

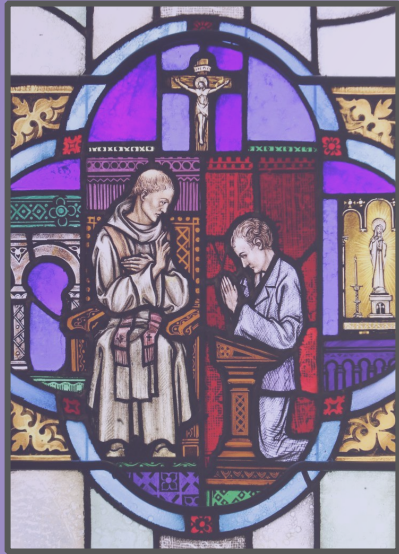


**St. Leo's Parish Community**  
*Fourth Sunday of Advent*  
*Sunday, December 19, 2021*



**Welcome to St Leo's!**  
*We are so glad you  
could join us!*





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## Fourth Sunday of Advent



# The Sunday of *Love*

Jesus shows us God's perfect love.  
He is God's perfect love in human form.  
Those who believe in him and live in him,  
live in love.  
Love transforms and perfects all things.  
It never ends.

We light this candle today to remind us  
that God is love.

We thank God for the hope he gives us,  
for the peace he bestows on us,  
for the joy he pours into our hearts, and for  
the love that redeems us and shows us the way

# Gathering 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.





# 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 Mi 5:1-4a

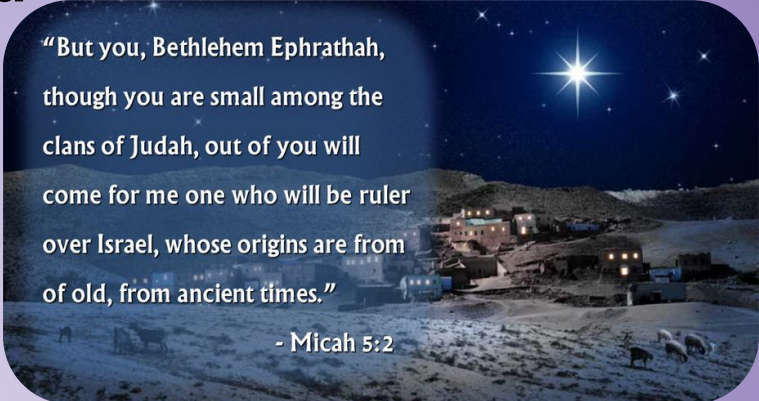
Thus says the LORD:

You, Bethlehem-Ephrathah  
too small to be among the clans of Judah,  
from you shall come forth for me  
one who is to be ruler in Israel;  
whose origin is from of old,  
from ancient times.

Therefore the Lord will give them up, until the time  
when she who is to give birth has borne,  
and the rest of his kindred shall return  
to the children of Israel.

He shall stand firm and shepherd his flock  
by the strength of the LORD,  
in the majestic name of the LORD, his God;  
and they shall remain, for now his greatness  
shall reach to the ends of the earth;  
he shall be peace.

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

A night scene of a small village with a bright star in the sky. The village is illuminated by warm lights, and the sky is dark with several stars. The text is overlaid on the right side of the image.

“But you, Bethlehem Ephrathah,  
though you are small among the  
clans of Judah, out of you will  
come for me one who will be ruler  
over Israel, whose origins are from  
of old, from ancient times.”

- Micah 5:2



## Responsorial Psalm Ps 80:2-3, 15-16, 18-19.

**R. Lord, make us turn to you;**

**let us see your face and we shall be saved.**

O shepherd of Israel, hearken,  
from your throne upon the cherubim, shine forth.  
Rouse your power,  
and come to save us.

**R. Lord, make us turn to you;**

**let us see your face and we shall be saved.**

Once again, O LORD of hosts,  
look down from heaven, and see;  
take care of this vine,  
and protect what your right hand has planted  
the son of man whom you yourself made strong.

**R. Lord, make us turn to you;**

**let us see your face and we shall be saved.**

May your help be with the man of your right hand,  
with the son of man whom you yourself made strong.  
Then we will no more withdraw from you;  
give us new life, and we will call upon your name.

**R. Lord, make us turn to you;**

**let us see your face and we shall be saved.**



## 2nd Reading Heb 10:5-10

Brothers and sisters:

When Christ came into the world, he said:

“Sacrifice and offering you did not desire,  
but a body you prepared for me;  
in holocausts and sin offerings you took no delight.  
Then I said, ‘As is written of me in the scroll,  
behold, I come to do your will, O God.’”

First he says, “Sacrifices and offerings,  
holocausts and sin offerings,  
you neither desired nor delighted in.”

These are offered according to the law.

