



ST. EDWARD'S ANGLICAN CHURCH

Continuing Transformative Tradition



The MANIFESTATION of CHRIST to the GENTILES
Commonly called the Epiphany of Our Lord
The External Solemnity of the Feast
(Commemoration of the First Sunday after the Epiphany)
Sunday, January 7, A.D. 2024

We are so glad that you are joining us in worship today! Directions for when to stand, kneel, and sit are included throughout the bulletin to enable worshipers to participate as fully as possible. Feel free to engage as you feel able and comfortable.

Communion: All baptized Christians who have been confirmed by a Bishop in apostolic succession are invited to receive Holy Communion. To receive Communion, please proceed to the altar rail at the indicated time. If you wish to receive by intinction (i.e., having the Host dipped in the Wine), the Host will be placed on your hand. Leave it in your hand, and the priest with the Chalice will intinct the Host and place it on your tongue. If you do not wish to receive either the Bread or the Cup, you may cross your arms over your chest as the priest approaches. It is the ancient teaching of the Church that the whole Sacrament is received in either kind.

Restrooms, Baby Changing / Nursing: There is a restroom in the main entry, and additional restrooms downstairs accessed via stairs in the Parish Hall. We have a changing and nursing station behind the curtain in the entry. A second changing station is located in the women's restroom downstairs.



Today's Music

At the Preparation:	Hymn 52 - "As with gladness men of old"
<i>Kyrie Eleison:</i>	Music Booklet Page 1
<i>Gloria in Excelsis:</i>	Music Booklet Page 12
<i>Credo:</i>	Hymn 720
At the Gospel:	Hymn 53 - "Songs of thankfulness and praise"
Offertory:	Hymn 48 - "Earth has many a noble city"
<i>Sanctus:</i>	Hymn 798
<i>Agnus Dei:</i>	Hymn 723
Conclusion:	Hymn 545, Tune I - "Hail to the Lord's Anointed"



Mattins Readings

Psalms: 35-36 **Lessons:** Isaiah 60:1-9 ; Matthew 2:1-12

Prelude: *Praise Him, All Ye Little Children* – Carey Bonner, arr. C. Callahan

Before the Procession, all will recite the Angelus from the cards in the pews:

THE ANGELUS

(Stand)

The Entrance Rite

During the Preparation of the Altar Party,

(Stand)

“As with gladness men of old”

Hymn 52

THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

(Kneel)

Celebrant ALMIGHTY GOD, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid; Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy Name; through Christ our Lord.

People Amen.

As the Celebrant ascends to the Altar, the Cantor chants:

INTROIT

Ecce advenit

Malachi 3

(Kneel)

BEHOLD, he appeareth, the Lord and Ruler: and in his hand the kingdom, and power, and dominion.

Psalm 72 Give the King thy judgments, O God: and thy righteousness unto the King’s Son.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost: as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Behold, he appeareth...

THE SUMMARY OF THE LAW

(Kneel)

Celebrant HEAR what our Lord Jesus Christ saith. Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like unto it; Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself. On these two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets.

Following the Summary of the Law, all sing the Kyrie and Gloria:

KYRIE ELEISON

(Kneel)

Kyrie, eleison. [x3]

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Christe, eleison. [x3]

Kyrie, eleison. [x3]

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

(Stand)

Celebrant GLORY BE to God on high,

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All and on earth peace, good will towards men. We praise thee, we bless thee, we worship thee, we glorify thee, we give thanks to thee

for thy great glory, O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father Almighty.

O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ; O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us. Thou that takest away the sins of the world, receive our prayer. Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us.

For thou only art holy; thou only art the Lord; thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost, ✠ art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen

Following the Gloria, the Celebrant greets the People:

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And with thy spirit.

Celebrant Let us pray. **(Kneel)**

The Celebrant will then pray the Collects of the Day:

The Collect for the Epiphany

O GOD, who by the leading of a star didst manifest thy only-begotten Son to the Gentiles: mercifully grant, that we, who know thee now by faith, may after this life have the fruition of thy glorious Godhead. Through the same thy Son Jesus Christ, our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee in the unity of the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end.

People Amen.

Celebrant Let us pray.

The Collect for the First Sunday after the Epiphany

O LORD, we beseech thee mercifully to receive the prayers of thy people who call upon thee: and grant that they may both perceive and know what things they ought to do, and also may have grace and power faithfully to fulfill the same. Through Jesus Christ thy Son, our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee in the unity of the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end.

