



Thank you for joining us today for Mass!
~~There is nothing like receiving the Holy Eucharist~~
We hope to see you soon.



Second Sunday of Advent



The Sunday of *Peace*

Our peace is found in God and in his Son, Jesus Christ.

John the Baptist and all the prophets remind us that to receive peace we must be prepared for it.

We light this candle today to remind us that Christ is the Prince of Peace he is the one promised from the beginning of the world.

We thank God for the Hope he gives us and for the Peace he bestows.

READY THE WAY

Bob Hurd

Verses



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| 1. "Read - y the way of the Lord! | Read - y the |
| 2. "Let ev - 'ry val - ley be filled. | Let ev - 'ry |
| 3. Des - ert and waste-land will bloom. | Des - ert and |
| 4. Those who are blind will then see. | Those who are |
| 5. Strength-en the ones who are weak. | Strength-en the |



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| 1. way of the Lord!" | A voice — cries out in the wil - der - |
| 2. val - ley be filled. | Let ev - 'ry moun-tain be hum - |
| 3. waste-land will bloom. | ‡ Glo - ry and splen-dor will fill the |
| 4. deaf will then hear. | ‡ Those who are lame will then leap for |
| 5. ones who are weak. | ‡ Say to the fright-ened: "Have cour - |



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| 1. ness: "Read - y the way of the Lord!" | (to Verse 2) |
| 2. bled; let ev - 'ry val - ley be filled." | (to Refrain) |
| 3. land. Des - ert and waste-land will bloom. | (to Verse 4) |
| 4. joy. Those who are mute will then sing. | (to Refrain) |
| 5. age." Strength-en the ones who are weak. | (to Refrain) |

Refrain



Here is your God, com-ing with your vin-di - ca - tion.



Look and be-hold the sav - ing pow - er of God.



The sav - ing pow - er of God.

Second Sunday Of Advent

Gathering Song:

Ready the Way



Greeting

Penitential Act: *Confiteor*

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,
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.

-AND/OR-

Lord have Mercy,
Christ have Mercy,
Lord have Mercy



Liturgy of the Word

1st Reading IS 40:1-5, 9-11

Comfort, give comfort to my people,
says your God.

Speak tenderly to Jerusalem, and proclaim to her
that her service is at an end,
her guilt is expiated;
indeed, she has received from the hand of the LORD
double for all her sins.

A voice cries out:

In the desert prepare the way of the LORD!
Make straight in the wasteland a highway for our
God!

Every valley shall be filled in,
every mountain and hill shall be made low;
the rugged land shall be made a plain,
the rough country, a broad valley.

Then the glory of the LORD shall be revealed,
and all people shall see it together;
for the mouth of the LORD has spoken.

Go up on to a high mountain,
Zion, herald of glad tidings;
cry out at the top of your voice,
Jerusalem, herald of good news!

Fear not to cry out
and say to the cities of Judah:
Here is your God!

Here comes with power
the Lord GOD,
who rules by his strong arm;
here is his reward with him,
his recompense before him.
Like a shepherd he feeds his flock;
in his arms he gathers the lambs,
carrying them in his bosom,
and leading the ewes with care.

The Word of the Lord,
~Thanks be to God



Responsorial Psalm PS 85:9-10-11-12, 13-14

R. Lord, let us see your kindness, and grant us your salvation.

I will hear what God proclaims;
the LORD—for he proclaims peace to his people.
Near indeed is his salvation to those who fear him,
glory dwelling in our land.

R. Lord, let us see your kindness, and grant us your salvation.

Kindness and truth shall meet;
justice and peace shall kiss.
Truth shall spring out of the earth,
and justice shall look down from heaven.

R. Lord, let us see your kindness, and grant us your salvation.

The LORD himself will give his benefits;
our land shall yield its increase.
Justice shall walk before him,
and prepare the way of his steps.

R. Lord, let us see your kindness, and grant us your salvation.



2nd Reading 2 PT 3:8-14

Do not ignore this one fact, beloved,
that with the Lord one day is like a thousand years
and a thousand years like one day.
The Lord does not delay his promise, as some regard “delay,”
but he is patient with you,
not wishing that any should perish
but that all should come to repentance.
But the day of the Lord will come like a thief,
and then the heavens will pass away with a mighty roar
and the elements will be dissolved by fire,
and the earth and everything done on it will be found out.
Since everything is to be dissolved in this way,
what sort of persons ought you to be,
conducting yourselves in holiness and devotion,
waiting for and hastening the coming of the day of God,
because of which the heavens will be dissolved in flames
and the elements melted by fire. But according to his promise
we await new heavens and a new earth in which righteousness dwells.
Therefore, beloved, since you await these things,
be eager to be found without spot or blemish before him, at peace.

The Word of the Lord,
~Thanks be to God



Alleluia PS 85:8

R. Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

The Kingdom of God is near.

The Kingdom of God is at hand.

Repent and believe in the Good News.

R. Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.



Gospel МК 1:1-8

The beginning of the gospel of Jesus Christ the Son of God.

As it is written in Isaiah the prophet:

*Behold, I am sending my messenger ahead of you;
he will prepare your way.*

A voice of one crying out in the desert:

*“Prepare the way of the Lord,
make straight his paths.”*

John the Baptist appeared in the desert
proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins.

