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

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SOLEMNITY OF THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD THIRD MASS OF CHRISTMAS



Monday, December 25, 2023

12 NOON Solemn Mass During the Day

The setting of the Mass Ordinary is *Missa Brevis in B Flat Major*, K. 275 by Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart (1756-1791).





PRELUDE

Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart (1756-1791)

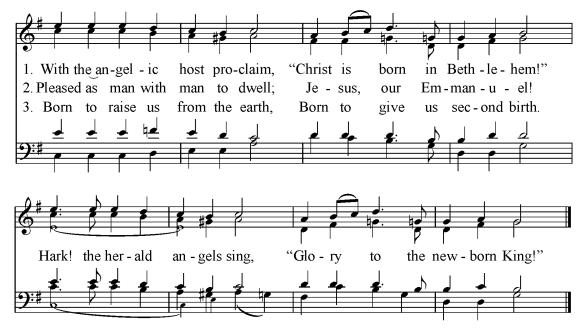
Church Sonata in B Flat Major, K. 68 Church Sonata in B Flat Major, K. 212

PROCESSIONAL HYMN









Text: Charles Wesley (1707-1788), alt.

Tune: MENDELSSOHN; Felix Mendelssohn (1809-1847); arr. William H. Cummings (1831-1915)

INTRODUCTORY RITES

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON (OFFICIUM) Isaiah 9:6; Psalm 97 (98):1

Chant, mode vii

Puer natus est nobis, et filius datus est nobis: cujus imperium super humerium ejus: et vocabitur nomen ejus, magni consilii Angelus.

V. Cantate Domino canticum novum: quia mirabilia fecit.

Gloria Patri, et Filio, et Spiritui Sancto. Sicut erat in principio, et nunc, et semper, et in saecula saeculorum. Amen. A child is born to us, and a son is given to us, whose government is upon his shoulder; and his name shall be called the Angel of great counsel.

V. Sing to the Lord a new song, for he has done wondrous things.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, and world without end.

Amen.

SIGN OF THE CROSS AND GREETING

PENITENTIAL ACT

KYRIE

Kyrie eleison. Christe eleison. Kyrie eleison.

Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

GLORIA

Gloria in excelsis Deo et in terra pax hominibus bonae voluntatis. Laudamus te, benedicimus te, adoramus te, glorificamus te, gratias agimus tibi propter magnam gloriam tuam, Domine Deus, Rex caelestis, Deus Pater omnipotens. Domine Fili unigenite, Jesu Christe, Domine Deus, Agnus Dei, Filius Patris. Qui tollis peccata mundi, miserere nobis. Qui tollis peccata mundi, suscipe deprecationem nostram. Qui sedes ad dexteram Patris, miserere nobis. Quoniam tu solus Sanctus, tu solus Dominus, tu solus Altissimus, Jesu Christe, cum Sancto Spiritu, in gloria Dei Patris. Amen.

Glory be to God on high, and on earth peace to men of good will. We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory, Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father almighty. Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, who takes away the sins of the world, have mercy on us; who takes away the sins of the world, receive our prayer; who sits at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us. For only you are holy, only you are the Lord, only you are the most high, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.



COLLECT

O God, who wonderfully created the dignity of human nature and still more wonderfully restored it, grant, we pray, that we may share in the divinity of Christ, who humbled himself to share in our humanity. 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 Isaiah 52:7-10

How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of him who brings glad tidings, announcing peace, bearing good news, announcing salvation, and saying to Zion, "Your God is King!"

Hark! Your sentinels raise a cry, together they shout for joy, for they see directly, before their eyes, the Lord restoring Zion. Break out together in song, O ruins of Jerusalem! For the Lord comforts his people, he redeems Jerusalem. The Lord has bared his holy arm in the sight of all the nations; all the ends of the earth will behold the salvation of our God.

GRADUAL (RESPONSORIUM) Psalm 97 (98):3, 4, 2

Chant, mode v

Viderunt omnes fines terrae salutare Dei nostri: jubilate Deo omnes terra.

V. Notum fecit Dominus salutare suum: ante conspectum gentium revelavit justitiam suam.

All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God. Sing joyfully to God, all the earth.