People Amen.

The Liturgy of the Word

THE EPISTLE

Ephesians 3:1-12

(Sit)

The Lesson from the Epistle of Blessed Paul the Apostle to the Ephesians.

BRETHREN: For this cause, I, Paul, the prisoner of Jesus Christ for you Gentiles, if ye have heard of the dispensation of the grace of God which

is given me to you-ward: How that by revelation he made known unto me the mystery; (as I wrote afore in few words, whereby, when ye read, ye may understand my knowledge in the mystery of Christ) which in other ages was not made known unto the sons of men, as it is now revealed unto his holy Apostles and Prophets by the Spirit; that the Gentiles should be fellow-heirs, and of the same body, and partakers of his promise in Christ, by the Gospel: whereof I was made a minister, according to the gift of the grace of God given unto me by the effectual working of his power. Unto me, who am less than the least of all saints, is this grace given, that I should preach among the Gentiles the unsearchable riches of Christ; and to make all men see what is the fellowship of the mystery, which from the beginning of the world hath been hid in God, who created all things by Jesus Christ: to the intent that now unto the principalities and powers in heavenly places might be known by the Church the manifold wisdom of God, according to the eternal purpose which he purposed in Christ Jesus our Lord: in whom we have boldness and access with confidence by the faith of him.

Here endeth the Epistle.

People Thanks be to God.

The Cantor will then chant:

GRADUAL

(Sit)

Isaiah 60 All they from Saba shall come, bringing gold and incense: and shall shew forth the praises of the Lord. *V.* Arise and shine, O Jerusalem: for the glory of the Lord is risen upon thee.

ALLELUIA

(Stand)

St. Matt. 2 Alleluia, alleluia. *V.* We have seen his star in the East: and are come with offerings to worship the Lord. Alleluia.

At the Gospel Procession,

(Stand)

“Songs of thankfulness and praise”

Hymn 53, Verses 1&2

THE GOSPEL

St. Matthew 2:1-12

(Stand)

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And with thy spirit.

Celebrant The Continuation of the Holy Gospel according to Matthew.

People Glory be to thee, O Lord.

WHEN Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judaea in the days of Herod the king, behold, there came wise men from the East to Jerusalem, saying, Where is he that is born King of the Jews? for we have seen his star in

the east, and are come to worship him. When Herod the king had heard these things, he was troubled, and all Jerusalem with him. And when he had gathered all the chief priests and scribes of the people together, he demanded of them where Christ should be born. And they said unto him, In Bethlehem of Judaea: for thus it is written by the prophet, And thou Bethlehem, in the land of Judah, art not the least among the princes of Judah: for out of thee shall come a Governor, that shall rule my people Israel. Then Herod, when he had privily called the wise men, enquired of them diligently what time the star appeared. And he sent them to Bethlehem, and said, Go and search diligently for the young child; and when ye have found him, bring me word again, that I may come and worship him also. When they had heard the king, they departed; and, lo, the star, which they saw in the East, went before them, till it came and stood over where the young child was. When they saw the star, they rejoiced with exceeding great joy. And when they were come into the house, they saw the young child with Mary his mother, (**Kneel**) and fell down, and worshipped him: (**Stand**) and when they had opened their treasures, they presented unto him gifts; gold, and frankincense, and myrrh. And being warned of God in a dream that they should not return to Herod, they departed into their own country another way.

People Praise be to thee, O Christ.

After the Gospel,

(Stand)

“Songs of thankfulness and praise”

Hymn 53, Verses 3&4

The Celebrant will then proclaim the date of Easter and the other moveable feasts.

For more information about this custom, please see the back of the bulletin.

THE *NOVERITIS*

(Stand)

KNOW ye, beloved brethren, that as by God’s favor we have rejoiced in the Nativity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, we announce to you also the glad tidings of the Resurrection of Our Savior. On the twenty-eighth day of January will be the Sunday of Septuagesima. On the fourteenth day of February will fall Ash Wednesday, and the beginning of the most holy Lenten fast. On the thirty-first day of March you shall celebrate with greatest joy Easter Day, the Paschal Feast of Our Lord Jesus Christ. On the ninth day of May will be the Ascension of Our Lord Jesus Christ. On the nineteenth day of May the Feast of Whitsunday. On the thirtieth day of May is the Feast of Corpus Christi. The first day of December will usher in the Advent of Our Lord Jesus Christ, to whom be honor and glory for ever and ever. Amen.

