

# Holy Redeemer Catholic Church

## The Nativity of the Lord, December 24, 2020

Rev. Fr. Jason Gries  
Deacon Kevin Bach

Welcome to Holy Redeemer parish for our celebration of the Nativity of the Lord. We are so glad that you are here with us, whether you are here with us weekly or are joining us for the first time. As we gather together we have taken a number of precautions to help protect you and others. We thank you for wearing a face covering and sanitizing your hands as you entered. We will be keeping our social distance within the pews by leaving two empty, numbered seats between you and the next group as well as following the lines on the floor for communion and exiting the church. We ask that as you approach for communion you leave your face covering on, cupping your hands so that the Eucharist may be placed into your cupped hands. After receiving the Eucharist, please step to the side to remove your mask & then consume the Eucharist. We ask that you not congregate inside after Mass. Thank you for working together with us to make this a safe place for everyone. We are so glad that you have joined us today and we look forward to worshipping with you again soon.



PLEASE STAND

PROCESSIONAL

O COME, ALL YE FAITHFUL

ADESTE FIDELES

Verses



1. O come, all ye faith - ful, joy - ful and tri - um - phant, O
2. † Sing, choirs of an - gels, sing in ex - ul - ta - tion, †
3. † Yea, Lord, we greet thee, born this hap - py morn - ing, †
4. *Ad - é - ste fi - dé - les, lae - ti tri - um - phán - tes, Ve -*



1. come ye, O come — ye to Beth - le - hem;
2. Sing, all ye cit - i - zens of heav'n a - bove!
3. Je - sus, to thee — be all glo - ry giv'n;
4. *ní - te, ve - ní - te in Béth - le - hem.*



1. Come and be - hold him, born the King of an - gels;
2. Glo - ry to God, all glo - ry in the high - est;
3. Word of the Fa - ther, now in flesh ap - pear - ing;
4. *Na - tum vi - dé - te Re - gem an - ge - ló - rum.*

Refrain



O come, let us a - dore him, O come, let us a - dore him, O  
*Ve - ní - te, a - do - ré - mus, ve - ní - te, a - do - ré - mus, ve -*



come, let us a - dore him, Christ, the Lord!  
*ní - te, a - do - ré - mus Dó - mí - num.*

Text: Irregular with refrain; John F. Wade, ca. 1711-1786;  
tr. by Frederick Oakeley, 1802-1880, alt. Music: John F. Wade.

# PENITENTIAL RITE

## GLORIA

### REFRAIN



Glo-ry! Glo-ry to God in the high-est. Glo-ry! Glo-ry to  
God in the high-est, and on earth peace to peo-ple of good will. *To Verses*

### VERSE 1



1. We praise you, we bless you, we a-dore you, we glo-ri-fy you,  
1. we give you thanks for your great glo - ry, Lord God,  
1. heav-en-ly King, O God, al-might-y Fa-ther. *To Refrain*

### VERSE 2



2. Lord Je-sus Christ, On-ly Be-got-ten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God,  
2. Son of the Fa - ther, — you take a - way the sins of the world,  
2. — have mer-cy on us; you take a - way the sins of the world,  
2. — re - ceive our prayer; you are seat - ed at the right  
2. hand of the Fa-ther, have mer-cy on us. *To Refrain*

VERSE 3



3. For you a-lone are the Ho-ly One, you a-lone are the



3. Lord, you a-lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ,



3. with the Ho - ly Spir-it, in the glo-ry of God the Fa-ther.

FINAL REFRAIN



Glo-ry! Glo-ry to God in the high - est.



