



*The Presentation in the Temple, oil on panel,
Studio of Quentin Matsys, c 1510-1520*

**The Presentation of
Our Lord Jesus Christ in the Temple**
11 a.m. Procession and Solemn High Mass
with Blessing of Candles and Blessing of Throats
February 2, 2025
Church of the Ascension, Chicago



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Sun	Feb 2	The Presentation of Our Lord Jesus Christ in the Temple
	9 a.m.	Sung Mass
	10:15 a.m.	Confession available
	11 a.m.	Solemn High Mass
	3:30 p.m.	Organ Recital
	4 p.m.	Choral Evensong and Benediction
Sun	Feb 9	The Fifth Sunday after the Epiphany
	9 a.m.	Sung Mass
	10:15 a.m.	Confession available
	10:15 a.m.	Second Sunday Rosary
	11 a.m.	Solemn High Mass followed by Adult formation in the Library
		Vida Dutton Scudder: Anglo-Catholic Theologian and English Professor at Wellesley College
		Presentation by Fr. Christopher Poore

Schedule of Weekday Masses

Monday and Friday: 12 p.m.

Tuesday and Thursday: 8 a.m.

Wednesday: 6:30 p.m.

- Please join us for **Coffee Hour in Wheeler Hall** after the Mass.
- If you are a visitor, please consider completing one of the blue visitor cards in the pews.

ORGAN *Ave, maris stella*

Three settings:

ILJ 33

Op. 18, nos. 7 and 8.

Leoš Janáček (1854-1928)

Marcel Dupré (1886-1971)

ENTRANCE RITE

The People stand as the Sacred Ministers enter.

The Address

The Celebrant addresses the congregation, saying

Dearly beloved: Forty days ago we celebrated with great joy the Feast of the Nativity of our Lord. Today we commemorate the blessed day on which the child Jesus was presented in the Temple by Mary and Joseph. Outwardly fulfilling the Law, and thereby entering yet more fully into the life of his faithful people. On that day the aged Simeon and Anna, moved by the Holy Spirit, went into the Temple; and enlightened by the same Spirit, they perceived that the Lord was in their midst and praised him with exultation.

So now let us, gathered together by the Holy Spirit in this house of the Lord, joyfully praise our Lord Jesus Christ, and seek to find him and to know him in the Breaking of the Bread until he comes again to manifest his glory.

The Blessing and Distribution of Candles

Celebrant The Lord be with you

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

O God, the Creator and Source of light, who as on this day revealed to the righteous Simeon and the venerable Anna the Light that would enlighten the nations: Bless, we pray, these candles, and grant that we who bear them in praise of your holy Name may by your grace be found worthy to walk the path that leads to eternal light; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The Celebrant distributes the candles to the Faithful.

† *The candles are lighted for the procession and the following is sung.*

The Nunc Dimittis *Luke 2:29-32*

Lord, now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace: according to thy word. For mine eyes have seen: thy salvation, Which thou hast prepared: before the face of all people; To be a light to lighten the Gentiles: and to be the glory of thy people Israel. 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.

Setting: Richard Farrant (c. 1530-1580) *Nunc dimittis* from *Short Service*

After incense is made, the Deacon intones

People

The Station at the Shrine of the Blessed Virgin Mary

After incense is made, the Celebrant intones

Celebrant We have waited in silence on your loving kind[^]ness, O Lord;

People **In the midst of your holy templè.**

Celebrant Let us pray. O God, you have made this day holy by the presentation of your Son in the Temple, and by the purification of the Blessed Virgin Marý: Mercifully grant that we, who delight in her humble readiness to be the birth-giver of the On[^]ly-begotten, may rejoice for ever in our adoption as his sisters and brothèrs; through Jêsus Christ our Lòrd. **Amen.**

† *The candles are extinguished and put away until the proclamation of the Gospel.*

Hymn 257

EDMONTON (desc. DW)

Introit “Suscepimus Deus” (Ps. 48) Mode I

Suscepimus, Deus, misericordiam tuam in medio templi tui: secundum nomen tuum Deus, ita et laus tua in fines terrae: iustitia plena est dextera tua. Ps.

Magnus Dominus, et laudabilis nimis: in civitate Dei nostri, in monte sancto eius.

V. Gloria Patri, et Filio, et Spiritui Sancto. Sicut erat in principio, et nunc, et semper, et in saecula saeculorum. Amen. Suscepimus Deus ...

