

# IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

“A Pennsylvania Charitable Trust”

December 18, 2022

THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

A Parish of the Diocese of Greensburg



## SACRAMENTS

### ANOINTING OF THE SICK

The sacrament is available during Confession hour and after each Mass per request.

### MATRIMONY

Couples wishing to celebrate the Sacrament of Matrimony must contact a priest of the parish one year in advance of the wedding. Diocesan regulations require that couples begin to work with the parish at least one year prior to a wedding.

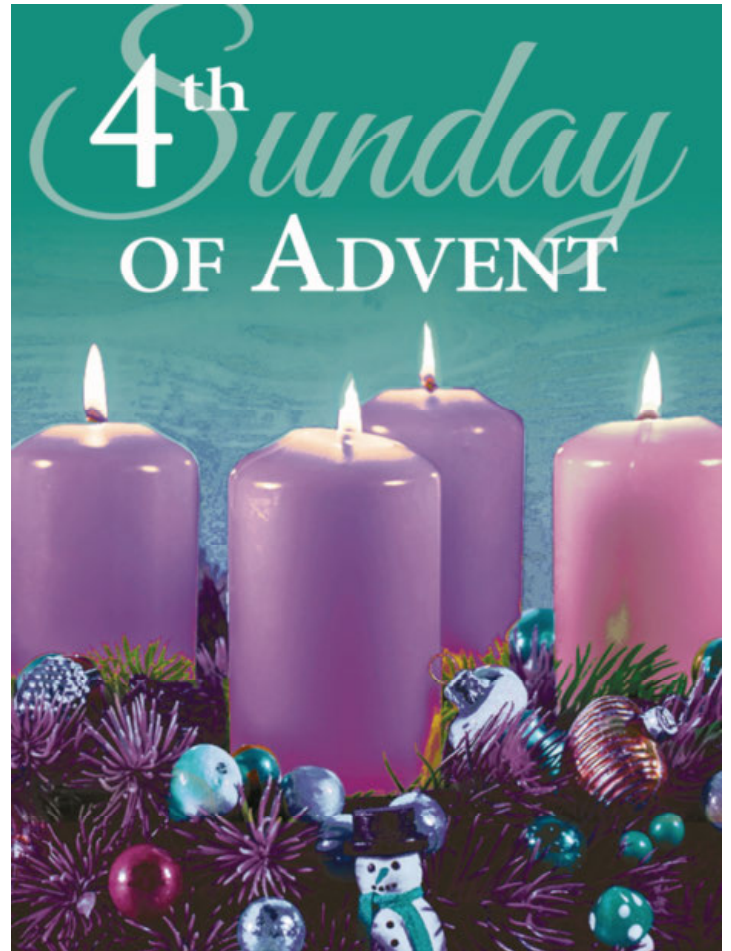
### BAPTISM

Families of our parish who wish to have their child baptized should call the parish office to register for Baptism Prep. Please call well in advance of birth of your child.

### CONFESSION

Anytime by appointment

Tuesday: 5:15 - 6:15 p.m.; Saturdays: 9:00 - 10:00 a.m.



## MASS SCHEDULE

### Saturday, December 17

8:00 a.m. Hedy Dezorzi (Family)

4:30 p.m. Bob Gutwald (Family)

### Sunday, December 18

8:00 a.m. Charleane Richardson  
(Kurt & Janet)

10:00 a.m. Ralph DiBridge (Rod)

11:30 a.m. Our Parish Family

### Monday, December 19

7:45 a.m. Lydia Detman (Friend)

6:30 p.m. **Penance Service at**

**Immaculate Conception**

### Tuesday, December 20

7:45 a.m. John & Theresa Carrera  
(Family)

6:30 p.m. **No Evening Mass**

**Penance Service at Seton**

### Wednesday, December 21

7:45 a.m. Tom Agnew (Jody)

### Thursday, December 22

7:45 a.m. Elaine Baker (Dan)

### Friday, December 23

7:45 a.m. Hailey Cox (Boccabella)

