



Saint Thomas More
CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

Third Sunday of Advent

DECEMBER 11, 2022

Prelude

4:30 p.m., “Creator Alma Siderum”

For a poetic English translation,
please see “Creator of the Stars of Night” at the Preparation of the Gifts.

10:30 a.m., “Advent Hymn” by Don Besig

Words by Don Besig & Nancy Price

Evening has come in shadows of gray, and the winter wind blows bitter and cold.

All of the world in silence awaits the child the prophets have foretold.

Let us now prepare our hearts to receive him, filled with hope and free from fear.

Soon he will come to all who believe. The true Messiah will soon appear.

Come, thou long expected Jesus born to set thy people free.

Through the power of love redeem us, let us find our rest in thee.

Born thy people to deliver, born a child and yet a King.

Born to reign in us forever; now thy gracious kingdom bring.

He will come to guide and teach us, sent to earth from heaven above.

Come thou long expected Jesus, warm our hearts with peace, and with love.

THE INTRODUCTORY RITES

Processional

“Lift Up Your Heads”

The music may be found on the following page.



1. Lift up your heads, e - ter - nal gates, Al - le - lu -
2. But not in arms or bat - tle dress, Al - le - lu -
3. God brings a new face to the brave, Al - le - lu -
4. God's match-less and ma - jes - tic strength, Al - le - lu -



ia! See how the King of glo - ry waits,
 ia! God comes, a child a - midst dis - tress,
 ia! God re - de - fines who best can save:
 ia! In all its height, depth, breadth, and length,



Al - le - lu - ia! The Lord of Hosts is draw - ing
 Al - le - lu - ia! No might - y ar - mies shield the
 Al - le - lu - ia! Not those whose pow'r re - lies on
 Al - le - lu - ia! Now is re - vealed, its pow'r to



near, The Sav - ior of the world is here.
 way, On - ly coarse lin - en, wool, and hay.
 threat, Ter - ror or tor - ture, de - struc - tion or debt.
 prove, By Christ pro - test - ing "God is love!"



Al-le-lu - ia! Al-le-lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

Text: George Weissel, 1590–1635; tr. by Catherine Winkworth, 1827–1878; adapt. by John L. Bell, b.1949, © 2001, Iona Community, GIA Publications, Inc., agent
 Tune: CH THREE, 8 8 8 with alleluias; John L. Bell, b.1949, © 2001, Iona Community, GIA Publications, Inc., agent

Sign of the Cross & Greeting

Penitential Act

I confess to almighty God
and to you, my brothers and sisters,
that I have greatly sinned,
in my thoughts and in my words,
in what I have done and in what I have failed to do,

(striking the breast)

through my fault, through my fault,
through my most grievous fault.

therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin,
all the Angels and Saints,
and you, my brothers and sisters,
to pray for me to the Lord our God.

Kyrie

Russian Orthodox

The musical score is written for two voices (Soprano and Bass) in a Russian Orthodox style. It consists of two systems of music. The first system has two lines of lyrics, and the second system has three lines of lyrics. The music is in the key of D major (indicated by two sharps) and common time (C). The lyrics are in Russian, and the music is arranged for two voices. The first system of music has two lines of lyrics, and the second system has three lines of lyrics. The music is written in a style that is common in Russian Orthodox liturgical music, with a focus on the text and a simple, direct melody.

Ký - ri - e, e - léi - son. Ký - ri - e, e - léi - son.
Chri - ste, e - léi - son. Chri - ste, e - léi - son.
Ký - ri - e, e - léi - son. Ký - ri - e, e - léi - son.

Ký - ri - e, e - léi - son.
Chri - ste, e - léi - son.
Ký - ri - e, e - léi - son.

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Collect

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Reading

Isaiah 35:1-6a, 10

God himself will come to save us.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 146



Text: *Lectionary for Mass*, © 1969, 1981, 1997, ICEL
Music: Michel Guimont, © 1994, GIA Publications, Inc.

Second Reading

James 5:7-10

Make your hearts firm, because the coming of the Lord is at hand.

Gospel Acclamation



Music: Robert F. Twynham, © 1958, World Library Publications

Gospel

Matthew 11:2-11

Are you the one who is to come or should we look for another?

Homily

Rev. RJ Fichtinger, SJ

Profession of Faith

The 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,

(Bow during 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

R/. Lord, hear our prayer.

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THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

Preparation of the Gifts

4:30 p.m., “E’en So Lord Jesus Quickly Come”

Revelation 22

by Paul O. Manz

Peace be to you and grace from Him
Who freed us from our sins,
Who loved us all and shed His blood
That we might saved be.
Sing Holy, Holy to our Lord,
The Lord, Almighty God,
Who was and is and is to come;
Sing Holy, Holy, Lord!
Rejoice in heaven, all ye that dwell therein,
Rejoice on earth, ye saints below,
For Christ is coming soon!
E’en so, Lord Jesus, quickly come,
And night shall be no more;
They need no light nor lamp nor sun,
For Christ will be their All!