We have waited, O God, for thy loving-kindness in the midst of thy temple: according to thy Name, O God, so is thy praise unto the world’s end: thy right hand is full of righteousness.

Ps. Great is the Lord, and highly to be praised: in the city of our God, even upon his holy hill. . 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. We have waited ...

The Opening Acclamation

The musical notation is presented on two staves. The first staff is for the Celebrant, and the second is for the People. Both staves begin with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The Celebrant's part consists of a series of notes corresponding to the lyrics: "Bless - ed be God: Father, Son, and Ho - ly Spi - rit." The People's part consists of a series of notes corresponding to the lyrics: "And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ev - er. A - men." The lyrics are written below the notes, with hyphens indicating that a single note may span multiple syllables.

Celebrant

Bless - ed be God: Father, Son, and Ho - ly Spi - rit.

People

And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ev - er. A - men.

The Collect for Purity

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Kyrie eleison

Kyrie eleison. Christe eleison. Kyrie eleison.

Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

Setting: Gabriel Jackson (b. 1962) *Missa Sanctae Margaretae* (2010)

Gloria in excelsis



1. Glo - ry be to God on high, and on earth peace,
good will towards men. 2. We praise thee, we bless thee,
we wor - ship thee, we glo - ri - fy thee, we give
thanks to thee for thy great glo - ry, 3. O Lord God, heaven - ly
King, God the Fa-ther Al - might - y.
4. O Lord, the on - ly be - got - ten Son, Je - sus Christ;
5. O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Fa - ther, that

ta - kest a - way the sins of the world, have mer - cy up -
on us. 6. Thou that ta - kest a - way the sins of the
world, re - ceive our prayer. 7. Thou that sit - test at the
right hand of God the Fa - ther, have mer - cy up - on us.
8. For thou on - ly art ho - ly; thou on - ly art the Lord; 9. thou
on - ly, O Christ, with the Ho - ly Ghost, art most
high in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther.____
A - - - - - men.

The Salutation and The Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty and ever-living God, we humbly pray that, as your only-begotten Son was this day presented in the temple, so we may be presented to you with pure and clean hearts by Jesus Christ our Lord; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The People are seated.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

The First Lesson

Malachi 3:1-4

Thus says the Lord, “See, I am sending my messenger to prepare the way before me, and the Lord whom you seek will suddenly come to his temple. The messenger of the covenant in whom you delight—indeed, he is coming, says the Lord of hosts. But who can endure the day of his coming, and who can stand when he appears? For he is like a refiner’s fire and like fullers’ soap; he will sit as a refiner and purifier of silver, and he will purify the descendants of Levi and refine them like gold and silver, until they present offerings to the Lord in righteousness. Then the offering of Judah and Jerusalem will be pleasing to the Lord as in the days of old and as in former years.”

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Gradual “Suscepimus” (Ps. 48) Mode V

Suscepimus, Deus, misericordiam tuam in medio templi tui: secundum nomen tuum, Deus, ita et laus tua in fines terrae. V. Sicut audivimus ita et vidimus in civitate Dei nostri, in monte sancto eius.

We have waited, O God, for thy loving-kindness in the midst of thy temple: according to thy Name, O God, so is thy praise unto the world’s end. V. Like as we have heard so have we seen in the city of our God, even upon his holy hill.

The Epistle

Hebrews 2:14-18

Since, therefore, God’s children share flesh and blood, he himself likewise shared the same things, so that through death he might destroy the one who has the power of death, that is, the devil, and free those who all their lives were held in slavery by the fear of death. For it is clear that he did not come to help angels, but the descendants of Abraham. Therefore he had to become like his brothers and sisters in every respect, so that he might be a merciful and faithful high priest in the service of God, to make a sacrifice of atonement for the sins of the people. Because he himself was tested by what he suffered, he is able to help those who are being tested.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

† *The candles are lighted for the proclamation of the Gospel.*

When the Gospel procession moves towards the pews, the People stand.

Alleluia “Senex puerum portabat” (S. Aug) Mode I

Alleluia, alleluia. V. Senex puerum portabat: puer autem senem regebat. Alleluia.

Alleluia, alleluia. V. The old man bare the young Child in his arms: yet was the young Child the old man’s King. Alleluia.