### Saturday, December 24

8:00 a.m. Liddie Blank (Office Staff)

4:00 p.m. Pat, John, Don Huemme  
(Family)

6:00 p.m. Michael Scott Borland (Mom)

8:00 p.m. Michele Ruby (Ed & Paulette)

Midnight Judd Shiffler (Mom & Dad)

### Sunday, December 25

9:30 a.m. Our Parish Family

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CLOSED 12:00 NOON • 1:00 pm

## IC's On The Corner Event Planner

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## Operation Safe Mode (OSM)

Sunday 8:00 am Mass  
[www.YouTube.com/operationsafemode](http://www.YouTube.com/operationsafemode)

## Queen of Angels Catholic School

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## St. Vincent DePaul

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724-691-3711

**The Parish Office will be Closed** during the Christmas Holiday - Thursday December 22nd at Noon - Monday December 26th. The Office **Will be Open at Noon** on Tuesday December 27th through December 30th.

<i>Christmas Eve and Christmas Day Mass Schedule</i>
<b>Christmas Eve</b> 4:00 p.m., 6:00 p.m., 8:00 p.m. & 12:00 Midnight
<b>Christmas Day</b> 9:30 a.m. <b>*For Regional Mass Times see page 8</b>

**Mass for New Year's Eve and New Year's Day will be at the regular weekend Mass Schedule**

**Saturday 4:30 pm**

**Sunday 8:00 am; 10:00 am; and 11:30 am**

**'Tis the Season! We are looking for a few good men, women, and teens to help the Decorating Committee prepare our church for Christmas** with climbing ladders, decorating trees, setting up nativities and poinsettias, hanging wreaths, etc. on **Thursday, December 22nd at 6:30 pm**. Questions? Call Sandy, 724-863-5860. This is a good opportunity for those needing community service. Something for everyone!



### **We are in need of leaders for Children's Liturgy of the Word!!**

Children's Liturgy of the Word is a time where the Scripture readings from Mass are read to children and explained on their level. Once they participate in the Liturgy of the Word, they return to the church and their families for the Liturgy of the Eucharist. At immaculate Conception, we strive to offer this important ministry at every Mass year round. We are in need of more adults who are willing to lead our children to Christ through the Scriptures! We are looking for help at all of our Masses, but especially at 4:30 on Saturdays to get up and running at that Mass. The commitment is usually once a month. Clearances are required, but we can help you get through that process and provide training. Please consider helping with this beautiful and important Ministry. There will be a training in January date TBA. Please contact Susan Cheplic [skcheplic@dioceseofgreensburg.org](mailto:skcheplic@dioceseofgreensburg.org) for more information.

**We  
Need  
Your  
Help  
Please**

Sign Up Sheets for Christmas Eve, Christmas Day, New Year's Eve and New Year's Day for all Ministers are available in the Hall outside of the Children's Liturgy Room

## This Week on the Corner



### Knights of Columbus St Jude Council

**9019** - will have their monthly meeting on Monday December 19, 2022, at St Agnes, and Resurrection Hall. The meeting starts at 7:15 with

the Rosary. St Jude Council covers the parishes of IC, St Agnes, and St Elizabeth Ann Seton. If you are interested in joining the Knights, or would like to transfer to our Council, please contact Al Borgony at 724-864-3487 or Email:

[a.borgony@comcast.net](mailto:a.borgony@comcast.net) ,or you can check out our website at [kofc.org](http://kofc.org) and join online.

December 18th, 7:00PM

## Lessons and Carols

Celebrate the birth of Christ through scripture and song at Immaculate Conception's Festival of Lessons and Carols

### Last Minute Stocking Stuffers - The 2023



### Lottery Calendars are still

**available** for purchase at Immaculate Conception Parish Office. Each calendar is \$30 and offers chances to win each day of the year. Cash or checks (payable to St.