"Creator of the Stars of Night"



1. Cre - a - tor of the stars of night,
 2. In sor - row that the an - cient curse
 3. When this old world drew on toward night,
 4. At your great Name, O Je - sus, now
 5. Come in your ho - ly might, we pray,
 6. To God the Fa - ther, God the Son,
Cre - á - tor ál - me sí - de - rum,



Your peo - ple's ev - er - last - ing light,
 Should doom to death a u - ni - verse,
 You came; but not in splen - dor bright,
 All knees must bend, all hearts must bow:
 Re - deem us for e - ter - nal day;
 And God the Spir - it, Three in One,
Ae - tér - na lux cre - dén - ti - um,



O Christ, Re - deem - er of us all,
 You came, O Sav - ior, to set free
 Not as a mon - arch, but the child
 All things on earth with one ac - cord,
 De - fend us while we dwell be - low
 Praise, hon - or, might, and glo - ry be
Jé - su, Red - ém - ptor ó - mni - um,



We pray you hear us when we call.
 Your own in glo - rious lib - er - ty.
 Of Mar - y, blame - less moth - er mild.
 Like those in heav'n, shall call you Lord.
 From all as - saults of our dread foe.
 From age to age e - ter - nal - ly.
In - tén - de vó - tis súp - pli - cum.

Holy, Holy, Holy

Deutsche Messe

Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly Lord God of

hosts. Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly

Lord God of hosts. Heav - en and earth are

full, full of your glo - ry. Ho -

san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the

high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes

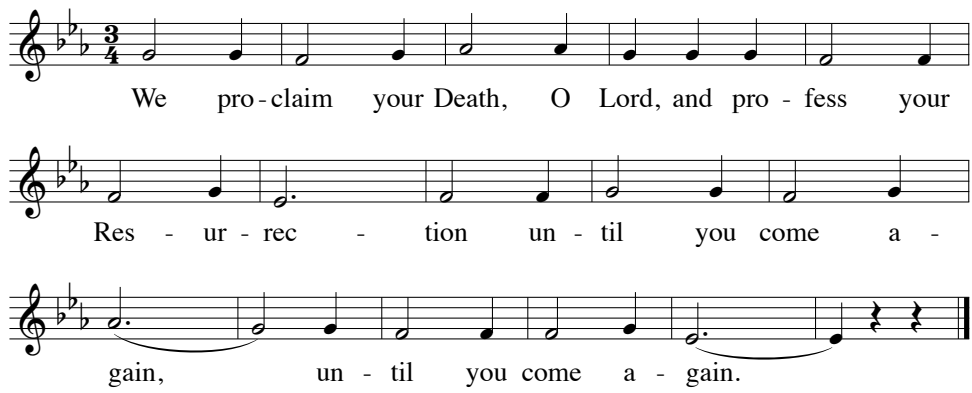
in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the

high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

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Music: *Deutsche Messe*, Franz Schubert, 1797–1828, adapt. by Richard Proulx, © 1985, 1989, 2010, GIA Publications, Inc.

Memorial Acclamation



Three staves of musical notation in 3/4 time, key of B-flat major. The lyrics are: We pro-claim your Death, O Lord, and pro-fess your Res-ur-rec-tion un-til you come a-gain, un-til you come a-gain.

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Great Amen

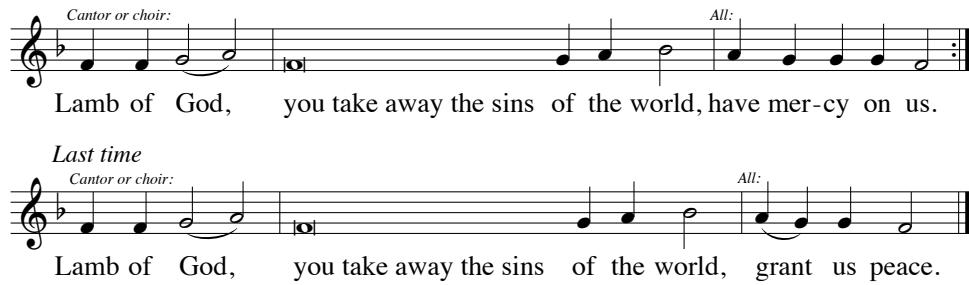


One staff of musical notation in 3/4 time, key of B-flat major. The lyrics are: A-men, a-men, a-men, a-men, a-men.

Music: *Deutsche Messe*, Franz Schubert, 1797–1828; adapt. by Richard Proulx, © 1985, 1989, GIA Publications, Inc.

Lamb of God

Orthodox chant



Two staves of musical notation in 3/4 time, key of B-flat major. The first staff is labeled 'Cantor or choir:' and 'All:'. The lyrics are: Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mer-cy on us. The second staff is labeled 'Last time' and 'Cantor or choir:' and 'All:'. The lyrics are: Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, grant us peace.

