# PARISH OF ST. VINCENT FERRER AND ST. CATHERINE OF SIENA

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# FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT December 24, 2023

The setting of the Mass Ordinary at the 12 NOON Mass is *Messe en quartre parties*, Op. 138 by Florent Schmitt (1870-1958).

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

The Lord Will Come and Not Be

# **INTRODUCTORY RITES**

### **ENTRANCE ANTIPHON** (OFFICIUM) Isaiah 45:8

Rorate caeli desuper, et nubes pluant justum: aperiatur terra, et germinet Salvatorem.

*V*. Et justitia oriatur simul: ego Dominus creavi eum. Drop down dew, you heavens, from above, and let the clouds rain the just; let the earth be opened and bud forth a Savior.

V. And let justice spring up with it; I the Lord have created it. Chant, mode i

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SIGN OF THE CROSS AND GREETING

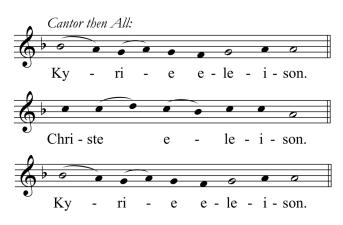
PENITENTIAL RITE

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#### **Kyrie**

Missa XVIII: Deus Genitor alme

Chant, mode iv



#### COLLECT

Pour forth, we beseech you, O Lord, your grace into our hearts, that we, to whom the Incarnation of Christ your Son was made known by the message of an Angel, may by his Passion and Cross be brought to the glory of his Resurrection. Who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever. *Amen.* 

# LITURGY OF THE WORD

#### **FIRST READING** *II Samuel 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16*

When King David was settled in his palace, and the Lord had given him rest from his enemies on every side, he said to Nathan the prophet, "Here I am living in a house of cedar, while the ark of God dwells in a tent!" Nathan answered the king, "Go, do whatever you have in mind, for the Lord is with you." But that night the Lord spoke to Nathan and said: "Go, tell my servant David, "Thus says the Lord: Should you build me a house to dwell in?"

"It was I who took you from the pasture and from the care of the flock to be commander of my people Israel. I have been with you wherever you went, and I have destroyed all your enemies before you. And I will make you famous like the great ones of the earth. I will fix a place for my people Israel; I will plant them so that they may dwell in their place without further disturbance. Neither shall the wicked continue to afflict them as they did of old, since the time I first appointed judges over my people

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Israel. I will give you rest from all your enemies. The Lord also reveals to you that he will establish a house for you. And when your time comes and you rest with your ancestors, I will raise up your heir after you, sprung from your loins, and I will make his kingdom firm. I will be a father to him, and he shall be a son to me. Your house and your kingdom shall endure forever before me; your throne shall stand firm forever."

**GRADUAL** (RESPONSORIUM) *Psalm* 144 (145):18, 21

Chant, mode v

Prope est Dominus	The Lord is near	
omnibus invocantibus eum:	to all who call upon him;	
omnibus qui invocant eum in veritate.	to all who call upon him in truth.	
V. Laudem Domini loquetur os meum:	V. My mouth shall speak the praise of the Lord;	
et benedicat omins caro	and let all flesh bless	
nomen sanctum ejus.	his holy name.	

# SECOND READING Romans 16:25-27

Brothers and sisters: To him who can strengthen you, according to my gospel and the proclamation of Jesus Christ, according to the revelation of the mystery kept secret for long ages but now manifested through the prophetic writings and, according to the command of the eternal God, made known to all nations to bring about the obedience of faith, to the only wise God, through Jesus Christ be glory forever and ever. Amen.

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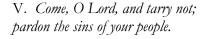
# ALLELUIA

Chant, mode iii

The Cantor sings the Alleluia; then all repeat it. The Cantor continues through the jubilus (tail) of the Alleluia and sings the Verse, after which the Alleluia is repeated by all.



V. Veni, Domine, et noli tardare: relaxa facinora plebis tuae.



# GOSPEL Luke 1:26-38

The angel Gabriel was sent from God to a town of Galilee called Nazareth, to a virgin betrothed to a man named Joseph, of the house of David, and the virgin's name was Mary. And coming to her, he said, "Hail, full of grace! The Lord is with you." But she was greatly troubled at what was said and pondered what sort of greeting this might be. Then the angel said to her, "Do not be afraid, Mary, for you have found favor with God.

"Behold, you will conceive in your womb and bear a son, and you shall name him Jesus. He will be great and will be called Son of the Most High, and the Lord God will give him the throne of David his father, and he will rule over the house of Jacob forever, and of his kingdom there will be no end." But Mary said to the angel, "How can this be, since I have no relations with a man?" And the angel said to her in reply, "The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you. Therefore the child to be born will be called holy, the Son of God. And behold, Elizabeth, your relative, has also conceived a son in her old age, and this is the sixth month for her who was called barren; for nothing will be impossible for God." Mary said, "Behold, I am the handmaid of the Lord. May it be done to me according to your word." Then the angel departed from her.

