

The Epiphany of the Lord



6th January 2021

Blessing of Gold, Frankincense, Myrrh & Chalk, and Sung Mass 12.10

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Organ—Prelude on the Introit for the Epiphany

Maurice Duruflé

Please stand when the bell rings to announce the entrance of the Ministers.

Hymn—From the eastern mountains

Cuddesdon

From the eastern mountains,
Pressing on they come,
Wise men in their wisdom
To his humble home;
Stirred by deep devotion,
Hasting from afar,
Ever journeying onward,
Guided by a star.

2. There their Lord and Saviour
Meek and lowly lay,
Wondrous Light that led them
Onward on their way,
Ever now to lighten
Nations from afar,
As they journey homeward
By that guiding star.

3. Thou who in a manger
Once hast lowly lain,
Who dost now in glory
O'er all kingdoms reign,
Gather in the peoples
Who in lands afar
Ne'er have seen the brightness
Of thy guiding star.

4. Gather in the outcasts,
All who've gone astray,
Throw thy radiance o'er them,
Guide them on their way,
Those who never knew thee,
Those who've wandered far,
Lead them by the brightness
Of thy guiding star.

5. Onward through the darkness
Of the lonely night,
Shining still before them
With thy kindly light.
Guide them, Jew and Gentile,
Homeward from afar,
Young and old together,
By thy guiding star.

At the Blessing of Gold, Frankincense, Myrrh, and Chalk

☩ ✠ Our help is in the Name of the Lord. ☩ Who hath made heaven and earth.

☩ The Lord be with you. ☩ And with thy spirit.

Let us pray.

RECEIVE, O Holy Father, from me, thine unworthy servant, these gifts, which I offer to the Honour of thy holy Name in homage to thy omnipotent majesty, as thou didst accept the sacrifice of Abel the Just and the same gifts which the three Magi didst offer unto thee. ☩ Amen.

IEXORCISE thee, creature of gold, incense, and myrrh by God the Father ✠ Almighty, by Jesus ✠ Christ, his only-begotten Son, and by the Holy ✠ Ghost, the Paraclete, that freed from all the deceit, evil and cunning of the devil, thou mayest be a saving remedy to men against the snares of the enemy. May those, who with confidence in divine help, use thee in their homes and dwellings or about their persons be delivered from every danger to body and soul and rejoice in the possession of every good, through the power and merits of Our Lord and Saviour and the intercession of the Most Holy Mother of God, the ever-Virgin Mary, of the Holy Magi who on this day venerated Christ the Lord with the same gifts, and of all the Saints; now and for ever. ☩ Amen.

O GOD, who art invisible and eternal, we humbly beseech thee by the holy and terrible Name of thy Son, to bestow blessing ✠ and power upon these creatures of gold, incense, and myrrh, that those who have them about them may be protected from every illness, injury and danger of body and soul, so that they may gladly and safely serve thee in thy holy Church, who in perfect Trinity livest and reignest, God for ever and ever. ☩ Amen.

AND may the blessing of Almighty God, Father, ✠ Son, ✠ and Holy ✠ Ghost descend upon these creatures of gold, incense, and myrrh and remain forever. ☩ Amen.

Let us pray.

BLESS, ✠ O Lord God, this chalk that it may be helpful to men and grant by the invocation of thy Most Holy Name that whosoever shall use it or inscribe with it the names of thy Saints Gaspard, Melchior, and Balthazar upon the doors of their homes, may through their merits and intercession enjoy health of body and protection of soul; through Christ our Lord. ☩ Amen.

Introit—Isaiah 59, 21; 56, 7

ECCE advénit dominátor Dóminus:
et regnum in manu ejus et potéstas et
impérium. *Ps. 71, 1.* Deus, júdíci-
um tuum Regi da: et justítiam tuam Fílio Regis.
☩ Glória Patri. Ecce advénit.

Please kneel and stand as the servers so do.

BEHOLD, he is come, the Lord and Ruler:
and in his hand the kingdom, and power,
and dominion. *Ps. 72, 1.* Give the King thy
judgements, O God: and thy righteousness unto the
King's Son. ☩ Glory be. Behold, he is come.

Kyrie Eleison—Communion Service in F Major

Herbert Sumson

Lord, have mercy upon us. *ijj.* Christ, have mercy upon us. *ijj.* Lord, have mercy upon us. *ijj.*

Gloria in excelsis

Please remain standing until the Ministers sit, then all sit.

