

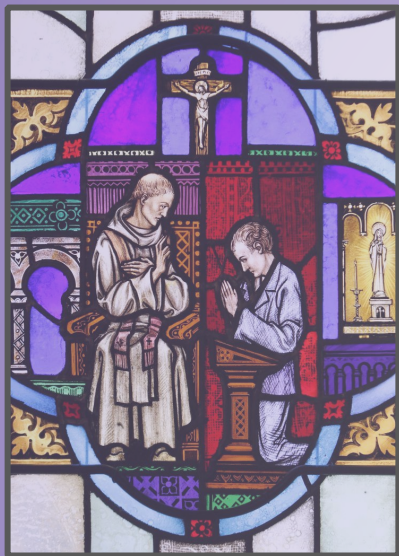


St. Leo's Parish Community
Third Sunday of Advent
Sunday, December 12, 2021



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





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Third Sunday of Advent



The candle for the Third Sunday of Advent is **pink** to remind us of the coming joy of the birth of Jesus Christ.

The Sunday of *Joy*

Our Joy is in God and in his Son Jesus Christ. Like peace, joy is a gift from God. It overtakes us and fills us when we remember what God has done and what he has promised to do.

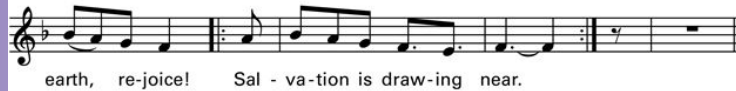
We light this candle today to remind us that Christ came, and is coming again so that all people might have a rich and abundant life.

We thank God for the hope he gives us, for the peace he bestows, and for the joy he pours into our hearts.

Gathering Song: Emmanuel

EMMANUEL

Steve Angrisano



1. O come, O come, Em-man - u - el,
That mourns in lone - ly ex - ile here
2. O come, O Wis - dom from on high,
To us the path of knowl-edge show,
3. O come, O Rod of Jes - se's stem;
That trust your might - y pow'r to save,
4. O come, De - sire of na - tions, bind
Make all our sad di - vi - sions cease,
5. Re - joice! Em - man - u - el
Re - joice! Em - man - u - el



1. And ran - som cap - tive Is - ra - el,
Un - til the Son of God ap - pear.
2. Who or - dered all things might - i - ly;
And teach us in her ways to go.
3. From ev - 'ry foe de - liv - er them
And give them vic - t'ry o'er the grave.
4. In one the hearts of hu - man - kind;
And be for us the King of Peace.
5. shall come to thee, O Is - ra - el.
shall come to thee, O Is - ra - el. (Fine)

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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 Zep 3:14-18a

Shout for joy, O daughter Zion!

Sing joyfully, O Israel!

Be glad and exult with all your heart,

O daughter Jerusalem!

The LORD has removed the judgment against you

he has turned away your enemies;

the King of Israel, the LORD, is in your midst,

you have no further misfortune to fear.

On that day, it shall be said to Jerusalem:

Fear not, O Zion, be not discouraged!

The LORD, your God, is in your midst,

a mighty savior;

he will rejoice over you with gladness,

and renew you in his love,

he will sing joyfully because of you,

as one sings at festivals.

The Word of the Lord,

~Thanks be to God



Responsorial Psalm Is 12:2-3, 4, 5-6.

R. Cry out with joy and gladness:

for among you is the great and Holy One of Israel.

God indeed is my savior;

I am confident and unafraid.

My strength and my courage is the LORD,

and he has been my savior.

With joy you will draw water

at the fountain of salvation.

R. Cry out with joy and gladness:

for among you is the great and Holy One of Israel.

Give thanks to the LORD, acclaim his name;

among the nations make known his deeds,

proclaim how exalted is his name.

R. Cry out with joy and gladness:

for among you is the great and Holy One of Israel.

Sing praise to the LORD for his glorious achievement;

let this be known throughout all the earth.

Shout with exultation, O city of Zion,

for great in your midst

is the Holy One of Israel!

R. Cry out with joy and gladness:

for among you is the great and Holy One of Israel.