Anne Home) are accepted. They make perfect gifts! Their sale expands programs and services for residents as well as their campus facility. Thanks for your continued support of St. Anne Home. Proceeds benefit St. Anne's Home in Greensburg. Give the gift that gives all year!



### FAITH FORMATION -

**Grades 1-2 - Faith Formation for Public School Students,** Saturday January 7th, 9:00 am - 10:30 am 2nd Floor of the Administration Building

**Grades 3-6 – Faith Formation for Public School Students,** Monday, January 9th, 6:00 – 7:30 pm, 2nd Floor of the Administration Building

**7<sup>th</sup> Grade Faith Formation**– Class will be Monday January 16th from 6:00-7:15pm in Our Lady's Plaza at Immaculate Conception.

**8<sup>th</sup> Grade Faith Formation**– Class will be Monday January 16th from 7:45 to 9pm in Our Lady's Plaza at Immaculate Conception.



**SAVE THE DATE!!!**

**Immaculate Conception Parish**  
10th Annual Night at the Races  
**Saturday, February 11, 2023**  
More details will be coming soon!

If you are interested in volunteering for the Night of the Races or donating a gift basket for the raffles please contact the Parish Office at 724.863.9550. Thank you.

## THANK YOU!!!!

**Christian Mothers/Women's Guild:** Thank you to all who attended the Christian Mothers/Women's Guild Christmas Luncheon on Sunday December 4<sup>th</sup> and to all those who worked effortlessly to make it so successful. A special thank for all of the gift cards that were donated and will be used to help the needy this time of the year. Wishing you Christmas blessings throughout the Christmas Season.

### Breakfast with Santa



**Thank you to everyone who participated in the Santa Breakfast!** We appreciate everyone who attended and the volunteers

who made the event possible! It was wonderful to see this event return to our community!

# 4 FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

## Thoughts from the Pastor

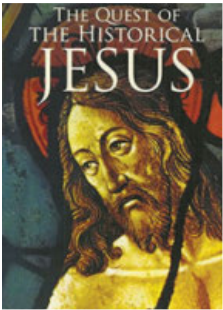
### STEWARDS OF THE GARDEN OF HISTORY: An Advent Perspective

Winston Churchill once said “*one who fails to learn from history is doomed to repeat it.*” This ambiguous statement leaves room for much interpretation and so does history itself. The easy lesson that history can be applied to all the gardens of our lives as stewards. “if you plant potatoes.... You get potatoes. History provides us a look at the recipe for both success and failure. History may present itself as a linear experience of time and a progression of knowledge leading to further great discoveries and accomplishments but in reality, it remains a constant. It is consistent in the challenges of living a purposeful life in an ever-changing world.



*The constant is us in our relationship with God.* God reveals himself and history becomes a response to that revelation. To truly understand the history of man we must know it in the context of his desire to know the infinite. The *Advent Season* is the **time of waiting**, of celebrating the moment that the history of man became the history of God-Jesus Christ– the incarnate Truth.

THE HISTORICAL JESUS: The History Channel often has intriguing stories of “Decoding the Past” an unraveling the mystery of the Jesus of Nazareth. Who was this man? Did he really exist? In their pursuit to answer this question they examine historical documents and chronological evidence that validate his place in time and history. The approach however to this **decoding** of the past is to *simplify his existence as merely human* and not of any greater significance. A prophet among so many others... a teacher of morality with a touch of magical deceptions of the day to keep the crowds interested. Jesus was a historical figure but if only a man he too would have faded into the pages of ancient history along with the many other promising saviors of the time.



But the Catholic Catechism defines Jesus’ moment in history in the relationship of man and God in this way:

***423 We believe and confess that Jesus of Nazareth, born a Jew of a daughter of Israel at Bethlehem at the time of King Herod the Great and the emperor Caesar Augustus, a carpenter by trade, who died crucified in Jerusalem under the procurator Pontius Pilate during the reign of the emperor Tiberius, is the eternal Son of God made man. He 'came from God', 'descended from heaven', and 'came in the flesh'.***

The proclamation “is the son of God made man” changes the historical Jesus from being confused as a player in history to being the **key of revelation for all of history**. Once Jesus came into the world history no longer was linear but cyclical for what was in the past is the present and the future. God always was and will be– and man in relationship with him– will always be as well.