GLORY be to God on high. And in 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 Jesu 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 Jesu Christ, with the Holy Ghost, ✠ art Most High in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

∴ The Lord be with you. ☩ And with thy spirit.

Please stand for the Collect.

Let us pray.

O GOD, who on this day didst by the leading of a star manifest thy only-begotten Son to the Gentiles: mercifully grant that we, which know thee now by faith, may finally attain unto the contemplation of the beauty of thy majesty: Through the same. ☩ Amen.

For the Epistle

Please be seated.

The Lesson from the Prophet Isaiah.

Isaiah 60, 1–6

ARISE, shine, O Jerusalem: for thy light is come, and the glory of the Lord is risen upon thee. For, behold, the darkness shall cover the earth, and gross darkness the people: but the Lord shall arise upon thee, and his glory shall be seen upon thee. And the Gentiles shall come to thy light, and kings to the brightness of thy rising. Lift up thine eyes round about, and see: all they gather themselves together, they come to thee: thy sons shall come from far, and thy daughters shall be nursed at thy side. Then thou shalt see, and flow together, and thine heart shall fear, and be enlarged, because the abundance of the sea shall be converted unto thee, the forces of the Gentiles shall come unto thee. The multitude of camels shall cover thee, the dromedaries of Midian and Ephah: all they from Saba shall come: bringing gold and incense, and shall shew forth the praise of the Lord. ☩ Thanks be to God.

Graduale. Ibid., 6 & 1. Omnes de Saba venient, aurum et thus deferentes, et laudem Dómino annuntiántes. ∴ Surge et illumináre, Jerúsalem: quia glória Dómini super te orta est.

Gradual. Ibid., 6 & 1. All they from Saba shall come: bringing gold and incense, and shall shew forth the praise of the Lord. ∴ Arise, shine, O Jerusalem: for the glory of the Lord is risen upon thee.

Allelúja, allelúja. *℣. Matt. 2, 33. Vidimus stellam ejus in Oriénte, et vénimus cum munéribus adoráre Dóminum. Allelúja.*

Alleluia, alleluia. *℣. Matt. 2, 33. We have seen his star in the East: and are come with gifts to worship the Lord. Alleluia.*

The Holy Gospel

Please stand for the Gospel.

℣. The Lord be with you. ℞. And with thy spirit.

Matthew 2, 33–40

✠ The Continuation of the holy Gospel according to Matthew. ℞. Glory be to thee, O Lord.

WHEN Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judæa 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 Judæa: for thus it is written by the prophet: And thou Bethlehem, in the land of Juda, art not the least among the princes of Juda; 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, *Here genuflect*, and fell down, and worshipped him. *Here arise*. 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. *℞. Praise be to thee, O Christ.*

Solemn Announcement of the Moveable Feasts

KNOW ye, beloved brethren, that as by God's favour, we rejoiced in the Nativity of our Lord, Jesus Christ, so too do we announce to you the glad tidings of the Resurrection of our Saviour. The Sunday of Septuagesima will fall on the thirty-first day of January. Ash Wednesday and the beginning of the most holy Lenten fast on the seventeenth day of February. On the fourth day of April you shall celebrate with greatest joy the holy Pasch of our Lord Jesus Christ. The Ascension of our Lord Jesus Christ will occur on the thirteenth day of May. The Feast of Pentecost on the twenty-third day of May. The Feast of Corpus Christi on the third day of June. The twenty-eighth day of November will usher in the Advent of our Lord Jesus Christ, to whom be glory and honor eternally. Amen.

1940 Hymnal No 51—We three kings

Three Kings of Orient

We three kings of orient are,
Bearing gifts, we traverse afar:
Field and fountain, moor and mountain,
Following yonder star.

Refrain:

O Star of wonder, star of light,
Star with royal beauty bright,
Westward leading, still proceeding,
Guide us to thy perfect light.

2. Born a King, on Bethlehem's plain,
Gold I bring to crown him again,
King forever, ceasing never
Over us all to reign.

Refrain

3. Frankincense to offer have I,
Incense owns a Deity nigh,
Prayer and praising, all men raising,
Worship him, God on high.

Refrain

4. Myrrh is mine; its bitter perfume
Breathes a life of gathering gloom;
Sorrowing, sighing, bleeding, dying,
Sealed in the stone cold tomb.

