

January 2 & 3, 2021

The Epiphany of the Lord

Welcome to the Cathedral Basilica of Saint Louis. Visitors are welcome to participate with the Parish Community in the worship of God through the celebration of Holy Mass.



As with Gladness Men of Old

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Penitential Act

All: 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,

all strike breast three times

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

Christmas Kyrie

Gloria

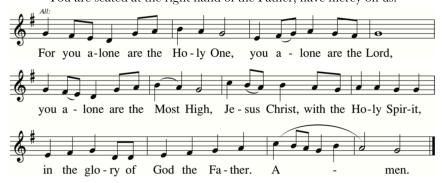
A New Mass for Congregations

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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.



Collect

First Reading Isaiah 60:1—6

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 72

Lord, every nation on earth will adore you.

Second Reading Ephesians 3:2—3A, 5—6

Gospel Acclamation

Gospel Matthew 2:1—12

Homily

Profession of Faith

All: 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,

all bow during the next line

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. *(over)*

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.

Presentation and Preparation of the Gifts

Offertory We Three Kings of Orient

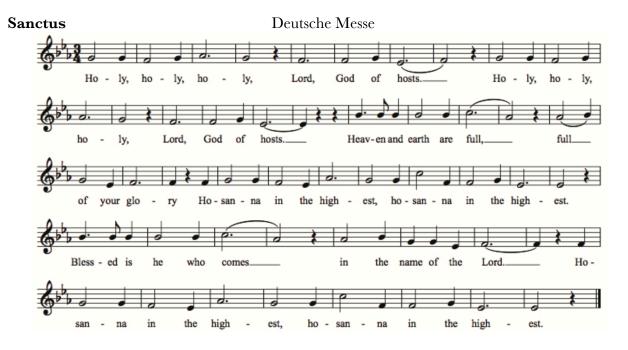
1. We three kings of Orient are, / Bearing gifts we traverse afar / Field and fountain, / Moor and mountain, / Following yonder star. **Refrain.**

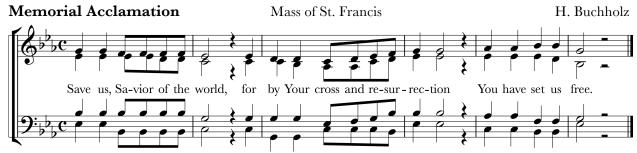
Refrain: O star of wonder, star of night / Star with royal beauty bright, / Westward leading, still proceeding, / Guide us to the perfect light.

- 2. Born a Babe on Bethlehem's plain, / Gold we bring to crown Him again / King forever, / Ceasing never, / Over us all to reign.
 - 3. Frankincense to offer have I; / Incense owns a Deity nigh, / Prayer and praising / Gladly raising, / Worshiping God on high.
- 4. Myrrh is mine: its bitter perfume / Breathes a life of gath'ring gloom; / Sorrowing, sighing, / Bleeding dying, / Sealed in the stone cold tomb. **Refrain.**
 - 5. Glorious now behold him rise, / King and God and sacrifice: / Heav'n sings, / "Hallelujah!" / "Hallelujah!" earth replies. *Refrain*.

Prayer over the Offerings

Eucharistic Prayer/Preface





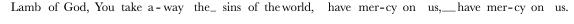
Amen

Christmas Mass



The Lord's Prayer







Communion

Because we hold the reception of the Eucharist as a sign of Divine and Ecclesial unity, only practicing Catholics who are free of serious sin and in full unity with the Catholic Church should present themselves for Holy Communion. Members of the Orthodox Churches, the Assyrian Church of the East, and the Polish National Catholic Church, respecting the discipline of their own Churches, may also receive Communion with us under the same conditions above. We pray for the full visible unity among all Christians.

The Act of Spiritual Communion

My Jesus, I believe that you are truly present in the most Blessed Sacrament. I love You above all things and I desire to receive You into soul. Since I am not able at this moment to receive You sacramentally, I ask that you spiritually enter into my heart. I embrace You and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

Communion

We have seen His star in the East, and have come with gifts to adore the Lord.

Prayer after Communion

Final Blessing and Dismissal

The Saint Michael Prayer

Saint Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle. Be our defense against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray; and do thou, o prince of the heavenly host, by the power of God, thrust into Hell Satan, and the other evil spirits, who prowl about the world for the ruin of souls. Amen.

Closing Hymn

The First Nowell

1. The first Nowell, the angel did say, / Was to certain poor shepherds in fields as they lay; / In fields where they lay keeping their sheep, / On a cold winter's night that was so deep. *Refrain*.

Refrain: Nowell, nowell, / Nowell, nowell, / Born is the King of Israel.

2. And by the light of that same star / Three wise men came from country far; / To seek for a king was their intent, / And to follow the star wherever it went. **Refrain.**