2nd Reading Phil 4:4-7

Brothers and sisters:
Rejoice in the Lord always.
I shall say it again: **rejoice!**
Your kindness should be known to all.
The Lord is near.
Have no anxiety at all,
but in everything,
by prayer and petition,
with thanksgiving,
make your requests known to God.
Then the peace of God
that surpasses all understanding
will guard your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus.

The Word of the Lord,
~Thanks be to God

The peace of God,
which transcends
all understanding,
will guard your
hearts and minds.

-Philippians 4:7



Alleluia

R. Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

The Spirit of the Lord is upon me,
because he has anointed me
to bring glad tidings to the poor.

R. Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.



Gospel Lk 3:10-18

The crowds asked John the Baptist,

“What should we do?”

He said to them in reply,

“Whoever has two cloaks

should share with the person who has none.

And whoever has food should do likewise.”

Even tax collectors came to be baptized and they said to him,

“Teacher, what should we do?”

He answered them, “Stop collecting more than what is prescribed.”

Soldiers also asked him, “And what is it that we should do?”

He told them,

“Do not practice extortion, do not falsely accuse anyone,

and be satisfied with your wages.”

Now the people were filled with expectation,

and all were asking in their hearts

whether John might be the Christ. John answered them all, saying,

“I am baptizing you with water, but one mightier than I is coming.

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

He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire.

His winnowing fan is in his hand to clear his threshing floor

and to gather the wheat into his barn,

but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire.”

Exhorting them in many other ways,

he preached good news to the people.

The Gospel of the Lord,

~ Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ



WHAT MUST WE DO?

LUKE 3:10-18



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

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R: And with your spirit

R: We lift them up to the Lord

R: It is right and just.

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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.

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

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Amen, Amen, Amen, Amen, Amen

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The Lord's Prayer

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*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.*

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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: You Are The Light

YOU ARE THE LIGHT

Sarah Hart



1. You are the light that stands a-lone in depth of night and eye of
2. You are the word that's writ-ten deep with-in the hearts of all who
3. O you are God who spoke the dawn; the sav-ior son who came in



1. storm. Where shad-ows fall, you en-ter in; ig-nite with
2. long for end-less days be-yond the skies, for peace on
3. flesh to be a lamp for wan-d'ring hearts, to steal our



1. hope what dark has dimmed. And though our eyes may fail to
2. earth, a king-dom come. We sing the name that heals our
3. dark-ness by your death. And as you rose, you gave us



1. see, it is the heart that's giv-en sight through night and
2. souls, and share the way, the truth, the life. For hearts that
3. peace, your Spir-it-gift to kind-ly lead. Sweet mys-ter-



1. storm, to trust in you. Up-on our path you are the light.
2. long, both lost and found, we speak the word: you are the light.
3. y, how true you guide. We look to you; you are the light.



EVERY VALLEY

Bob Dufford, SJ

Refrain

Ev-'ry val-ley shall be ex - alt-ed and ev-'ry hill made low. And
all God's peo-ple shall see to-geth-er the glo-ry of the Lord.

Verses 1, 3

1. A voice cries out in the wil - der - ness, "Pre - pare the way
3. 7 Stand up - on the — moun-tain - top. O lift your voice
1. of the Lord. Make straight in the des - ert a
3. to the world. Sing joy - ful - ly, Je -
to Refrain
1. high - way, a high - way — for our God."
3. ru - sa - lem: "Be - hold, — be - hold your God."

Verse 2

2. Com-fort all my peo - ple. The time for war is gone. The
to Refrain
2. blind shall see, the deaf shall hear, the lame shall leap for joy.

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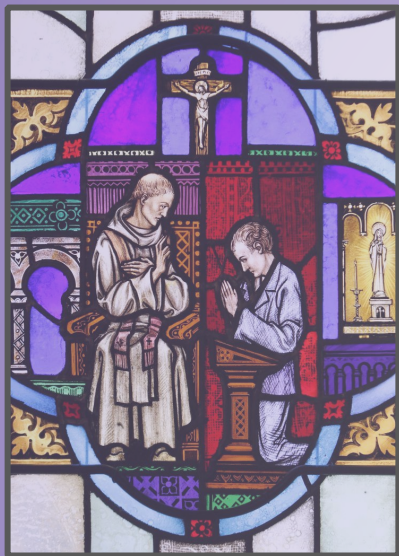
Concluding Rite Closing Song: Every Valley



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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Joy

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.