MUSIC AT SUNG MASSES



THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD





They looked 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:

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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:

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: 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.

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

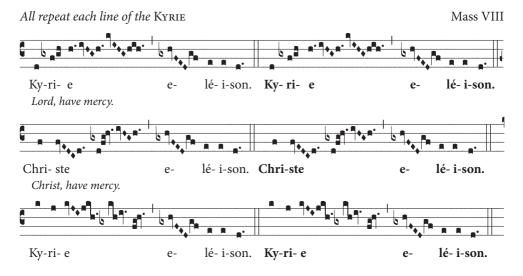
through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault;

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.



All sing alternate lines of the GLORIA



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,*



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

The Celebrant says the COLLECT

R. Amen.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING

Isaiah 60:1-6

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 71:1-2,7-8,10-13 R. cf. v.11

R All nations shall fall prostrate before you, O Lord.

Second Reading

Ephesians 3:2-3,5-6

All sing the Alleluia



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

Gospel

Matthew 2:1-12

The Lord be with you.

R? And with your spirit.

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew.

R? Glory to you, O Lord.

At the conclusion of the Gospel:

The Gospel of the Lord.

R. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

The Announcement of Easter and the Moveable Feasts

KNOW, 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 fourteenth day of February will fall Ash Wednesday, and the beginning of the fast of the most sacred Lenten season. On the thirty-first day of March you will celebrate with joy Easter Day, the Paschal feast of our Lord Jesus Christ. On the twelfth day of May will be the Ascension of our Lord Jesus Christ. On the nineteeth day of May, the feast of Pentecost. On the second day of June the feast of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ. On the first day of December, 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.

THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

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)

All sing the OFFERTORY HYMN

W Chatterton Dix (1837–1898)

The Celebrant says

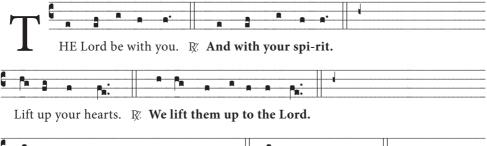
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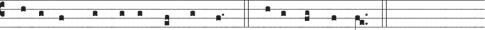
ℜ May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands for the praise and glory of his name, for our good and the good of all his holy Church.

The Celebrant says the PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

R. Amen.

THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

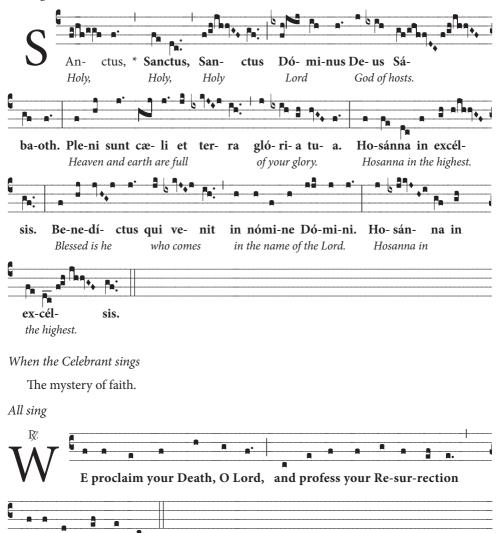




Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. R. It is right and just.

The Preface

All sing the SANCTUS

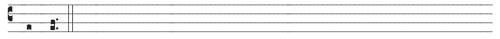


until you come a-gain.

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.

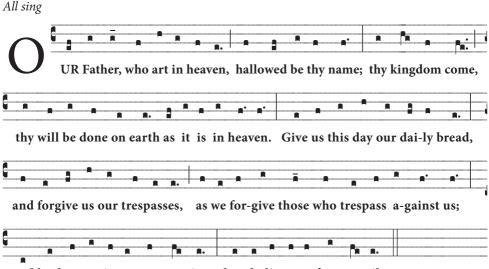
All respond



R. **A-men.**

COMMUNION RITE

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



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.



IV: 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.

Rž Amen.

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

R? And with your spirit.



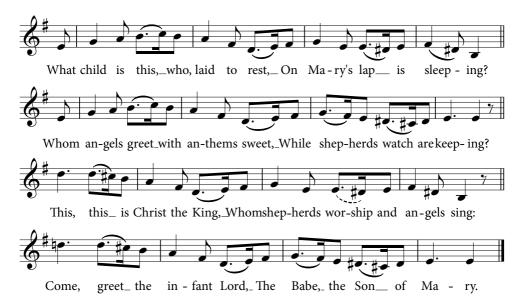
The Celebrant shows the host to the congregation, saying

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.

All sing the Postcommunion Hymn



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.

Greensleeves Traditional English melody W Chatterton Dix (1837-1898)

RX 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.

RX: 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.