

**PROCESSION AND
SUNG EUCHARIST
OF CHRISTMAS**

(The Choir being in their places, the Sacred Ministers together with the Crucifer, Taperers, etc., being assembled before the Altar, the Celebrant shall sing:)

Priest: LET us go forth in peace.
People: **In the name of the Lord. Amen.**

THE PROCESSIONAL HYMN:

Adeste Fideles, J.F. Wade's Cantus Diversi, 1751

1. **O come, all ye faithful, joyful and triumphant,
O come ye, O come ye to Bethlehem;
come and behold him, born the king of angels:**

*Refrain: O come, let us adore him,
O come, let us adore him,
O come, let us adore him, Christ the Lord.*

2. **God of God, Light of Light,
lo, he abhors not the virgin's womb;
very God, begotten, not created:
*Refrain***

3. **Sing, choirs of angels, sing in exultation,
sing, all ye citizens of heaven above;
glory to God, in the highest;
*Refrain:***

Arriving at the Font, the Procession shall make a station and the Celebrant shall sing:)

Priest: As a Bridegroom:
People: The Lord comes out of His chamber.
 Priest: O GOD most high, you did endue with wonderful virtue and grace the Blessed Virgin Mary, the mother of our Lord: Grant that we who now call her blessed, may be made members of the heavenly family of Him who was pleased to be called the First born among many, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, world without end. **Amen.**

4. **See how the Shepherds, summoned to his cradle, leaving their flocks, draw nigh with lowly fear; we too will thither, bend our joyful footsteps.**
Refrain
5. **Yea, Lord, we greet thee, born this happy morning, Jesus, to thee be glory given; Word of the Father, now in flesh appearing.**
Refrain

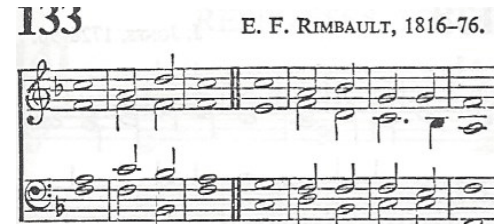
Arriving at the entrance to the Sanctuary, the Procession shall make a station and the Celebrant shall sing:)

Priest: Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.
People: God is the Lord who has shown us light.
 Priest: O GOD, who makes us glad with the yearly remembrance of your only Son Jesus Christ; Grant that as we joyfully receive Him as our Redeemer, we may with sure confidence behold Him when He shall come to be our judge; Who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, One God, world without end. **Amen.**

While all returning to their places the Organist shall make music and when the Choir is in their place, then shall be sung the

CHRISTMAS ANTHEMS

Ecce virgo concipiet, et pariet filium



BEHOLD a virgin shall conceive and bear a son, / and shall call his name Immanuel.

Isaiah 7. 14.

Unto us a child is born, / unto us a son is given.

Isaiah 9. 6.

In this was manifested the love of God toward us, / because that God sent his only-begotten Son into the world that we might live through him.

1 St John 4. 9.

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, / who hath blessed us with all spiritual blessings in heavenly places in Christ. *Ephesians 1. 3.*

GLORY be to the Father, and to the Son, / and to the Holy Ghost;

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

(At the Christmas Crib, the Priest and Ministers shall make a station and the Celebrant shall sing:)

Priest: The word was made flesh and dwelt among us:

People: And we beheld his glory.

Priest: O God, you have caused this holy night to shine with the brightness of the true Light: Grant that we, who have known the mystery of that Light on earth, may also enjoy him perfectly in heaven; where with you and the Holy Spirit he lives and reigns, one God, in glory everlasting. **Amen.**

First Reading

A READING FROM
THE BOOK OF ISAIAH

THE people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; those who lived in a land of deep darkness - on them light has shined. You have multiplied the nation, you have increased its joy; they rejoice before you as with joy at the harvest, as people exult when dividing plunder. For the yoke of their burden, and the bar across their shoulders, the rod of their oppressor, you have broken as on the day of Midian. For all the boots of the tramping warriors and all the garments rolled in blood shall be burned as fuel for the fire. For a child has been born for us, a son given to us; authority rests upon his shoulders; and he is named Wonderful Counsellor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace. His authority shall grow continually, and there shall be endless peace for the throne of David and his kingdom. He will establish and uphold it with justice and with righteousness from this time onward and forevermore. The zeal of the Lord of hosts will do this.

