

Good Shepherd Catholic Church

Celebration of Mass

December 28, 2025 – Sunday, 5:00 P.M.
The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph



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Introductory Rite

Gathering Song

O Come All Ye Faithful

Music by John Francis Wade, Matt Crocker, Autumn Hardman, Ryan Taubert; Words by John Francis Wade, C. Frederick Oakeley, Matt Crocker (© 2011 Hillsong MP Music)

O come all ye faithful, joyful and triumphant. O come ye, O come ye to Bethlehem. Come and behold Him, born the King of angels. O come let us adore Him. O come let us adore Him. O come let us adore Him. Christ the Lord.

Chorus 1: O come all ye faithful. Come let us adore Him. O come all ye faithful. Come let us adore Him.

Sing choirs of angels, sing in exultation. Sing all ye citizens of heav'n above. Glory to God, all glory in the highest. O come let us adore Him. O come let us adore Him. O come let us adore Him. Christ the Lord. **(Chorus 1 then Chorus 2)**

Chorus 2: O sing hallelujah. Come let us adore Him. O sing hallelujah. Come let us adore Him.

Introductory Rite

Greeting

Penitential Act: 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, 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.

-OR-

Lord have Mercy,

Christ have Mercy,

Lord have Mercy

Gloria

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.

Liturgy of the Word

[Readings from USCCB](#)

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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, 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

Liturgy of the Eucharist

Preparation Song No. 2

Midnight Clear (Love Song) Chris Tomlin, Ed Cash, Jonas Myrin; Trad. Carol by Edmund H. Sears and Richard Storrs Willis (© 2015 Capitol CMG Paragon)

It came upon the midnight clear, that glorious song of old. From angels bending near the earth to touch their harps of gold. Peace on the earth good will to men from heaven's all gracious King. The world in solemn stillness lay to hear the angels sing.

Still through the cloven skies they come with peaceful wings unfurled. And still their heavenly music floats through all the weary world. And man at war with man hears not the love song which they bring. O hush the noise and cease the strife and hear the angels sing.

Chorus: **Oh, Glory to God in the highest! Glory to God evermore! Good news, great joy for all. Melody breaks through the silence: Christ the Savior is born. Jesus the love song of God.**

Liturgy of the Eucharist

Preparation Song No. 2

The First Noel Shane Barnard (© Words: Public Domain; Music: 2014 Songs from Wellhouse)

The first Noel the angels did say was to certain poor shepherds in fields as they lay.
In fields as they lay keeping their sheep. On a cold winter's night that was so deep.

**Chorus: Noel, Noel, Noel, Noel. Born is the King of Israel. Noel, Noel, Noel,
 Noel. Born is the King of Israel.**

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. **(Chorus)**

Then let us all with one accord sing praises to our heavenly Lord. That hath made
heaven and earth of naught and with His blood mankind had bought. **(Chorus)**

Liturgy of the Eucharist

Eucharistic Acclamations

Holy, Holy, Holy

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.

Memorial Acclamations

1. We proclaim your Death, O Lord, and profess your Resurrection until you come again.
Or-
2. When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup, we proclaim your Death, O Lord, until you come again. *Or-*
3. Save us, Savior of the world, for by your Cross and Resurrection you have set us free.

Great Amen

Our Father

Lamb of God Litany

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

Communion Song No. 1

Behold the Lamb of God by Eric Liljero, Jonatan Brandstrom, Martin Smith, Troy Miller (© 2025 Hillsong Music Publishing Australia)

Lord of the heavens. Hope of the nations. That is who You are. Lord of the ages faithful forever. This is who You are. Lord of our healing. Light in the darkness. That is who You are. Lord of forgiveness. Friend of the sinner. This is who You are. You are perfect in all Your ways. And my soul will sing Your praise.

Chorus: **Jesus. Jesus. Behold the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world.**

Born as a Savior. Wonder of Heaven. The Father's joy. King of all glory led to the altar. The Son of God. The Son of God. **(Chorus)**

Bridge: There is no one. There is no one. There is no one greater than You. There is no one. There is no one. There is no one greater than You. He is Jesus our Redeemer. There is no one greater than You. He is Jesus our Redeemer. There is no one greater than You. **(Chorus)**

Communion Song No. 2

Light of the World (Sing Hallelujah) by Andrew Bergthold, Ed Cash, Franni Cash, Martin Cash, Scott Cash (© 2020 Bay 19)

Light of the World, Treasure of Heaven. Brilliant like the stars in the wintery sky. Joy of the Father, reach through the darkness. Shine across the earth send the shadows to flight.

Light of the World from the beginning. The tragedies of time were no match for Your love. From great heights of glory, You saw my story. God, You entered in and became one of us.

**Chorus: Sing Hallelujah! Sing Hallelujah! Sing Hallelujah for the things He
 has done. Come and adore Him. Bow down before Him. Sing
 Hallelujah to the Light of the World.**

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Communion Song No. 1 (cont.)

Light of the World (Cont.)

Light of the World crowned in a manger. Born for the cross to suffer, to save. High King of Heaven, death is the poorer. We are the richer by the price that He paid.

**Chorus: Sing Hallelujah! Sing Hallelujah! Sing Hallelujah for the things He
 has done. Come and adore Him, bow down before Him. Sing
 Hallelujah to the Light of the World.**

Light of the World soon will be coming. With fire in His eyes He will ransom His own. Through clouds He will lead us straight into glory. And there He shall reign forevermore, forevermore. **(Chorus)**

Communion Song No. 3

O Holy Night by Michael Guy Chislett, Dylan Thomas; Original Words and Music by Placide Cappeau, John Sullivan Dwight, and Aldophe Charles Adam (© Public Domain; Music: 2017 Hillsong MP Songs)

O holy night the stars are brightly shining. It is the night of our dear Savior's birth. Long lay the world in sin and error pining 'til He appeared and the soul felt its worth. A thrill of hope the weary world rejoices. For yonder breaks a new and glorious morn.

Chorus 1: **Fall on your knees. O Hear the angel voices. O night divine. O night when Christ was born.**

Truly He taught us to love one another. His law is love and His gospel is peace. Chains He shall break for the slave is our brother. And in His Name all oppression shall cease. Sweet hymns of joy in grateful chorus raise we let all within us praise His holy name. **(Chorus 2)**

Chorus 2: Christ is the Lord. O Praise His name forever. His power and glory evermore, evermore proclaim. His power and glory evermore, evermore proclaim. **(Chorus 1)**

Concluding Rite

Sending Song

The Joy/ Joy to the World Original words by Isaac Watts, music by George Frideric Handel; Addt'l words and music by Andrew Holt, Mitch Wong (© 2024 Andrew Holt Music Publishing)

Joy to the world the Lord is come. Let earth receive her King. Let every heart prepare Him room. And heaven and nature sing. And heaven and nature sing. And heaven, and heaven, and nature sing.

Joy to the world 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.

Chorus: The joy of the Lord, the joy of the Lord is my strength. The joy of the Lord, the joy of the Lord is my strength. O My soul. Bless His Name. All that is within me say. The joy of the Lord, the joy of the Lord is my strength.

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. **(Chorus)**

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