

# Immaculate Conception B.V.M.



8 December 2023  
Procession & Sung Mass 7.00

# The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary

*Feria*

Organ—Magnificat (from 15 Pieces)

*Marcel Dupré*

## At the Procession

∿ Let us proceed in peace. ⋈ In the Name of Christ. Amen.

New English Hymnal N<sup>o</sup> 188—Ye who own the faith of Jesus

*Daily, daily*

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| Ye who own the faith of Jesus,<br>Sing the wonders that were done<br>When the love of God the Father<br>O'er our sin the victory won,<br>When he made the Virgin Mary<br>Mother of his only Son.<br>Hail Mary, hail Mary, hail Mary, full of grace.                             | 4. Let us weave our supplications,<br>She with us and we with her,<br>For the advancement of the faithful,<br>For each faithful worshiper,<br>For the doubting, for the sinful,<br>For each heedless wanderer.<br>Hail Mary, hail Mary, hail Mary, full of grace.          |
| 2. Blessèd were the chosen people<br>Out of whom the Lord did come;<br>Blessèd was the land of promise<br>Fashioned for his earthly home;<br>But more blessèd far the mother,<br>She who bare him in her womb.<br>Hail Mary, hail Mary, hail Mary, full of grace.               | 5. May the Mother's intercessions<br>On our homes a blessing win,<br>That the children all be prospered,<br>Strong and fair and pure within,<br>Following our Lord's own footsteps,<br>Firm in faith and free from sin.<br>Hail Mary, hail Mary, hail Mary, full of grace. |
| 3. Wherefore let all faithful people<br>Tell the honor of her name;<br>Let the Church in her foreshadowed,<br>Part in her thanksgiving claim;<br>What Christ's mother sang in gladness<br>Let Christ's people sing the same.<br>Hail Mary, hail Mary, hail Mary, full of grace. | 6. For the sick and the agèd,<br>For our dear ones far away,<br>For the hearts that mourn in secret,<br>All who need our prayers today,<br>For the faithful gone before us,<br>May the holy Virgin pray.<br>Hail Mary, hail Mary, hail Mary, full of grace.                |
| 7. Praise, O Mary, praise the Father,<br>Praise thy Savior and thy Son,<br>Praise the everlasting Spirit,<br>Who hath made thee ark and throne;<br>O'er all creatures high exalted,<br>Lowly praise the Three in One.<br>Hail Mary, hail Mary, hail Mary, full of grace. Amen.  |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |

## Station at the Shrine of Our Lady of Clemency

∞ O Mary, conceived without sin. ℞ Pray for us who have recourse to thee.

Let us pray.

**O** LORD Jesus Christ, who wast pleased that the most Blessed Virgin Mary, thy mother, immaculate from her first conception, should shine resplendent with miracles beyond number: grant that, ever imploring her patronage, we may attain unto the joys of everlasting life. Through the same Christ our Lord. ℞ Amen.

**New English Hymnal N<sup>o</sup> 181**—The Lord whom earth and sea *Puer nobis nascitur*

The God whom earth, and sea, and sky,  
Adore, and praise, and magnify,  
Who o'er their threefold fabric reigns,  
The Virgin's spotless womb contains.

2. And he whose will is ever done  
By moon and seas, by stars and sun,  
Is borne upon a Maiden's breast,  
Whom God's foreseeing grace possessed.

3. How blest that Mother, in whose shrine  
The very Word of God divine,  
The maker of the earth and sky,  
Was pleased in fleshly form to lie.

4. Blest in the message Gabriel brought,  
Blest in the work the spirit wrought,  
Blest evermore, who brought to birth  
The long-Desired of all the earth.

5. O Jesu, Virgin-born, to thee,  
Eternal praise and glory be,  
Whom with the Father we adore,  
And Holy Spirit, evermore. Amen.

## Station at the High Altar

∞ All fair art thou, O Mary. ℞ Original sin is not in thee.

Let us pray.

**G**RANT, O Lord, we beseech thee, to those who are celebrating this solemnity of the Blessed Virgin Mary our Queen: that safe in her protection we may deserve to enjoy present peace and future glory. Through Christ our Lord. ℞ Amen.

**Introit**—Isaiah 61, 10

**G**AUDENS gaudébo in Dómino, et  
exultábit ánima mea in Deo meo: quia  
índuit me vestiméntis salútis: et induménto  
justítiæ circúmdedit me, quasi sponsam  
ornátam monílibus suis. *Ps. 29, 1.* Exaltábo  
te, Dómine, quóniam suscepísti me: nec  
delectásti inimícos meos super me. ∞ Glória  
Patri. Gaudens gaudébo.