V. The Lord has made known his salvation; in the sight of the nations he has revealed his justice.

SECOND READING Hebrews 1:1-6

Brothers and sisters: In times past, God spoke in partial and various ways to our ancestors through the prophets; in these last days, he has spoken to us through the Son, whom he made heir of all things and through whom he created the universe, who is the refulgence of his glory, the very imprint of his being, and who sustains all things by his mighty word. When he had accomplished purification from sins, he took his seat at the right hand of the Majesty on high, as far superior to the angels as the name he has inherited is more excellent than theirs.

For to which of the angels did God ever say: You are my son; this day I have begotten you? Or again: I will be a father to him, and he shall be a son to me? And again, when he leads the firstborn into the world, he says: Let all the angels of God worship him.

ALLELUIA Chant, mode ii

The Cantor sings the Alleluia; then all repeat it.

The Schola continues through the jubilus (tail) of the Alleluia, the Verse, and the Sequence.



V. Dies sanctificatus illuxit nobis: venite gentes, et adorate Dominum: quia hodie descendit lux magna super terram.

V. A sanctified day has shone upon us; come, you nations, and adore the Lord; for today a great light has descended upon the earth.

SEQUENCE

Chant, mode vi

Laetabundus exsultet fidelis chorus, alleluia.

Regem regum intactae profudit thorus: res miranda.

Angelus consilii natus est de Virgine: sol de stella. Let the chorus of the faithful joyfully rejoice, alleluia.

The King of kings was brought forth from the womb of the undefiled:

O wondrous thing.

The Angel of counsel is born of the Virgin: the sun from the star.





Sol occasum nesciens, stella semper rutilans, semper clara.

Sicut sidus radium, profert Virgo filium, pari forma.

Neque sidus radio, neque Mater filio fit corrupta.

Cedrus alta Libani conformatur hyssopo, valle nostra.

Verbum ens Altissimi corporari passum est, carne sumpta.

Isaias cecinit, Synagoga meminit, numquam tamen desinit esse obligata.

Si non suis vatibus, credat vel gentilibus: Sibyllinis versibus haec praedicta.

Infelix propera, crede vel vetera: cur damnaberis, gens electa?

Quem docet littera, natum considera: ipsum genuit puerpera. Alleluia. The sun knows no setting, the star ever shining, ever bright.

As the star shines, so the Virgin brings forth her son, equal in form.

Neither the star by its ray, nor the mother by her son, is corrupted.

The tall cedar of Lebanon is now conformed as hyssop, in our valley.

The Word, the being of the Most High, has deigned to become incarnate, taking on flesh.

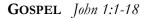
Isaiah foretold it, the Synagogue remembers it, yet she never ceases to be bound.

If her own prophets she will not heed, let her believe those of the nations: in the verses of the Sibyl these things were predicted.

Unhappy man, make haste; believe even these things of old: why be condemned, you chosen ones?

Contemplate the newborn one whom the scriptures reveal, whom the child-bearing woman has begotten. Alleluia.

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In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God. All things came to be through him, and without him nothing came to be. What came to be through him was life, and this life was the light of the human race; the light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it. A man named John was sent from God. He came for testimony, to testify to the light, so that all might believe through him. He was not the light, but came to testify to the light. The true light, which enlightens everyone, was coming into the world. He was in the world, and the world came to be through him, but the world did not know him. He came to what was his own, but his own people did not accept him.

But to those who did accept him he gave power to become children of God, to those who believe in his name, who were born not by natural generation nor by human choice nor by a man's decision but of God. And the Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us, and we saw his glory, the glory as of the Father's only Son, full of grace and truth. John testified to him and cried out, saying, "This was he of whom I said, 'The one who is coming after me ranks ahead of me because he existed before me." From his fullness we have all received, grace in place of grace, because while the law was given through Moses, grace and truth came through Jesus Christ. No one has ever seen God. The only Son, God, who is at the Father's side, has revealed him.

HOMILY





CREDO Chant, mode iv





UNIVERSAL PRAYER



OFFERTORY ANTIPHON Psalm 88 (89):12, 15

Chant, mode iv

Tui sunt caeli, et tua est terra: orbem terrarum et plenitudinem ejus tu fundasti: justitia et judicium praeparatio sedis tuae.

Yours are the heavens and yours is the earth; the world and the fullness thereof you have founded; justice and judgment are the preparation of your throne.

