



## FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT DECEMBER 24, 2023

*Please observe reverent silence as we prepare ourselves for the  
Holy Sacrifice of the Mass.*

### PROCESSION - *Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus*

Come, thou long-expected Jesus, born  
to set thy people free; from our fears and  
sins release us, let us find our rest in thee.  
Israel's strength and consolation, hope of  
all the earth thou art; dear desire of every  
nation, joy of every longing heart.

Born thy people to deliver, born a child and  
yet a King, born to reign in us forever, now  
thy gracious kingdom bring. By thine own  
eternal spirit rule in all our hearts alone;  
by thine all sufficient merit, raise us to thy  
glorious throne.

Text: 87 87; Charles Wesley, 1707 - 1788. Music: Rowland H. Prichard, 1811 - 1887. HYFRYDOL §

### PENITENTIAL RITE - *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,

*Striking your 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.

### Kyrie - *Missa Cum Jubilo (Mass IX)*

**Cantor:** Ky - ri - e, \* e - le - i - son. **Choir:** Ky - ri - e, e - le - i - son.

**All:** Ky - ri - e, e - le - i - son.

**Cantor:** Chri - ste, e - le - i - son. **Choir:** Chri - ste, e - le - i - son.

**All:** Chri - ste, e - le - i - son. **Cantor:** Ky - ri - e, e - le - i - son.

**Choir:** Ky - ri - e, e - le - i - son. **All:** Ky - ri - e,



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## FIRST READING - 2 Samuel 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16

When King David was settled in his palace, and the LORD had given him rest from his enemies on every side, he said to Nathan the prophet, "Here I am living in a house of cedar, while the ark of God dwells in a tent!" Nathan answered the king, "Go, do whatever you have in mind, for the LORD is with you." But that night the LORD spoke to Nathan and said: "Go, tell my servant David, 'Thus says the LORD: Should you build me a house to dwell in?' "It was I who took you from the pasture and from the care of the flock to be commander of my people Israel. I have been with you wherever you went, and I have destroyed all your enemies before you. And I will make you famous like the great ones

of the earth. I will fix a place for my people Israel; I will plant them so that they may dwell in their place without further disturbance. Neither shall the wicked continue to afflict them as they did of old, since the time I first appointed judges over my people Israel. I will give you rest from all your enemies. The LORD also reveals to you that he will establish a house for you. And when your time comes and you rest with your ancestors, I will raise up your heir after you, sprung from your loins, and I will make his kingdom firm. I will be a father to him, and he shall be a son to me. Your house and your kingdom shall endure forever before me; your throne shall stand firm forever."

## RESPONSORIAL PSALM - Psalm 89: For Ever I Will Sing



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## SECOND READING - Romans 16:25-27

Brothers and sisters: To him who can strengthen you, according to my gospel and the proclamation of Jesus Christ, according to the revelation of the mystery kept secret for long ages but now manifested through

the prophetic writings and, according to the command of the eternal God, made known to all nations to bring about the obedience of faith, to the only wise God, through Jesus Christ be glory forever and ever. Amen.



## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION - *Alleluia*



Chant, Mode VII - Accompaniment and verse tone Michael Dominic O'Connor, O.P. §

## GOSPEL - *Luke 1:26-38*

The angel Gabriel was sent from God to a town of Galilee called Nazareth, to a virgin betrothed to a man named Joseph, of the house of David, and the virgin's name was Mary. And coming to her, he said, "Hail, full of grace! The Lord is with you." But she was greatly troubled at what was said and pondered what sort of greeting this might be. Then the angel said to her, "Do not be afraid, Mary, for you have found favor with God. Behold, you will conceive in your womb and bear a son, and you shall name him Jesus. He will be great and will be called Son of the Most High, and the Lord God will give him the throne of David his father, and he

will rule over the house of Jacob forever, and of his kingdom there will be no end." But Mary said to the angel, "How can this be, since I have no relations with a man?" And the angel said to her in reply, "The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you. Therefore the child to be born will be called holy, the Son of God. And behold, Elizabeth, your relative, has also conceived a son in her old age, and this is the sixth month for her who was called barren; for nothing will be impossible for God." Mary said, "Behold, I am the handmaid of the Lord. May it be done to me according to your word." Then the angel departed from her.

