



# THE CATHEDRAL OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

In the City and Roman Catholic Diocese of Albany, New York

The Fourth Sunday of Advent

December 20, 2020

*Welcome back to the Cathedral! With Saint Peter, who witnessed the glory of Christ at His transfiguration on Mount Tabor, we can say with joy, “Lord it is good that we are here!”*

*We appreciate your patience navigating new logistical procedures together. Please always be prudent regarding your attendance at Mass: if you feel sick, please stay home—the obligation to attend Mass remains suspended. The wearing of a mask is required in the Cathedral as a safety precaution for you and your neighbors. Restrooms are closed, except for emergency use. If you should have need to use a restroom, please be prepared to follow sanitization instructions provided for the restrooms. Congregational singing is permitted; singing gently, as though whispering, may prove to be more comfortable at this time.*

*If you are disposed to receive Holy Communion and feel safe to do so, please refer to page 8 for guidelines. Specially trained ushers are on hand to escort you throughout the Cathedral, as well as to answer any questions you may have.*

## PRELUDE

11 A.M. *Nun komm, der Heiden Heiland*, BWV 660  
 (“Savior of the nations, come”)

Johann Sebastian Bach  
(1685–1750)

5 P.M. *Prière à Notre Dame*  
 (“Prayer to Our Lady”)

Léon Boëllman  
(1862–1897)

## INTRODUCTORY RITE

### ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Drop down, dew, ye heav - ens from a - bove,  
and let the clouds rain down the Just One.

Text: Isaiah 45:8; Entrance Antiphon, Fourth Sunday of Advent

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## THE SIGN OF THE CROSS AND THE GREETING

☩. ✠ In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

℟. **Amen.**

☩. The Lord be with you.

℟. **And with your spirit.**

## PENITENTIAL ACT *Form A*

☩. Brothers and sisters, let us acknowledge our sins, and so prepare ourselves to celebrate the sacred mysteries.

℟. **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 their breast]*

**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.**

☩. May almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us our sins, and bring us to everlasting life.

℟. **Amen.**

## KYRIE ELEISON



Ky-ri - e \_\_\_\_\_ e - lé - i - son.

*Lord, have mercy.*



Chri-ste \_\_\_\_\_ e - lé - i - son.

*Christ, have mercy.*



Ky-ri - e \_\_\_\_\_ e - lé - i - son.

*Lord, have mercy.*



Ky-ri - e \_\_\_\_\_ e - lé - i - son.

Text: *Missale Romanum*

Music: Mass VIII "de Angelis," *Gregorian Missal*, Mode V

## COLLECT

*The celebrant prays the collect.*

℟. **Amen.**

# LITURGY OF THE WORD

[Please be seated.]

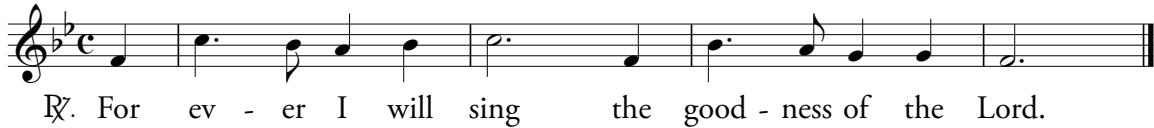
## FIRST READING

2 Samuel 7:1–5, 8b–12, 14a, 16

Your throne shall stand firm forever.

## RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 89:2–3, 4–5, 27, 29



1. I will sing forever of Your mercies, O Lord;  
through all ages my mouth will proclaim Your fidelity.  
I have declared Your mercy is established forever;  
Your fidelity stands firm as the heavens. R.
2. “With My chosen one I have made a covenant;  
I have sworn to David my servant:  
I will establish your descendants forever,  
and set up your throne through all ages.” R.
3. “He will call out to me, ‘You are my father,  
my God, the rock of my salvation.’  
I will keep my faithful love for him always;  
with him my covenant shall last.” R.

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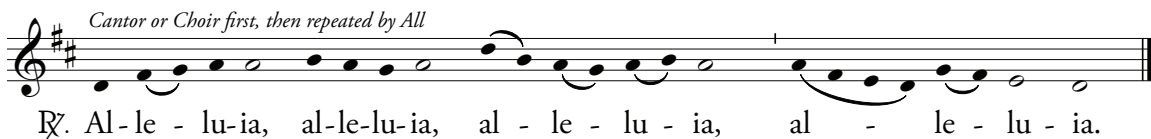
## SECOND READING

Romans 16:25–27

The revelation of the mystery is now manifested.

## ALLELUIA [Please stand.]

Luke 1:38



*Gospel verse.* Behold, I am the handmaid of the Lord.  
May it be done to me according to your word. R.

Text: The Roman Missal, © 2010 ICEL  
Music: based on the *Kyrie eleison* of *Missa de Angelis*, adapted by Brian F. Gurley, b. 1983

*[Before the reading.]*

℣. The Lord be with you.

℟. **And with your spirit.**

℣. A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Matthew.