Isaiah 9:2-7

PSALM 96

Refrain:

THE Lord is king; let the earth rejoice;
let the multitude of the isles be glad.
Clouds and darkness are round about him,



All the ends of the earth have seen the sal-va-tion of our God.

righteousness and justice are the foundations of his throne. ***Refrain***

A fire goes before him
and burns up his enemies on every side.
His lightnings light up the world;
the earth sees it and is afraid. ***Refrain***

The mountains melt like wax at the presence of the Lord,
at the presence of the Lord of the whole earth.
The heavens declare his righteousness,
and all the peoples see his glory. ***Refrain***

Confounded be all who worship carved images
and delight in false gods!
Bow down before him, all you gods.
Zion hears and is glad, and the cities of Judah rejoice,
because of your judgements, O Lord. ***Refrain***

For you are the Lord,
most high over all the earth;
you are exalted far above all gods.
The Lord loves those who hate evil;
he preserves the lives of his saints
and delivers them from the hand of the wicked. ***Refrain***

Light has sprung up for the righteous,
and joyful gladness for those who are truehearted.
Rejoice in the Lord, you righteous,
and give thanks to his holy name. ***Refrain***

Second Reading

A READING FROM
THE LETTER OF PAUL TO TITUS

FOR the grace of God has appeared, bringing salvation to all, training us to renounce impiety and worldly passions, and in the present age to live lives that are self-controlled, upright, and godly, while we wait for the blessed hope and the manifestation of the glory of our great God and Saviour, Jesus Christ. He it is who gave

himself for us that he might redeem us from all iniquity and purify for himself a people of his own who are zealous for good deeds.

Titus 2:11-14

THE SEQUENCE BEFORE THE GOSPEL

HYMN 132 (vs 1-4)

Gospel Reading

THE HOLY GOSPEL OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST

ACCORDING TO LUKE

IN those days a decree went out from Emperor Augustus that all the world should be registered. This was the first registration and was taken while Quirinius was governor of Syria. All went to their own towns to be registered. Joseph also went from the town of Nazareth in Galilee to Judea, to the city of David called Bethlehem, because he was descended from the house and family of David. He went to be registered with Mary, to whom he was engaged and who was expecting a child. While they were there, the time came for her to deliver her child. And she gave birth to her firstborn son and wrapped him in bands of cloth, and laid him in a manger, because there was no place for them in the inn. In that region there were shepherds living in the fields, keeping watch over their flock by night. Then an angel of the Lord stood before them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified. But the angel said to them, "Do not be afraid; for see - I am bringing you good news of great joy for all the people: to you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, who is the Messiah, the Lord. This will be a sign for you: you will find a child wrapped in bands of cloth and lying in a manger." And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host, praising God and saying, "Glory to God in the highest heaven, and on earth peace among those whom he favours!" When the angels had left them and gone into heaven, the shepherds said to one another, "Let us go now to Bethlehem and see this thing that has taken place, which the Lord has made known to us." So they went with haste and found Mary and Joseph, and the child lying in the manger. When they saw this, they made known

what had been told them about this child; and all who heard it were amazed at what the shepherds told them. But Mary treasured all these words and pondered them in her heart. The shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all they had heard and seen, as it had been told them.