# HOMILY

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**CREDO** (sung at 12 NOON) Chant, mode iv Celebrant: All: 0 I be-lieve in one God, \* the Fa-ther al-might-y, mak-er of heav-en . >. 0 . . things vis - i - ble and in - vis - i - ble. and earth, all of ..... . . 0 . . . . 0 I be-lieve in one Lord Je-sus Christ, the On-ly Be-got-ten Son of God, • • • • • . . . . born of the Fa-ther be-fore all a-ges. God from God, Light from Light, 0 • . . true God from true God, be - got - ten, not made, con - sub - stan - tial . 0 with the Fa-ther; through him all things were made. For us men and for All bow: • • • our sal-va-tion he came down from heav-en, and by the Ho-ly Spir-it >• the Vir-gin Mar-y, was in - car - nate of and be-came man. . >. .... • 0 0 For our sake he was cru-ci-fied un - der Pon-tius Pi-late, suf-fered death he - >-. . . . . . . . and rose a-gain on the third day and was bur-ied, in ac-cor-dance

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. >. . . . . . . . • • with the Scrip-tures. He as-cend-ed in - to heav-en and is seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa-ther. He will come a-gain in glo - ry to judge • • • • • • • • • • • 0 the liv-ing and the dead and his king-dom will have no end. .... 0 0 . . . . . . • • • • • • I be-lieve in the Ho-ly Spir-it, Lord, the giv-er of life, the • • • • • • 0 . who pro-ceeds from the Fa-ther and the Son, who with the Fa-ther ...... . . • a-dored and glo - ri-fied, who has spok-en and the Son is • • • through the proph-ets. . . . . . . . . . . . 0 I be-lieve in one, ho - ly, ca - tho - lic and a - pos - tol - ic Church. I con-fess one Bap-tism for the for-give-ness of sins and I look for-ward • • • • • . . to the res-ur-rec-tion of the dead and the life of the world to come. , · · · , А men.

# UNIVERSAL PRAYER AND ADVENT NOVENA PRAYER

Let us pray.

O God who sheltered your Son in the womb of the Virgin Mary and safeguarded him during the wanderings of his family, watch over, we pray, each infant in the womb, and walk with every child who leaves it; led by your Spirit, may they find a safe path to your eternal home. 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. *Amen*.

# LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

#### **OFFERTORY ANTIPHON** Luke 1:28, 42

Ave Maria, gratia plena: Dominus tecum: benedicta tu in mulieribus, et benedictus fructus ventris tui. Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with you. Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb.

# **OFFERTORY MOTET** *Luke 1:28, 42 (at 12 NOON)* No. 6 from ALL-NIGHT VIGIL, OP. 37

Gaude Virgo Mater alma, Maria, gratia plena, Dominus tecum. Benedicta tu in mulieribus, et benedictus fructus ventris tui: portasti enim Salvatorem animarum nostrarum. Sergei Rachmaninoff (1873-1943)

Rejoice, dear Virgin Mother of God, Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with you. Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb for you have borne the Savior of our souls.

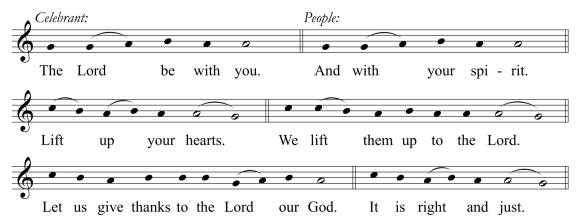
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#### **PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS**

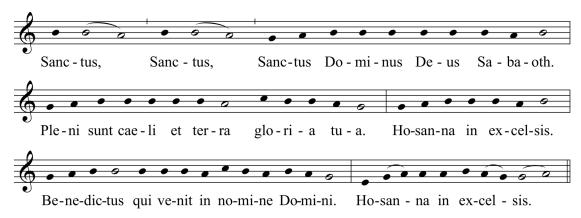
May the Holy Spirit, O Lord, sanctify these gifts laid upon your altar, just as he filled with his power the womb of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Chant, mode viii