## NICENE CREED

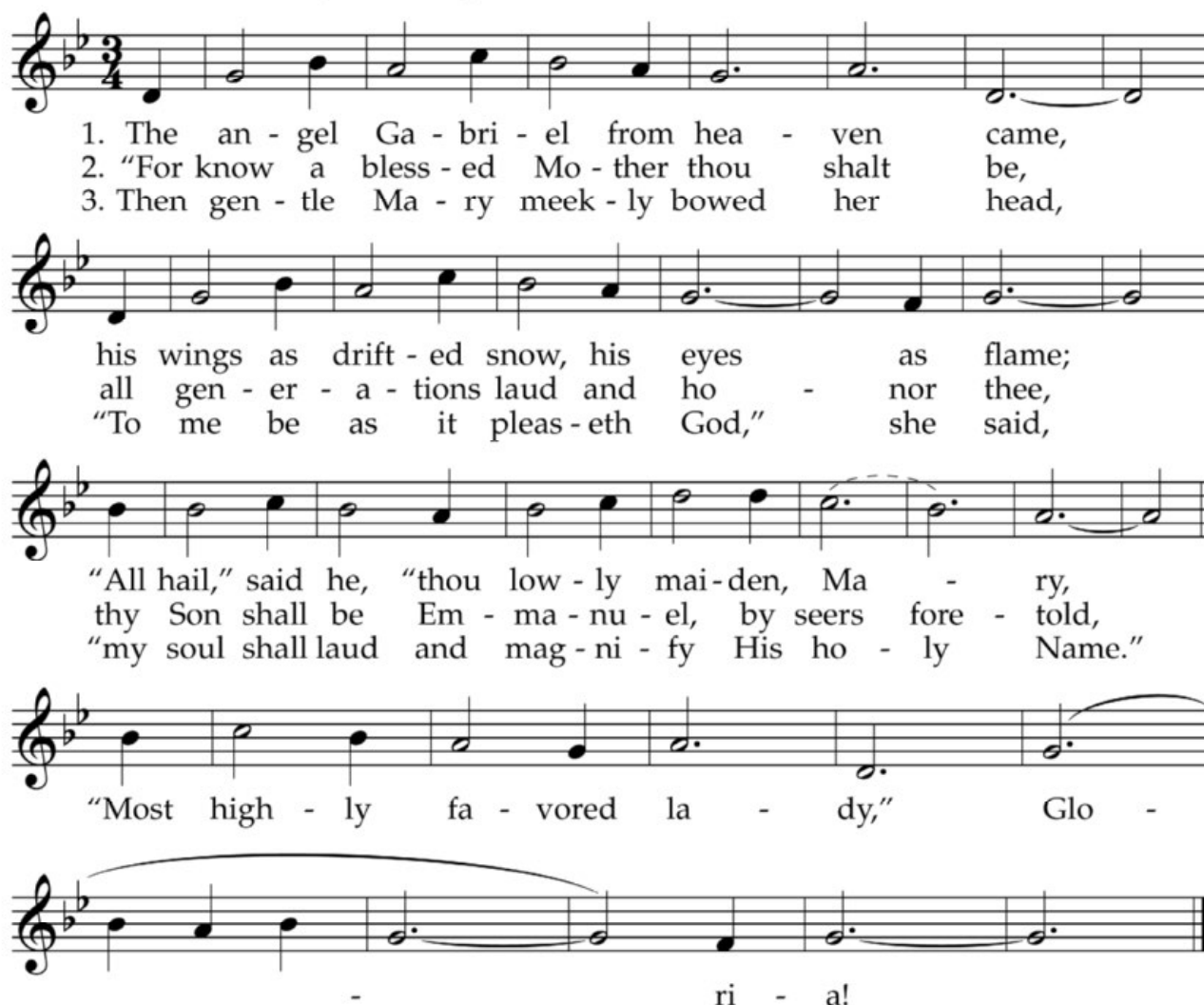
I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible. I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven, (*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.