SALVATION HISTORY When one studies the history of man in relationship with God through the chronicles of time. It becomes more obvious that man’s need for God was not to provide earthly fulfillment but to provide a purpose of existence. Great societies, governments, nations and people mark the entrails of time, but always in the height of their success, they become interested in the one thing they cannot provide for themselves– **eternal existence**– a life without end.



Man could not save himself from death-no matter how faithful he was to a superior being– He could not join himself to the status of the Eternal. One way alone could such a feat be accomplished – since man could not go to God – God needed to come to man. As we learn, through our Judeo-Christian tradition, death is a result of sin. Sin, in turn, is the fall of man that he alone cannot overcome. A savior, in fact, God himself, must come to free us from our mortal lives and join us to his eternal status. But since sin is through the flesh it is in the flesh that we must be rescued.

The Catechism continues:

*For 'the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, full of grace and truth; we have beheld his glory, glory as of the only Son from the Father. . . And from his fullness have we all received, grace upon grace.... and redemption from ourselves.*

COME LORD JESUS COME!! In fear that we forget our history—and be doomed to repeat it - the Church through its liturgical celebration reminds, prepares and teaches us the greatest story ever told. The Story that happened in a precise time of history – a child born of a woman – in Bethlehem in a manger—the son of God made flesh. Born to bring God to man and man to God through revealing the truth and sacrificing his life for the salvation of all. ***This is the chapter of the history of man that never needs to be repeated***, for once accomplished in time effects all times and all people. This moment is when history stops being a record of man’s progress and becomes the record of Hope!! Take this time in the final week of Advent to become historians of the greatest event recorded. ***Believe it. Hope in it.*** Never forget it and repeat it for all to hear and see through your life! For remembering this bit of history will lead us to victory of life itself.



### **In Silence, Joseph hears and Responds to the Will of God**

“When Joseph awoke, he did as the angel of the Lord had commanded him.”



When God wanted to speak to Saint Joseph, he sent an angel in a dream. Was this because a Flesh-and-blood angel would have frightened him? Or was it because Joseph, a “righteous” man, was already so exquisitely attuned to the Lord’s Promptings that he needed only a whisper in a dream to hear and respond? That he acts right away, with all his heart, suggest the latter. But, whatever the case, the Lord spoke to Joseph in the way that Joseph could best understand.

“Let me sleep on it” is a saying we use when we need more time for discernment and not more time for suggestions, fear, anxiety or direction. To sleep on our problems is allowing our mind, heart and will to fall away leaving one self subjected to the calmness of God’s peace and the strength of the Holy Spirit to speak to our soul. The angels voice to Joseph was clear and direct disposing him to right judgement and the certitude of God’s will and plan. All fears were put to rest when the soul is awakened to God’s voice.

Angels are the messengers in prayer. One must be at rest (peace) allowing the silence to be broken only by the Harmonic voice of God’s love and Truth. In that moment one’s desires and fears are set aside and the humbling response to His call is that of a servant of love.

God speaks to each of us in the same intimate way. Sometimes we may desire the quality time of another but God wants us to experience silent prayer with him instead. Sometimes we may seek answers to our fears and God wants us to feel that inner warmth of consolation and hope. He may use the voice of others to speak His message of love and affirmation (like the angels of old) to reassure us of our self-worth in our role as silent example to others.

Escaping the cacophony of the worldly enticements begins with falling into the peace and sleep of prayer. This place of solitude is often found in the sanctity of the Church. His whisper of love may be a call to the Sacrament of Reconciliation; or the intimacy of sitting in adoration. He may speak to you in the night alone in the dark of the church through the calmness of the burning candles touching both your heart and soul with fortitude and conviction.