Glo-ry! Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and on

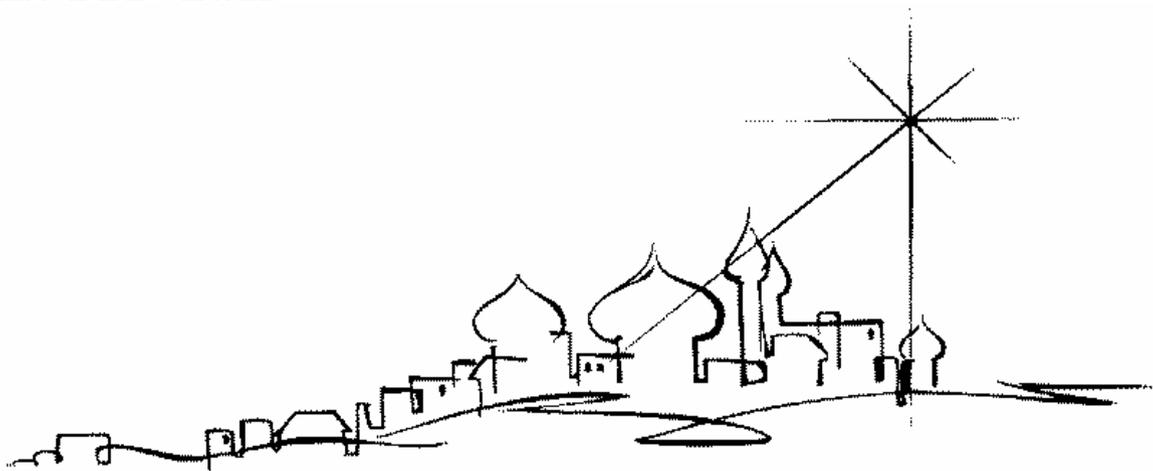


earth peace to peo-ple of good will. A - - men.

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## FIRST READING

Isaiah 9:1-6

A reading from the Book of the Prophet Isaiah

The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light;  
upon those who dwelt in the land of gloom a light has shone.  
You have brought them abundant Joy and great rejoicing,  
as they rejoice before you as at the harvest,  
as people make merry when dividing spoils.

For the yoke that burdened them, the pole on their shoulder,  
and the rod of their taskmaster you have smashed, as on the day of Midian.  
For every boot that tramped in battle, every cloak rolled in blood,  
will be burned as fuel for flames.

For a child is born to us, a son is given us; upon his shoulder dominion rests.  
They name him Wonder-Counselor, God-Hero, Father-Forever, Prince of Peace.  
His dominion is vast and forever peaceful, from David's throne,  
and over his kingdom, which he confirms and sustains  
by judgment and justice, both now and forever.

The zeal of the LORD of hosts will do this!

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

## RESPONSORIAL PSALM

### PSALM 96: TODAY OUR SAVIOR IS BORN

Jaime Cortez



To-day our Sav-ior is born! To-day our Sav-ior is born!



This is the day, this is the day, Christ, our Sav-ior is born!

1. Sing to our God a joyful song!  
Everyone bless God's name.  
Tell of God's wondrous deeds;  
sing to all the world.
2. Heaven be glad and earth rejoice,  
let every ocean roar!
3. Cry out with joy for God has come,  
come to rule the earth.  
God will rule the world with love,  
righteousness and truth.

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## SECOND READING

**Titus 2: 11-14**

A reading from the Letter of Saint Paul to Titus

Beloved:

The grace of God has appeared, saving all  
and training us to reject godless ways and worldly desires  
and to live temperately, justly, and devoutly in this age,  
as we await the blessed hope,  
the appearance of the glory of our great God  
and savior Jesus Christ,  
who gave himself for us to deliver us from all lawlessness  
and to cleanse for himself a people as his own,  
eager to do what is good.

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

**PLEASE STAND**

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

### ALLELUIA

*Mass of a Joyful Heart*  
Steve Angrisano and Tom Tomaszek

Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le -  
lu - ia. lu - ia.

1. Let your heart rejoice in the Lord.  
Let your word proclaim his deeds.  
Let your voice sing out to the world  
that our God has come to save.

2. Your words, Lord, are Spirit and life;  
you have the words of everlasting life.

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## GOSPEL

Luke 2: 1-14

The Lord be with you. **And with your spirit.**

A reading from the Gospel according to Luke. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

In those days a decree went out from Caesar Augustus that the whole world should be enrolled. This was the first enrollment, when Quirinius was governor of Syria. So all went to be enrolled, each to his own town. And Joseph too went up from Galilee from the town of Nazareth to Judea, to the city of David that is called Bethlehem, because he was of the house and family of David, to be enrolled with Mary, his betrothed, who was with child. While they were there, the time came for her to have her child, and she gave birth to her firstborn son. She wrapped him in swaddling clothes and laid him in a manger, because there was no room for them in the inn.