## OFFERTORY - *The Angel Gabriel from Heaven Came*



1. The an - gel Ga - bri - el from hea - ven came,  
2. "For know a bless - ed Mo - ther thou shalt be,  
3. Then gen - tle Ma - ry meek - ly bowed her head,  
his wings as drift - ed snow, his eyes as flame;  
all gen - er - a - tions laud and ho - nor thee,  
"To me be as it pleas - eth God," she said,  
"All hail," said he, "thou low - ly mai - den, Ma - ry,  
thy Son shall be Em - ma - nu - el, by seers fore - told,  
"my soul shall laud and mag - ni - fy His ho - ly Name."  
"Most high - ly fa - vored la - dy," Glo -  
ri - a!

Tune: GABRIEL'S MESSAGE Irregular. Traditional Basque Carol. Para. by Sabine Baring Gould, 1834-1924. Traditional Basque Carol §

## OFFERTORY ANTIPHON

Ave María, grátia plena, Dóminus tecum:  
benedícta tu in muliéribus, et benedíctus  
fructus ventris tui.

*Hail, Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with  
you. Blessed are you among women and  
blessed is the fruit of your womb.*

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## SANCTUS/MYSTERIUM FIDEI/AMEN

*Holy*

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts.  
Heav'n and earth are 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.

*Mystery of Faith*

Save us, Savior of the world, for by Your  
Cross and Resurrection You have set us free.

*Great Amen - All sing: Amen*

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## PATER NOSTER

Pater noster, qui es in caelis: sanctificétur nomen tuum; advéniat regnum tuum; fiat volúntas tua, sicut in caelo, et in terra. Panem nostrum cotidiánum da nobis hódie; et dimítte nobis débíta nostra, sicut et nos dimíttimus debitóribus nostris. Et ne nos indúcas in tentatiónem; sed líbera nos a malo. §

### *The Lord's Prayer (Chanted)*

Music: Chant; adapt. by Robert J. Snow, 1926–1998. §

## AGNUS DEI - Cantor / All

**A** - gnus De - i, \*qui tol - lis pec-cá-ta mun-di: mi-se-ré-re  
no - bis. A-gnus De - i, \*qui tol - lis pec-cá - ta mun-di:  
mi-se-ré-re no - bis. A-gnus De - i, \*qui tol - lis pec-cá-ta  
mun - di: do-na no-bis pa-cem.

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**Cantor:**  
A-gnus De - i, \*qui tol - lis pec-ca-ta mun - di:  
**All:**  
mi - se - re - re no - bis. A-gnus de - i,  
\*qui tol - lis pec-ca-ta-mun-di: mi - se - re - re - no - bis.  
A - gnus De - i, \*qui tol - lis





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Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us. (2x)  
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, grant us peace.

