

# MUSIC AT SUNG MASSES



# THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

*All sing the* PROCESSIONAL HYMN

The\_ first\_ No - well the\_ an- gel did say Was to cer- tain poor  
shep- herds in fields as they lay; In\_ fields\_ wherethey lay\_ keep- ing their  
sheep, On a cold win- ter's night that was\_ so deep. No - well, No -  
well, No - well, No - well, Born is the King\_ of Is - ra - el.

2

They lookèd up and saw a star,  
Shining in the east, beyond them far:  
And to the earth it gave great light,  
And so it continued both day and night:

3

And by the light of that same star,  
Three Wise Men came from country far;  
To seek for a king was their intent,  
And to follow the star wheresoever it went:

4

This star drew nigh to the north-west;  
O'er Bethlehem it took its rest,  
And there it did both stop and stay  
Right over the place where Jesus lay:

5

Then entered in those Wise Men three,  
Full reverently upon their knee,  
And offered there in his presènce  
Their gold and myrrh and frankincense:

*The First Nowell*  
*Traditional English melody*

*Traditional*

# THE INTRODUCTORY RITES

*All make the Sign of the Cross as the Celebrant says*

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

℟: **Amen.**

The Lord be with you.

℟: **And with your spirit.**

## PENITENTIAL ACT

Brethren (brothers and sisters), let us acknowledge our sins, and so prepare ourselves to celebrate the sacred mysteries.

*After a brief silence all say*

**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,**

*All strike their breast thrice, saying*

**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.**

*The Celebrant gives the absolution, saying*

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

℟: **Amen.**

*All repeat each line of the KYRIE*

Mass VIII



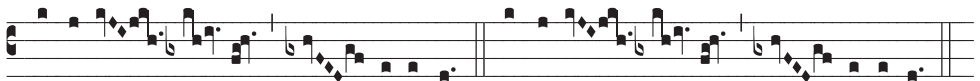
Ky-ri- e e- lé- i-son. Ky- ri- e e- lé- i-son.

*Lord, have mercy.*



Chri- ste e- lé- i-son. Chri- ste e- lé- i-son.

*Christ, have mercy.*



Ky-ri- e e- lé- i-son. Ky- ri- e e- lé- i-son.



Gló-ri-a in excélsis De-o. Et in terra pax ho-mí-ni-bus bonæ vo-lun-tá-tis.  
*Glorify to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will.*



Laudá-mus te. Be-ne-dí-ci-mus te. Ado-rá-mus te. Glo-ri-fi-cá-mus te.  
*We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you.*



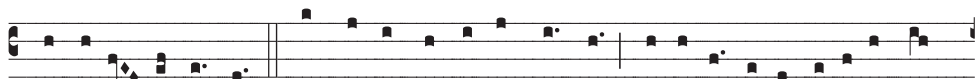
Grá-ti-as á-gimus ti-bi propter magnam gló-ri-am tu-am. Dó-mi-ne De-us, Rex  
*we give you thanks for your great glory, Lord God, heavenly*



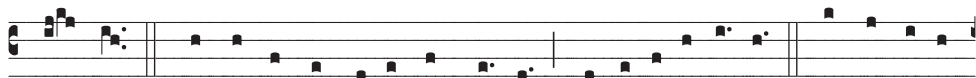
cælé-stis, De-us Pa-ter omni-pot-ens. Dó-mi-ne Fi-li u-ni-gé-ni-te Ie-su Chri-ste.  
*King, O God, almighty Father. Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,*



Dó-mi-ne De-us, Agnus De-i, Fí-li-us Pa-tris. Qui tol-lis pec-cá-ta mun-di,  
*Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sins of the world,*



mi-se-ré-re no-bis. Qui tol-lis pec-cá-ta mun-di, susci-pe depre-ca-ti-ó-nem  
*have mercy on us; you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer;*



no-stram. Qui se-des ad dexte-ram Pa-tris, mi-se-ré-re no-bis. Quo-ni-am tu  
*you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us. For you*



so-lus sanctus. Tu so-lus Dó-mi-nus. Tu so-lus Al-tis-simus, Ie-su Chri-ste.  
*alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,*



