



St. Paul the Apostle  
Catholic Church

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Introductory Rites

STAND

Entrance (Antiphon)

Priest, Deacon or Cantor

Behold, the Lord, the Mighty One, has come;  
and kingship is in his grasp, and power and dominion.

Hymn 1 Entrance hymn

109 We Three Kings Of Orient Are



We three kings of Orient are;  
Bearing gifts, we traverse afar  
Field and fountain, moor and mountain,  
Following yonder star.

REFRAIN:

O, star of wonder, star of night,  
Star with royal beauty bright,  
Westward leading, still proceeding,  
Guide us to the perfect light!

Born a King on Bethlehem's plain,  
Gold I bring to crown him again;  
King forever, ceasing never  
Over us all to reign.

REFRAIN:

Frankincense to offer have I;  
Incense owns a Deity nigh;  
Prayer and praising all are raising,  
Worshiping God on high.

REFRAIN:

## Greeting

**Priest** In the name of the Father, and  
of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.



**People** Amen

**Priest** The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of  
God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you  
all.

**People** And also with you.

## Penitential Act (Confiteor)

**Priest** Brothers and sisters; let us acknowledge our sins, and so prepare ourselves to celebrate the sacred mysteries.

**People** I confess to almighty God, and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have sinned through my own fault, in my thoughts and in my words, in what I have done, and in what I have failed to do. And 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.

**Priest** May almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us our sins, and bring us to everlasting life.

In God's name, I absolve you from your sins.



In the name of the Father,  
and of the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

**People** Amen

## Kyrie

**Priest** You were sent to heal the contrite of heart:  
Lord, have mercy

**People** Lord have mercy

**Priest** You came to call sinners: Christ, have mercy

**People** Christ have mercy

**Priest** You are seated at the right hand of the Father to intercede for us: Lord, have mercy

**People** Lord, have mercy.

## Gloria

**People** 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.

## Collect

**Priest** Let us pray.

- (the Collect of the day is prayed)

**People** Amen

SIT

## Liturgy of the Word

### First Reading

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**Reader** A reading from The Book  
of The Prophet Isaiah 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.

**Reader** This is the word of the Lord

**People** Thanks be to God

## Responsorial Psalm

**Reader** The response is:

Lord, every nation on earth will adore you.

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

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**Reader** 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.

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

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**Reader** 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.

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

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**Reader** 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.

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

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**Reader** 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.

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

Second Reading**Reader** A reading from

The Letter Of St. Paul To The Ephesians 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.

**Reader** This is the word of the Lord**People** Thanks be to GodGospel Acclamation

STAND

**People** Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia

**Priest** We saw his star at its rising  
and have come to do him homage.

**People** Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia

## Gospel

**Deacon** The Lord be with you

**People** And also with you

**Deacon** A reading from the Holy Gospel  
according to Matthew

**People** Glory to You, O Lord

Matthew 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.

**Deacon** This is the Gospel of the Lord

**People** Praise to You, Lord Jesus Christ

## Homily

- (the sermon and lesson of the day)

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**People** We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, one in Being with the Father.

Through Him all things were made. For us and for our salvation, He came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit, He was born of the Virgin Mary, and became man. For our sake He was crucified under Pontius Pilate, He suffered, died and was buried.

On the third day He rose again in fulfillment of 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.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son He is worshipped and glorified. He has spoken through the Prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

## Universal Prayer

(Prayer Of The Faithful & General Intercessions)

- After each passage: Let us pray to the Lord.

**People** Lord, hear our prayer.

## Sign of Peace

- Priest intones the Prayer of Peace

**People** Amen

**Priest** The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**People** And also with you

**Priest** Let us offer each other the sign of peace.

- the people Share the Peace and then SIT
- the clergy and server(s) prepare for Communion

Hymn 2 Offertory

110 What Child Is This?



What Child is this, who, laid to rest,  
On Mary's lap is sleeping?  
Who angels greet with anthems sweet,  
While shepherds watch are keeping?

