



The Preaching of John the Baptist, Bartholomeus Breenbergh, 1598–1657, Dutch,
Metropolitan Museum of Art, NY

The Second Sunday of Advent

11 a.m. Solemn High Mass + December 4, 2022

Church of the Ascension, Chicago

Sun Dec 4 The Second Sunday of Advent, 9 a.m. & 11 a.m.
 Waiting with the O Antiphons, Library, 1 p.m. (*see below*)
 Organ Recital, 3:30 p.m. followed by Evensong and Benediction, 4 p.m.

Wed Dec 7 Said Mass at 6:30 p.m., Ambrose, Bishop of Milan

Thu Dec 8 Sung Mass at 6:30 p.m. Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Sat Dec 10 Advent Quiet Morning, 9 a.m. - 12 p.m. (*see below*)

Sun Dec 11 The Third Sunday of Advent, 9 a.m. & 11 a.m.
 Waiting with the O Antiphons, Library, 1 p.m. (*see below*)

Save the Date: Advent Quiet Morning, Saturday, December 10, 9 a.m. - 12 p.m.
 Take a break from the holiday rush this month with a quiet morning of prayerful rest and reflection. Our theme will be Waiting. A light breakfast will be provided.

Waiting with the O Antiphons, Sundays during Advent

Advent is a time of waiting for the light of Christ. But it is not passive waiting. We actively seek the light of Christ in prayer, calling out the ancient names for the Incarnate One in what are known as the O Antiphons.

Following coffee hour after the Solemn High Mass (around 1 p.m.), we'll gather in the Library to learn more about the antiphons, and how we might use them to prepare our own hearts for the birth of Christ. We'll listen to these Antiphons chanted in Latin, read them in English, and reflect on them using Malcome Guite's O Antiphon-inspired sonnets.

We have copies of Malcome Guite's *Waiting on the Word* for a suggested donation of \$5. For more information, please contact Mtr. Murphy-Gill.

Please silence all electronic devices that may distract you or others from worship.

Cameras in the church are for the purposes of live-streaming and/or recording our liturgies and music, but anyone in the church may be incidentally viewed.



ORGAN

Präludium BuxWV 149

Dietrich Buxtehude (1637-1707)

ENTRANCE RITE

Please stand as you are able as the Ministers enter. The Altar, Ministers and People are aspersed, sprinkled with holy water, a reminder of our baptism as we prepare to worship God. During the Introit, the Altar is censed.

Opening Hymn 65

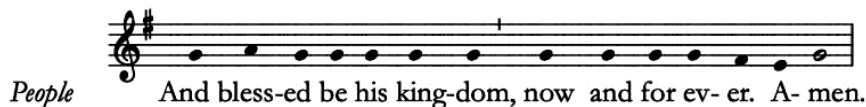
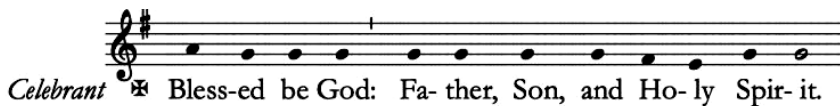
BEREDEN VÄG FÖR HERRAN

Introit "Populus Sion" (Ps. 79) Mode VII

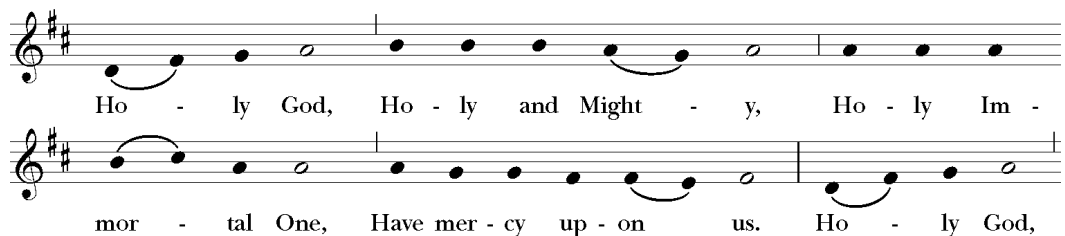
Populus Sion, ecce Dominus veniet ad salvandas gentes: et auditam faciet Dominus gloriam vocis suae in laetitia cordis vestri. Ps. Qui regis Israel intende: qui deducis velut ovem, Joseph. V. Gloria Patri, et Filio, et Spiritui Sancto. Sicut erat in principio, et nunc, et semper, et in saecula saeculorum. Amen. Populus Sion ...