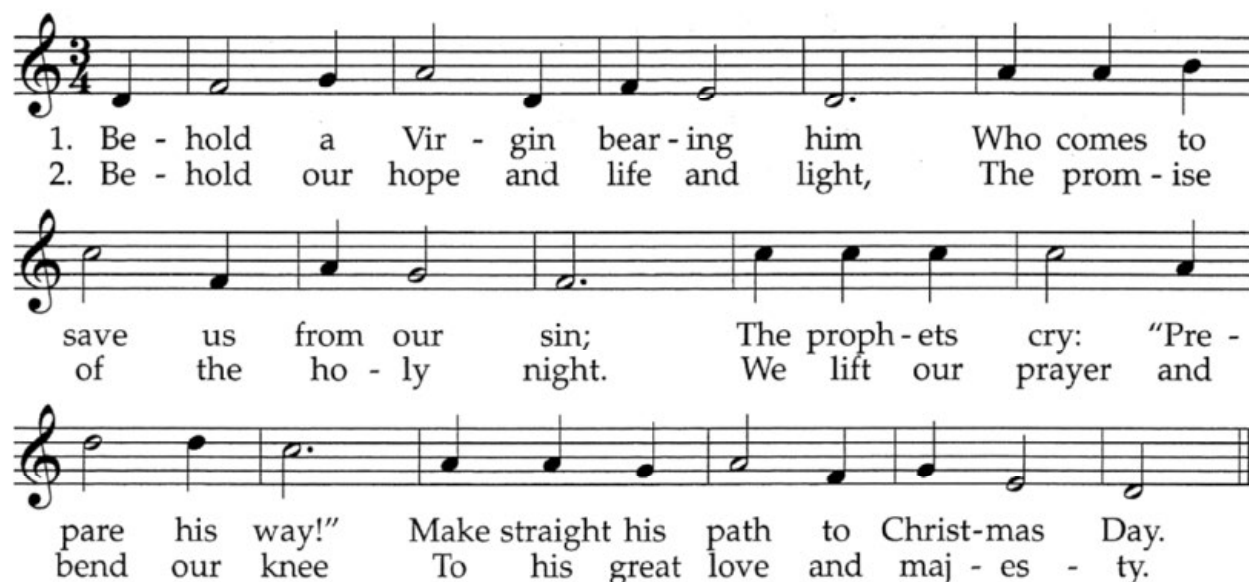
## COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Ecce virgo concípiet, et páriet filium:  
et vocábitur nomen eius Emmánuel.

*Behold, a Virgin shall conceive and bear a  
son; and his name will be called Emmanuel.*

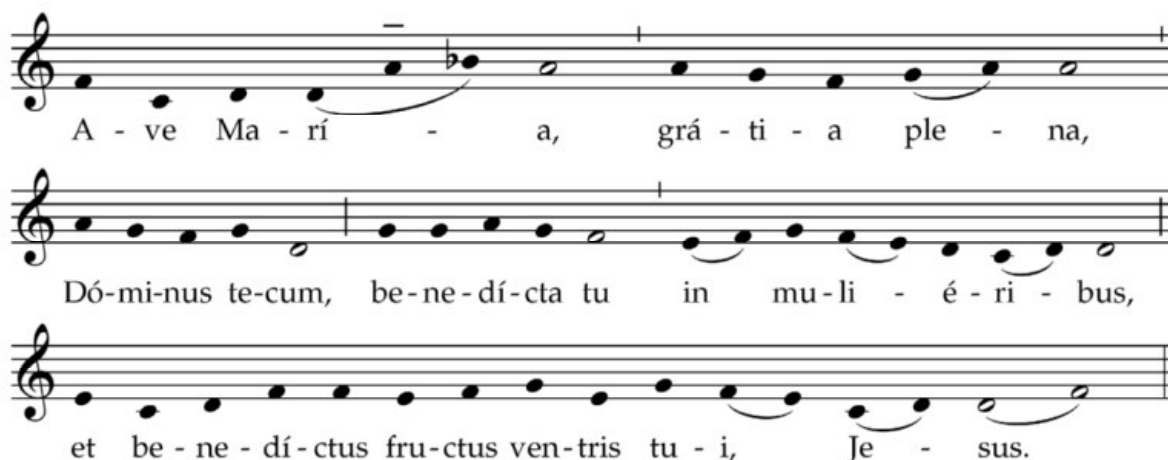
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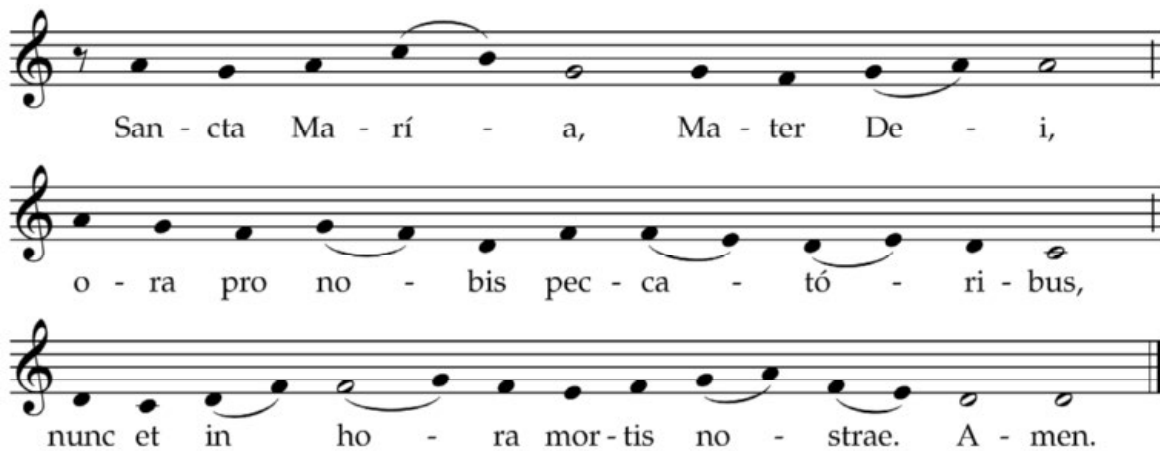
## COMMUNION - *Behold a Virgin Bearing Him*