The Celebrant and People will then sing the Creed:

NICENE CREED

(Stand)

Celebrant I BELIEVE in One God

Hymn 720

All the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, And of all things visible and invisible: And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God; Begotten of his Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, Very God of very God; Begotten, not made; Being of one substance with the Father; By whom all things were made: Who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven, **(Kneel)** And was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary, And was made man: **(Stand)** And was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate; He suffered and was buried: And the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures: And ascended into heaven, And sitteth on the right hand of the Father: And he shall come again, with glory, to judge both the quick and the dead; Whose kingdom shall have no end. And I believe in the Holy Ghost, The Lord, and Giver of Life, Who proceedeth from the Father and the Son; Who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified; Who spake by the Prophets: And I believe One, Holy, Catholic, and Apostolic Church: I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins: And I look for the Resurrection of the dead: And the Life ✠ of the world to come. Amen.

THE HOMILY

(Sit)

The Very Rev. Corey B. French, *Rector*

The Liturgy of the Altar

After the Homily, the Celebrant will begin the Offertory:

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And with thy spirit.

Celebrant Let us pray.

(Stand)

The Cantor will then chant the Offertory verse:

THE OFFERTORY

(Stand)

Psalm 72 The Kings of Tharsis and of the isles shall give presents; the Kings of Arabia and Saba shall bring gifts: all Kings shall fall down before him; all nations shall do him service.

During the Offertory,

(Stand)

“Earth has many a noble city”

Hymn 48

Once the Preparation of Gifts is concluded, the Celebrant will bid the People's prayers for those in need and for the Parish; in conclusion he will bid all to join with him in the offering:

ORATE, FRATRES

(Stand)

Celebrant Pray, brethren, that this my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God the Father Almighty.

People The Lord receive this sacrifice at thy hands, to the praise and glory of his Name; both to our benefit and that of all his holy Church.

Celebrant Amen.

After this, the Celebrant will pray silently over the gifts, saying in conclusion:

World without end.

People Amen.

THE PRAYER FOR CHRIST'S CHURCH

(Kneel)

Celebrant Let us pray for the whole state of Christ's Church.

ALMIGHTY and everliving God, who by thy holy Apostle hast taught us to make prayers, and supplications, and to give thanks for all men; We humbly beseech thee most mercifully to accept our alms and oblations, and to receive these our prayers, which we offer unto thy Divine Majesty; beseeching thee to inspire continually the Universal Church with the spirit of truth, unity, and concord: And grant that all those who do confess thy holy Name may agree in the truth of thy holy Word, and live in unity and godly love.

We beseech thee also, so to direct and dispose the hearts of all Christian Rulers, that they may truly and impartially administer justice, to the punishment of wickedness and vice, and to the maintenance of thy true religion, and virtue.

Give grace, O heavenly Father, to all Bishops and other Ministers—especially MARK, our Metropolitan—that they may, both by their life and doctrine, set forth thy true and lively Word, and rightly and duly administer thy holy Sacraments.

And to all thy People give thy heavenly grace; and especially to this congregation here present; that, with meek heart and due reverence, they may hear, and receive thy holy Word; truly serving thee in holiness and righteousness all the days of their life.

And we most humbly beseech thee, of thy goodness, O Lord, to comfort and succour all those who, in this transitory life, are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity.

And we also bless ✠ thy holy Name for all thy servants departed this life in thy faith and fear; beseeching thee to grant them continual growth in thy love and service, and to give us grace so to follow their good examples, that with them we may be partakers of thy heavenly kingdom. Grant this, O Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our only Mediator and Advocate.

People Amen.

THE CONFESSION

(Kneel)

Celebrant YE who do truly and earnestly repent you of your sins, and are in love and charity with your neighbours, and intend to lead a new life, following the commandments of God, and walking from henceforth in his holy ways; Draw near with faith, and take this holy Sacrament to your comfort; and make your humble confession to Almighty God, devoutly kneeling.

All ALMIGHTY GOD, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, Maker of all things, Judge of all men; We acknowledge and bewail our manifold sins and wickedness, Which we, from time to time, most grievously have committed, By thought, word, and deed, Against thy Divine Majesty, Provoking most justly thy wrath and indignation against us. We do earnestly repent, And are heartily sorry for these our misdoings; The remembrance of them is grievous unto us; The burden of them is intolerable. Have mercy upon us, Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; For thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, Forgive us all that is past; And grant that we may ever hereafter Serve and please thee In newness of life, To the honour and glory of thy Name; Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Celebrant ALMIGHTY GOD, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all those who with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto him; Have mercy upon you; pardon and deliver you from all your sins; confirm and strengthen you in all goodness; and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

People Amen.