REFRAIN:

This, this is Christ the King,  
Whom shepherds guard and angels sing!  
Haste, haste to bring him laud,  
The Babe, the Son of Mary!

Why lies he in such mean estate  
Where ox and ass are feeding?  
Good Christian, fear, for sinners here  
The silent Word is pleading.

REFRAIN:

So bring him incense, gold, and myrrh,  
Come, peasant, king, to own him;  
The King of kings salvation brings,  
Let loving hearts enthrone him.

REFRAIN:

## Presentation of the Gifts & Preparation of the Altar

SIT

**Deacon** Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation, for through your goodness we have received the bread we offer you: fruit of the earth and work of human hands, it will become for us the bread of life.

**People** Blessed be God forever.

**Deacon** By the mystery of this water and wine may we come to share in the divinity of Christ, who humbled himself to share in our humanity.

**Deacon** Blessed are you, Lord, God of all creation, for through your goodness we have received the wine we offer you: fruit of the vine and work of human hands, it will become our spiritual drink.

**People** Blessed be God forever.

## STAND

**Priest** With humble spirit and contrite heart may we be accepted by you, O Lord, and may our sacrifice in your sight this day be pleasing to you, Lord God.

**People** 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.

## Prayer over the Offerings

**Priest** • the Priest prays the Offering Prayer of the day

**People** Amen

## Eucharistic Prayer

**Priest** The Lord be with you.

**People** And also with you.

**Priest** Lift up your hearts.

**People** We lift them up to the Lord.

**Priest** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**People** It is right to give him thanks and praise.

**Priest** • the Priest prays the Preface Prayer of the day

## Acclamation

Sanctus



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

## Eucharistic Prayer (continued)

• the Priest prays for all present

## Doxology

**All** Through him, and with him, and in him, O God, almighty Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honor is yours, for ever and ever.

**People** Amen

## Communion Rite

### Lord's Prayer

**Priest** Let us pray with confidence to the Father in the words our Savior gave us:

**People** 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.

**People** For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are Yours, now and forever.

### Breaking of the Bread



**People** Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: have mercy on us.

**People** Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: have mercy on us.

**People** Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: grant us peace.

**Priest** Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who takes away the sins of the world. Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.

**People** Lord, I am not worthy to receive You, but only say the word and I shall be healed.

## Communion

Hymn 3 Communion

### 97 God Rest Ye Merry Gentlemen



God rest ye merry, gentlemen  
Let nothing you dismay  
Remember Christ our Savior  
Was born on Christmas day  
To save us all from Satan's power  
When we were gone astray

REFRAIN:

○ tidings of comfort and joy, comfort and joy;  
○ tidings of comfort and joy.

In Bethlehem in Judah  
This blessed Babe was born  
And laid within a manger  
Upon this blessed morn:  
The which his Mother Mary  
Did nothing take in scorn:

REFRAIN:

Now to the Lord sing praises,  
All you within this place,  
And with true love and brotherhood  
Each other now embrace;  
This holy tide of Christmas  
All others shall replace:

REFRAIN:

- the people receive Communion then

SIT

## Prayer After Communion

STAND

**Priest** • the Priest prays the Post-Communion prayer of the day

**People** Amen

**Priest** The Lord be with you.

**People** And also with you.

## Blessing & Dismissal

**Priest** May almighty God bless you. In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.



**People** Amen

**Deacon** • (words for the ending of the Mass)

**People** Thanks be to God

101 Joy To The World



Joy to the world! The Lord is come:  
Let earth receive her King!  
Let every heart prepare him room,  
And heav'n and nature sing,  
And heav'n and nature sing,  
And heav'n and heav'n and nature sing.

Joy to the earth! The Savior reigns:  
Let all their songs employ,  
While fields and floods, rocks, hills, and plains,  
Repeat the sounding joy;  
Repeat the sounding joy,  
Repeat, repeat the sounding joy.

He rules the world with truth and grace,  
And makes the nations prove  
The glories of his righteousness,  
And wonders of his love,  
And wonders of his love,  
And wonders, wonders of his love.