The silence of Joseph is not only captured in the dreams for which he was afforded but in the quiet reflection of his inner being on the road to Bethlehem; at the birth of the Christ-child in the stable and on the road to Egypt while avoiding the wrath of Herod. *Saint Joseph’s silence while awake was the peaceful affirmation of the answer given in his sleep.*

***Heavenly Father, thank you for Saint Joseph, the patron of all who seek to hear and respond. This Christmas, grant me a heart exquisitely attuned to your perfect language of love.***

*EXAMINATION OF CONSCIENCE***“I give you my heart”**

For the times that I failed to give you my heart when I did not:

- See you in the world around me
- Love you above things, others and myself
- Show my love in the careless use of your Divine name
- Love you by failing to fulfill my Sunday or Holyday obligations
- “Open my lips to praise you” in prayer during the day and at night

**“I give you my soul”**

For the time that I failed to give you my soul when:

- I did not focus on your divine presence within but instead
- Was impure in my thoughts words and actions
- Coveted the gifts and talents of others
- Received Eucharist unworthily by failing to make a necessary confession

**“I give you my mind”**

For the time that I failed to give you my mind when I:

- Was full of self love, pride, arrogance and self righteousness
- Did not take time to read the scriptures
- Did not participate in ongoing education or instruction for my children

For the times I ignored the teachings of the Church dealing with:

- Sexual behavior and conduct
- Matters of fasting, abstinence and other faith disciplines
- Matters of stewardship
- Matters of beliefs only picking and choosing what I “feel” is right

**“ I give you my strength”**

For the times that I failed to be:

- Patient and trusting in your will
- Accepting of my own pain and sufferings
- Accepting of outcomes that did not favor me
- Lied to protect my own imperfections

**“Love my neighbor as myself”**

When I have:

- Disobeyed or neglected my parents
- Become jealous and judgmental
- Bore false witness
- Ignored the poor, hungry and lonely
- Failed to reach out to others in need

## Candles

**Sanctuary Candle:** In Memory of Bob Brackney by Irwin Lodge #236

**Easter Flame Candle:** In Memory of Vilichka Vasileva by friends

**Divine Mercy Candle:** In Memory Jerold Gesmond by Dan & Joan

**St. Peregrine Candle:** In Memory of Michael Scott Borland by Mom

**Altar Candles for the Month of December:**  
In Memory of Jud Shiffler by Family

**ADVENT Candles** In Memory of Joe, Jinny, Beverly, Mary Jo and John Ott



### December 18th - 4th Sunday of Advent

Isaiah	7:10-14
Romans	1:1-7
Matthew	1:18-24

### December 25th - Christmas

Isaiah	62:1-5
Acts	13:16-17; 22-25
Matthew	1:18-25

### Prayers and Sympathy

Prayers and sympathy for the family of Louise Polczynski who died recently. May she rest in Peace.



**No Eucharistic Adoration Tuesday  
December 20th due to the Penance  
Service at Seton**

**Join us for the Divine Mercy Chaplet Monday  
through Friday at 3:00 PM.**

## Stewardship Corner

### Weekly Offering

Sunday Offertory Week of Nov 26-27, 2022	\$15,835.28
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OSV Online Giving 11/28 to 12/4/22	\$4,042.12
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Offerings may not be listed during the Christmas season due to the timeliness of getting our bulletins to the publisher to meet our accelerated submission and printing deadlines.

## Angels Corner

### Mark your Calendars for the Queen of Angels Family Christmas Celebration

**Monday December 19, 2022, at 6:30 PM** in our school auditorium. Queen of Angels is excited to invite our school family to come together to celebrate the Christmas season. Our K-8 students will perform the nativity story, "Sing With Us - The Christmas Story. We all then enjoy Christmas carols and much more! All Are Welcome!