*Please kneel and stand as the servers so do.*

**I**WILL greatly rejoice in the Lord, my soul shall  
be joyful in my God: for he hath clothed me  
with the garments of salvation: he hath covered  
me with the robe of righteousness, as a bride  
adorneth herself with her jewels. *Ps. 30, 1.* I will  
magnify thee, O Lord, for thou hast set me up:  
and not made my foes to triumph over me.  
∞ Glory be. I will greatly rejoice.

**Kyrie Eleison—Missa ‘Vidi speciosam’**

Kýrie, eléison. *ijj.* Christe, eléison. *ijj.*  
Kýrie, eléison. *ijj.*

*Tomás Luis da Victoria*

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 be seated.*

**G**LORIA in excelsis Deo, et in terra pax  
hominibus bonæ voluntátis. Laudámus  
te. Benedícimus te. Adorámus te.  
Glorificámus te. Grátias ágimus tibi propter  
magnam glóriam tuam. Dómine Deus, Rex  
cæléstis, Deus Pater omnípotens. Dómine  
Fili unigénite, Jesu Christe. Dómine Deus,  
Agnus Dei, Fílius Patris. Qui tollis peccáta  
mundi, miserére nobis. Qui tollis peccáta  
mundi, súscipe deprecationem nostram. Qui  
sedes ad dexteram Patris, miserére nobis.  
Quóniam tu solus Sanctus. Tu solus  
Dóminus. Tu solus Altíssimus, Jesu Christe.  
Cum Sancto Spíritu, ✠ in glória Dei Patris.  
Amen.

**G**LORY 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 Collects.*

Let us pray.

**O** GOD, who through the immaculate Conception of the Virgin didst prepare an habitation  
meet for thy Son: we beseech thee; that like as thou, foreseeing the merits of the death of the  
same thy Son, didst thereby preserve her from all defilement, so by her intercession thou wouldest  
suffer us to attain in purity of heart to thee. Through the same. ℞. Amen.

Let us pray.

**S**TIR up, we beseech thee, O Lord, thy power and come: that by thy protection we may be found  
worthy to be set free from the dangers of our sins which beset us; and to be saved by thy  
deliverance: Who livest and reignest. ℞. Amen.

**For the Epistle**

*Please be seated.*

The Lesson from the Book of Wisdom.

Prov. 8, 22–35

**T**HE Lord possessed me in the beginning of his way, before his works of old. I was set up from  
everlasting, from the beginning, or ever the earth was. When there were no depths, I was brought  
forth: when there were no fountains abounding with water: before the mountains were settled: before

the hills was I brought forth: while as yet he had not made the earth, nor the fields, nor the highest part of the dust of the world. When he prepared the heavens, I was there: when he set a compass upon the face of the depth: when he established the clouds above: when he strengthened the fountains of the deep: when he gave to the sea his decree, that the waters should not pass his commandment: when he appointed the foundations of the earth. Then I was by him, as one brought up with him: and I was daily his delight, rejoicing always before him: rejoicing in the habitable part of his earth: and my delights were with the sons of men. Now therefore hearken unto me, O ye children: for blessed are they that keep my ways. Hear instruction, and be wise, and refuse it not. Blessed is the man that heareth me, watching daily at my gates, waiting at the posts of my doors. For whoso findeth me findeth life, and shall obtain favour of the Lord. *R.* Thanks be to God.

*Graduale. Jud. 13, 23.* Benedícta es tu, Virgo María, a Dómino, Deo excélsio, præ ómnibus muliéribus super terram. *V. ibid. 15, 10.* Tu glória Jerúsalem, tu lætítia Israë́l, tu honoríficéntia pópuli nostri.

Allelúja, allelúja. *V. Cant. 4, 7.* Tota pulchra es, María: et mácula originális non est in te. Allelúja.

*Gradual. Judith 13, 23.* Blessed art thou, O Virgin Mary, of the Lord, the most High God, above all women upon the earth. *V. ibid. 15, 10.* Thou art the glory of Jerusalem, thou art joy of Israel, thou art the honour of our people.

Alleluia, alleluia. *V. Cant. 4, 7.* All fair art thou, O Mary: and original sin is not in thee. Alleluia.

### The Holy Gospel

*V.* The Lord be with you. *R.* And with thy spirit.

Luke 1, 26–28

*V. ✠* The Continuation of the Holy Gospel according to Luke. *R.* Glory be to thee, O Lord.

**A**T that time: The angel Gabriel was sent from God unto a city of Galilee named Nazareth, to a virgin espoused to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David, and the virgin's name was Mary. And the angel came in unto her, and said: Hail, full of grace, the Lord is with thee: blessed art thou among women. *R.* Praise be to thee, O Christ.