Tune: O HEILAND, REISS LM. Michael V. Gannon. Text © 1955, World Library Publications, a division of GIA Publications, Inc. *Rheinfelsisches Deutsches Catholisches Gesangbuch*, Augsburg, 1666

## Ave Maria





*Translation:*

*Hail, Mary, full of grace; the Lord is with thee. Blessed art thou among women and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus. Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners now and at the hour of our death. Amen.*

Latin, 13th cent. Chant, Mode I. Acc. by Charles Frischmann. Acc. © 1979, WLP, a division of GIA Publications, Inc. §

*Creator of the Stars of Night*

1. Cre - a - tor of the stars of night, Thy peo -  
2. Our Fa - ther heard the help - less cry Of all  
3. When earth was near its ev - 'ning hour, You came  
4. At thy great Name, ex - al - ted now, All knees  
5. To thee, O ho - ly One, we pray, Our judge  
6. To God the Fa - ther, God the Son, And God

ple's ev - er - last - ing light, Lord Je - sus, Sav - ior  
cre - a - tion doomed to die, And saved our lost and  
in love's re - deem - ing pow'r, Like bride-groom from his  
should bend, all heads should bow: All things in heav'n and  
in that tre - men - dous day, De - fend us while we  
the Spir - it, three in one, Praise, hon - or, might, and

of us all, Now hear thy ser - vants when they call.  
guil - ty race By heal - ing gifts of heav - n'ly grace.  
cham - ber come, Forth from a maid - en moth - er's womb.  
earth a - dore, And praise thee, King for - ev - er - more.  
dwell be - low As - sult - ed by the dead - ly foe.  
glo - ry be From age to age e - ter - nal - ly.

Tune: CREATOR ALME SIDERUM LM. *Creator alme siderum*, Latin, 9th cent. Tr. in *The Hymnal* 1940 Tr. © The Church Pension Fund Chant, Mode IV §

## ANIMA CHRISTI - All

Soul of Christ, sanctify me. Body of Christ, save me. Blood of Christ, inebriate me. Water from the side of Christ, wash me. Passion of Christ, strengthen me. O good Jesus, hear me. Within your wounds conceal me.