℟. **Glory to You, O Lord.**

Behold, you will conceive in your womb and bear a Son, and you shall name Him Jesus.

*[After the reading.]*

℣. The Gospel of the Lord.

℟. **Praise to You, Lord Jesus Christ.**

**HOMILY** *[Please be seated.]*

*Note: Preaching schedule subject to change.*

11 A.M. Deacon Timothy J. Kosto, Ph.D.  
*Deacon of the Cathedral*

5 P.M. The Reverend L. Edward Deimeke

**THE PROFESSION OF FAITH** *The Nicene 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,

*[All bow.]*

and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic, and apostolic Church. I confess one baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

**UNIVERSAL PRAYER**

(Intention) Let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, hear our prayer.**

# LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

[Please be seated.]

## PREPARATION OF THE ALTAR AND THE GIFTS

### MOTET AT THE OFFERTORY 11 A.M.

Hail Mary, full of grace,  
the Lord is with thee.  
Blessed art thou amongst women,  
and blessed is the fruit of thy womb.  
Alleluia.

*Ave María, grátia plena,  
Dóminus tecum.  
Benedicta tu in muliéribus  
Et benedictus fructus ventris tui.  
Alleluia.*

Text: Offertory Antiphon for the Fourth Sunday of Advent  
Music: William Byrd, ca. 1540–1623

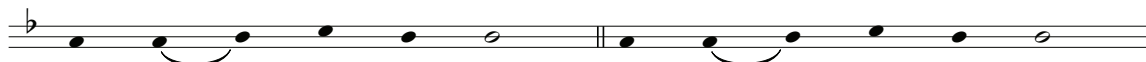
### INVITATION TO PRAYER [Please stand.]

℣. Pray, brothers and sisters, that my sacrifice and yours, may be acceptable to God the Almighty Father.  
℟. **May the Lord accept this sacrifice at your hands for the praise and glory of his name, for our good and the good of all his holy church.**

### PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

*The celebrant prays the prayer over the gifts.*  
℟. **Amen.**

### PREFACE DIALOGUE



℣. The Lord be with you. ℟. **And with your spi - rit.**



℣. Lift up your hearts. ℟. **We lift them up to the Lord.**



℣. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. ℟. **It is right and just.**

### SANCTUS ET BENEDICTUS

[Choir or Cantor sings the lightface text. All sing the boldface text.]

San - ctus, **San- ctus,** San - ctus  
Holy Holy Holy

**Dó - mi - nus De-us Sá - ba - oth.**  
Lord God of hosts.

[continued]

Ple - ni\_\_ sunt cæ - li et\_\_ ter - ra\_\_  
*Heaven and earth are full of Your glory.*

gló-ri - a\_\_ tu - a. **Ho-sán - na** in ex - cél - sis\_\_  
*Hosanna in the highest.*

Be - ne - dí - ctus qui ve - nit\_\_ in nó-mi-ne Dó - mi-ni.  
*Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.*

**Ho-sán** - na in ex - cél - - - sis\_\_  
*Hosanna in the highest.*

Text: Gregorian Missal  
 Music: *Missa de Angelis*, plainsong, mode VI

**EUCHARISTIC PRAYER** [*Please kneel.*]

**MYSTERY OF FAITH**

*The mystery of faith.*  
 ∇. Mys - te - ri - um fi - de - i.

*We proclaim Your death, O Lord,*  
 ⚡. Mor - tem tu - am an - nun - ti - a - mus, Dó - mi - ne, et tu - am

*and profess Your Resurrection, until You come again.*  
 re - sur - rec - ti - ó - nem con - fi - té - mur, do - nec\_\_ vé - ni - as.

Text: Traditional Latin; trans. International Committee on English in the Liturgy © 2010  
 Music: *Gregorian Missal, Mass XVIII*

**AMEN**

∇. For ev - er\_\_ and ev - er. ⚡. **A - men.**

**THE OUR FATHER** [*Please stand.*]

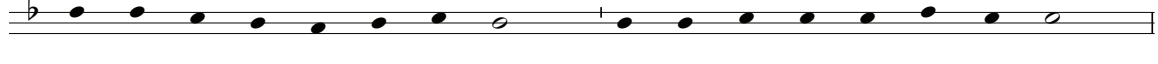
*All*



R. Our Fa - ther, Who art in heav - en, hal - lowed be Thy Name;



Thy king - dom come; Thy will be done on earth as it is in heav - en.



Give us this day our dai - ly bread; and for - give us our tres - pass - es



as we forgive those who tres - pass a - gainst us; and lead us not in - to



temp - ta - tion, but de - liv - er us from e - vil.