The Holy Gospel

Luke 2:22-40

Deacon The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

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

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

When the time came for their purification according to the law of Moses, they brought him up to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord (as it is written in the law of the Lord, “Every firstborn male shall be designated as holy to the Lord”), and they offered a sacrifice according to what is stated in the law of the Lord, “a pair of turtledoves or two young pigeons.”

Now there was a man in Jerusalem whose name was Simeon; this man was righteous and devout, looking forward to the consolation of Israel, and the Holy Spirit rested on him. It had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he would not see death before he had seen the Lord’s Messiah. Guided by the Spirit, Simeon came into the temple; and when the parents brought in the child Jesus, to do for him what was customary under the law, Simeon took him in his arms and praised God, saying, “Master, now you are dismissing your servant in peace, according to your word; for my eyes have seen your salvation, which you have prepared in the presence of all peoples, a light for revelation to the Gentiles and for glory to your people Israel.” And the child’s father and mother were amazed at what was being said about him. Then Simeon blessed them and said to his mother Mary, “This child is destined for the falling and the rising of many in Israel, and to be a sign that will be opposed so that the inner thoughts of many will be revealed—and a sword will pierce your own soul too.”

There was also a prophet, Anna the daughter of Phanuel, of the tribe of Asher. She was of a great age, having lived with her husband seven years after her

marriage, then as a widow to the age of eighty-four. She never left the temple but worshiped there with fasting and prayer night and day. At that moment she came, and began to praise God and to speak about the child to all who were looking for the redemption of Jerusalem. When they had finished everything required by the law of the Lord, they returned to Galilee, to their own town of Nazareth. The child grew and became strong, filled with wisdom; and the favor of God was upon him.

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.

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

† The candles are extinguished and put away until after the Offertory Hymn.

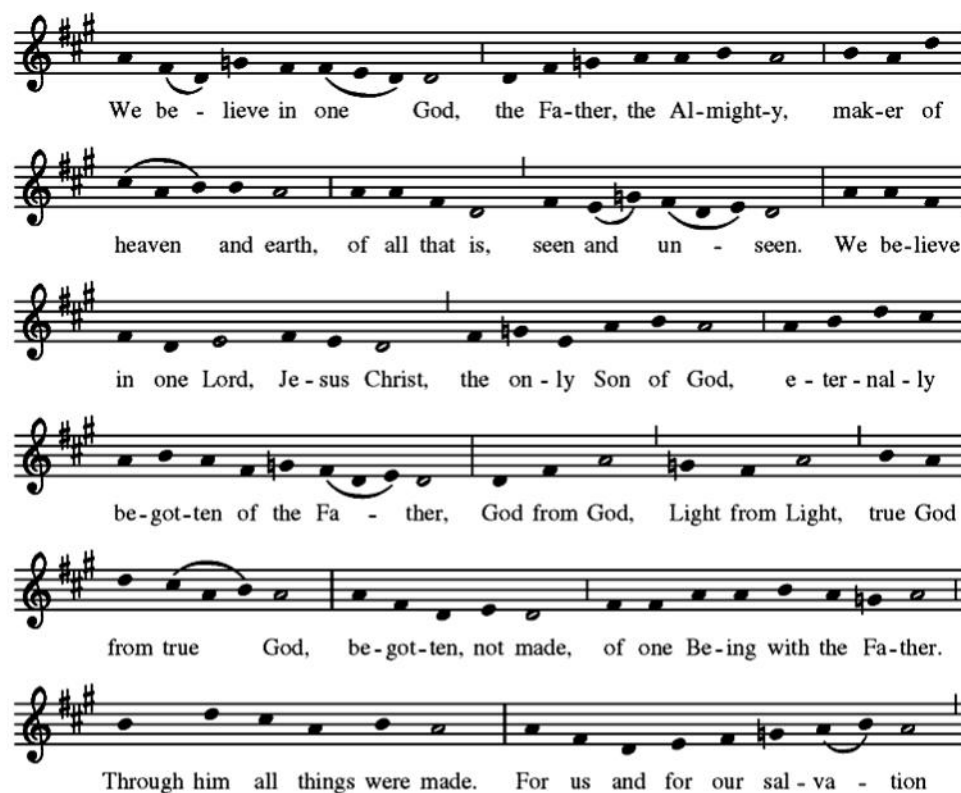
The People are seated.