People of the whole Judean countryside

and all the inhabitants of Jerusalem were going out to him

and were being baptized by him in the Jordan River

as they acknowledged their sins.

John was clothed in camel's hair, with a leather belt around his waist.

He fed on locusts and wild honey.

And this is what he proclaimed:

“One mightier than I is coming after me.

I am not worthy to stoop and loosen the thongs of his sandals.

I have baptized you with water; he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit.”

The Gospel of the Lord,

~Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ



Profession of Faith:

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 the life of the world to come. ***Amen.***

Universal Prayer: Prayers of Petition

~ Lord, hear our prayers



Liturgy of the Eucharist

Eucharistic Acclamations:

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts.
Heaven and earth are full, full of your glory.
Hosanna, hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna, Hosanna in the highest.
Hosanna, Hosanna in the highest.

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We proclaim your Death, O Lord, and profess your
Resurrection, until you come again.

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Amen, Amen, Amen, Amen, Amen

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The Lord's Prayer

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Sign of Peace

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Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, grant us peace.

The Lord's Prayer

*Our Father, Who art in heaven,
Hallowed be Thy Name.
Thy Kingdom come.
Thy Will be done,
on earth as it is in Heaven.*

*Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those
who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil. Amen.*

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For the kingdom, the power and glory
are yours now and forever.~Amen



Spiritual Communion:

**My Jesus, I believe that you are present
in the Most Holy Sacrament.
I love you above all things,
and I desire to receive you into my soul.
Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally,
Come at least spiritually into my heart.
I embrace You as if You were already there
And unite myself wholly to You.
Never permit me to be separated from You.
Amen.**



Communion Song: Come, Emmanuel

COME, EMMANUEL

Trevor Thomson

Verses



1. Come, O God, with - in our hearts, with - in our souls.
2. Come, O Love, re - new our lives and guide our minds.
3. Come, O Light, and lead us on the road with you.



1. Come, O God, with heal - ing pow'r re - new us.
2. Come, O Love, in pow'r re - vive your peo - ple.
3. Come, O Light, dis - pel our deep - est dark - ness.

Refrain



Come, O come, Em - man - u - el. O - pen our hearts, re -



new us. Come, O come, Em - man - u - el.



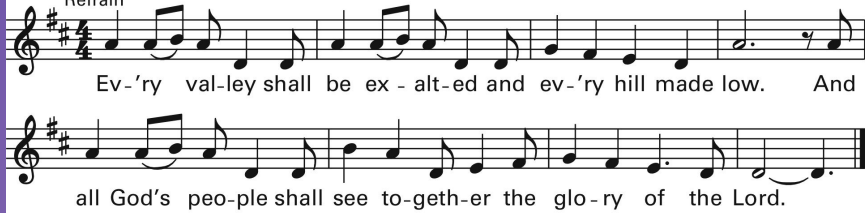
Come in love and make us whole once more.



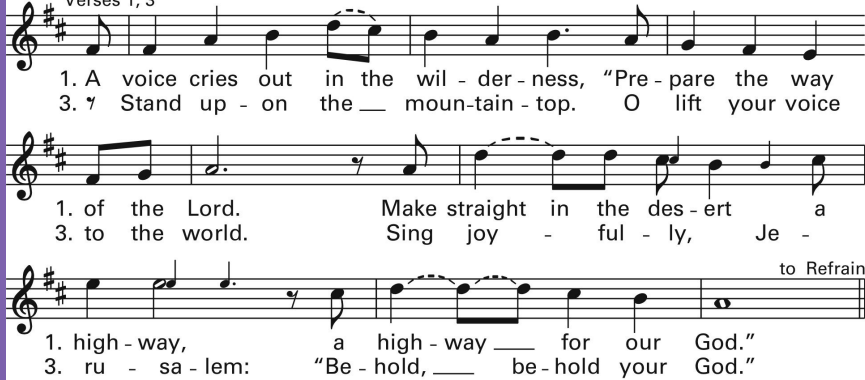
EVERY VALLEY

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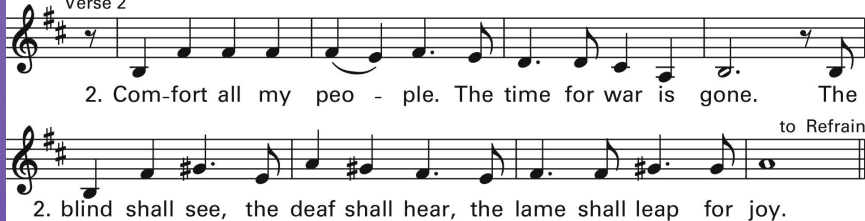
Refrain



Verses 1, 3



Verse 2



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Concluding Rite

Closing Song: Every Valley



Vocations Prayer

Heavenly Father,
Bless our diocese with the grace of many vocations
to the priesthood, diaconate and to religious life.
Through the intercession of the Blessed Mother,
grant to those You have called
the willingness and the generosity of spirit
to give of themselves in devoting their lives and their talents
to the service of our Lord and to His Church.

Increase the faith of all within our diocese,
and especially the faith of those You are calling.
We ask this through Christ, Your Son our Lord. ~ **Amen**



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