Now there were shepherds in that region living in the fields and keeping the night watch over their flock. The angel of the Lord appeared to them and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were struck with great fear.

The angel said to them, “Do not be afraid; for behold, I proclaim to you good news of great joy that will be for all the people. For today in the city of David a savior has been born for you who is Christ and Lord.

And this will be a sign for you: you will find an infant wrapped in swaddling clothes and lying in a manger.” And suddenly there was a multitude of the heavenly host with the angel, praising God and saying:

“Glory to God in the highest  
and on earth peace to those on whom his favor rests.”

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

***PLEASE BE SEATED***

**HOMILY**

Fr. Jason B. Gries

**PLEASE STAND**

**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,

*Pause and kneel.*

and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary,  
and became man.

*Pause and stand.*

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 life of the world to come. Amen.

# PLEASE BE SEATED

## PRESENTATION OF THE GIFTS

### CHRIST OUR LIGHT HAS COME

Steve Angrisano and Curtis Stephan



1. Still, come be still; let us hear the proph-ets call - ing.
2. Peace, there is peace; for new hope to - day is dawn - ing.
3. Here in this place let us stand in awe and won - der.



1. Still, come be still; let us hear the an - gels sing. For true
2. Peace, there is peace; come be - hold the face of God. In a
3. Here in this place we be - hold the mys - ter - y. For the



1. light has ar - rived to il - lu - mine our lives so of - ten be -
2. prom - ise ful - filled now his love is re - vealed; all heav - en and
3. mes - sage goes out; there is no room for doubt: the child now



1. set by the dark - ness. We find who we are in the
2. earth are re - joic - ing. Put a way all your fear for our
3. laid in a man - ger; true God and true man, now re -



1. light of the star on the way to our jour - ney's end.
2. path now is clear on the way to our jour - ney's end.
3. veal - ing the plan, 7/8 the way to our jour - ney's end.



Cast a - side all your fear and dread, come fol - low the light to



Beth - le - hem. The way of sal - va - tion re - vealed to all:



Christ our light has come, Christ our light has come.

**PLEASE STAND**

**EUCCHARISTIC ACCLAMATION**

**HOLY**

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

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**PLEASE KNEEL**

**MYSTERY OF FAITH**

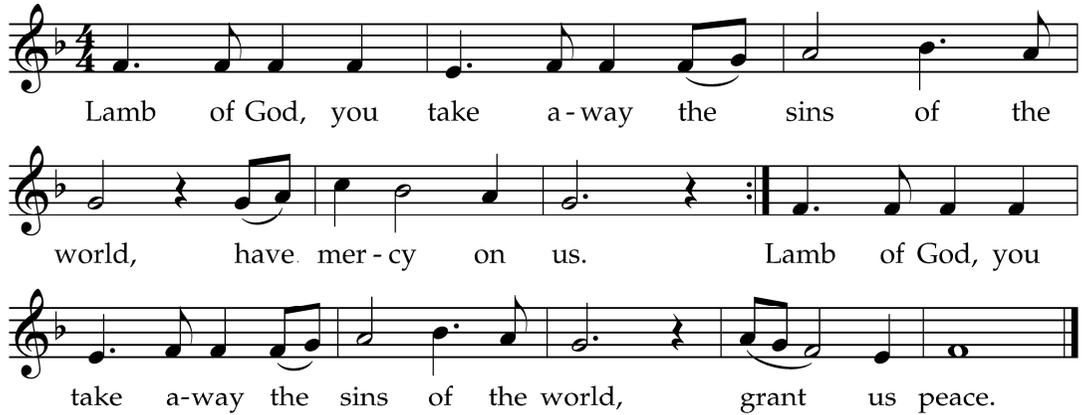
When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup,  
we pro-claim your Death, O Lord, un - til you  
come a - gain, un - til you come a - gain.