Music: Orthodox chant; arr. by Michael Silhavy, © 2006, World Library Publications

Communion Antiphon

Say to the faint of heart: Be strong and do not fear.
Behold, our God will come, and he will save us.
Cf. Isaiah 35:4

Communion Song

"My Soul in Stillness Waits"

Refrain / Estribillo



For you, O Lord, my soul in still-ness waits;
En el si - len - cio te a-guar-do a ti, Se - ñor.



tru - ly my hope is in you. you.
Tú e-res mi luz y mi a - mor. mor.

Verses / Estrofas



1. O Lord of Light, our on - ly hope of
2. O Spring of Joy, rain down up - on our
3. O Root of Life, im - plant your seed with -
1. Oh Sol na - cien - te, tu glo - ria es - pe -
2. Fuen - te de go - zo, da - nos a - gua
3. En nues - tras al - mas e - cha tus ra -
4. Sa - bi - du - rí - a, guí - a nues - tros
5. En su pre - sen - cia en - tre - mos y pos -
6. Nos re - u - ni - mos con quien los cie - los



glo - ry,	Your ra - diance	shines	in	all who look to
spir - its;	Our thirst - y	hearts	are	yearn - ing for your
in us,	And in your	ad - vent,	draw	us all to
ra - mos	Y tu bri - llar	en	nues - tro	co - ra -
vi - va.	Ver - bo de Dios,	te - ne - mos	sed	de
í - ces.	Por tu lle - ga -	da a - trá - e	nos a	
pa - sos.	Aun - que bus - ca -	mos, no hay	sa - tis - fac -	
tré - mo - nos.	El co - ra - zón	a - bra - mos	al Se -	
hi - zo,	De las mon - ta - ñas	y	ma - res,	el Crea -



you;	Come, light the hearts of all in dark and
Word;	Come, make us whole, be com - fort to our
you,	Our hope re - born in dy - ing and in
<u>zón.</u>	<i>Ven, con tu luz, a los que es - tán en</i>
<u>tí.</u>	<i>Ven y res - táu - ra - nos, sé nues - tro con -</i>
<u>ción.</u>	<i>Y por tu pas - cua da - nos la es - pe -</i>
<u>ñor.</u>	<i>Dios de la paz, en - sé - ña - nos tus</i>
<u>dor.</u>	<i>So - mos el pue - blo que Dios es - co -</i>
	<i>Es - tás a - quí, Se - ñor de las es -</i>



shad - ow.
hearts.
ris - ing.
<u>som</u> - bras.
<u>sue</u> - lo.
<u>ran</u> - za.
<u>sen</u> - das.
<u>gió.</u>
<u>tre</u> - llas.

Verses 4–6

4. O Key of Knowledge, guide us in our pilgrimage;
we ever seek, yet unfulfilled remain;
open to us the pathway of your peace.
5. Come, let us bow before the God who made us;
let ev'ry heart be opened to the Lord,
for we are all the people of his hand.
6. Here we shall meet the Maker of the heavens,
Creator of the mountains and the seas,
Lord of the stars, and present to us now.

Text: Psalm 95 and "O" Antiphons; Marty Haugen, b.1950; tr. by Ronald F. Krisman, b.1946
Tune: Marty Haugen, b.1950
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Reflection

4:30 p.m. & 10:30 a.m., “O thou, the central orb”
by Charles Wood (1866-1926)
text by Rev. Henry Ramsden Bramley (1833-1917)

O thou, the central orb of righteous love,
Pure beam of the most high, eternal life
Of this our wintry world, thy radiance bright
Awakes new joy in faith, hope soars above.
Come, quickly come, and let thy glory shine,
Gilding our darksome heaven with rays divine.
Thy saints with holy lustre round thee move,
As stars about thy throne, set in the height
Of God’s ordaining counsel, as they sight
Gives measur’d grace to each, thy power to prove.
Let thy bright beams disperse the gloom of sin,
Our nature all shall feel eternal day,
In fellowship with thee, transforming day.

Prayer after Communion

THE CONCLUDING RITES

Blessing & Dismissal

Recessional

“Come, O Long-Expected Jesus”
The music may be found on the following page.



1. Come, O long - ex - pect - ed Je - sus, Born to set your
2. Born your peo - ple to de - liv - er, Born a child, and



peo - ple free; From our fears and sins re - lease us;
yet a king; Born to reign in us for - ev - er,



Christ, in you our rest shall be. Is - rael's strength and
Now your grac - ious king - dom bring. By your own e -



con - so - la - tion, Hope to all the earth im - part;
ter - nal Spir - it Rule in all our hearts a - lone;



Dear de - sire of ev - 'ry na - tion,
By your all - suf - fi - cient mer - it



En - ter ev - 'ry long - ing heart.
Raise us to your glo - rious throne.

Text: Haggai 2:7; Charles Wesley, 1707–1788, alt.
Tune: JEFFERSON, 8 7 8 7 D; William Walker's *Southern Harmony*, 1855



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