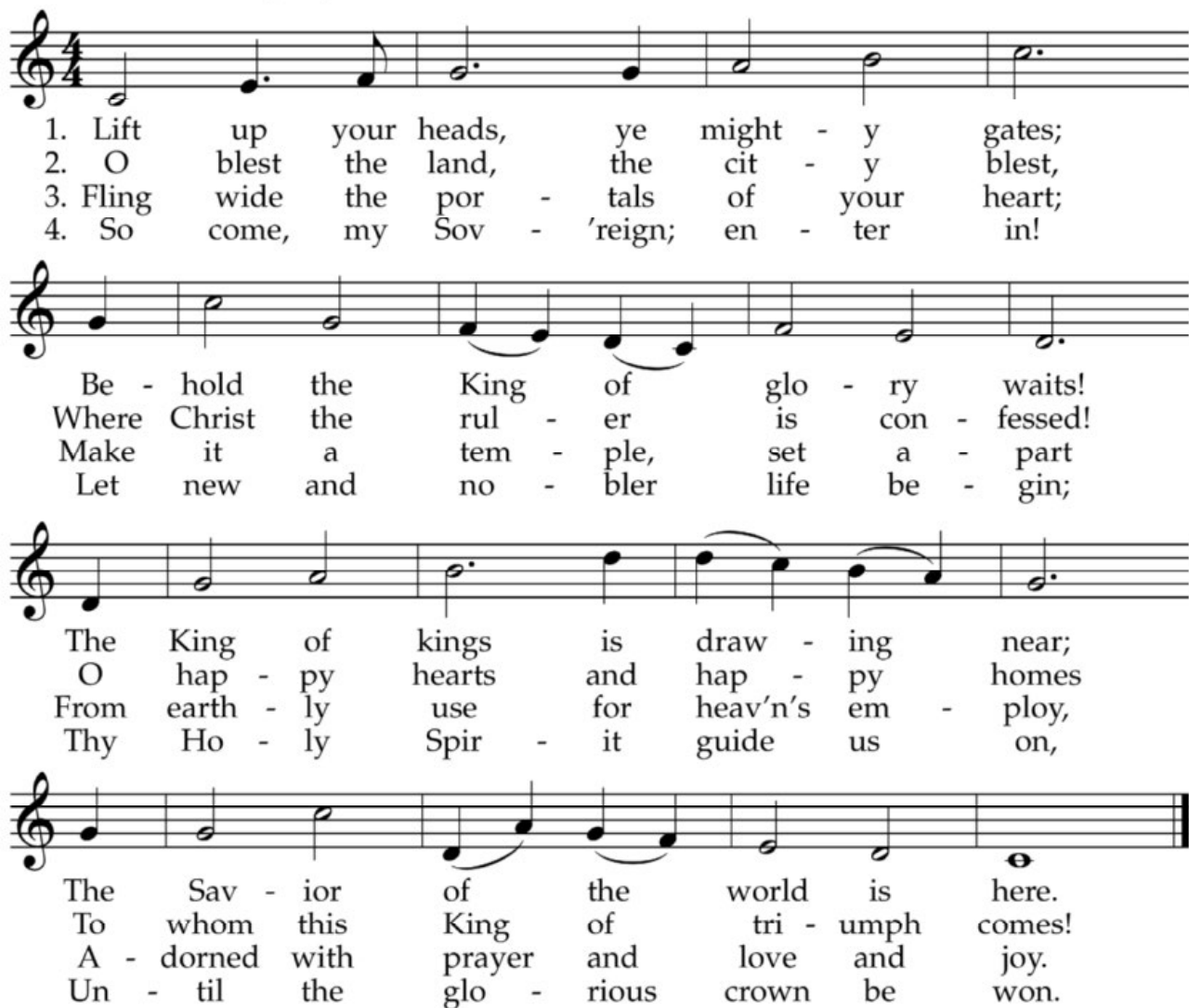
Do not permit me to be parted from you. From the evil foe protect me. At the hour of my death call me. And bid me come to you, to praise you with all your saints for ever and ever. Amen. §

## PRAYER TO SAINT MICHAEL - All

Saint Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle, be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray; and do thou,

O Prince of the Heavenly host, 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. §

## RECESSIONAL - Lift Up Your Heads



1. Lift up your heads, ye might - y gates;  
2. O blest the land, the cit - y blest,  
3. Fling wide the por - tals of your heart;  
4. So come, my Sov - 'reign; en - ter in!