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## LAMB OF GOD



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.

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***PLEASE KNEEL***



## COMMUNION PROCESSIONAL

### WHAT CHILD IS THIS

GREENSLEEVES

Verses



1. What child is this, who, laid to rest, On Ma-ry's lap is
2. Why lies he in such mean es - tate Where ox and ass are
3. So bring him in - cense, gold, and myrrh, Come peas-ant, king, to



1. sleep - ing? Whom an - gels greet with an - thems sweet, While
2. feed - ing? Good Chris - tian, fear: for sin - ners here The
3. own him; The King of kings sal - va - tion brings, Let

Refrain



1. shep - herds watch are keep - ing? This, this is Christ the
2. si - lent Word is plead - ing.
3. lov - ing hearts en-throne him.



King, Whom shep-herds guard and an - gels sing; Haste,



haste to bring him laud, The babe, the son of Ma - ry.

This song may be combined with *Child of the Poor*; use accompaniment and instructions found for *Child of the Poor*.

Text: 87 87 with refrain; Bramley and Stainer's *Christmas Carols New and Old*, 1871; William C. Dix, 1837-1898.  
Music: Trad. English melody, 16th cent.; Bramley and Stainer's *Christmas Carols New and Old*, 1871.

# Silent Night, Holy Night



1. Si - lent night, ho - ly night, All is calm,  
2. Si - lent night, ho - ly night, Shep - herds quake  
3. Si - lent night, ho - ly night, Son of God,



all is bright Round yon Vir - gin Moth - er and Child,  
at the sight; Glo - ries stream from heav - en a - far,  
love's pure light Ra - diant beams from thy ho - ly face,



Ho - ly In - fant so ten - der and mild, Sleep in heav - en - ly  
Heav'n - ly hosts sing al - le - lu - ia; Christ, the Sav - ior, is  
With the dawn of re - deem - ing grace, Je - sus, Lord, at thy



peace, Sleep in heav - en - ly peace.  
born! Christ, the Sav - ior, is born!  
birth, Je - sus, Lord, at thy birth.

Text: *Stille Nacht, heilige Nacht*; Joseph Mohr, 1792-1849; tr. John F. Young, 1820-1885  
Tune: STILLE NACHT, 66 89 66; Franz X. Gruber, 1787-1863



**PLEASE STAND**

**PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

**SENDING FORTH**

**JOY TO THE WORLD**

ANTIOCH



1. Joy to the world! the Lord is come; Let earth re -  
2. Joy to the world! the Sav - ior reigns; Let us our  
3. He rules the world with truth and grace, And makes the



1. ceive her King; Let ev - 'ry heart pre - pare him  
2. songs em - ploy; While fields and floods, rocks, hills and  
3. na - tions prove The glo - ries of his righ - teous -



1. room, And heav'n and na - ture sing, And heav'n and na - ture  
2. plains Re - peat the sound - ing joy, Re - peat the sound - ing  
3. ness, And won - ders of his love, And won - ders of his



1. sing, And heav'n, and heav'n and na - ture sing.  
2. joy, Re - peat, re - peat the sound - ing joy.  
3. love, And won - ders, won - ders of his love.

Text: CM with repeats; based on Psalm 98; Isaac Watts, 1674–1748, alt.  
Music: T. Hawkes' *Collection of Tunes*, 1833; George Frideric Handel, 1685–1759.

*Fr. Jason, Deacon Kevin, Deacon Tom and the entire staff of Holy Redeemer wish you and your family a blessed Christmas. Even though this Christmas may be different in many ways from those of the past, we hope that you will still celebrate the greatest gift we have ever received in Jesus Christ. During these uncertain times of the pandemic, our faith is our surety and our strength. We pray that this celebration brings the light of Christ to your heart that you may share it with a world so desperately in need of it. May God bless you and your loved ones this day and always.*



## A Christmas Blessing

During this Christmas season,

may you be blessed with

the spirit of the season which is

# Peace

the gladness of the season which is

# Hope

and the heart of the season which is

# Love