

# Saint Mary of the Assumption Church

Lancaster, Ohio



## THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

January 3, 2021

### INTROIT

*Saturday Vigil*

*cf. Baruch 5: 5*

Arise, Jerusalem, and look to the East  
and see your children gathered from the rising to the setting of the sun.

*Sunday*

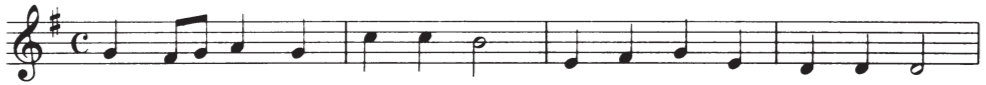
*cf. Malachi 3: 1; 1 Chronicles 29: 12*

Behold, the Lord, the Mighty One, has come;  
and kingship is in his grasp, and power and dominion.

### HYMN

As With Gladness Men of Old

*Dix*



1. As with glad-ness men of old Did the guid-ing star be-hold;
2. As with joy-ful steps they sped To that low-ly man-ger-bed,
3. As they of-fered gifts most rare At that man-ger crude and bare;
4. Christ Re-deem-er, with us stay, Help us live your ho-ly way;
5. In the heaven-ly cit-y bright None shall need cre-a-ted light;



As with joy they hailed its light, Lead-ing on-ward, beam-ing bright;  
There to bend the knee be-fore Christ whom heaven and earth a-dore;  
So may we this ho-ly day, Drawn to you with-out de-lay,  
And when earth-ly things are past, Bring our ran-somed souls at last  
You, its light, its joy, its crown, You, its sun which goes not down;



So, most gra-cious Lord, may we Ev-er-more your splen-dor see.  
So may we with hur-ried pace Run to seek your throne of grace.  
All our cost-liest treas-ures bring, Christ, to you, our heaven-ly King.  
Where they need no star to guide, Where no clouds your glo-ry hide.  
There for ev-er may we sing Al-le-lu-ias to our King.

### PENITENTIAL ACT

*Deacon/Cantor:* Lord have mercy.

*All:* Lord have mercy.

*Deacon/Cantor:* Christ have mercy.

*All:* Christ have mercy.

*Deacon/Cantor:* Lord have mercy.

*All:* Lord have mercy.





- ✠ The kings of Tarshish and the Isles shall offer gifts; the kings of Arabia and Seba shall bring tribute. All kings shall pay him homage, all nations shall serve him.
- ✠ For he shall rescue the poor when he cries out, and the afflicted when he has no one to help him. He shall have pity for the lowly and the poor; the lives of the poor he shall save.

## SECOND READING

Ephesians 3: 2-3a, 5-6

Brothers and sisters:

You have heard of the stewardship of God's grace that was given to me for your benefit, namely, that the mystery was made known to me by revelation. It was not made known to people in other generations as it has now been revealed to his holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit: that the Gentiles are coheirs, members of the same body, and copartners in the promise in Christ Jesus through the gospel.

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

James J. Chepponis



We saw his star at its rising  
and have come to do him homage.

## HOLY GOSPEL

Matthew 2: 1-12

When Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, in the days of King Herod, behold, magi from the east arrived in Jerusalem, saying, "Where is the newborn king of the Jews? We saw his star at its rising and have come to do him homage." When King Herod heard this, he was greatly troubled, and all Jerusalem with him. Assembling all the chief priests and the scribes of the people, He inquired of them where the Christ was to be born. They said to him, "In Bethlehem of Judea, for thus it has been written through the prophet: And you, Bethlehem, land of Judah, are by no means least among the rulers of Judah; since from you shall come a ruler, who is to shepherd my people Israel." Then Herod called the magi secretly and ascertained from them the time of the star's appearance. He sent them to Bethlehem and said, "Go and search diligently for the child. When you have found him, bring me word, that I too may go and do him homage." After their audience with the king they set out. And behold, the star that they had seen at its rising preceded them, until it came and stopped over the place where the child was. They were overjoyed at seeing the star, and on entering the house they saw the child with Mary his mother. They prostrated themselves and did him homage. Then they opened their treasures and offered him gifts of gold, rankincense, and myrrh. And having been warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they departed for their country by another way.

# HOMILY

## PROFESSION OF FAITH

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.