OFFERTORY MOTET Luke 2:10, 11

Jan Pieterszoon Sweelinck (1562-1621)

Angelus ad pastores ait: Annuntio vobis gaudium magnum: quia natus est vobis hodie Salvator mundi, alleluia. The Angel said to the shepherds: I bring you tidings of great joy; for unto you is born today the Savior of the world, alleluia.

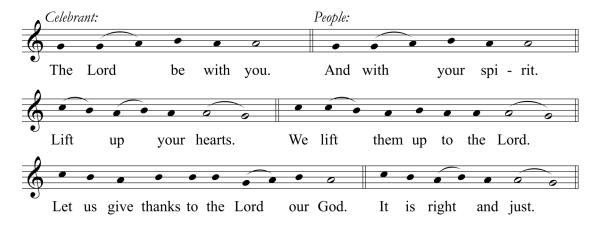
PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

Make acceptable, O Lord, our oblation on this solemn day, when you manifested the reconciliation that makes us wholly pleasing in your sight and inaugurated for us the fullness of divine worship. Through Christ our Lord. *Amen*.



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PREFACE



SANCTUS

Sanctus, Sanctus, Sanctus

Dominus Deus Sabaoth.

Pleni sunt caeli et terra gloria tua:

Hosanna in excelsis.

Benedictus qui venit in nomine Domini:

Hosanna in excelsis.

Holy, Holy, Holy

Lord God of hosts.

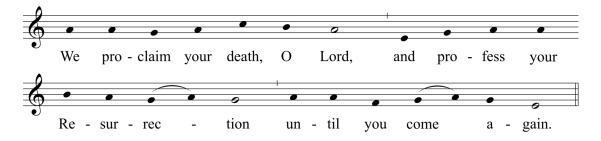
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

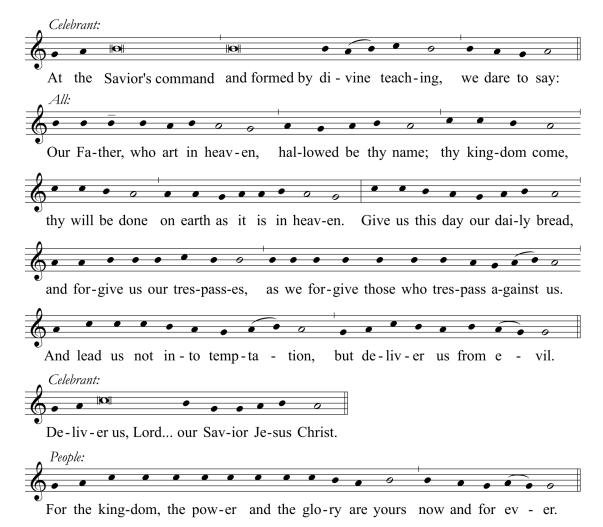
MYSTERY OF FAITH



PER IPSUM

COMMUNION RITE





To receive Holy Communion on the tongue, please use the Communion line at the altar rail.

To receive Holy Communion in the hand, please use the Communion line in the center aisle of the Nave.





AGNUS DEL

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, miserere nobis.

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, miserere nobis.

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, dona nobis pacem.

Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world, grant us peace.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON Psalm 97 (98):3

Viderunt omnes fines terrae salutare Dei nostri.

Chant, mode i

Giovanni Croce (c. 1557-1609)

All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God.

COMMUNION MOTET

Let us seek with the shepherds
the Word incarnate;
let us sing with mankind
to the King of the ages, noe.
What do you see in the stable?
Jesus, born of a virgin.

What did you hear in the manger? Angels with a song

and shepherds saying: noe.

Where do you eat, where do you lie? Say whether you weep or laugh: we ask you, Christ the King, noe. My food is milk of a virgin, my bed a hard manger, my songs are tears, noe.

COMMUNION MOTE

Quaeramus cum pastoribus verbum incarnatum: cantemus cum hominibus Regi saeculorum, noe. Quid tu vides in stabulo? Jesum natum de virgine. Quid audis in praesepio? Angelos cum carmine et pastores dicentes: noe.

Ubi pascas, ubi cubes? Dic si ploras aut si redes: Te rogamus, Rex Christe, noe. Cibus est lac virgineum, lectus durum praesepium, carmina sunt lacrimae, noe.