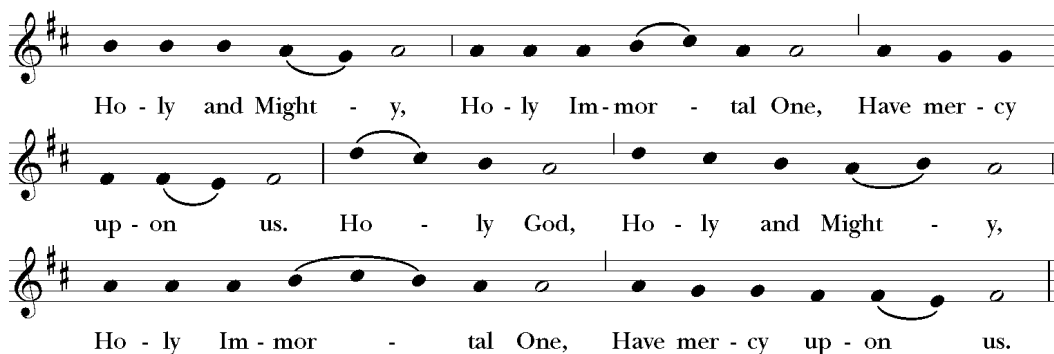
People of Sion, behold the Lord will come to save the Gentiles: and the Lord will make the glory of his voice heard to the joy of your hearts. Ps. Give ear, O thou that rulest Israel: thou that ledest Joseph like a sheep. V. Glory be to the Father and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be: world without end. Amen. People of Sion ...

The Opening Acclamation



Trisagion





The Salutation and The Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

Merciful God, who sent your messengers the prophets to preach repentance and prepare the way for our salvation: Give us grace to heed their warnings and forsake our sins, that we may greet with joy the coming of Jesus Christ our Redeemer; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The people sit.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

The First Lesson

Isaiah 11:1-10

A shoot shall come out from the stump of Jesse, and a branch shall grow out of his roots. The spirit of the LORD shall rest on him, the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the LORD. His delight shall be in the fear of the LORD. He shall not judge by what his eyes see, or decide by what his ears hear; but with righteousness he shall judge the poor, and decide with equity for the meek of the earth; he shall strike the earth with the rod of his mouth, and with the breath of his lips he shall kill the wicked. Righteousness shall be the belt around his waist, and faithfulness the belt around his loins. The wolf shall live with the lamb, the leopard shall lie down with the kid, the calf and the lion and the fatling together, and a little child shall lead them. The cow and the bear shall graze, their young shall lie down together; and the lion shall eat straw like the ox. The nursing child shall play over the hole of the asp, and the weaned child shall put its hand on the adder's den. They will not hurt or destroy on all my holy mountain; for the earth will be full of

the knowledge of the LORD as the waters cover the sea. On that day the root of Jesse shall stand as a signal to the peoples; the nations shall inquire of him, and his dwelling shall be glorious.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Gradual “Ex Sion” (Ps. 50) Mode I

Ex Sion species decoris eius: Deus manifeste veniet. V. Congregate illi sanctos eius, qui ordinaverunt testamentum eius super sacrificia.

Out of Zion hath God appeared: in perfect beauty. V. Gather my saints together unto me: those that have made a covenant with me with sacrifice.

