

The Solemnity of the Epiphany of the Lord

January 2, 2022

St. Thomas the Apostle Catholic Church
Naperville, IL

Introductory Rites

Processional Song

We Three Kings

- We three kings of Orient are;
Bearing gifts, we traverse afar
Field and fountain,
Moor and mountain,
Following yonder star.*
- Born a King on Bethlehem's plain,
Gold I bring to crown him again;
King forever,
Ceasing never,
Over us all to reign.*
- Frankincense to offer have I;
Incense owns a Deity nigh;
Prayer and praising,
Gladly raising,
Worshiping God on high.*
- Myrrh is mine: its bitter perfume
Breathes a life of gathering gloom;
Sorrowing, sighing,
Bleeding, dying,
Sealed in the stonecold tomb.*
- Glorious now behold him arise,
King and God and Sacrifice:
"Alleluia, Alleluia!"
Sounds through the earth and skies.*

O star of won - der, star of night, Star with
roy - al beau - ty bright, West - ward lead - ing,
still pro - ceed - ing, Guide us to the per - fect Light.

Text: Matthew 2:1-11; John H. Hopkins, Jr., 1820-1891, alt.
Tune: KINGS OF ORIENT, 88 44 6 with refrain; John H. Hopkins, Jr., 1820-1891

Greeting

Penitential Act

Gloria

Glo-ry! Glo-ry to God in the high-est. Glo-ry! Glo-ry to
God in the high-est, and on earth peace to peo-ple of good will. *To Verses*

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Collect

Liturgy of the Word

First Reading

Isaiah 60:1-6

Responsorial Psalm

Ps. 72: *Every Nation On Earth*

Ev - 'ry na - tion on earth will a - dore you, Lord;
ev - 'ry na - tion on earth will a - dore you, Lord.

Text: Psalm 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13; Michael Joncas
Music: Michael Joncas
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Second Reading

Ephesians 3:2-3a, 5-6

Gospel Acclamation



Hal - le, hal - le, hal - le - lu - jah! Hal - le, hal - le, hal - le - lu - jah! Hal - le, hal - le, hal - le - lu - jah! Hal - le - lu - jah! Hal - le - lu - jah! Hal - le - lu - jah!

Music: Traditional Caribbean, arr. by John L. Bell, © 1990, Iona Community, GIA Publications, Inc., agent; verses and acc. by Marty Haugen

Gospel

Matthew 2:1-12

Homily

Profession of Faith

Nicene Creed

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.

I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, Consubstantial with the Father, through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven, *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

Intercessory Response: "Lord, hear our prayer."

Communal closing prayer:

Loving and merciful God,
who created us all in Your image,
help open our eyes to the dignity
and inherent value of all Your children.
Awaken in us a passion for inclusion, reflection, and justice,
so that, with Your grace,
we may live and act in peace and solidarity with one another.

We ask this, and all prayers of the Universal Church,
So **THAT ALL MAY BE ONE**
in the name of Christ our Redeemer and the Holy Spirit.
Amen.

Liturgy of the Eucharist

Preparation of the Altar and the Gifts

What Child Is This

Gather 466

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| 1. What child is this, who, laid to rest,
On Mary's lap is sleeping?
Whom angels greet with anthems sweet
While shepherds watch are keeping? | 2. Why lies he in such mean estate
Where ox and ass are feeding?
Good Christian, fear; for sinners here
The silent Word is pleading. | 3. So bring him incense, gold and myrrh;
Come peasant, king to own him.
The King of kings salvation brings;
Let loving hearts enthrone him. |
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This, this is Christ the King, Whom shep - herds guard and an - gels sing;



Haste, haste to bring him laud, The babe, the son of Mar - y.