Text: German carol; attrib. Bl. Henry Suso, O.P. (1295-1366); trans. John M. Neale (1818-1866) Tune: IN DULCI JUBILO; German carol, 14th century; *Geistliche Lieder*, Wittenberg, 1553;

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Grant, O merciful God, that, just as the Savior of the world, born this day, is the author of divine generation for us, so he may be the giver even of immortality. Who lives and reigns for ever and ever. *Amen*.

CONCLUDING RITES

SOLEMN BLESSING AND DISMISSAL

May the God of infinite goodness, who by the Incarnation of his Son has driven darkness from the world and by that glorious Birth has illumined this most holy day, drive far from you the darkness of vice and illumine your hearts with the light of virtue. *Amen.*

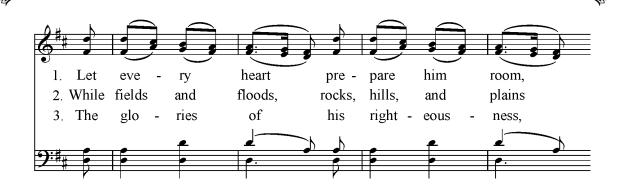
May God, who willed that the great joy of his Son's saving Birth be announced to shepherds by the Angel, fill your minds with the gladness he gives and make you heralds of his Gospel. *Amen*.

And may God, who by the Incarnation brought together the earthly and heavenly realm, fill you with the gift of his peace and favor and make you sharers with the Church in heaven. *Amen.*

And may the blessing of almighty God, the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit, come down on you and remain with you for ever. *Amen.*

FINAL HYMN







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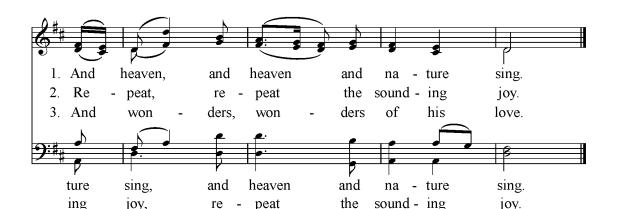
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Text: para. Psalm 97 (98); Isaac Watts (1674-1748) Tune: ANTIOCH; Lowell Mason (1792-1872)

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POSTLUDE

Johann Sebastian Bach

(1685-1750)

In dulci jubilo, BWV 729 [In sweet joy]

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CHORAL SERVICES OF CHRISTMASTIDE

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

CHRISTMAS DAY – Monday, December 25

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

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 Music of Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina (1525-1594) Missa Hodie Christus natus est; Videntes stellam, and Tribus miraculis

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.

FEASTS WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF CHRISTMAS

There will be a Sung Mass Tuesday through Friday this week at 6 PM at St. Vincent Ferrer. Tuesday, December 26 (Second Day of Christmas) is the Feast of Saint Stephen, Protomartyr. Wednesday, December 27 (Third Day of Christmas) is the Feast of St. John, Apostle and Evangelist. Thursday, December 28 (Fourth Day of Christmas) is the Feast of the Holy Innocents, martyrs.

PARISH INFORMATION

Welcome to the Parish of St. Vincent Ferrer and St. Catherine of Siena in the Roman Catholic Archdiocese of New York, served by the Dominican Friars of the Province of St. Joseph. The Church of St. Vincent Ferrer, dedicated on May 5, 1918, was built to the designs of renowned American architect Bertram Grosvenor Goodhue, who considered this his finest building. This National Historic Landmark is widely acclaimed as the foremost American example of French Gothic-style architecture and includes a complete set of Charles Connick stained glass windows, carvings by Lee Lawrie, and two instruments by the Schantz Organ Company.

For information about upcoming events, please take a weekly Parish Bulletin.

For general information about the Parish, its many organizations, an overview of the current year's schedule of events, how to become more involved in our common life, and how to register as a parishioner, please call the Parish Office or visit *svsc.info*. Follow us on facebook @StVincentandStCatherine and sign-up for email alerts by notifying parish@svsc.info.

The Parish's professional choir, the Schola Cantorum, sings every Sunday of the year at the 12 NOON Solemn Mass at St. Vincent Ferrer as well as for numerous weekday feasts. The current Music List, *Music as Holy Preaching*, contains a list of this season's choral repertoire.

Cover Image: Bottom Center Rondel of the West Window in St. Vincent Ferrer showing the Nativity of the Lord as the Third Joyful Mystery of the Rosary.

The window was designed by Charles Connick and installed in 1939.



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