The Epistle

Romans 15:4-13

For whatever was written in former days was written for our instruction, so that by steadfastness and by the encouragement of the scriptures we might have hope. May the God of steadfastness and encouragement grant you to live in harmony with one another, in accordance with Christ Jesus, so that together you may with one voice glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. Welcome one another, therefore, just as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God. For I tell you that Christ has become a servant of the circumcised on behalf of the truth of God in order that he might confirm the promises given to the patriarchs, and in order that the Gentiles might glorify God for his mercy. As it is written, “Therefore I will confess you among the Gentiles, and sing praises to your name”; and again he says, “Rejoice, O Gentiles, with his people”; and again, “Praise the Lord, all you Gentiles, and let all the peoples praise him”; and again Isaiah says, “The root of Jesse shall come, the one who rises to rule the Gentiles; in him the Gentiles shall hope.” May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Please stand as you are able.

Alleluia “Laetatus sum” (Ps. 122) Mode I

Alleluia, alleluia. V. Laetatus sum in his quae dicta sunt mihi: in domum Domini ibimus. Alleluia.

Alleluia, alleluia. V. I was glad when they said unto me: we will go into the house of the Lord. Alleluia.

The Holy Gospel

Matthew 3:1-12

Deacon The Lord be with you. *People* **And also with you.**

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

In those days John the Baptist appeared in the wilderness of Judea, proclaiming, “Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near.” This is the one of whom the prophet Isaiah spoke when he said, “The voice of one crying out in the wilderness: ‘Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight.’” Now John wore clothing of camel's hair with a leather belt around his waist, and his food was locusts and wild honey. Then the people of Jerusalem and all Judea were going out to him, and all the region along the Jordan, and they were baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins. But when he saw many Pharisees and Sadducees coming for baptism, he said to them, “You brood of vipers! Who warned you to flee from the wrath to come? Bear fruit worthy of repentance. Do not presume to say to yourselves, ‘We have Abraham as our ancestor’; for I tell you, God is able from these stones to raise up children to Abraham. Even now the ax is lying at the root of the trees; every tree therefore that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire. I baptize you with water for repentance, but one who is more powerful than I is coming after me; I am not worthy to carry his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. His winnowing fork is in his hand, and he will clear his threshing floor and will gather his wheat into the granary; but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire.”

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

The Sermon

The Rev. Meghan Murphy-Gill

The Nicene Creed (S-104 Contemporary) *Please stand as you are able.*

We be - lieve in one God, the Fa - ther, the Al - might - y, ma - ker of
hea - ven and earth, of all that is, seen and un - seen. We be - lieve
in one Lord, Je - sus Christ, the on - ly Son of God, e - ter - nal - ly



be - got - ten of the Fa - ther, God from God, Light from Light, true God

from true God, be - got - ten, not made, of one Be - ing with the Fa - ther.

Through him all things were made. For us and for our sal - va - tion

he came down from hea - ven: by the pow - er of the Ho - ly Spi - rit

he be - came in - car - nate from the Vir - gin Ma - ry, and was made man.

For our sake he was cru - ci - fied un - der Pon - tius Pi - late;

he suf - fered death and was bur - ied. On the third day he rose a - gain

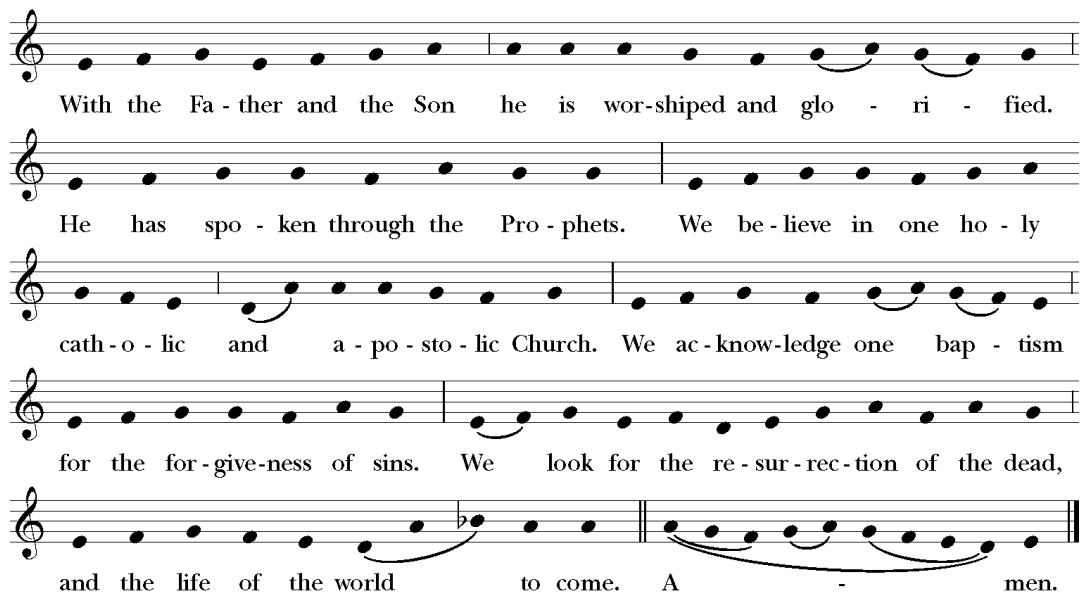
in ac - cord - ance with the Scrip - tures; he a - scend - ed in - to hea - ven