Be - hold the King of glo - ry waits!  
Where Christ the rul - er is con - fessed!  
Make it a tem - ple, set a - part  
Let new and no - bler life be - gin;

The King of kings is draw - ing near;  
O hap - py hearts and hap - py homes  
From earth - ly use for heav'n's em - ploy,  
Thy Ho - ly Spir - it guide us on,

The Sav - ior of the world is here.  
To whom this King of tri - umph comes!  
A - dorned with prayer and love and joy.  
Un - til the glo - rious crown be won.

Tune: TRURO LM. Georg Weissel, 1590–1635. Tr. by Catherine Winkworth, 1827–1878. *Musica Sacra ... Collection of Psalm and Hymn Tunes, and Chants*, Bath, c. 1789. §



# Welcome

Saint Joseph Catholic Church

Whether you're a long time parishioner, new to the parish or visiting, we want to welcome you to our spiritual home.

## Clergy

Father Anthony Huong Le, Pastor

Monsignor Manuel Simas, Pastor Emeritus

Deacon Dick Bayless, Permanent Deacon

Deacon Benjamin Lai, Permanent Deacon

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## Pray for the Sick

Jose Coronel, Joanne Lawrence, Joanne Miller, Kenneth Peterson, Meghan Abadacca, Gary Bozaich, Joe Cappy, Carlos Espana, Vicky Finch, Helen Gallardo, Andrew & Tyler Gardanier, Andreas Gonzalez, June Mastrocola, Melosi Meredith, Dave Mitchell, Monique Morsette

\*Prayer list for the sick is updated periodically. Please call the office with any requests.

## Stay Informed

Receive insights from Father Anthony and stay on top of parish opportunities to encounter God, make disciples, and reach out to others in need. Sign-up for text messaging and email updates on our parish communication APP, FlockNote.

Text **saintjosephmsj** to **84576**.

## Sunday Offering 11/26/2023 12/3/2023

Online Giving: \$ 4,241.50 \$ Not

Plate Collection: \$ 8,131.00 \$ available

Grand Total: \$ 12,372.50 \$

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## Amazing Parishioners

That's all of you - simply amazing! We praise God and thank you to all of the ministry leaders, parishioners, staff and friends who made the St. Joseph Church & Altar Dedication Mass and luncheon a beautiful experience. Merry Christmas and God bless you always. If you wish to view the event check us out on YouTube @saintjosephparish.

## Engraved Bricks

Beautiful brick paths and embellishments will be installed around the Stations of the Cross path. We invite you to be part of this area of our living faith here at the St. Joseph parish grounds. You can offer an engraved brick online. Please visit our website:

<https://www.saintjosephmsj.org/brick/>

## Staff Gospel Reflections

Staff Gospel reflections provided in full on our website:

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## Mass Intentions

Sat	12/23	5:30 PM	People of Saint Joseph Parish
Sun	12/24	8:00 AM	+Sammy Mayo, +Casiano Frez, Intentions of Ernest Dykes
		10:00AM	+Enrico De Santos, +Le Minh Pesch, +Khue Pham
		12:00 PM	People of Saint Joseph
		2:00 PM	People of Saint Joseph
		5:00 PM	+Will Wyman, +Eilif Andersen, +Rockia Mary Stella
		9:00 PM	+Melba Gregorio
Mon	12/25	12:00AM	People of Saint Joseph
		8:00 AM	+Helen P. Guinn
		10:00AM	+Kimberly Contey, +Neville Lacey, +Walter Sommer
		3:00PM	People of Saint Joseph
		5:00 PM	People of Saint Joseph
Tue	12/26	8:00 AM	+Clara Villafuerte
Wed	12/27	8:00 AM	Intentions of McKinley Bayless
Thu	12/28	8:00 AM	People of Saint Joseph
Fri	12/29	8:00 AM	Intentions of Arakkal Family
Sat	12/30	8:00 AM	Manuel Carlos C. Maderazo

## Family of Faith News

It is with a heavy heart we announce our dear friend and colleague, Rowena Radich, Director of FFM & Marriage Ministry, is retiring from her position at St. Joseph. We thank Rowena for her selfless dedication and generosity in sharing her beautiful faith with all of us. May God bless you, Rowena, in this new chapter of your life.

