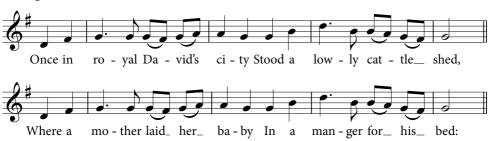
MUSIC AT SUNG MASSES



THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY, AND JOSEPH

All sing the Processional Hymn





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He came down to earth from heaven,
Who is God and Lord of all,
And his shelter was a stable,
And his cradle was a stall;
With the poor, and mean, and lowly,
Lived on earth our Saviour holy.

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And through all his wondrous childhood
He would honour and obey,
Love, and watch the lowly maiden,
In whose gentle arms he lay;
Christian children all must be
Mild, obedient, good as he.

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For he is our childhood's pattern,
Day by day like us he grew,
He was little, weak, and helpless,
Tears and smiles like us he knew;
And he feeleth for our sadness,
And he shareth in our gladness.

Irby Henry John Gauntlett (1805–1876) revised by A H Mann (1850–1929) Cecil Frances Alexander (1818-1895)

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.

R. Amen.

The Lord be with you.

R: 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

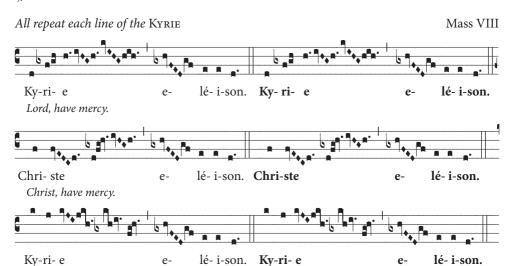
through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault;

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

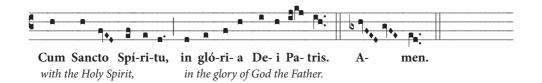
May almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us our sins, and bring us to everlasting life.

R. Amen.





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



The Celebrant says the Collect

R. Amen.

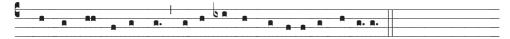
THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING

Genesis 15:1-6,21:1-3

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 104:1-6,8-9 R. vv.7.8

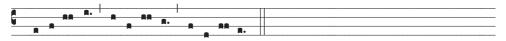


R. He, the Lord, is our God. He remembers his covenant for ever.

SECOND READING

Hebrews 11:8,11-12,17-19

All sing the AlleluiA



R. Al-le-lú- ia, al-le-lú- ia, al-le-lú- ia.

GOSPEL Luke 2:22-40

The Lord be with you.

 \mathbb{R} And with your spirit.

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke.

R. Glory to you, O Lord.

At the conclusion of the Gospel:

The Gospel of the Lord.

R. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

HOMILY

Profession of Faith

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:

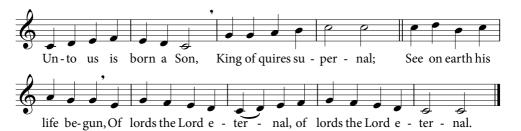
and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man.

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



Christ, from heav'n descending low, Comes on earth a stranger: Ox and ass their Owner know Becradled in a manger.

This did Herod sore affray,
And grievously bewilder;
So he gave the word to slay,
And slew the little childer.

Of his love and mercy mild This the Christmas story: And oh, that Mary's gentle Child Might lead us up to glory!

O and A and A and O, Cum cantibus in choro, Let our merry organ go, Benedicamus Domino.

Puer nobis Piae Cantiones (1582) Puer nobis nascitur tr. George Ratcliffe Woodward (1848–1934)

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

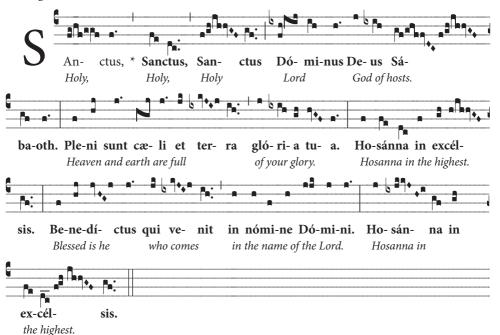
R. Amen.

THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER



Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. R. It is right and just.

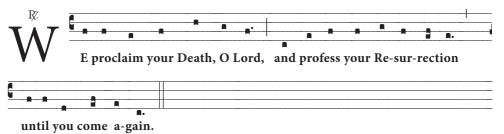
THE PREFACE



When the Celebrant sings

The mystery of faith.

All sing



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.

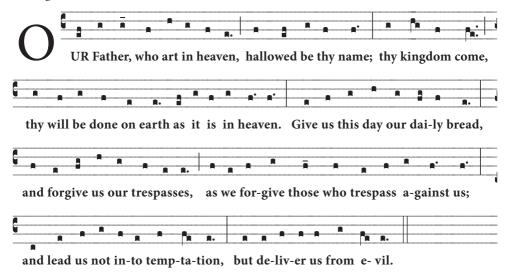
All respond



COMMUNION RITE

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

All sing



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.



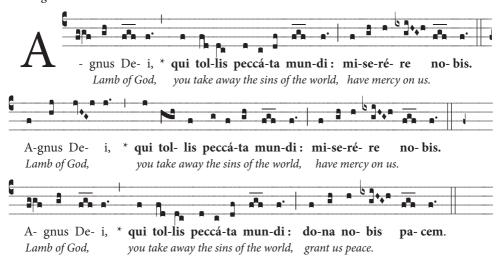
Ry For the kingdom, the power and the glo-ry are yours now and for ev-er.

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.

R. Amen.

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

 \mathbb{R} And with your spirit.



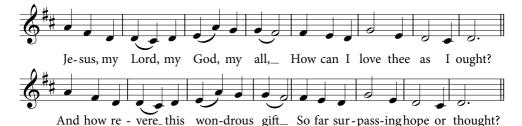
The Celebrant shows the host to the congregation, saying

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.

R 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.





Had I but Mary's sinless heart
To love thee with, my dearest King,
Oh, with what bursts of fervent praise
Thy goodness, Jesus, would I sing!

Sweet Sacrament, we thee adore; Oh, make us love thee more and more.

Ah, see! within a creature's hand The vast Creator deigns to be Reposing, infant-like, as though On Joseph's arm, or Mary's knee.

Thy body, soul, and Godhead, all; O mystery of love divine! I cannot compass all I have, For all thou hast and art are mine.

Sound, sound his praises higher still,
And come, ye angels, to our aid;
'Tis God, 'tis God, the very God,
Whose power both man and angels made.

R. Amen.

THE CONCLUDING RITES

The Lord be with you.

R. And with your spirit.

May almighty God bless you, the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

R. Amen.

Go forth, the Mass is ended.

R: Thanks be to God.