and is seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther. He will come a -

gain in glo - ry to judge the liv - ing and the dead, and his king - dom

will have no end. We be - lieve in the Ho - ly Spi - rit, the Lord,

the giv - er of life, who pro - ceeds from the Fa - ther and the Son.



The Prayers of the People

Form IV (BCP p. 388)

Deacon or other leader

Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

We commend to your mercy all who have died, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

The Deacon or Celebrant says

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept.

Minister and People

Most merciful God,

**we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.**

**We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.**

We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.

**For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us;
that we may delight in your will,
and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your Name. Amen.**

The Bishop, when present, or the Priest, stands and says
Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

The Peace

Celebrant The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

Then the Ministers and People greet one another in the name of the Lord.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Offertory “Deus tu convertens” (Ps. 85) Mode III

Deus tu convertens vivificabis nos, et plebs tua laetabitur in te: ostende nobis,
Domine, misericordiam tuam, et salutare tuum da nobis.

Wilt thou not turn again, O God, and quicken us, that thy people may rejoice in thee: shew us thy mercy, O Lord, and grant us thy salvation.

Offertory Solo

Bereite dich, Zion, mit zärtlichen Trieben,
Den Schönsten, den Liebsten bald bei dir zu sehn!
Deine Wangen müssen heut viel schöner prangen,
Eile, den Bräutigam sehnlichst zu lieben!

*Make yourself ready, Zion, with tender desires
to see with you soon him who is most beautiful, most dear!
Your cheeks must today be far more beautifully resplendent,
hasten, to love your bridegroom with the greatest longing!*

Setting: J.S. Bach (1685-1750) Bereite dich, Zion, from Weihnachts-Oratorium, Part 1

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Eucharistic Prayer A (BCP p. 361)

Orate Fratres *Please stand as you are able.*

Celebrant Pray, beloved, that this my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to
God the Father Almighty.

People **May the Lord receive this sacrifice at your hands, to the praise and
glory of his Name, both to our benefit and that of all his holy Church.**

Celebrant Amen.

Sursum Corda

The musical notation is presented in four staves, each with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The notation uses a simplified system of dots for notes, with horizontal lines indicating pitch and vertical stems indicating rhythm. Slurs and ties are used to connect notes across measures. The lyrics are written below the notes.

Celebrant *People*
The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

Celebrant *People*
Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People
It is right to give him thanks and praise.

Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. Because you sent your beloved Son to redeem us from sin and death, and to make us heirs in him of everlasting life; that when he shall come again in power and great triumph to judge the world, we may without shame or fear rejoice to behold his appearing.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Sanctus and Benedictus

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of Hosts: Heaven and earth are full of thy glory.

