



Merry Christmas

# Happy Epiphany





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

# Solemnity of Mary

## Gathering Song:

### *Angels From the Realms of Glory*

#### ANGELS FROM THE REALMS OF GLORY

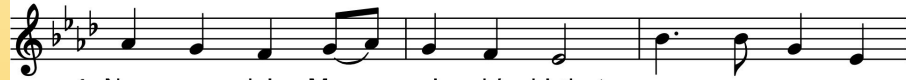
REGENT SQUARE



1. An - gels, from the realms of glo - ry, Wing your flight o'er
2. Shep-herds, in the fields a - bid - ing, Watch-ing o'er your
3. Sag - es, leave your con - tem-pla-tions, Bright-er vi - sions
4. Though an in - fant now we view him, He shall fill his
5. All cre - a - tion, join in prais-ing God, the Fa - ther,



1. all the earth; Ye who sang cre - a - tion's sto - ry,
2. flocks by night, God on earth is now re - sid - ing;
3. beam a - far; Seek the great De - sire of Na - tions,
4. Fa - ther's throne, Gath - er all the na - tions to him;
5. Spir - it, Son, Ev - er - more your voic - es rais - ing,



1. Now pro - claim Mes - si - ah's birth:
2. Yon - der shines the in - fant light:
3. Ye have seen his na - tal star: } Come and wor-ship,
4. Ev - 'ry knee shall then bow down:
5. To the e - ter - nal Three - in - One: }



- 1-5. come and wor - ship, Wor - ship Christ, the new - born King.

Text: 87 87 87; verses 1-3, James Montgomery, 1771-1854; verse 4, *Christmas Box*, 1825;  
verse 5, *Salisbury Hymn Book*, 1857. Music: Henry T. Smart, 1813-1879.

# 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



# GLORIA

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will.  
We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you,  
We give you thanks for your great glory, Lord God,  
heavenly King, O God, almighty Father.  
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.  
For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,  
you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,  
in the glory of God the Father, Amen.  
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## 1st Reading Is 60:1-6

Rise up in splendor, Jerusalem! Your light has come,  
the glory of the Lord shines upon you.  
See, darkness covers the earth,  
and thick clouds cover the peoples;  
but upon you the LORD shines,  
and over you appears his glory.  
Nations shall walk by your light,  
and kings by your shining radiance.  
Raise your eyes and look about;  
they all gather and come to you:  
your sons come from afar,  
and your daughters in the arms of their nurses.  
Then you shall be radiant at what you see,  
your heart shall throb and overflow,  
for the riches of the sea shall be emptied out before you,  
the wealth of nations shall be brought to you.  
Caravans of camels shall fill you,  
dromedaries from Midian and Ephah;  
all from Sheba shall come  
bearing gold and frankincense,  
and proclaiming the praises of the LORD.

# Liturgy of the Word

The Word of the Lord,  
**~Thanks be to God**



## **Responsorial Psalm** Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13

**R.(cf. 11) Lord, every nation on earth will adore you.**

O God, with your judgment endow the king,  
and with your justice, the king's son;  
He shall govern your people with justice  
and your afflicted ones with judgment.

**R. Lord, every nation on earth will adore you.**

Justice shall flower in his days,  
and profound peace, till the moon be no more.  
May he rule from sea to sea,  
and from the River to the ends of the earth.

**R. Lord, every nation on earth will adore you.**

The kings of Tarshish and the Isles shall offer gifts;  
the kings of Arabia and Seba shall bring tribute.  
All kings shall pay him homage,  
all nations shall serve him.

**R. Lord, every nation on earth will adore you.**

For he shall rescue the poor when he cries out,  
and the afflicted when he has no one to help him.  
He shall have pity for the lowly and the poor;  
the lives of the poor he shall save.

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## 2nd Reading Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6

Brothers and sisters:

You have heard of the stewardship of God's grace  
that was given to me for your benefit,  
namely, that the mystery was made known to me by  
revelation.

It was not made known to people in other generations  
as it has now been revealed  
to his holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit:  
that the Gentiles are coheirs, members of the same body,  
and copartners in the promise in Christ Jesus through the  
gospel.

The Word of the Lord,  
~**Thanks be to God**

**Alleluia** Isaiah 60:1

**R. Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.**

Rise up in splendor, Jerusalem!

Your light has come!

The glory of the Lord shines upon you!