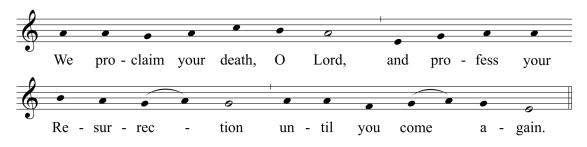








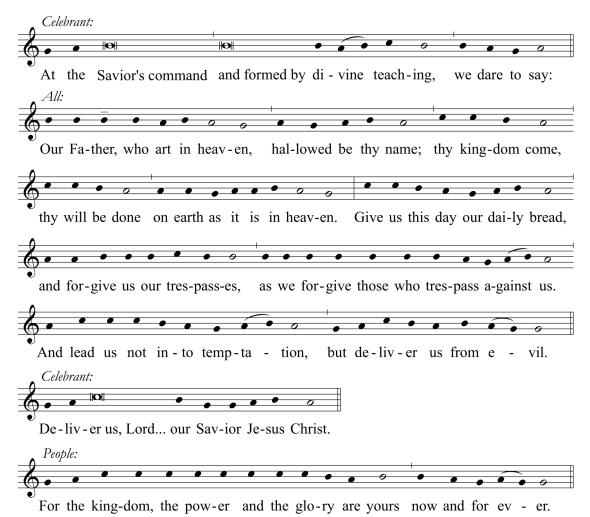
#### MYSTERY OF FAITH



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# **COMMUNION RITE**

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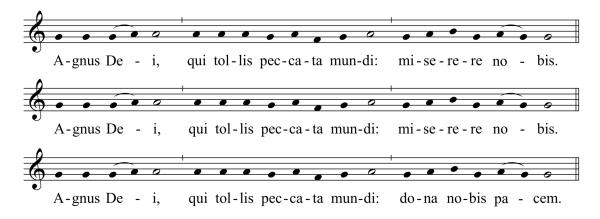


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#### **AGNUS DEI**

Missa XVIII: Deus Genitor alme



## **COMMUNION ANTIPHON** Isaiah 7:14

Chant, mode i

Ecce virgo concipiet et pariet filium: et vocabitur nomen ejus Emmanuel.

Behold, a virgin shall conceive and bear a son, and his name shall be called Emmanuel. **COMMUNION MOTET** *Isaiah 45:8; 64:9-11; 40:1 (at 12 NOON)* 

The Advent Prose

Rorate caeli desuper, et nubes pluant justum.

Ne irascaris Domine, ne ultra memineris iniquitatem. Ecce civitas sancta facta est deserta: Sion deserta facta est: Jerusalem desolata est: domus sanctificationis tuae et gloriae tuae, ubi laudaverunt te patres nostri.

Vide, Domine, afflictionem populi tui, et mitte quem missurus es: emitte Agnum dominatorem terrae, de petra deserti ad montem filiae Sion: ut auferat ipse jugum captivitatis nostrae.

Consolamini, consolamini popule meus: cito veniet salus tua. Quare moerore consumeris? Quia innovavit te dolor? Salvabo te, noli timere: ego enim sum Dominus Deus noster, Sanctus Israel, Redemptor tuus. Drop down dew, you heavens, from above, and let the clouds rain the just.

Be not angry, O Lord, no more remember our iniquity. Behold, your holy city has become a wilderness; Zion has become a wilderness; Jerusalem has been made desolate, the house of your holiness and your glory, where our fathers praised you.

Behold, O Lord, the affliction of your people and send the one who is to come: send forth the Lamb, the ruler of the earth from the rock of the desert to the mountain of the daughter of Zion, that he may take away the yoke of our captivity.

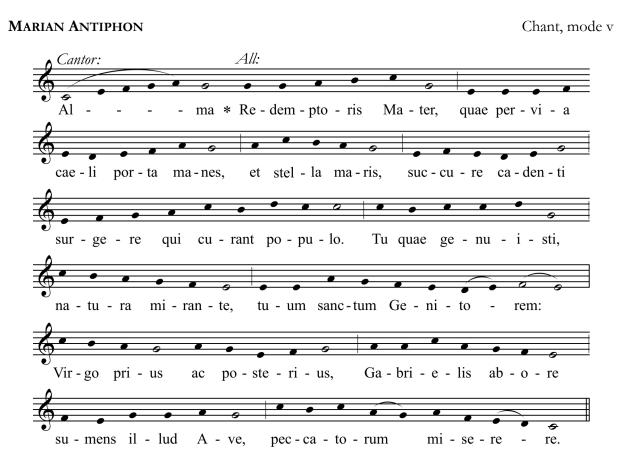
Take comfort, take comfort, my people, your salvation will come quickly. Why are you consumed with grief? Why is sorrow renewed in you? I will save you; fear not: for I am the Lord you God, the Holy One of Israel, your Redeemer.

#### **POST-COMMUNION PRAYER**

Having received this pledge of eternal redemption, we pray, almighty God, that, as the feast day of our salvation draws ever nearer, so we may press forward all the more eagerly to the worthy celebration of the mystery of your Son's Nativity. Who lives and reigns for ever and ever. *Amen.* 

# **CONCLUDING RITES**

#### BLESSING AND DISMISSAL



Loving Mother of the Redeemer, who remains the accessible gate of heaven and star of the sea, give aid to a falling people that strives to rise. You who begot, with nature marveling, your holy Creator. Virgin before and after, from the mouth of Gabriel receiving that Ave, have mercy on sinners.