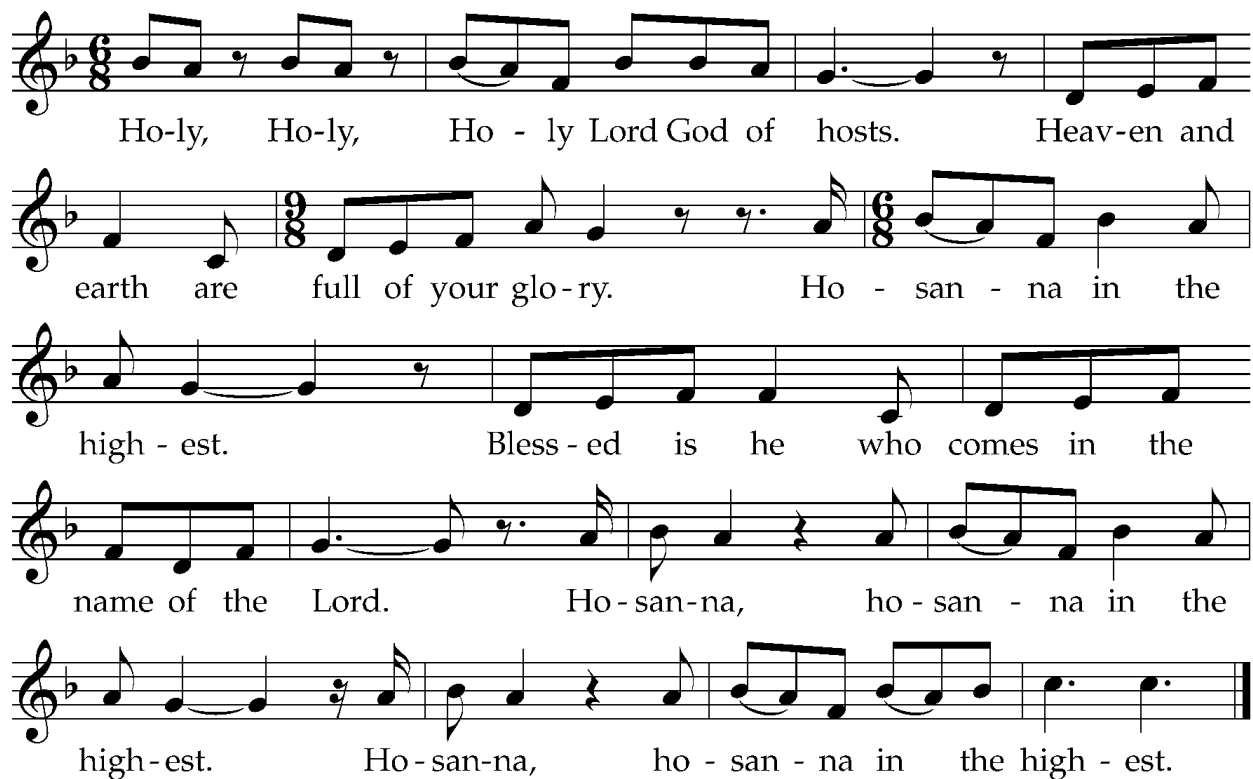
Text: William C. Dix, 1837–1898

Tune: GREENSLEEVES, 8 7 8 7 with refrain; English melody, 16th C.; harm. by John Stainer, 1840–1901

Prayer Over the Offerings

Eucharistic Dialogue

Preface Acclamation



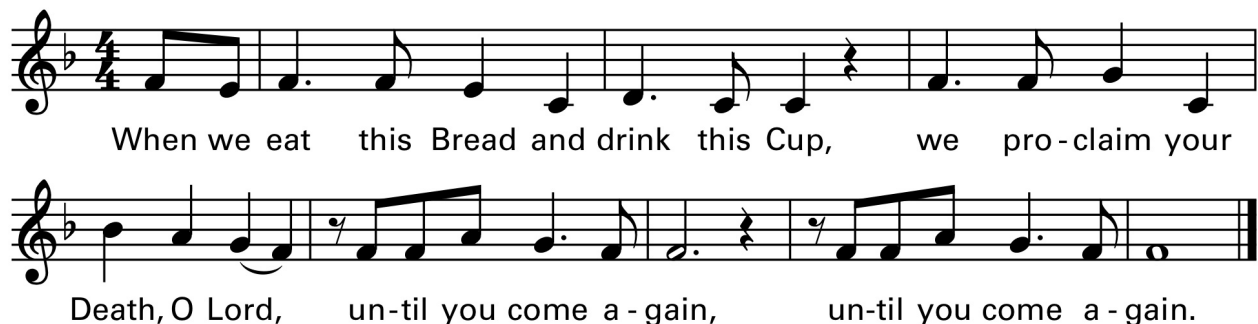
Ho-ly, Ho-ly, Ho - ly Lord God of hosts. Heav-en and
earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho - san - na in the
high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes in the
name of the Lord. Ho-san-na, ho - san - na in the
high-est. Ho-san-na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

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Memorial Acclamation

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

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Great Amen



A - men, a - men, a - men.
A - men, a - men, a - men.

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The Lord's Prayer

Our Fa - ther, 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, ___ 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*

For the king-dom, and the pow-er, and the
glo-ry ___ are yours, now and for ev-er, ___ now and for ev-er, ___
now and for ev - er. ___ A - men.

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Greeting of the Peace

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Lamb of God

Lamb of God, you take a-way the sins of the world,
have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you
take a-way the sins of the world, grant us peace.

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Invitation to Communion

Song during Communion

The First Nowell

- The first Nowell the angel did say
Was to certain poor shepherds in
fields as they lay;
In fields where they lay keeping their sheep,
On a cold winter's night that was so deep.*
- They looked up and saw a star
Shining in the east beyond them far;
And to the earth it gave great light,
And so it continued both day and night.*
- And by the light of that same star
Three wise men came from country far;
To seek for a king was their intent,
And to follow the star wherever it went.*
- This star drew nigh to the northwest,
O'er Bethlehem it took its rest;
And there it did both stop and stay
Right over the place where Jesus lay.*
- Then entered in those wise men three,
Full rev'rently upon their knee,
And offered there in his presence
Their gold and myrrh and frankincense.*
- Then let us all with one accord
Sing praises to our heav'nly Lord,
Who made the heavens and earth of naught,
And with his blood our life has bought.*

No - well, No - well, No - well, No - well!
Born is the King of Is - ra - el.

Text: English Carol, 17th C.

Tune: THE FIRST NOWELL, Irregular; English Melody; harm. from *Christmas Carols New and Old*, 1871

Prayer after Communion

Concluding Rites

Final Blessing and Dismissal

Recessional Song

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.