**R. Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.**

## Gospel Mt 2:1-12

When Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea,  
in the days of King Herod,  
behold, magi from the east arrived in Jerusalem, saying,  
"Where is the newborn king of the Jews?  
We saw his star at its rising  
and have come to do him homage."  
When King Herod heard this,  
he was greatly troubled,  
and all Jerusalem with him.  
Assembling all the chief priests and the scribes of the people,  
He inquired of them where the Christ was to be born.  
They said to him, "In Bethlehem of Judea,  
for thus it has been written through the prophet:  
And you, Bethlehem, land of Judah,  
are by no means least among the rulers of Judah;  
since from you shall come a ruler,  
who is to shepherd my people Israel."  
Then Herod called the magi secretly  
and ascertained from them the time of the star's appearance.  
He sent them to Bethlehem and said,  
"Go and search diligently for the child.

When you have found him, bring me word,  
that I too may go and do him homage."  
After their audience with the king they set out.  
And behold, the star that they had seen at its rising preceded  
them,  
until it came and stopped over the place where the child was.  
They were overjoyed at seeing the star,  
and on entering the house  
they saw the child with Mary his mother.  
They prostrated themselves and did him homage.  
Then they opened their treasures  
and offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh.  
And having been warned in a dream not to return to Herod,  
they departed for their country by another way.

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**

~ Come Lord Jesus



# 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.

~\*~\*~\*~\*~\*~

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

~\*~\*~\*~\*~\*~

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.*

~\*~\*~\*~\*~\*~

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



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## 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.**



# WE THREE KINGS

KINGS OF ORIENT

Verses



1. We three kings of O - ri - ent are; Bear - ing gifts we
2. Born a King on Beth - le - hem's plain, Gold I bring to
3. Frank - in - cense to of - fer have I: In - cense owns a
4. Myrrh is mine; its bit - ter per - fume Breathes a life of
5. Glo - rious now be - hold him a - rise, King and God and



1. tra - verse a - far Field and foun - tain, Moor and moun - tain,
2. crown him a - gain, King for - ev - er, Ceas - ing nev - er
3. De - i - ty nigh; Prayer and prais - ing Glad - ly rais - ing,
4. gath - er - ing gloom; Sor - rowing, sigh - ing, Bleed - ing, dy - ing,
5. Sac - ri - fice; "Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia!"

Refrain



1. Fol - low - ing yon - der star. O star of won - der,
2. O - ver us all to reign.
3. Wor - ship him, God on high.
4. Sealed in the stone - cold tomb.
5. Sounds through the earth and skies.



star of night, Star with roy - al beau - ty bright; West - ward



lead - ing, still pro - ceed - ing, Guide us to thy per - fect light.

Text: 88 44 6 with refrain; based on Matthew 2:1-11.

Text and music: *Carols, Hymns and Songs*, 1863; John H. Hopkins, Jr., 1820-1891, alt.

## Communion Song:

### We Three Kings

# Concluding Rite

## Closing Song:

### Go, Tell It On the Mountain

#### GO, TELL IT ON THE MOUNTAIN

GO TELL IT

Refrain



Go, tell it on the moun - tain, O-ver the hills and ev - 'ry -



where; Go, tell it on the moun - tain That Je - sus Christ is born.

Verses



1. While shep-herds kept their watch-ing O'er si - lent flocks by night,
2. The shep-herds feared and trem-bled When high a - bove the earth
3. And lo, when they had heard it, They all bowed down and prayed;
4. Down in a low - ly man - ger The hum - ble Christ was born,



to Refrain

1. Be - hold, through-out the heav-ens There shone a ho - ly light.
2. Rang out the an - gel cho - rus That hailed our Sav - ior's birth.
3. They trav - eled on to - geth - er To where the Babe was laid.
4. And God sent us sal - va - tion That bless - ed Christ-mas morn.

Text: 76 76 with refrain; fr. *American Negro Songs and Spirituals*, 1940; John W. Work, Jr., 1872–1925, alt.

Music: Spiritual.

## 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**

*Merry Christmas and*



*a Blessed Epiphany!*



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## Epiphany House Blessing

2|+C+M+B+2|

The numbers represent the New Year

2 meanings for C, M, B

↪ (Caspar) (Melchior) & (Balthasar) ↪  
traditional names for the magi

"CHRISTUS MANSIONEM BENEDICAT"

which in Latin means

"MAY CHRIST BLESS THIS HOUSE"

The "+" signs represent the cross  
and 2021 is the year of the blessing.

## EPIPHANY HOUSE BLESSING

It has been a tradition in the Catholic Church to use the blessed chalk as part of blessing one's home in the New Year.

The home blessing can be done as follows:  
Using the blessed chalk, mark the current year & the initials of the Maji above the outside doorways of your home.

Place a cross between each of the letters.

The prayer to pray after  
marking your doorframe:

*May all who come to our home this year  
rejoice to find Christ living among us; and  
may we seek and serve, in everyone we  
meet, that same Jesus who is Lord of all  
people, forever and ever. Amen.*

The markings over the doors should be left all year round as a sign that yours is a Christian home.