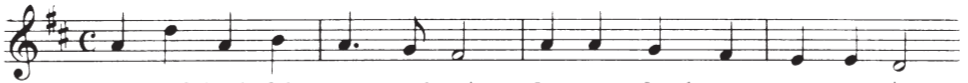
*(all bow at the following two lines:)*

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.

## UNIVERSAL PRAYER

### OFFERTORY HYMN Songs of Thankfulness and Praise Salzburg



1. Songs of thank-ful - ness and praise, . Je - sus, Lord, to you we raise,  
2. Man - i - fest at Jor - dan's stream, Proph-et, Priest, and King su-preme;  
3. Man - i - fest in mak - ing whole Pal - sied limbs and faint - ing soul;  
4. Grant us grace to see you, Lord, Mir - rored in your ho - ly word;



Man - i - fest - ed by the star To the sag - es from a - far;  
And at Ca - na, wed - ding guest, In your God-head man - i - fest;  
Man - i - fest in val - iant fight, Quell - ing all the dev - il's might;  
May we im - i - tate you now, And on us your grace en - dow;



Branch of roy - al Da - vid's stem In your birth at Beth - le - hem;  
Man - i - fest in power di - vine, Chang - ing wa - ter in - to wine;  
Man - i - fest in gra - cious will, Ev - er bring - ing good from ill;  
That we like to you may be At your great e - piph - a - ny;



An-thems be to you ad - drest, God in flesh made man - i - fest.  
An-thems be to you ad - drest, God in flesh made man - i - fest.  
An-thems be to you ad - drest, God in flesh made man - i - fest.  
And may praise you ev - er blest, God in flesh made man - i - fest.

*Priest* Pray brothers and sisters, that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.

*All* May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands, for the praise and glory of his name, for our good and the good of all his holy Church.

## PREFACE DIALOGUE

*Priest* The Lord be with you.

*All* And with your spirit.

*Priest* Lift up your hearts.

*All* We lift them up to the Lord.

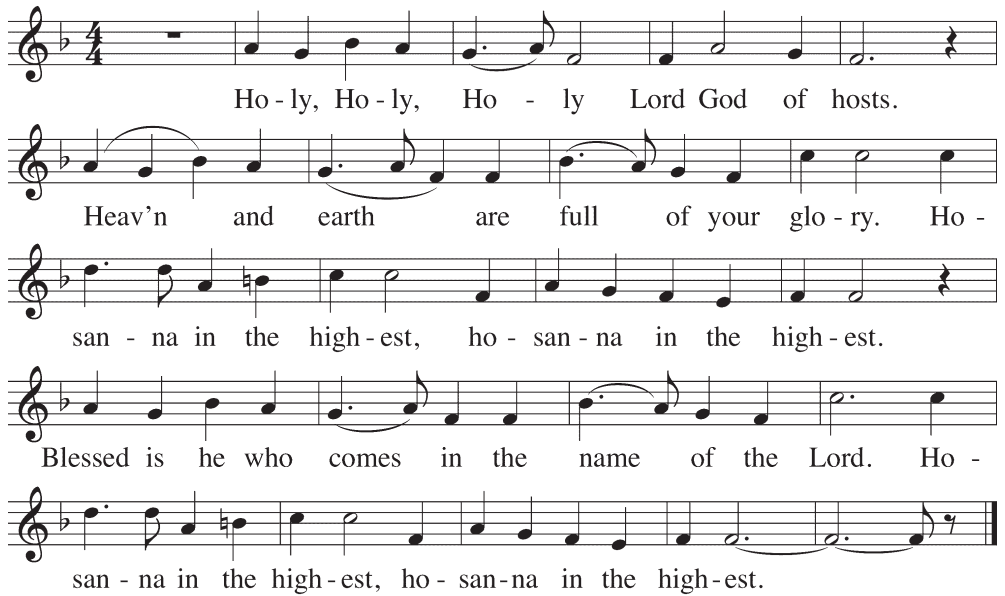
*Priest* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

*All* It is right and just.

