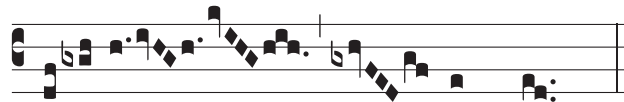
**T**HE peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord: And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be amongst you and remain with you always.

℞ Amen.

**Dismissal** *(PLEASE STAND)*

∿ The Lord be with you.

℞ And with thy spirit.



∿ De- part- in peace.



℞ 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.

**I**N 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

℣️ 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.

**Postlude** Improvisation

*Fr David Smith*