Refrain

5. Glorious now, behold him arise,
King, and God, and Sacrifice,
Heav'n sings Alleluia:
Alleluia the earth replies.

Refrain

Homily—Fr Lanier

Please be seated.

Nicene Creed

Please stand for the Creed.

I BELIEVE in one God. 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. *Here genuflect.* And was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary: And was made man. *Here arise.* 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 Lord be with you. ℞ And with thy spirit. ∿ Let us pray.

Offertorium. Ps. 71, 10–11. Reges Tharsis, et insulæ múnera ófferent: reges Arabum et Saba dona addúcent: et adorábunt eum omnes reges terræ, omnes gentes sérvient ei.

Offertory. Ps. 72, 10–11. 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.

1940 Hymnal N° 46—Brightest and best

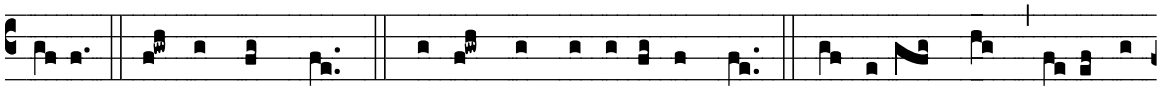
Morning Star

- Brightest and best of the sons of the morning,
Dawn on our darkness, and lend us thine aid:
Star in the east, the horizon adorning,
Guide where our infant redeemer is laid.
2. Cold on his cradle the dew drops are shining,
Low lies his head with the beasts of the stall;
Angels adore him in slumber reclining,
Maker and Monarch and Saviour of all.
3. Shall we than yield him, in costly devotion,
Odours of Edom and offerings divine,
Gems of the mountain, and pearls of the ocean,
Myrrh from the forest, and gold from the mine?
4. Vainly we offer each ample oblation,
Vainly with gifts would his favour secure,
Richer by far is the heart's adoration,
Dearer to God are the prayers of the poor.
5. Brightest and best of the sons of the morning,
Dawn on our darkness, and lend us thine aid:
Star in the east, the horizon adorning,
Guide where our infant redeemer is laid.

Solemn Preface of the Epiphany



Throughout all ages, world without end. ℞ Amen. ∿ The Lord be with you. ℞ And with thy



spirit. V Lift up your hearts. R We lift them up unto the Lord. V Let us give thanks unto our



Lord God. R It is meet and right so to do.

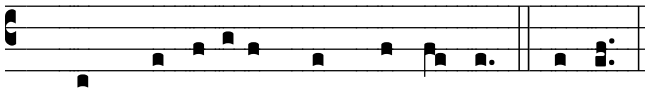
IT is very meet, right, and our bounden duty: that we should, at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God: Because that when thine only-begotten Son manifestly appeared in substance of our flesh, he restored us by the new light of his immortality. And therefore with Angels and Archangels, with Thrones and Dominations, and with all the company of the heavenly host, we sing the majesty of thy glory, evermore praising thee, and saying:

Sanctus & Benedictus

HOLY, holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts. Heaven and earth are full of Thy Glory. Hosanna in the highest. R Blessed is He that cometh in the Name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Canon of the Mass

Please kneel for the Canon.

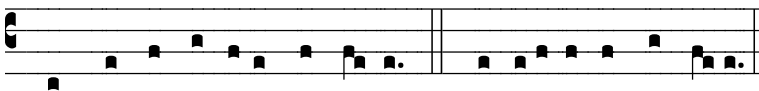


Throughout all ages, world without end. R Amen.

Our Father

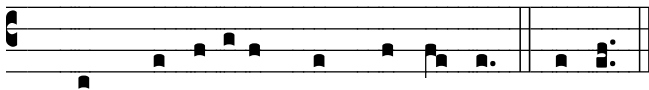
Let us pray: Comanded by saving precepts, and taught by divine institution, we are bold to say:

OUR Father, which art in heaven: hallowed be thy Name: Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done, in earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread: And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive them that trespass against us:

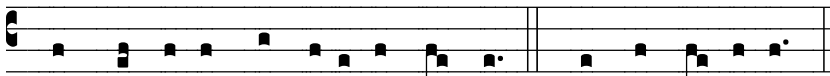


And lead us not into temptation. R But deliver us from e-vil.