Cum Sancto Spí-ri-tu, in gló-ri-a De-i Pa-tris. A- men.  
*with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father.*

*The Celebrant says the COLLECT*

℟: **Amen.**

## THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING

*Isaiah 60:1-6*

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

*Psalm 71:1-2,7-8,10-13 ℟. cf. v.11*



℟: **All nations shall fall prostrate before you, O Lord.**

SECOND READING

*Ephesians 3:2-3,5-6*

*All sing the ALLELUIA*



℟: **Al-le-lú-ia, al-le-lú-ia, al-le-lú-ia.**

GOSPEL

*Matthew 2:1-12*

The Lord be with you.

℟: **And with your spirit.**

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew.

℟: **Glory to you, O Lord.**

*At the conclusion of the Gospel:*

The Gospel of the Lord.

℟: **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

#### THE ANNOUNCEMENT OF EASTER AND THE MOVEABLE FEASTS

**K**NOW, dear brethren (brothers and sisters), that, as we have rejoiced at the Nativity of our Lord Jesus Christ, so by leave of God's mercy we announce to you also the joy of his Resurrection, who is our Saviour. On the second day of March will fall Ash Wednesday, and the beginning of the fast of the most sacred Lenten season. On the seventeenth day of April you will celebrate with joy Easter Day, the Paschal feast of our Lord Jesus Christ. On the twenty-ninth day of May will be the Ascension of our Lord Jesus Christ. On the fifth day of June, the feast of Pentecost. On the nineteenth day of June the feast of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ. On the twenty-seventh day of November, the First Sunday of the Advent of our Lord Jesus Christ, to whom is honour and glory for ever and ever. Amen.

#### HOMILY

#### 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,

*All bow during the following line:*

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

# THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

*All sing the* OFFERTORY HYMN



As with glad-ness men of old Did the guid-ing star be-hold,  
As with joy they hailed its light, Lead-ing on-ward, beam-ing bright,  
So, most gra-cious God, may we Ev - er-more be led to thee.

As with joyful steps they sped,  
To that lowly manger-bed,  
There to bend the knee before  
Him whom heaven and earth adore,  
So may we with willing feet  
Ever seek thy mercy-seat.

As they offered gifts most rare  
At that manger rude and bare,  
So may we with holy joy,  
Pure, and free from sin's alloy,  
All our costliest treasures bring,  
Christ, to thee our heavenly King.

Holy Jesu, every day  
Keep us in the narrow way;  
And, when earthly things are past,  
Bring our ransomed souls at last  
Where they need no star to guide,  
Where no clouds thy glory hide.

*Dix*  
*from a chorale by C Kocher (1786–1872)*  
*Abridged by W H Monk (1823–1889)*

*W Chatterton Dix (1837–1898)*

*The Celebrant says*

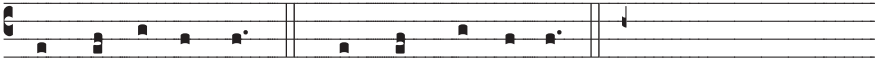
Pray, brethren (brothers and sisters), that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.

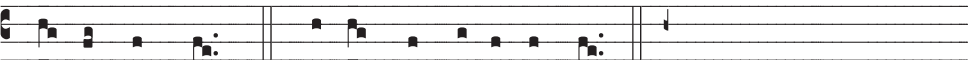
℟: **May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands for the praise and glory of his name, for our good and the good of all his holy Church.**

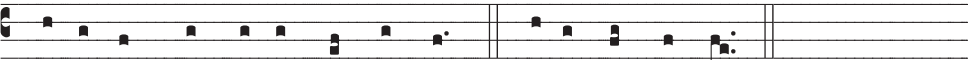
*The Celebrant says the PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS*

℟: **Amen.**

THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

**T**  HE Lord be with you. ℟: **And with your spi-rit.**

 Lift up your hearts. ℟: **We lift them up to the Lord.**

 Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. ℟: **It is right and just.**

THE PREFACE

**S** An- ctus, \* Sanctus, San- ctus Dó- mi-nus De- us Sá-  
 Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts.

ba-oth. Ple-ni sunt cæ- li et ter- ra gló- ri- a tu- a. Ho- sánna in excél-  
 Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.

sis. Be-ne-dí- ctus qui ve- nit in nómi-ne Dó-mi-ni. Ho- sán- na in  
 Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in

ex-cél- sis.  
 the highest.