Diocese of Gallup  
Office of Mission Resources

*"The Mission of the Church in America Today: The New Evangelization."*  
-Pope John Paul II, Ecclesia in America

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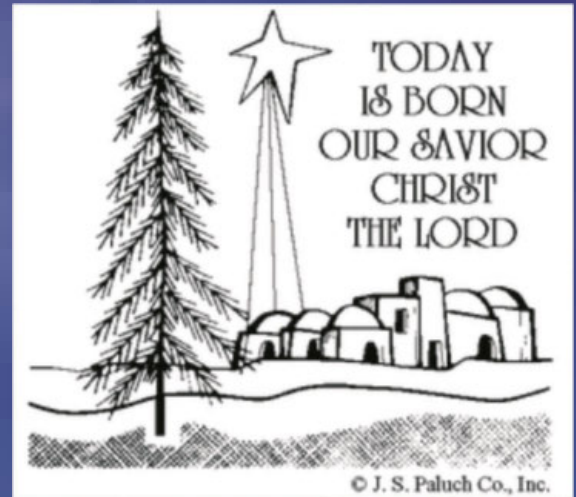
**Don't forget that Immaculate Conception has  
online giving available to our members.  
<https://www.icirwin.org/giving/funds>**

# Christmas Schedule 2022

**REGIONAL PENANCE SERVICES:**

- Tuesday, December 13 ..... 6:30 p.m.  
St. Agnes, North Huntingdon
- Monday, December 19 ..... 6:30 p.m.  
Immaculate Conception, Irwin
- Tuesday, December 20 ..... 6:30 p.m.  
St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, North Huntingdon

*Please see parish bulletin for additional confession times.*



**REGIONAL MASS SCHEDULE:**

	<u>St. Agnes</u>	<u>Immaculate Conception</u>	<u>St. Elizabeth Ann Seton</u>
<i>Christmas Eve</i> <b>Saturday, December 24</b>	(No Morning Mass) 4:00 p.m., 6:00 p.m., 8:00 p.m. & 10:00 p.m.	4:00 p.m., 6:00 p.m., 8:00 p.m. & 12:00 midnight	4:00 p.m. & 8:00 p.m.
<i>Christmas Day</i> <b>Sunday, December 25</b>	10:30 a.m.	9:30 a.m.	9:00 a.m.
<i>New Year's Eve</i> <b>Saturday, December 31</b>		8:00 a.m. 4:30 p.m.	
<i>New Year's Day</i> <b>Sunday, January 1</b> <i>Solemnity of Mary the Holy Mother of God</i>	9:00 a.m. 11:15 a.m.	8:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 11:30 a.m.	8:30 a.m. 11:30 a.m.



“Behold, the virgin shall be with child and bear a son, and they shall name him *Emmanuel*” which means “God is with us”





**Visit on Thursday, December 29  
between 1:00PM and 4:00PM to tour  
Saint Vincent Basilica, a local historic treasure.**

**The perfect family holiday outing!**

**Tours and light refreshments.**

No reservations necessary.

Contact Erin at the Parish Office  
for more information

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## IMMACULATE CONCEPTION PARISH

Irwin, Pennsylvania

Office of Liturgical Music Ministry

## THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

December 18, 2022 - Order of the Mass

## VOCATIONS PRAYER

Lord Jesus, raise up from our homes those called by the Father:  
 courageous and humble men to the Priesthood, generous servants to the Permanent Diaconate,  
 faithful people to Consecrated Life, and holy men and women to the Sacrament of Marriage.  
 Holy Spirit, help us to live our universal vocation to holiness by listening to the Father's voice and  
 responding with a sacrificial love. Holy Mary, Model of vocations, pray for us.