# VOLUNTARY

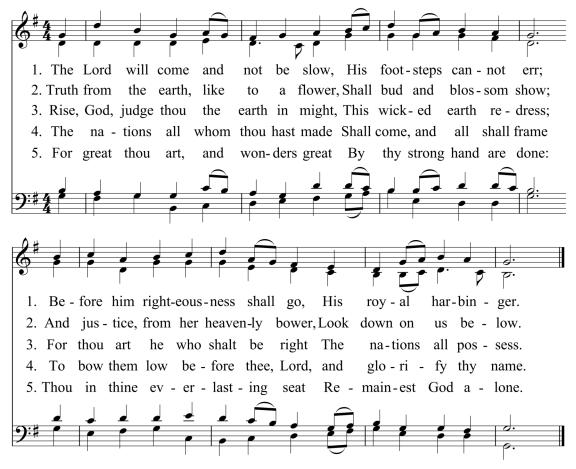
Fantasia on Veni Emmanuel'

Alec Rowley (1892-1958)

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**PROCESSIONAL HYMN** 



Text: John Milton (1608-1674), alt. Tune: ST. STEPHEN; William Jones (1726-1800)

# **MUSIC NOTES**

Although now fallen into relative obscurity, Florent Schmitt was one of the most oftenperformed French composers in the decades preceeding World War II. He studied at the Paris Conservatoire, wrote musical criticism for the Parisian newspaper *Le Temps*, and was a member of the group of artists known as *Les Apaches*, which included Maurice Ravel and Igor Stravinsky. Sergei Rachmaninoff was a Russian composer, pianist, and conductor. His *All-Night Vigil*, written in 1915, is an *a cappella* masterpiece, setting 15 movements of the Russian Orthodox Offices of Vespers, Compline, and Matins. 10 of the movements quote Orthodox chants directly while the others, including No. 6, are "conscious counterfeits". (Following the Russian Revolution, Rachmaninoff lived the rest of his live on the Upper West Side.) Leo Nestor was a prominent American Catholic musician, serving as the Director of Music of the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception from 1984-2001, and as a Professor of the Catholic University of America's School of Music from 2001-2016.

# **CHORAL SERVICES OF CHRISTMASTIDE**

All of these are at the Church of St. Vincent Ferrer.

#### CHRISTMAS EVE – Sunday, December 24

9:30 PM Solemn Mass During the Night *Missa Alma Redemptoris Mater* – Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina (1525-1594) *Angelus ad pastores ait* – Jacobus Vaet (c. 1529-1567) *Alma Redemptoris Mater á 5* – Tomás Luis de Victoria (c. 1548-1611)

#### CHRISTMAS DAY – Monday, December 25

12 MIDNIGHT Solemn Mass in the Dominican Rite (*in Latin*) Mass in F – Charles Wood (1866-1926)

12 NOON Solemn Mass During the Day Missa Brevis in B Flat Major, K. 275 – Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart (1756-1791) Angelus ad pastores ait – Jan Pieterszoon Sweelinck (1562-1621) Quaeramus cum pastoribus – Ubi pascas – Giovanni Croce (c. 1557-1609) with orchestra

5 PM Solemn Vespers

Magnificat Primi Toni (1576) – Orlando di Lasso (1532-1594) Alma Redemptoris Mater á 5 – Orlando di Lasso

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### HOLY FAMILY - Sunday, December 31

12 NOON Solemn Mass Missa Brevis in D Major, K. 194 – Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart (1756-1791) Parvulus hodie natus est – Girolamo Giacobbi (1567-1629) O admirabile commercium – Melchior Franck (1580-1639)

## OCTAVE DAY - MARY, MOTHER OF GOD - Monday, January 1

6 PM Solemn Mass Missa Princeps pacis – William Lloyd Webber (1914-1982) Hodie Christus natus est – Francis Poulenc (1899-1963) Quem pastores laudavere – James Bassi (b. 1961)

# **EPIPHANY** (Traditional) – Saturday, January 6

9:30 AM Solemn Mass in the Dominican Rite (*in Latin*) Peterhouse Mass – Christopher Tye (c. 1500-1573)

#### **EPIPHANY – Sunday, January 7**

12 NOON Solemn Mass Missa Hodie Christus natus est – Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina (1525-1594) Videntes stellam – Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina Tribus miraculis – Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina

The Parish's full Christmastide of Masses and Confessions is available on our website *svsc.info*, in this week's bulletin, and on flyers at the back of both churches.



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