THE SURSUM CORDA

(Kneel)

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And with thy spirit.

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them up unto the Lord.

Celebrant Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

People It is meet and right so to do.

The Celebrant will then continue with the following Preface:

THE PROPER PREFACE

(Kneel)

It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, Holy Father, Almighty, Everlasting God.

THROUGH Jesus Christ our Lord: who, in the substance of his mortal flesh, manifested forth his glory, that he might bring us out of darkness into his own glorious light.

THEREFORE with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying:

Then the Celebrant and People will sing:

SANCTUS AND BENEDICTUS QUI VENIT

(Kneel)

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY,

Hymn 798

Lord God of Hosts, Heaven and earth are full of thy Glory: Glory be to thee, O Lord Most High. Amen.

BLESSED is he that cometh in the Name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

The Celebrant will then continue:

THE CANON OF THE MASS

(Kneel)

The Thanksgiving

ALL glory be to thee, Almighty God, our heavenly Father, for that thou, of thy tender mercy, didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to suffer death upon the Cross for our redemption; who made there (by his one oblation of himself once offered) a full, perfect, and sufficient sacrifice, oblation, and satisfaction, for the sins of the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death and sacrifice, until his coming again:

The Consecration

FOR in the night in which he was betrayed, he took Bread; and when he had given thanks, he brake it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, Take, eat,

THIS IS MY BODY, WHICH IS GIVEN FOR YOU;

Do this in remembrance of me.

Likewise, after supper, he took the Cup; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, Drink ye all of this; for

**THIS IS MY BLOOD OF THE NEW TESTAMENT, WHICH IS SHED FOR YOU,
AND FOR MANY, FOR THE REMISSION OF SINS;**

Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me.

The Prayer of Offering

WHEREFORE O Lord and heavenly Father, according to the institution of thy dearly beloved Son our Saviour Jesus Christ, we, thy humble servants, do celebrate and make here before thy Divine Majesty, with these thy holy gifts, which we now offer unto thee, the memorial thy Son hath commanded us to make; having in remembrance his blessed passion and precious death, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; rendering unto thee most hearty thanks for the innumerable benefits procured unto us by the same.

Prayer of Invocation of the Holy Ghost

AND we most humbly beseech thee, O merciful Father, to hear us; and, of thy almighty goodness, vouchsafe to bless and sanctify, with thy Word and Holy Spirit, these thy gifts and creatures of bread and wine; that we, receiving them according to thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ's holy institution, in remembrance of his death and passion, may be partakers of his most blessed Body and Blood.

Prayer for the Benefits of the Offering

AND we earnestly desire thy fatherly goodness, mercifully to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving; most humbly beseeching thee to grant that, by the merits and death of thy Son Jesus Christ, and through faith in his blood, we, and all thy whole Church, may obtain remission of our sins, and all other benefits of his passion.

Prayer for Communicants

AND here we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, our selves, our souls and bodies, to be a reasonable, holy, and living sacrifice unto thee; humbly beseeching thee, that we, and all others who shall

be partakers of this Holy Communion, may worthily receive the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son Jesus Christ, be filled with thy grace and heavenly benediction, and made one body with him, that he may dwell in us, and we in him.

Commemoration of the Departed

REMEMBER, Lord, also the souls of thy servants and handmaidens, which are gone before us with the mark of faith, and rest in the sleep of peace (*here the celebrant will pause to remember those whom he desires to commemorate*). We beseech thee, O Lord, that unto them, and unto all such as rest in Christ, thou wilt grant a place of refreshing, of light, and of peace. And vouchsafe to give unto us some portion and fellowship with thy holy Apostles and Martyrs; with Peter, Paul, Andrew, James, John, Thomas, James, Philip, Bartholomew, Matthew, Simon, and Thaddeus; Linus, Cletus, Clement, Sextus, Cornelius, Cyprian, Lawrence, Chrysogonus, John and Paul, Cosmas and Damian; John, Stephen, Matthias, Barnabas, Ignatius, Alexander, Marcellinus, Peter, Felicitas, Perpetua, Agatha, Lucia, Agnes, Cecilia, Anastasia, and with all thy saints; within whose fellowship we beseech thee to admit us.

