

Good Shepherd Catholic Church

Celebration of Mass

January 4, 2026 – The Epiphany of the Lord

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Introductory Rite

Gathering Song

Prepare the Way by Bethany Wohrle, Chris Cleveland, Dante Bowe, Ethan Hulse, Justin Amundrud (© 2019 Bethel Worship Publishing)

We've heard the revival stories of ancient and old time glory. Spirit of God come do it again.
Miracle working power moving in signs and wonders. Spirit of God come do it again.

Chorus: Prepare the way. He's coming through. Ready or not our God's on the move. We're gonna see Heaven on earth. Come Holy Spirit awaken Your church.

God, You're just getting started. A testimony of more to come. Spirit of God come do it in us.
We join in the faith of Heaven and prophesy Your kingdom here on earth. Spirit of God come do it in us. **(Chorus)**

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. 1

Peace by Ed Cash (© Capitol CMG Paragon)

When my mind is like a battlefield and my heart is overcome by fear and hope seems like a ship that's lost at sea. My enemies on every side and I'm tempted to run and hide. Your gentle whisper reaches out to me.

(Chorus): You give me Peace that holds me when I'm broken. Sweet peace that passes understanding. When the whole wide world comes crashing down I fall to my knees and breathe in Your peace.

Fiery arrows whistling. The terror of the night sets in, but I can feel Your angels all around. I am resting underneath the shelter of Your mighty wings. Your promises are where my hope is found. **(Chorus)**

Bridge: I remember who You are. You're the God who's never far. So I will not be afraid. God You always keep me safe. (x2) **(Chorus)**

Liturgy of the Eucharist

Preparation Song

Silent Night (Be Still) Words by Joseph Mohr, John Freeman Young; Music by Franz Gruber, Add'l words and music by Chris Llewellyn, Gareth Gilkeson, Stephen Mitchell (© Capitol CMG Paragon)

Silent Night. Holy Night. All is calm. All is bright. Round yon virgin Mother and Child. Holy infant so tender and mild. Sleep in heavenly peace. Sleep in heavenly peace.

Silent night. Holy night. Shepherds quake at the sight. Glory streams from heaven afar. Heav'nly hosts sing Alleluia. Christ the Savior is born. Christ the Savior is born.

Chorus: **Be still my heart. Be still my mind. May I still see the magic of that silent night. Fill me with wonder keep mystery alive. May peace on earth be my song tonight.**

Silent night. Holy night. Son of God. Love's pure light. Radiant beams from Thy holy face. With the dawn of redeeming grace. Jesus Lord at Thy birth. Jesus Lord at Thy birth. **(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

Revelation Song by Jennie Lee Riddle (©2004 Gateway Create Publishing)

Worthy is the Lamb who was slain. Holy holy is He. Sing a new song to Him who sits on heaven's mercy seat. (x2)

(Chorus): Holy, holy, holy is the Lord God Almighty. Who was and is and is to come. With all creation I sing, praise to the King of kings. You are my everything and I will adore You.

Clothed in rainbows of living color flashes of lightning, rolls of thunder. Blessing and honor, strength and glory, and power be to You the only wise King. **(Chorus)**

Filled with wonder, awestruck wonder. At the mention of Your name. Jesus Your name is power, breath and living water. Such a marv'lous mystery. **(Chorus)**

Communion Song No. 2

On Eagle's Wings – Number 441 in the Breaking Bread book

Communion Song No. 3

Oceans by Joel Houston, Matt Crocker, Salomon Ligthelm (2012 © Hillsong Music Publishing Australia)

You call me out upon the waters. The great unknown where feet may fail. And there I find You in the mystery in oceans deep, my faith will stand.

(Chorus): And I will call upon Your name. And keep my eyes above the waves. When oceans rise my soul will rest in Your embrace. For I am Yours and You are mine.

Your grace abounds in deepest waters. Your sov'reign hand will be my guide. Where feet may fail and fear surrounds me. You've never failed and You won't start now. **(Chorus)**

Bridge: Spirit lead me where my trust is without borders. Let me walk upon the waters wherever You would call me. Take me deeper than my feet could ever wander and my faith will be made stronger in the presence of my Savior. (x2) **(Chorus)**

Concluding Rite

Sending Song

Joy to the World (Unspeakable Joy)

by Isaac Watts, George Frideric Handel, Chris Tomlin, Ed Cash, Matt Gilder (© sixsteps Music)

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

(Chorus): Joy, unspeakable Joy! An overflowing well. No tongue can tell. Joy, unspeakable joy! It rises in my soul never lets me go.

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 joy. **(Chorus)**

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