The Sermon

The Rev. Carlos de la Torre

The People stand as able.


The Nicene Creed (S-361)



We be - lieve in one God, the Fa-ther, the Al-might-y, mak-er of
heaven 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 power 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,



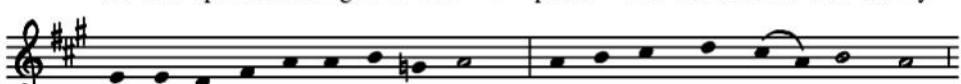
the giv-er of life, who pro-ceeds from the Fa-ther and the Son.



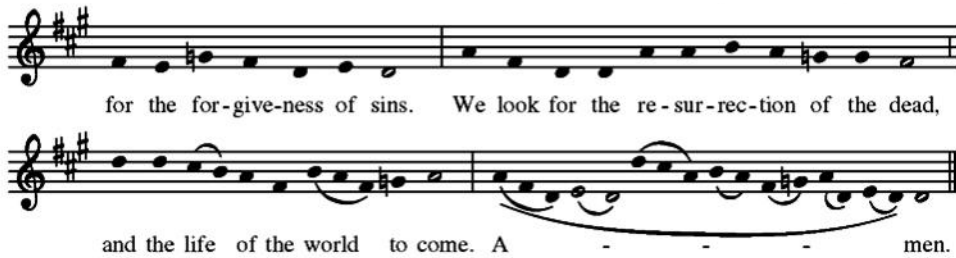
With the Fa-ther and the Son he is wor-shipped and glo-ri-fied.



He has spo-ken through the Pro-phets. We be-lieve in one ho-ly



cath-o-lic and a-po-sto-lic Church. We ac-know-ledge one bap-tism



Prayers of the People

Form VI (BCP p. 392)

The Leader and People pray responsively
In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

Silence

For all people in their daily life and work;
For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.

For this community, the nation, and the world;
For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.

For the just and proper use of your creation;
For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.

For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;
For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.

For the peace and unity of the Church of God;
For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.

For Sean our Presiding Bishop, and Paula our Bishop; and for all bishops and other ministers;
For all who serve God in his Church.

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation.

Silence

The People may add their own petitions

Hear us, Lord;
For your mercy is great.

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life.

Silence

The People may add their own thanksgivings

We will exalt you, O God our King;

And praise your Name for ever and ever.

We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.

Silence

The People may add their own petitions

Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;

Who put their trust in you.

We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.

Silence may be kept.

Leader and People

Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father;

in your compassion forgive us our sins,

known and unknown,

things done and left undone;

and so uphold us by your Spirit

that we may live and serve you in newness of life,

to the honor and glory of your Name;

through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Priest 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 People stand as able.

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

The People remain standing as the oblations are brought forward.

Offertory “Diffusa est gratia” (Ps. 45) Mode VIII

Diffusa est gratia in labiis tuis: propterea benedixit te Deus in aeternum, et in saeculum saeculi.

Full of grace are thy lips: because God hath blessed thee for ever, and the world without end.

The People are seated.

Offertory Motet

Senex puerum portabat: puer autem senem regebat: quem virgo peperit, et post partum virgo permansit: ipsum quem genuit, adoravit.

The old man carried the child, but the child ruled the old man; him whom the Virgin brought forth, and after childbirth remained a virgin him whom she bore, she adored.

Setting: Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina (c. 1525-1594) *Senex puerum portabat* à5 (prima pars)
This continues the choir's weekly celebration of the quincentenary of Palestrina's birth over the course of 2025.

The People stand as able.

Offertory Hymn 489

TALLIS' ORDINAL (*Desc. David White*)

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Eucharistic Prayer B (BCP p. 367)

Orate Fratres

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 arranged in four staves. The first staff is for the Celebrant, with the lyrics "The Lord be with you. And al - so with you." The second staff is for the People, with the lyrics "Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord." The third staff is for the Celebrant, with the lyrics "Let us give thanks to the Lord our God." The fourth staff is for the People, with the lyrics "It is right to give him thanks and praise." The notation includes a treble clef, a key signature of one flat (B-flat), and various musical symbols such as eighth notes, quarter notes, and rests.

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

Celebrant
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 in the mystery of the Word made flesh, you have caused a new light to shine in our hearts, to give the knowledge of your glory in the face of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. 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

Sanctus, Sanctus, Sanctus, Dominus Deus Sabaoth. Pleni sunt coeli et terra gloria tua. Hosanna in excelsis. Benedictus qui venit in nomine Domini. Hosanna in excelsis.