When the Celebrant sings

The mystery of faith.

All sing

**W**<sup>R</sup> E proclaim your Death, O Lord, and profess your Re-sur-rection  
 until you come a-gain.

When the Celebrant sings

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

All respond

**A**-men.



# COMMUNION RITE

At the Saviour's command and formed by divine teaching, we dare to say:

*All sing*

**O** UR 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 dai-ly bread,  
and forgive us our trespasses, as we for-give those who trespass a-gainst us;  
and lead us not in-to temp-ta-tion, but de-liv-er us from e- vil.

Deliver us, Lord, we pray, from every evil, graciously grant peace in our days, that, by the help of your mercy, we may be always free from sin and safe from all distress, as we await the blessed hope and the coming of our Saviour, Jesus Christ.


**℟:** For the kingdom, the power and the glo-ry are yours now and for ev-er.

Lord Jesus Christ, who said to your Apostles: Peace I leave you, my peace I give you, look not on our sins, but on the faith of your Church, and graciously grant her peace and unity in accordance with your will. Who live and reign for ever and ever.


**℟:** Amen.

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**℟:** And with your spirit.



**A** - gnus De- i, \* **qui tol-lis peccá-ta mun-di: mi-se-ré- re no- bis.**  
*Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.*



A- gnus De- i, \* **qui tol- lis peccá-ta mun-di: mi-se-ré- re no- bis.**  
*Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.*



A- gnus De- i, \* **qui tol-lis peccá-ta mun-di: do-na no- bis pa- cem.**  
*Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, grant us peace.*

*The Celebrant shows the host to the congregation, saying*

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.

℟: **Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.**

*Catholics who have made the proper spiritual and sacramental preparation may come forward in the procession to receive Holy Communion.*

*The sacred host must be consumed in the presence of the communion minister.*

*All sing the* POSTCOMMUNION HYMN



What child is this, who, laid to rest, On Ma-ry's lap is sleep - ing?



Whom an-gels greet with an-thems sweet, While shep-herds watch are keep - ing?



This, this is Christ the King, Whom shep-herds wor-ship and an-gels sing:



Come, greet the in - fant Lord, The Babe, the Son of Ma - ry.

Why lies he in such mean estate,  
Where ox and ass are feeding?  
Good Christians, fear: for sinners here  
The silent Word is pleading.  
Nails, spear, shall pierce him through,  
The cross be borne for me, for you:  
Hail, hail the Word made flesh,  
The Babe, the Son of Mary.

So bring him incense, gold and myrrh,  
Come peasant, king, to own him.  
The King of kings salvation brings,  
Let loving hearts enthrone him.  
Raise, raise the song on high,  
The Virgin sings her lullaby:  
Joy, joy for Christ is born,  
The Babe, the Son of Mary.

*The Celebrant says the* PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

R: **Amen.**

## THE CONCLUDING RITES

The Lord be with you.

R: **And with your spirit.**

Bow down for the blessing.

May God, who has called you out of darkness into his wonderful light, pour out in kindness his blessing upon you and make your hearts firm in faith, hope and charity.

R: **Amen.**

And since in all confidence you follow Christ, who today appeared in the world as a light shining in darkness, may God make you, too, a light for your brothers and sisters.

R: **Amen.**

And so when your pilgrimage is ended, may you come to him whom the Magi sought as they followed the star and whom they found with great joy, the Light from Light, who is Christ the Lord.

R: **Amen.**

And may the blessing of almighty God, the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit, come down on you and remain with you for ever.

R: **Amen.**

Go forth, the Mass is ended.

R: **Thanks be to God.**