Prayer for Acceptance of the Offering

AND although we are unworthy, through our manifold sins, to offer unto thee any sacrifice; yet we beseech thee to accept this our bounden duty and service; not weighing our merits, but pardoning our offences, through Jesus Christ our Lord;

Concluding Doxology

BY whom, and with whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost, all honour and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end.

People *Amen.*

The Communion Devotions

Celebrant Let us pray: Commanded by saving precepts, and taught by divine example, we are bold to say,

THE OUR FATHER

(Kneel)

Celebrant Our Father,

Hymn 722

People 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 daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, But deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

The Celebrant will then pray silently, concluding:

World without end.

People Amen.

Celebrant The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And with thy spirit.

Then the Celebrant and People together will sing:

AGNUS DEI

(Kneel)

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world:

Hymn 723

Have mercy upon us.

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world:

Have mercy upon us.

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world:

Grant us thy peace.

Then the Celebrant and People will pray:

THE PRAYER OF HUMBLE ACCESS

(Kneel)

WE do not presume to come to this thy Table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy Table. But thou art the same Lord, whose property is always to have mercy: Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that our sinful bodies may be made clean by his Body, and our souls washed through his most precious Blood, and that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. *Amen.*

ECCE, AGNUS DEI AND DOMINE, NON SUM DIGNUS

(Kneel)

Celebrant Behold the Lamb of God: behold him that taketh away the sins of the world.

All Lord, I am not worthy that thou shouldest come under my roof: but speak the word only and my soul shall be healed.
[x3]

The Cantor will then chant:

THE COMMUNION SENTENCE

(Kneel)

St. Matt. 2 We have seen his star in the East: and are come with our offerings to worship the Lord.

THE COMMUNION OF THE FAITHFUL

(Stand)

At this time, all will come forward, following the guidance of the usher. Additional directions regarding Communion may be found on the front page of the bulletin.

**During Communion: *O Love, How Deep, How Broad, How High* -
15th-century melody, arr. by Vicki Collingsworth**

Following Communion, the Celebrant and People will pray:

THE POSTCOMMUNION THANKSGIVING (Kneel)

Celebrant Let us pray.

All ALMIGHTY and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee, for that thou dost vouchsafe to feed us who have duly received these holy mysteries with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favour and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, which is the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs through hope of thy everlasting kingdom, by the merits of his most precious death and passion. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honour and glory, world without end. Amen.

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And with thy spirit.

Celebrant Let us pray. (Kneel)

The Celebrant will then pray the Postcommunion Collects of the Day:

The Postcommunion Collect for the Epiphany

GRANT, we beseech thee, Almighty God: that we, which here have celebrated thy holy mysteries, may in all purity of heart and mind receive the benefits of the same. Through Jesus Christ thy Son, our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee in the unity of the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end.

People Amen.

Celebrant Let us pray.

The Postcommunion Collect of the First Sunday after the Epiphany

WE humbly beseech thee, Almighty God: that we, whom thou dost vouchsafe to regenerate with thy holy sacraments; may continually serve thee in all virtuous and godly living. Through Jesus Christ thy Son, our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee in the unity of the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end.

People Amen.

Concluding Rites

THE DISMISSAL

(Kneel)

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And with thy spirit.

Celebrant Depart in peace.

People Thanks be to God.

The Celebrant will then bless the People:

THE BLESSING

(Kneel)

THE Peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord: And the Blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be amongst you, and remain with you always.

People Amen.

THE LAST GOSPEL

(Of Epiphany I)

(Stand)

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And with thy spirit.

Celebrant The Continuation of the Holy Gospel according to Luke.

People Glory be to thee, O Lord.

NOW his parents went to Jerusalem every year at the feast of the Passover. And when he was twelve years old, they went up to Jerusalem after the custom of the feast. And when they had fulfilled the days, as they returned, the child Jesus tarried behind in Jerusalem; and Joseph and his mother knew not of it. But they, supposing him to have been in the company, went a day's journey, and they sought him among their kinsfolk and acquaintance. And when they found him not, they turned back again to Jerusalem, seeking him. And it came to pass, that after three days they found him in the temple, sitting in the midst of the doctors, both hearing them, and asking them questions. And all that heard him were astonished at his understanding and answers. And when they saw him, they were amazed: and his mother said unto him, Son, why hast thou thus dealt with us? Behold, thy father and I have sought thee sorrowing. And he said unto them, How is it that ye sought me? Wist ye not that I must be about my Father's business? And they understood not the saying which he spake unto them. And he went down with them, and came to Nazareth, and was subject unto them: but his mother kept all these sayings in her heart. And Jesus increased in wisdom and stature, and in favour with God and man.