## SANCTUS

A Community Mass

Richard Proulx

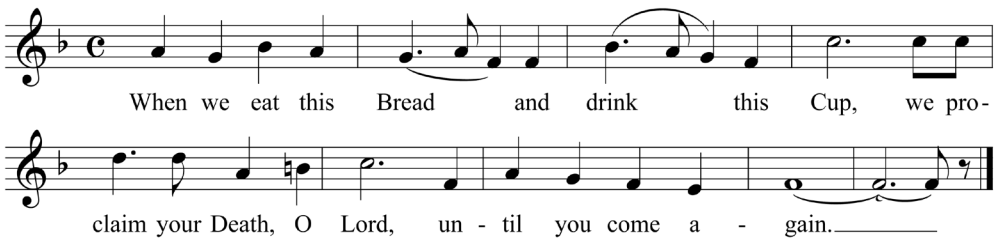


Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly Lord God of hosts.  
Heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -  
san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.  
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -  
san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

## MYSTERIUM FIDEI

A Community Mass

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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.

## GREAT AMEN

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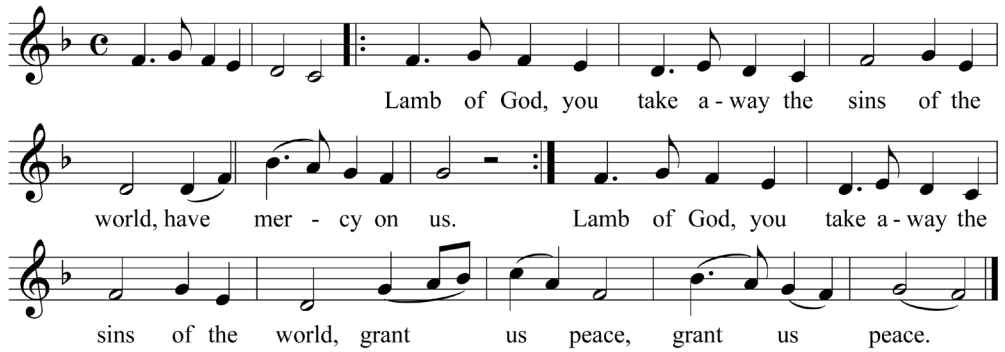
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## THE LORD'S PRAYER

**AGNUS DEI**

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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, grant us peace.

**COMMUNION RITE**

*Priest* Behold the Lamb of God,  
 behold him who takes away the sins of the world.  
 Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.

*All* Lord, I am not worthy  
 that you should enter under my roof,  
 but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.

**COMMUNIO***Saturday Vigil**cf. Revelation 21: 23*

The brightness of God illumined the holy city Jerusalem,  
 and the nations will walk by its light.

*Sunday**cf. Matthew 2: 2*

We have see his star in the East,  
 and have come with gifts to adore the Lord.

**ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION**

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

**COMMUNION HYMN**

We Three Kings

*Kings of Orient*

We three kings of Orient are, bearing gifts we traverse afar.  
 Field and fountain, moor and mountain, following yonder star.

*Refrain:*

O star of wonder, star of night, star with royal beauty bright,  
 Westward leading, still proceeding, guide us to thy perfect Light.

Born a king on Bethlehem's plain, gold I bring to crown Him again,  
 King forever, ceasing never, over us all to reign. *Refrain.*

Frankincense to offer have I; incense owns a Deity nigh.  
 Prayer and praising all men raising, worship him, God on high. *Refrain.*

Myrrh is mine: Its bitter perfume breaths a life of gathering gloom.  
 Sorrowing, sighing, bleeding dying, sealed in the stone-cold tomb. *Refrain.*

Glorious now behold Him arise, King and God and Sacrifice.  
 Alleluia, alleluia! Sounds through the earth and skies. *Refrain.*

# PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

## BLESSING AND DISMISSAL

### HYMN

### The First Nowell

*Traditional*

1. The first Now - ell, the an - gel did say, Was to  
2. They look - ed up and saw a star Shin - ing  
3. And by the light of that same star Three  
4. This star drew nigh to the north - west, O'er  
cer - tain poor shepherds in fields as they lay; In fields where  
in the east, be - yond them far; And to the  
wise men came from coun - try far; To seek the  
Beth - le - hem it took its rest; And there it  
they lay keep - ing their sheep, On a cold win - ter's night that  
earth it gave their great light, And so it con - tin - ued both  
king was their in - tent, And to fol - low the star where  
did both stop and stay, Right o - ver the place where  
was so deep. Now - ell, Now - ell, Now - ell, Now -  
day and night.  
ev - er it went.  
Je - sus lay.  
ell, Born is the King of Is - ra - el.

5. 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.

6. Then let us all with one accord  
Sing praises to our heavenly Lord;  
Who with the Father we adore  
And Spirit blest for evermore.

### POSTLUDE