## PROCESSIONAL HYMN

Savior of the Nations, Come



1. Sav - ior of the na - tions, come; Vir - gin's Son, make  
 2. Not by hu - man flesh and blood, But the Spir - it  
 3. Won - drous birth! O won - drous child Of the Vir - gin  
 4. From God's heart the Sav - ior speeds, Back to God his  
 5. Bright - ly does Christ's man - ger shine, Glo - rious is its



here your home. Mar - vel now, O heav'n and earth,  
 of our God, Was the Word of God made flesh,  
 un - de - filed! Ver - y God, and Mar - y's son,  
 path - way leads; Out to van - quish death's com - mand,  
 light di - vine. Night can - not this light sub - due;

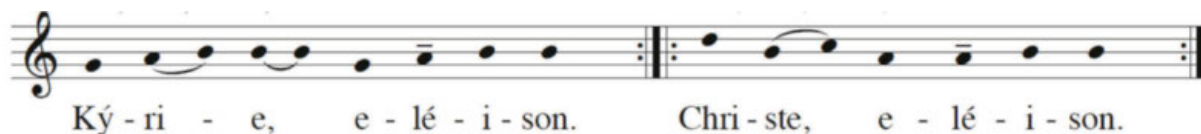


That the Lord chose such a birth.  
 Wom - an's off - spring, pure and fresh.  
 Ea - ger now his race to run!  
 Back to reign at God's right hand.  
 Let our faith shine ev - er new.

Text: *Veni Redemptor gentium*; ascr. to St. Ambrose of Milan, 340–397; German tr. by Martin Luther, 1483–1546; English tr. sts. 1–3, 5 by William M. Reynolds, 1812–1876, alt.; st. 4 by Martin L. Seltz, 1909–1967, alt., © 2006, Augsburg Fortress  
 Tune: NUN KOMM DER HEIDEN HEILAND, 77 77; *Geistliche Gesangbüchlein*, Wittenberg, 1524

## KYRIE

## Chant



(Then repeat the first Kyrie.)

## THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

## FIRST READING

Isaiah 7:10-14

The LORD spoke to Ahaz, saying: Ask for a sign from the LORD, your God; let it be deep as the netherworld, or high as the sky! But Ahaz answered, "I will not ask! I will not tempt the LORD!" Then Isaiah said: Listen, O house of David! Is it not enough for you to weary people, must you also weary my God? Therefore the Lord himself will give you this sign: the virgin shall conceive, and bear a son, and shall name him Emmanuel.

The Word of the Lord.  
Thanks be to God.

## RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 24  
Steven Janco

*Let the Lord enter, he is the king of glory.*

## SECOND READING

Romans 1:1-7

Paul, a slave of Christ Jesus, called to be an apostle and set apart for the gospel of God, which he promised previously through his prophets in the holy Scriptures, the gospel about his Son, descended from David according to the flesh, but established as Son of God in power according to the Spirit of holiness through resurrection from the dead, Jesus Christ our Lord. Through him we have received the grace of apostleship, to bring about the obedience of faith, for the sake of his name, among all the Gentiles, among whom are you also, who are called to belong to Jesus Christ; to all the beloved of God in Rome, called to be holy. Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

The Word of the Lord.  
Thanks be to God.

## GOSPEL READING

Matthew 1:18-24

This is how the birth of Jesus Christ came about. When his mother Mary was betrothed to Joseph, but before they lived together, she was found with child through the Holy Spirit. Joseph her husband, since he was a righteous man, yet unwilling to expose her to shame, decided to divorce her quietly. Such was his intention when, behold, the angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream and said, "Joseph, son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary your wife into your home. For it is through the Holy Spirit that this child has been conceived in her. She will bear a son and you are to name him Jesus, because he will save his people from their sins." All this took place to fulfill what the Lord had said through the prophet: *Behold, the virgin shall conceive and bear a son, and they shall name him Emmanuel*, which means "God is with us." When Joseph awoke, he did as the angel of the Lord had commanded him and took his wife into his home.

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



# 12

## 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, 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 life of the world to come. Amen.

## PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

### THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

#### PREPARATION OF GIFTS

#### The Angel Gabriel From Heaven Came



1. The an - gel Ga - bri - el from heav - en came, His  
2. "For know a bless - ed Moth - er you shall be, All  
3. Then gen - tle Ma - ry meek - ly bowed her head; "To  
4. Of her, Em - man - u - el, the Christ, was born In



1. wings as drift - ed snow, his eyes as flame; "All  
2. gen - er - a - tions praise con - tin - ual - ly, Your  
3. me be as it pleas - es God!" she said. "My  
4. Beth - le - hem, all on a Christ - mas morn; And



1. hail," said he, "O low - ly maid - en Ma - ry,"  
2. Son shall be Em - man - u - el, by seers fore - told."  
3. soul shall laud and mag - ni - fy his ho - ly name."  
4. Chris - tian folk through - out the world will ev - er say: } "Most



1-4. high - ly fa - vored la - dy!" Glo - ri - a!

Text: 10 10 12 10; *Birgina gaztettobat zegoen*; Trad. Basque Carol; tr. by Sabine Baring-Gould, 1834-1924, alt.  
Music: Trad. Basque Carol Melody.

## EUCCHARISTIC ACCLAMATIONS

Heritage Mass  
Owen Aslott

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

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We pro - claim your Death, O Lord, and pro - fess your  
Res-ur-rec-tion un - til you come, un - til you come a - gain.

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

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## AGNUS DEI

Chant, Mass XVIII

A-gnus De - i, qui tol - lis pec - cá - ta mun - di: mi - se - ré - re no - bis. *(repeat)*  
A - gnus De - i, qui tol - lis pec - cá - ta mun - di: do - na no - bis pa - cem.

Music: Vatican Edition XVIII; acc. by Richard Proulx

COMMUNION HYMN

My Soul Rejoices

Refrain

My soul re-joic-es in God, my Sav-ior. My spir-it finds its  
joy in God, the liv-ing God.

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RECESSIONAL HYMN

O Come, Divine Messiah

VENEZ, DIVIN MESSIE

Verses

1. O come, di-vine Mes-si-ah; The world in  
2. O Christ, whom na-tions sigh for, Whom priest and  
3. You come in peace and meek-ness And low-ly  
si-lence waits the day When hope shall sing its  
2. proph-et long fore-told, Come, break the cap-tive's  
3. will your cra-dle be; All clothed in hu-man  
1. tri-umph And sad-ness flee a-way.  
2. fet-ters, Re-deem the long-lost fold.  
3. weak-ness Shall we your God-head see.

Refrain

Dear Sav-ior, haste! Come, come to earth. Dis-pel the  
night and show your face, and bid us hail the dawn of grace. O  
come, di-vine Mes-si-ah; the world in si-lence waits the day when  
hope shall sing its tri-umph and sad-ness flee a-way.

Text: 78 76 with refrain; Abbé Simon-Joseph Pellegrin, 1663-1745; tr. by S. Mary of St. Philip, 1877.  
Music: Trad. French Carol, 16th cent.

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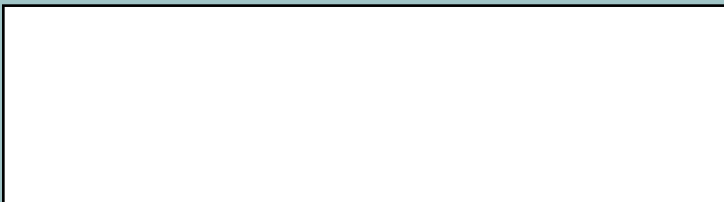
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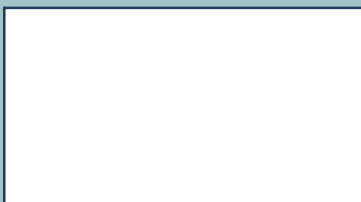


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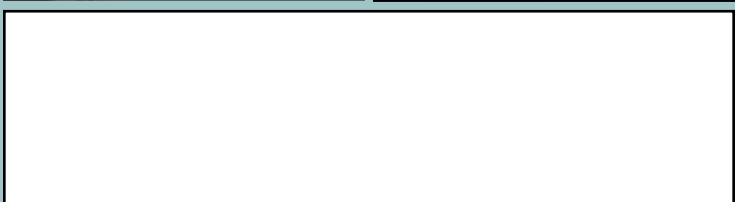


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