The Pax



Throughout all ages, world without end. *℞* Amen.



The peace of the Lord be alway with you. *℞* And with thy spirit.

Agnus Dei

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:
have mercy upon us.

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world:
grant us thy peace.

*Communio. Matt. 2, 33. Vidimus stellam
ejus in Oriénte, et vénimus cum munéribus
adoráre Dóminum.*

*Communion. Matt. 2, 33. We have seen his star
in the East, and are come with gifts to worship
the Lord.*

℣ The Lord be with you. *℞* And with thy spirit.

Please stand for the Postcommunion

Let us pray.

GRANT, we beseech thee, almighty God: that we, who here celebrate thy holy mysteries, may in
purity of heart and mind receive the benefits of the same. Through. *℞* Amen.

Dismissal

℣ The Lord be with you. *℞* And with thy spirit.

(M.M. ♩ = 132.)

3. 
(*mi-do*) I- te, mís- sa est.
Dé- o grá- ti- as.

Blessing

Please kneel for the Blessing.

May Almighty God bless you, the Father the Son, ✠ and the Holy Ghost. 🕯 Amen.

The Last Gospel

Please stand for the Last Gospel.

🕯 The Lord be with you. 🕯 And with thy spirit.

John 1, 1-14

✠ The Beginning of the holy Gospel according to John. 🕯 Glory be to thee, O Lord.

IN the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. The same was in the beginning with God. All things were made by Him: and without Him was not anything made that was made. In Him was life, and the life was the light of men: and the light shineth in darkness, and the darkness comprehended it not. There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. The same came for a witness, to bear witness of the light, that all men through him might believe. He was not that light, but was sent to bear witness of that light. That was the true light, which lighteth every man that cometh into the world. He was in the world, and the world was made by him, and the world knew him not. He came unto his own, and his own received him not. But as many as received him, to them gave he power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on his name: which were born, not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God. *Here genuflect:* And the Word was made flesh, *Here rise:* and dwelt among us: and we beheld his glory, the glory as of the Only-begotten of the Father, full of grace and truth. 🕯 Thanks be to God.

Organ—Fugue on the Hour Chime at Soissons Cathedral

Duruflé

The Epiphany Blessing

20 ✠ G ✠ M ✠ B ✠ 20

The above line should be written on the lintel above the front door into your house. A piece of blessed chalk may be taken home with you for this purpose. Following the writing, this prayer is to be used:

OLORD holy, Father Almighty, everlasting God, we beseech thee to hear us: and vouchsafe to send thy holy Angel from heaven, to guard and cherish, protect and visit, and evermore defend all that dwell in this house. I call upon thy Saints, Gaspard, Melchior, and Balthazar, to protect my family and my home from every harm and danger, and I place this mark over my door to remain as a constant reminder to us and all who enter here that my house is truly a house of the Lord. O God, make the door of my house the gateway to thine Eternal Kingdom. All this we ask through Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord. Amen.

Anniversaries

- 3 January Donald Anthony Mazzuchi, RIP (2016)
4 January Lyn Wright, Benefactress, RIP
5 January Roland Holroyd, Benefactor, RIP (1985)
7 January Helen Viola Plumly Swishser, Benefactress, RIP (1973)
Robert Howell Schuman, Priest & Curate, RIP (1977)
8 January Hollingsworth Neill, RIP (1891)
Harry Connelly, Benefactor, RIP (1910)
James Hazleton Pearson, Priest & Curate, RIP (1968)
Elizabeth Hawkins Alton, RIP (1978)
Juanita Adele Carter, RIP (2011)
9 January Thomas Hawkins Alton, Birth
Warren Michael Cassell, Sr., Priest, RIP (1985)

Kalendar

- 4 January Octave Day of the Ss. Innocents, Mm.
5 January Vigil; *S. Telesphorus, P.M.*
6 January THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD
7 January Of the Octave
8 January Of the Octave
9 January Of the Octave
10 January The Holy Family; *Epiphany I; Of the Octave*



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The Polyphonia Society, *Choral Artists-in-Residence*

Sunday

Low Mass 8.00

Rosary 10.30

Sung Mass 11.00

Vespers & Benediction 3.00

Monday–Friday

Low Mass 12.10

Vespers & Novena 5.30

Saturday

Low Mass 10.00

Rosary 10.30

(1ST Saturdays)

Vespers & Novena 3.00