Luke 2:1-20

THE SEQUENCE AFTER THE GOSPEL

HYMN 132 (vs. 5-6)

The Sermon

The Nicene Creed, *page 71*

ANTHEM BY THE CHOIR

Hallelujah, Glory Hallelujah

The Offertory Sentence

BRETHREN, you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that, though he was rich, yet for your sakes he became poor, that you through his poverty might become rich. *II Corinthians 8:9*

HYMN DURING THE OFFERTORY

HYMN 123

Prayer over the Gifts

GOD of peace, your Son Jesus Christ has reconciled us to you. May all we offer you today renew us as members of your household. We ask this in his name. *Amen.*

The Prayers of the People

Presider or Deacon

As we join with the whole creation and celebrate with joy the Word made flesh, let us offer prayers to God who dwells among us to the end of time.

Deacon or Leader

By the wedding of human and divine natures in Christ Jesus.

People: Lord, have mercy.

For *RON* our bishop and all bishops, for *GLEN* our Priest-in-Charge, *DEBBIE* our Associate Priest, for *JULIO* our Rector-Designate, for the deacons and all who minister in Christ, and for all the holy people of God. **R**

For all believers who put their trust in the incarnate Son of God. **R**

For the leaders of the nations and all in authority, and for peace and justice. **R**

For the conversion of the whole human race to our blessed Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. **R**

For travellers, for the sick and the suffering (*especially....*), for the hungry and the oppressed, for those in prison, and for the dying and the dead, especially those in whose memory flowers and memorials have been placed in church at this time. **R**

For our deliverance from all affliction, strife and need. **R**

Remembering our most glorious and blessed Virgin Mary, Saint John the Baptist, and all the saints, let us offer ourselves and one another to the living God through Christ.

People: To you, O Lord.

Leader and People:

Source of grace and truth, accept the prayers we offer on this joyful feast. May we come to see the true light who shines throughout the world and who is God for all eternity. Glory to you for ever and ever. Amen.

The Penitential Rite, page 76

THE THANKSGIVING AND CONSECRATION

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The Prayer of Humble Access, page 83

The *Agnus Dei*, page 84

The Communion

All baptized Christians are welcome to receive the Blessed Sacrament.

HYMNS DURING COMMUNION

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Solo During the Ablutions

Angels' Carol - Donna MacDonald

The Lord's Prayer, page 85

The Prayer of Thanksgiving, page 85

The *Gloria in Excelsis*, page 86

The Last Gospel

THE HOLY GOSPEL OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST

ACCORDING TO JOHN

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 into being through him, and without him not one thing came into being. What has come into being in him was life, and the life was the light of all people. The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not overcome it. There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. He came as a witness to testify to the light, so that all might believe through him. He himself was not the light, but he 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 into being through him; yet the world did not know him. He came to what was his own, and his own people did not accept him. But to all who received him, who believed in his name, he gave power to become children of God, who were born, not of blood or of the will of the flesh or of the will of man, but of God. And the Word became flesh and lived among us, and we have seen his glory, the glory as of a father's only son, full of grace and truth.

John 1:1-14

THE RECESSIONAL HYMN 138

† *The Gift of the Bulletins has been given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Ada & Tim McCarthy from Donald, Brenda, Kristina & Tim.*

† *The Gift of the Bread & Wine has been given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Hugh Ramsey from Wife Margie, Lori 7 Terry & Families.*

Christmas Memorials 2014

In Loving Memory of:

Given by:

Harold Peters	Wife Blanche & Children
Wonderful Parents Naomi & Parker & Kiltie Thomas	Daughter Jean & Norm Family
Wonderful Parents Naomi & Kiltie Thomas	Daughter Marlene Clancy & Family
Robert MacPherson	Wife Marie & Family
Loved Ones	Marie MacPherson
My Parents Fred & Bridget Connolly	Sandra MacKinnon
My Brothers Fred & Jim Connolly	Sandra MacKinnon
Parents William & Charlotte Peters	Rev. Arthur & Elizabeth Peters
Brother William Peters	Rev. Arthur & Elizabeth Peters

Poinsettias on the Altar

In Loving Memory of :

Given by:

Loved Ones	Cyril & Louise Cross
Russell & Stella Edmunds	Daughters Diane, Judy, Sharon, Janice & Families



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