Glory be to thee, O Lord most High. Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

Setting: Healey Willan (1880-1968) *Missa Brevis No. XI (Missa Sancti Johannis Baptistae)*

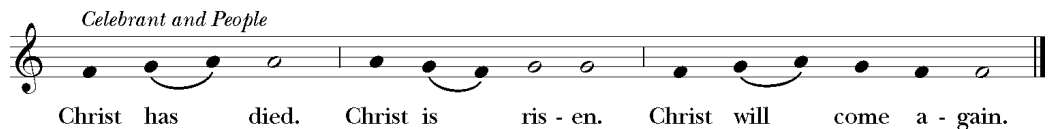
The people stand or kneel. Then the Celebrant continues.

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."



The Celebrant continues We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **AMEN.**

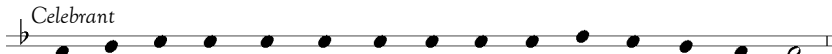
And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say:

Our Fa - ther, who art in hea - ven, hal - low - ed
be thy Name, thy king - dom come, thy will be done,
on earth as it is in hea - ven. Give us this day our
dai - ly bread. And for - give us our tres - pas - ses,
as we for - give those who tres - pass a - gainst us. And lead
us not in - to temp - ta - tion, but de - liv - er us
from e - vil. For thine is the king - dom, and the power,
and the glo - ry, for ev - er and ev - er. A - men.

The Breaking of the Bread

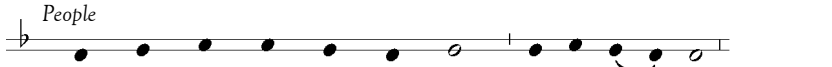
The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.

Celebrant



Al - le - lu - ia. Christ our Pass - o - ver is sac - ri - ficed for us;

People



There-fore let us keep the feast. Al - le - lu - ia.

Invitation to Communion

Celebrant Behold the Lamb of God; behold him that takes away the sins of the world. Happy are they who are called to his supper.

Lord, I am not worthy that you should come under my roof.

People **But speak the word only, and my soul shall be healed.**

Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God.

Agnus Dei

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world: have mercy upon us.

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world: have mercy upon us.

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world: grant us thy peace.

Setting: Healey Willan (1880-1968) *Missa Brevis* No. XI (*Missa Sancti Johannis Baptistae*)

† *All baptized Christians are welcome to receive Communion, and all may come forward.*

Those who are not baptized or who do not wish to receive may indicate a desire for a blessing by crossing arms on the chest upon approaching the priest. If you prefer not to receive the Chalice, please cross your arms on your chest and remain until the minister has said the words of reception, "The Blood of Christ, the cup of salvation." If you require a gluten-free host, put your right hand over your heart.

- *Please alert an usher if you need the Sacrament brought to you in the pew.*

Communion Motet

Ierusalem surge, et sta in excelso, et vide iucunditatem, quae veniet tibi a Deo tuo.

Arise, O Jerusalem, and stand on high, and behold the joy that cometh unto thee from thy God.

Setting: Giovanni Battista Martini (1706-1784) *Ierusalem surge*

The Post-Communion Prayer

The People stand or kneel. The Celebrant says Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

Almighty and everliving God,
we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food
of the most precious Body and Blood
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ;
and for assuring us in these holy mysteries
that we are living members of the Body of your Son,
and heirs of your eternal kingdom.
And now, Father, send us out
to do the work you have given us to do,
to love and serve you
as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord.
To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit,
be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

The Advent Blessing

The Priest blesses the people.

May Almighty God, by whose providence our Savior Christ came among us in great humility, sanctify you with the light of his blessing and set you free from all sin. AMEN.

May he whose second Coming in power and great glory we await, make you steadfast in faith, joyful in hope, and constant in love. AMEN.


May you, who rejoice in the first Advent of our Redeemer, at his second Advent be rewarded with unending life. AMEN

And the blessing of God Almighty, + the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you always. AMEN.

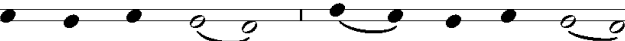
The People stand as they are able.