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of Hosts: Heaven and earth are full of thy glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Setting: Gabriel Jackson (b. 1962) *Missa Sanctae Margaretae* (2010)

The People stand or kneel. Then the Celebrant continues.

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to

be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, 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."

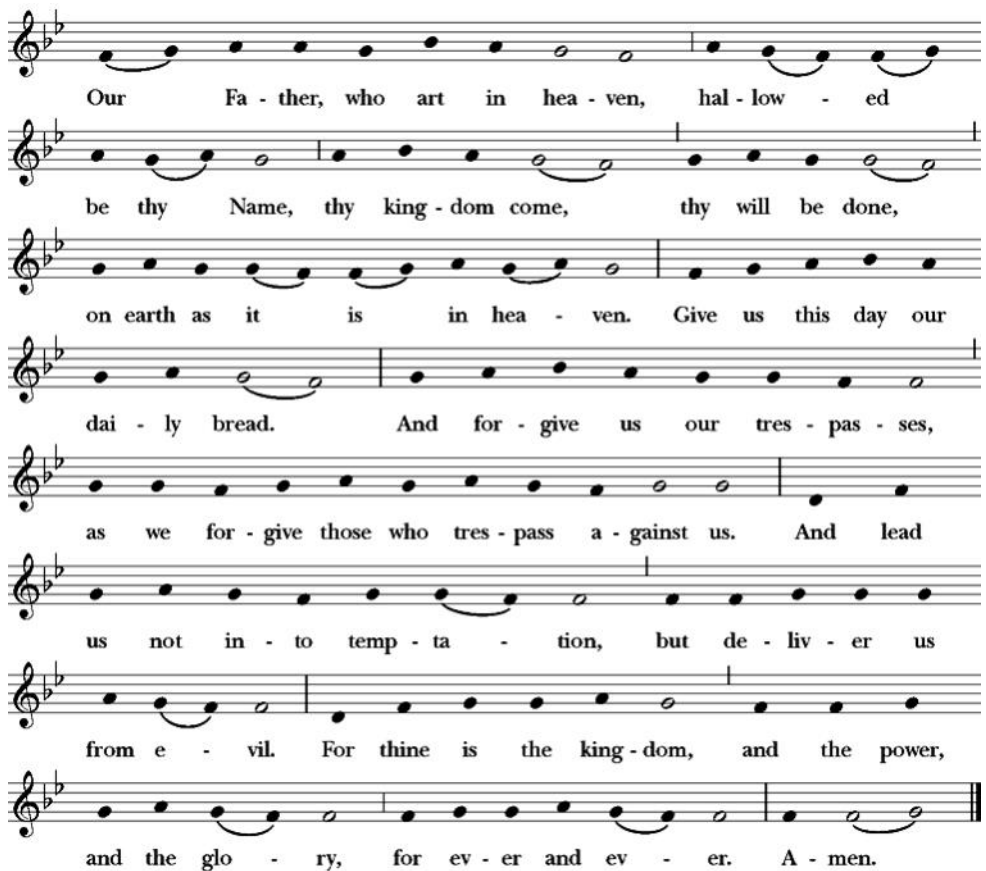
The musical score consists of three staves, each with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The first staff is labeled "Celebrant" and contains the lyrics: "There - fore, ac - cord - ing to his com - mand, O Fa - ther,". The second staff is labeled "Celebrant and People" and contains the lyrics: "We re - mem - ber his death, We pro - claim his re - sur -". The third staff contains the lyrics: "rec - tion, We a - wait his com - ing in glo - ry.".

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

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:



The Breaking of the Bread

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

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.**

† *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.

Agnus Dei

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi: miserere nobis.

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi: miserere nobis.

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi: dona nobis pacem.

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

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

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

Setting: Gabriel Jackson (b. 1962) *Missa Sanctae Margaretae* (2010)

THE COMMUNION

Communion “Responsum accepit Simeon” (Lk. 2) Mode VIII

Responsum accepit Simeon a Spiritu Sancto, non visurum se mortem, nisi videret Christum Domini. Gloria Patri.

It was revealed unto Simeon by the Holy Spirit, that he should not see death, before he has seen the Lord's Anointed. Glory be.