God's plan faithfully unfolds and continues as we welcome Nancy Flores-Mai into her new role as Director of Evangelization & Family of Faith Ministry. Let us continue to pray for our entire parish, school and mission family as we embark on this new year.

Thank you FFM families for your contributions to our SVDP Christmas Food Drive and to the children who enriched our Christmas Eve Children's Mass with the Nativity Play.

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## St. Joseph School

Thank you to all who supported our Christmas Faire on December 16th! A huge thank you to the PTG for hosting this special event! Wishing everyone a safe and happy holiday season and a peaceful new year.

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## Refugee Bicycles

Our refugee families have no transportation when they arrive. Adults and children need a way to get to school and/or jobs. Good Karma Bikes (GKB) in San Jose donates 2 bikes every month to families! GKB takes in used bikes, refurbishes them and sells them to the public. To help them, we are looking for used bikes - the ones sitting in our garages no longer being used. Consider donating them. Contact John Donahue: 510-299-7614 or [j123donahue@gmail.com](mailto:j123donahue@gmail.com) for bike donations or for more GKB information visit <https://www.saintjosephmsj.org/refugee-bicycles/>. The parish website has items needed for the shed. Merry Christmas!

## Mass Schedule change beginning January 1, 2024

Dear Parishioners, in the new year we are starting with a new Mass and devotional schedule. This change comes with much prayer and discernment as to how best to accommodate the needs of you, the faithful, and at the same time not over burden our liturgical staff. The main change is the Sunday 7:00 PM Mass has moved to once a month on the first Sunday. Other changes include new locations. Please see the entire schedule below. Thank you for your understanding. May God bless you.

## Holy Mass Schedule

<b>Saturday Vigil Mass</b>	5:30 PM	Main Church
<b>Sunday Mass</b>	8:00 AM	Mission
	10:00 AM	Main Church
	12:00 PM	Main Church
	3:00 PM	Main Church (Vietnamese)
	5:00 PM	Main Church (Mandarin)
<b>Daily Mass</b>	Mon-Sat	Mission
	7:30 AM	Rosary
	8:00 AM	Mass
	8:30 AM	Chaplet of Divine Mercy
<b>Adoration</b>	Mon-Fri	9:00 AM- 8:00 PM Adoration Chapel/Main Church
<b>Thursday Adoration</b>	5:00 PM	Holy Hour - Main Church
	6:00 PM	Vespers with Benediction
	7:00 PM	Mass (Vietnamese)
<b>Confession</b>	Wed-Sat	7:30 AM Mission
	By Appt.	Call 510-656-2364
<b>Mass Ad Orientem</b>	1st Sun	7:00 PM Mission
<b>Vespers</b> (Evening Prayer of Divine Office)	Mon-Fri	6:00 PM Adoration Chapel/Main Church
<b>Devotions: St. Joseph</b>	1st Wed	7:00 PM Main Church
<b>Sacred Heart of Jesus</b>	1st Fri	8:00 AM Mission
<b>Immaculate Heart of Mary</b>	1st Sat	8:00 AM Mission

## Mary the Mother of God

### SOLEMNITY OF MARY, MOTHER OF GOD (New Year's Day)

Mon	1/1	10:00 AM	Mass in English	Main Church
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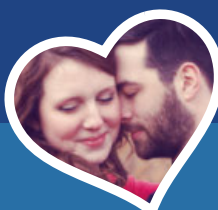
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