Then he says, “Behold, I come to do your will.”

He takes away the first to establish the second.

By this “will,” we have been consecrated  
through the offering of the body of Jesus Christ once  
for all.

The Word of the Lord,  
~Thanks be to God





## Alleluia

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

Behold, I am the handmaid of the Lord.

May it be done to me according to your word.

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



## **Gospel** Lk 1:39-45

Mary set out  
and traveled to the hill country in haste  
to a town of Judah,  
where she entered the house of Zechariah  
and greeted Elizabeth.

When Elizabeth heard Mary's greeting,  
the infant leaped in her womb,  
and Elizabeth, filled with the Holy Spirit,  
cried out in a loud voice and said,  
"Blessed are you among women,  
and blessed is the fruit of your womb.  
And how does this happen to me,  
that the mother of my Lord should come to me?  
For at the moment the sound of your greeting  
reached my ears,  
the infant in my womb leaped for joy.  
Blessed are you who believed  
that what was spoken to you by the Lord  
would be fulfilled."



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 prayer



# Liturgy of the Eucharist

## Eucharistic Acclamations:

R: Blessed be God forever

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

R: May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands for the praise and glory of his name, for our good and the good of all His holy Church

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

R: And with your spirit

R: We lift them up to the Lord

R: It is right and just.

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

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.

Or

When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup

We proclaim your Death, O Lord, until you come again

Or

Save us, Savior of the world,

for by your Cross and Resurrection you have set us free

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

Amen, Amen, Amen, Amen, Amen

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

**The Lord's Prayer**



# 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



## 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: Hail Mary: Gentle Woman

## Hail Mary: Gentle Woman

Hail Mar - y, full of grace, the  
Lord is with you.  
Bless-ed are you a-mong wom-en, and blest is the fruit of your  
womb, Je - sus.  
Ho-ly Mar - y, Moth-er of God,  
pray for us sin - ners now and at the hour of  
death. A - men.

Refrain  
Gen - tle wom - an, qui - et light,  
mom - ing star, so strong and bright,

gen - tle Moth - er, peace - ful dove,  
teach us wis - dom; teach us love.

Verse 1  
1. You were cho - sen by the Fa - ther; you were  
cho - sen for the Son. You were  
cho - sen from all wom - en and for  
wom - an, shin - ing one. **D.S.**

Verse 2  
2. Bless - ed are you a - mong wom - en,  
blest in turn all wom - en, too.  
Bless - ed they with peace - ful spir - its.  
Bless - ed they with gen - tle hearts. **D.S.**

Text: Hail Mary, alt., Carey Landry, b. 1944.  
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## 202. People, Look East

BESANÇON

1. Peo - ple, look east. The time is near of the  
 2. Fur - rows, be glad. Though earth is bare, one more  
 3. Stars, keep the watch. When night is dim, one more  
 4. An - gels an - nounce with shouts of mirth him who

crow - ing of — the year. Make your house fair as you are  
 seed is plant - ed there. Give up your strength the seed to  
 light the bowl — shall brim, shin - ing be - yond the frost - y  
 brings new life — to earth. Set ev - ery peak and val - ley

a - ble, trim — the hearth - and set — the ta - ble. Peo - ple, look  
 nour - ish, that — in course - the flower - may flou - ish. Peo - ple, look  
 weath - er, bright — as sun — and moon — to - geth - er. Peo - ple, look  
 hum - ming with — the word, — the Lord — is com - ing. Peo - ple, look

east and sing to - day: Love, the Guest is on — the way,  
 east and sing to - day: Love, the Rose is on — the way,  
 east and sing to - day: Love, the Star is on — the way,  
 east and sing to - day: Love, the Lord is on — the way.

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 MUSIC: Trad. French carol

# Concluding Rite

## Closing Song:

### People, Look East





## Vocations Prayer

Heavenly Father,

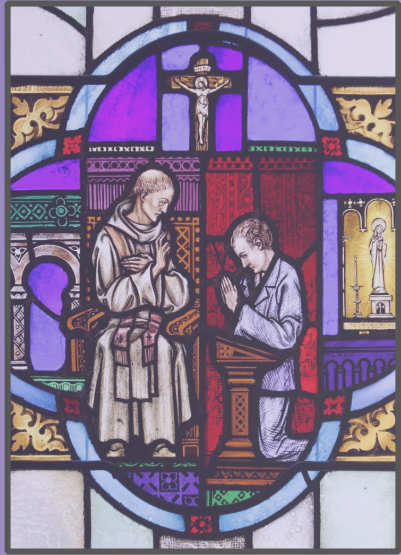
Bless our diocese with the grace of many vocations  
to the priesthood, diaconate and to religious life.

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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*Love*

THE SEASON OF ADVENT





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