

Sign of Peace

Fraction Litany

Musical notation for Fraction Litany with lyrics: 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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Communion Procession

The First Nowell

Musical notation for The First Nowell with lyrics: Now-ell, Now-ell, Now-ell, Now-ell, born is the King of Is-ra-el.

Silent Night

Musical notation for Silent Night with lyrics: 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'n-ly hosts sing al-le-lu-ia; Christ, the With the dawn of re-deem-ing grace, Je-sus, heav-en-ly peace, Sleep in heav-en-ly peace. Sav-ior, is born! Christ, the Sav-ior, is born! Lord, at thy birth, Je-sus, Lord, at thy birth.

Prayer After Communion

The Concluding Rites

Blessing & Dismissal

Recessional Hymn

Joy to the World!

Musical notation for Joy to the World! with lyrics: 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. No more let sins and sor-rows grow, Nor thorns in- 4. He rules the world with truth and grace, And makes the ceive her King; Let ev-'ry heart pre-pare him songs em-ploy; While fields and floods, rocks, hills, and fest the ground; He comes to make His bless-ings na-tions prove The glo-ries of his right-eous-room, And heav'n and na-ture sing, And heav'n and na-ture plains Re-peat the sound-ing joy, Re-peat the sound-ing flow Far as the curse is found, Far as the curse is ness, And won-ders of his love, And won-ders of his sing, And heav'n, and heav'n and na-ture sing. joy, Re-peat, re-peat the sound-ing joy. found, Far as, far as, the curse is found. love, And won-ders, won-ders of his love.

Text: Psalm 98; Isaac Watts, 1674-1748
Tune: ANTIOCH, CM with repeat; arr. from George F. Handel, 1685-1759, in T. Hawkes' Collection of Tunes, 1833

At Christmas, we celebrate the greatest gift of all—God’s gift of His Son, Jesus Christ. In response to this incredible generosity, we, as good stewards, are called to give back from the blessings we have received. Your financial support is essential to sustain our parish ministries, maintain our beautiful Cathedral, and spread the Gospel. This Christmas, please consider making a generous gift to help build up the Body of Christ and ensure our parish can thrive in the year ahead. Thank you for your faithful stewardship and for sharing in the joy of Christ’s birth.

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The Nativity of the Lord

Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament

Sacramento, California

The Twenty-Fifth of December, Two Thousand Twenty-Five

Processional Hymn

O Come, All Ye Faithful

Musical notation for O Come, All Ye Faithful with lyrics: 1. O come, all ye faith-ful, joy-ful and tri-um-phant, 2. Ad-é-ste fi-dé-les, laé-ti, tri-um-phán-tes, 3. Sing, choirs of an-gels, sing in ex-ul-ta-tion, 4. Yea, Lord, we greet thee, born this hap-py morn-ing, O come ye, O come ye to Beth-le-hem; Ve-ní-te, ve-ní-te in Béth-le-hem. Sing, all ye cit-i-zens of heav'n a-bove! Je-sus, to thee be all glo-ry giv'n; Come and be-hold him, born the King of an-gels; Na-tum vi-dé-te, Re-gem an-ge-ló-rum. Glo-ry to God, all glo-ry in the high-est; Word of the Fa-ther, now in flesh ap-pear-ing; O come, let us a-dore him, O come, let us a-dore him, Ve-ní-te a-do-ré-mus, ve-ní-te a-do-ré-mus, O come, let us a-dore him, Christ, the Lord! ve-ní-te a-do-ré-mus Dó-mi-num.

Sign of the Cross & Greeting

The 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, (and, striking their breast, they say): 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 ELEISON

Cantor/Choir, then ALL:

Ky-ri - e, e - le - i-son.

Cantor/Choir, then ALL:

Chri-ste, e - le - i-son.

Cantor/Choir:

Ky-ri - e, e - le - i-son.

ALL:

Ky-ri - e, e - le-i-son.

Music: Missa de Angelis

GLORIA

Glo - - - ri-a in ex-cel-sis De - o,

glo - - - ri-a in ex-cel-sis De - o.

Music: GLORIA. French carol.

Verses [Cantor/Choir]

- Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people 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, O God, almighty Father.
- Lord Jesus Christ, Only-begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us; you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer. you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us.
- For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

✠ The Liturgy of the Word ✠

READING I

Isaiah 9:1-6

A son is given us.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 96

All the ends of the earth have seen the sav-ing pow - er of God.

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READING II

Titus 2:11-14

The grace of God has appeared to all.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION & VERSE

Christmastime Alleluia

Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia,

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

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GOSPEL PROCLAMATION

Luke 2:1-14

Today a Savior has been born for you.

PROFESSION OF FAITH: THE NICENO-CONSTANTINOPOLITAN CREED

Today as we recite the Creed, the Church invites us to genuflect where indicated in order to show that we accept the great reality of the Incarnation of the Son of God.

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,

[genuflect] *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.

THE UNIVERSAL PRAYER

℣ Let us call upon the Lord: ℟ Strengthen us in hope, O Lord.

✠ The Liturgy of the Eucharist ✠

PREPARATION OF THE GIFTS

Hark! The Herald Angels Sing

- Hark! the herald angels sing: “Glory to the newborn King; Peace on earth, and mercy mild, God and sinners reconciled!” Joyful, all ye nations, rise, Join the triumph of the skies; With angelic hosts proclaim: “Christ is born in Bethlehem!” Hark! the herald angels sing, “Glory to the newborn King.”

- Christ, by highest heav’n adored, Christ, the everlasting Lord; Late in time, behold him come, Offspring of a virgin’s womb. Veiled in flesh the Godhead see! Hail th’incarnate Deity! Pleased as man with us to dwell; Jesus, our Emmanuel! Hark! the herald angels sing, “Glory to the newborn King.”
- Hail the heav’n-born Prince of Peace! Hail the Sun of Righteousness! Light and life to all he brings, Ris’n with healing in his wings. Mild he lays his glory by, Born that we no more may die, Born to raise us from the earth, Born to give us second birth. Hark! the herald angels sing, “Glory to the newborn King.”

Text: 77 77 D with refrain; Charles Wesley, 1707–1788, alt.
Music: Felix Mendelssohn, 1809–1847; adapt. by William H. Cummings, 1831–1915.

SANCTUS

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.

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MYSTERIUM FIDEI

We pro-claim your Death, O Lord, and pro-fess your

Res - ur - rec - tion un - til you come a - gain.

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AMEN

A - men, a - men, a - men.

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THE LORD’S PRAYER