The Dismissal

Deacon



People



Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Recessional Hymn 7

RATISBON

ORGAN

Toccata BuxWV 155a

Dietrich Buxtehude

Ascension Prayer List

For our prayers: Catherine Cyran, Thom Racina, Robert Browning, John Smolinski, Natalia & Victor, Dorothy, Betty, David Schrader, Burton Nelson, Pablo Illás, Victor Fernandez, Claire Green, Beth Hall, Sue Lenz, Brenda Martins, Lee Gould, Gertrude Isaac, Marty Stenson, Steve Dionne

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Requiescat in pace: Vincent Hector, 12/7/2017; Frances Joseph, 12/9/2015

Prayer requests

Do you have a need for special prayer in your life? Whether your prayer needs are because you have an upcoming surgery, an ill family member, or you're just feeling particularly lonely lately, Fr. Heard and Mtr. Murphy-Gill would like to know. We've created a way for letting us know about your requests for prayers in a way we hope makes it easy for you to reach out, though you can always call the church or reach out to one of the priests personally. Check out the link in TWAA to share your prayer requests.



Please do remember your financial offerings to the church. At this time, they may be placed in the offering plates as they are passed. You may also write a check and mail it to the church or make a gift by scanning this QR Code.

Many thanks to those who serve: James Lo Bello, MB Hwang, Andrew Smith, Adam Bronson, Elizabeth Simpson, Ken Kelling, Christopher Raymond, Enrique Vilaseco, *Acolytes*; Michael Vales, *Lector*; Gary Alexander, Eric Canales, *Technology*; Roberta Dawson, Jay Jacot, *Ushers*, Ruby Woods, Ken Cozette, *Coffee Hour*

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Welcome to worship at the
Church of the Ascension
An Anglican-Episcopal parish in the
city and Diocese of Chicago

SOME WHO HAVE GATHERED HERE TODAY may have traveled from afar and visited before. Church of the Ascension has long been a destination for those who feel blessed by the Anglo-Catholic worship here. Others may have made a shorter trip, and those here for the first time may ask, “What’s Anglo-Catholic?” The term refers to two aspects of our history and ongoing faith and worship.

Anglican churches are those in the tradition of, and with ongoing ties to, the Church of England. (In the United States we are mainly called Episcopalians.)

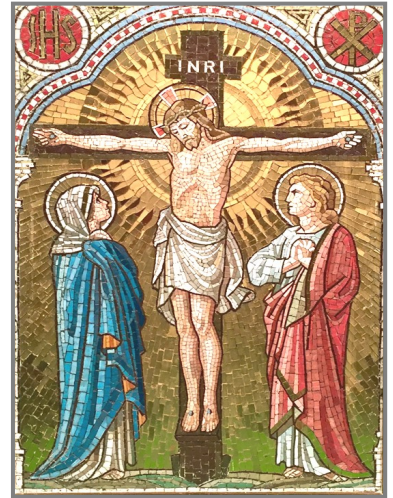
The ‘Catholic’ part of our identity is evident all around us here, in the church interior and in our worship.

- + We value and relish liturgy and music that engage and nourish the heart the mind and all the senses.
- + Our reverence for the sacrament of the Eucharist, the Mass, Christ’s Body and Blood, is emphasized by the architecture of the space and many elements of our worship.
- + We have a strong sense of taking part, as Christ’s people, in the Communion of Saints, including Blessed Mary and our patron saint, Michael the Archangel. Our faith is inspired and sustained by remembering the lives and witness of those who are now eternally with God.

We hope and pray that our sense of grateful, divine fellowship translates to our welcome of all and to faithfulness in the ministries that we share beyond our life of worship.

Your questions about our parish community, our worship and other ministries may be found by inquiring with our clergy or parishioners, or on our website – www.ascensionchicago.org.

Thank you and bless you for joining us.



The mosaic on the door of the altar tabernacle, Church of the Ascension

- **All baptized Christians are welcomed to receive Communion.** Others are welcomed to come forward at the time of Communion to receive a blessing.
- **Live-Streaming** of select liturgies is available on Facebook and YouTube. Links for these can be found on our website Home page.
- **Please ask an usher about a parking permit** if your car will be in our parking lot after 1:30 pm today.

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