*The Celebrant prays the embolism. Then, all sing:*



R. For the king - dom, the power and the glo - ry are Yours, now and for ev - er.


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 Music: Traditional chant, adapt. by Robert Snow, 1964

**SIGN OF PEACE**

✠. The peace of the Lord be with you always.  
 R. **And with your spirit.**


**AGNUS DEI**

✠. Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi:  
*Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world:*



R. mi - se - ré - re no - bis.  
*have mercy on us.*

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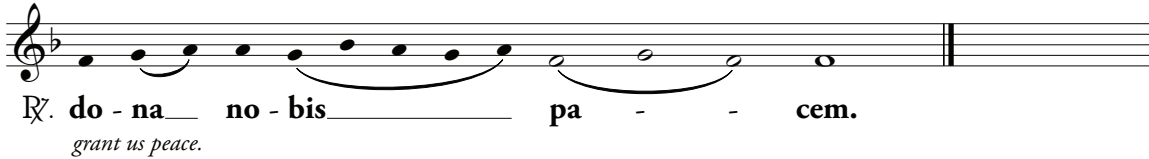


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Text: *Missale Romanum*

Music: Mass VIII "de Angelis," *Gregorian Missal*, Mode VI

*During the Communion procession, please follow the direction of the usher, who will invite you by pew to proceed to the Minister of Holy Communion. Spatial distancing of 6 feet must be maintained between households. Reception of Holy Communion in the hand should take place with your mask still covering your nose and mouth. Simply slide your mask below your chin to keep both hands free. Upon consumption of the host, immediately reposition your mask to cover your nose and mouth. In order to receive Holy Communion on the tongue, simply slide your mask below your chin. Upon reception of Holy Communion, immediately reposition your mask to cover your nose and mouth. The ministers of Holy Communion may pause the procession periodically in order to sanitize their hands.*

## INVITATION TO COMMUNION

✠. Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who takes away the sins of the world.

Blessed are those who are called to the supper of the Lamb.

R. **Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof,  
but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.**

## COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Behold, a virgin shall conceive and bear a son: and His Name shall be called Emmanuel (God with us).

✠erse. <sup>1</sup>The heavens declare the glory of God, and the firmament proclaims the work of His hands. <sup>2</sup>Day unto day conveys the message, and night unto night imparts the knowledge. <sup>3</sup>No speech, no word, whose voice goes unheeded; <sup>4</sup>Their sound goes forth through all the earth, their message to the utmost bounds of the world.

*Ecce virgo concipiet, et pariet filium: et vocabitur nomen ejus Emmánuel.*

✠erse. <sup>1</sup>*Cæli enarrant glóriam Dei, et ópera mánuum ejus annúnciat firmaméntum. <sup>2</sup>Dies diéi erúctat verbum, et nox nocti índicat sciéntiam. <sup>3</sup>Non sunt loquélæ neque sermónes, quorum non intellegántur voces. <sup>4</sup>In omnem terram exívit sonus eórum, et in fines orbis terræ verba eórum.*

Text: Antiphon, Isaiah 7:14; Psalm 19:2, 3, 4, 5

Music: *Gregorian Missal*, Mode I



## HYMN OF PRAISE



7. O come, De - sire of na - - - tions, bind  
8. O come, O come, Em - man - - u - el,



7. In one the hearts of all \_\_\_\_\_ man - kind;  
8. And ran - som cap - tive Is - - - ra - el,



7. Bid Thou our sad di - vi - - sions cease,  
8. That mourns in lone - ly ex - - ile here



7. And be Thy - self our King \_\_\_\_\_ of Peace.  
8. Un - til the Son of God \_\_\_\_\_ ap - pear.



All. Re - jice! Re - jice! Em - man - u - el Shall come to thee, O Is - ra - el.

Text: Latin, 12th Century

Music: VENI EMMANUEL, LM with refrain; *Processionale*, 15th Century; adapted by Thomas Helmore, 1854

## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION *[Please stand.]*

*The celebrant prays the prayer after communion.*

**Rx. Amen.**

# CONCLUDING RITES

## FINAL BLESSING AND DISMISSAL

☩. The Lord be with you.

☩. **And with your spirit.**

☩. Bow down for the blessing.

☩. ✠ May almighty God bless you...

☩. **Amen.**

☩. Go forth, the Mass is ended.

☩. **Thanks be to God.**

## PRAYER TO SAINT MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL

**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 hosts, by the power of God,  
cast into hell Satan and all the evil spirits  
who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.**

*Following the Prayer to Saint Michael the Archangel, please follow the direction of the Ushers to exit the Cathedral safely. Service leaflets should be deposited in baskets as you exit, for recycling after Mass; they may not be reused. Collection baskets are located near the doors of the Cathedral; as always, thank you for your generous support.*

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## POSTLUDE

11 A.M. *Nun komm, der Heiden Heiland*, BWV 661  
("Savior of the nations, come")

Johann Sebastian Bach  
(1685–1750)

5 P.M. *Nun komm, der Heiden Heiland*, BWV 599  
("Savior of the nations, come")

Johann Sebastian Bach  
(1685–1750)





### **The Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception**

On the corner of Eagle Street and Madison Avenue

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The Most Reverend Howard J. Hubbard, D.D., *Bishop Emeritus of Albany*

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