Communion Hymn 810 (*Cantate Domino*)

FRAGRANCE



1. Thou who wast rich be-yond all splen-dor, all for love's sake be - cam - est poor;
2. Thou who art God be-yond all prais - ing, all for love's sake be - cam - est man;
3. Thou who art love be-yond all tell - ing, Sa-vior and King we wor-ship thee;



Thrones for a man - ger didst sur - ren - der, sap - phire paved courts for sta - ble floor.
Stoop - ing so low, but sin - ners rais - ing heav'n - wards by thine e - ter - nal plan.
Em - man - u - el, with - in us dwell - ing, make us what thou would have us be.



1. Thou who wast rich be-yond all splen-dor, all for love's sake be - cam - est poor;
2. Thou who art God be-yond all prais - ing, all for love's sake be - cam - est man;
3. Thou who art love be-yond all tell - ing, Sa-vior and King we wor-ship thee;

The People kneel as able. 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.

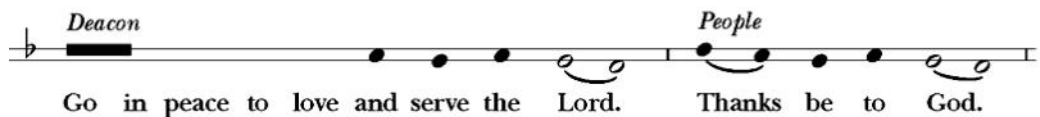
The Blessing

The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the + Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

The People stand as able.

The Dismissal

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People And also with you.



Closing Hymn 259

OLD 120TH

ORGAN Improvisation on *Senex puerum portabat*

The Blessing of Throats



We commemorate today the Feast of Saint Blaise, Bishop and Martyr, who intercedes in cases of throat illness. Following Mass, the Celebrant invites to the Altar Rail all who desire the Blessing of Throats. The blessing may be understood as a blessing for one's health in general.



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.

Ascension Prayer List

For our prayers: Nate Cole, Ed Blitz, Bonnie Joseph, Kelly Callahan Turcy, Kristin Harrison, Rocio & Rolando Soria, Bertha Castañeda, Lois Peterson, Tim Kowalski, Fredo Caliva, Ruby Woods, Grace Ellen Rivera, Malcolm Wood, Carolyn Wiggins, Marlea Edinger, Elizabeth McLaughlin, Lee Gould, Florence Jones Clanton, MB Hwang, Juanita Malone, Richard Francis Tracz, Victor Fernandez, Claire Green, Beth Hall, Brenda Martins

Birthdays: Jonathan Galliher, 2/7; Adriana Luery, 2/8; Alexia A Rivera, 2/8

Requiescat in pace: Kiyomi Kakiuchi, 2/4/2020; Robert Jeffrey Arnold, 2/6/2018; William Louis Gaines 2/8/2005

Many thanks to those who serve:

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Parish Notices

February Faith Formation: Glorious Companions in the Catholic Faith
February 9, 16 & 23 at 12:45 p.m.

"There is one body and one Spirit... one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of all, who is over all and through all and in all." With these words Saint Paul evokes the spiritual unity of the Church and the spiritual union between the faithful. Our February formation series will introduce us to lesser-known spiritual companions who have influenced our presenters' own spiritual journeys and the Church at large, renewing its Catholic faith, identity, and practice. A hearty lunch will be provided.

February 9 - Vida Dutton Scudder:

Anglo-Catholic Theologian and English Professor at Wellesley College
Presentation by Fr. Christopher Poore

February 16 - Marguerite Porete:

French Mystic and Author of *The Mirror of Simple Souls*
Presentation by Ms. Natalie Nitsch

February 23 - Charles Gore and Walter Frere:

Founders of The Community of the Resurrection, Mirfield and Bishops in the Church of England
Presentation by Dr. Nicholas Groves

JOIN US THIS AFTERNOON

3:30 p.m. Organ Recital by David White

4 p.m. Choral Evensong,
Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament



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WESTMINSTER ABBEY Words: Henry John Pye (1827-1903), William Cooke (1821-1894)

Music: Henry Purcell (1659-1695), adapt.

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Music: French carol melody, arr. C. H. Kitson (1874-1944)

Gloria in excelsis (S202) From *Missa de Sancta Maria Magdalena*, Healey Willan (1880-1968)

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

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