People Thanks be to God.

At the Retiring of the Altar Party,
“Hail to the Lord’s Anointed”

Hymn 545, Tune II

Postlude: *Shepherd’s Sunday Song* – Conradin Kreutzer



THE WEEKLY KALENDAR

MONDAY – *Of the Octave*

10:00 a.m., Mattins

10:30 a.m., Holy Mass

TUESDAY – *Of the Octave*

10:00 a.m., Mattins

10:30 a.m., Holy Mass

WEDNESDAY – *Of the Octave*

10:00 a.m., Mattins

10:30 a.m., Holy Mass

THURSDAY – *Of the Octave*

10:00 a.m., Mattins

10:30 a.m., Holy Mass

FRIDAY – *Of the Octave*

10:00 a.m., Mattins

10:30 a.m., Holy Mass

SATURDAY – *Octave Day of the Epiphany*

10:00 a.m., Mattins

10:30 a.m., Holy Mass

SUNDAY – THE SECOND SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

9:30 a.m., Mattins

10:00 a.m., Holy Mass

Please remember the following in your daily prayers:

THOSE WITH SPECIAL NEEDS

All Christians being subjected to persecution	Our Country
S. Vincent de Paul, Mononville, Haiti	Max and Family
Mike	Fawn
Emily	Jesse
Leigh Ann Tonnis	Diane
Nick	

THE SICK AND THOSE WHO MINISTER TO THEM

For those recovering from surgery or illness:

For those with upcoming surgeries:

For those with ongoing health concerns:

Bob	Lisa
Randi	Brian
Douglas	Tony
Marsha	Mark Jennings
Bill	Emily
Denise Short	Christine
Rick	Tiffany
Georgan	Gerry
Jane	Betty
Garrison	Jamie
Everett	Arline
Terry	Kathleen
Sr. Mary Owen, OSB	Roe
Christine Perrin	Lynn
Pete Wetzel	

THE SOULS OF THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED

PARISH PRAYER

O GOD our heavenly Father, in Thy Mercy and boundless Love, give ear to our cry for Thy Goodness to fall down upon this parish. Perfect our petitions by the merits of our holy Patron, St. Edward, Thy Christ-like King and Confessor. Humble and Sanctify our bodies, minds and souls, increase our Faith, Hope and Charity, and in accordance with Thy holy Will; grant us spiritual and temporal growth as we live out the holy Gospel ministry to all those in need, to the Glory of Thy Kingdom, world without end. Amen.

The *Noveritis*

The singing of this chant, whose name comes from its first word in Latin (“know ye”), is an ancient custom and practice on the Feast of the Epiphany by which the Church proclaims to the faithful the dates of Easter and the other moveable feasts, most of which derive from the date of Easter. The date and observance of Easter was the source of considerable controversy during the early life of the Church, and the First Council of Nicaea (A.D. 325) resolved to unify the celebration of the Church’s greatest solemnity. It was determined that the Patriarch of Alexandria, because his metropolitanical see included the most renowned astronomers of the day, should annually determine the date of Easter and publish it to the patriarchs of the East and the Bishop of Rome, who would then convey this information to the other metropolitan bishops of the Church.

It soon became the practice of bishops to promulgate on the Feast of the Epiphany an *Epistola festalis* (festal letter) announcing the dates of Easter and the other moveable feasts. At some point thereafter—no later than the sixth century—it became the custom of all priests to announce these dates during the Epiphany Mass. Certainly, this was in part because calendars (much less smartphones!) were not readily available. Nevertheless, the Church has retained this practice even when the information can be easily obtained, reminding us that our lives are to be lived within the patterns and times of the Church.

Attentive listeners will note that the chant melody is the same as the *Exultet*, the solemn chant used to bless the Paschal Candle at the Easter Vigil. In this way, the Church forges a musical connection between the two chief liturgical cycles of the Church’s year—the Christmas and Easter cycles. As the liturgical scholar Dom Prosper Guéranger remarks, “This custom [of chanting the *Noveritis*], which dates from the earliest ages of the Church, shows both the mysterious connection which unites the great Solemnities of the year one with another, and the importance the Faithful ought to attach to the celebration of that which is the greatest of all, and the centre of all Religion. After having honoured the King of the universe on the Epiphany, we shall have to celebrate him on the day which is now announced to us, as the conqueror of death.”



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