*Please stand for the Gospel.*

### New English Hymnal N° 183—O Glorious Maid

*Ivyhatch*

O Glorious Maid, exalted far  
Beyond the light of burning star,  
From him who made thee thou hast won,  
Grace to be Mother of his Son.

3. Thou wast the gate of heaven's high Lord,  
The door through which the light hath poured.  
Christians rejoice, for through a Maid  
To all mankind is life conveyed.

2. That which was lost in hapless Eve  
Thy holy offspring did retrieve;  
The tear-worn sons of Adam's race  
Through thee have seen the heavenly place.

4. O Jesu, Virgin-born to thee,  
Eternal praise and glory be,  
Whom with the Father we adore,  
And Holy Spirit, evermore. Amen.

Homily—Fr Lanier

*Please be seated.*

Nicene Creed

**C**REDO in unum Deum, Patrem Omnipotentem, factorem cæli et terræ, visibílium ómnium et invisibílium. Et in unum Dóminum Jesum Christum, Fílium Dei unigénitum. Et ex Patre natum ante ómnia sæcula. Deum de Deo, lumen de lúmine, Deum verum de Deo vero. Génitum, non factum, consubstantiálem Patri: per quem ómnia facta sunt. Qui propter nos hómines et propter nostram salutem descendit de cælis. *Genusflect.* Et incarnátus est de Spíritu Sancto ex María Vírgine: Et homo factus est. *Arise.* Crucifixus étiam pro nobis: sub Póntio Piláto passus, et sepúltus est. Et resurrexit tértia die, secúndum Scriptúras. Et ascendit in cælum: sedet ad dexteram Patris. Et íterum ventúrus est cum glória judicáre vivos et mórtuos: cujus regni non erit finis. Et in Spíritum Sanctum, Dóminum et vivificántem: qui ex Patre Filióque procedit. Qui cum Patre et Fílio simul adorátur, et conglorificátur: qui locútus est per Prophétas. Et unam, sanctam, cathólicam et apostólicam Ecclésiám. Confíteor unum baptísma in remissionem peccatórum. Et exspécto resurrectionem mortuórum, ☩ et vitam ventúri sæculi. Amen.

*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. *Genusflect.* And was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary: And was made man. *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.

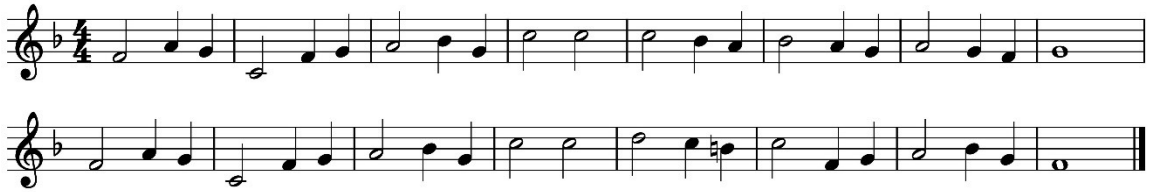
℣. The Lord be with you. ℞. And with thy spirit. ℣. Let us pray.

*Offertorium. Luca 1, 28.* Ave, María, grátia plena; Dóminus tecum: benedícta tu in muliéribus, allelúja.

*Offertory. Luke 1, 28.* Hail, Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee: blessed art thou among women, alleluia.

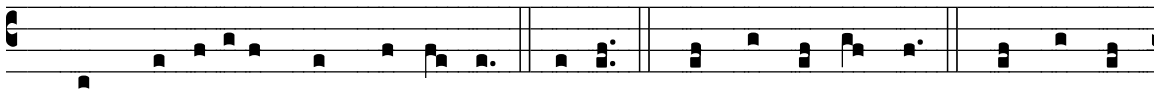
Hymn—Mary Immaculate

*Jesu enfant*

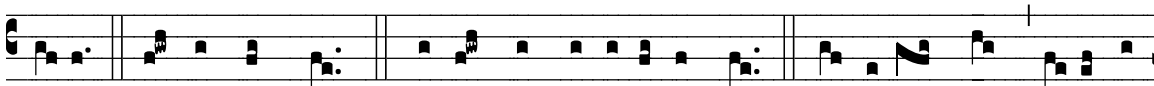


- Mary Immaculate, Star of the morning,  
Chosen before thy creation began,  
Chosen to bring, in the light of thy dawning,  
Woe to the serpent and rescue to man.
2. Here, in an orbit of shadow and sadness  
Veiling thy splendour, thy course thou hast run:  
Now thou art throned in all glory and gladness,  
Crowned by the hand of thy Saviour and Son.
3. Sinners, we worship thy sinless perfection:  
Fallen and weak for thy pity we plead:  
Grant us the shield of thy sovereign protection,  
Measure thine aid by the depth of our need.
4. Frail is our nature, and strict our probation,  
Watchful the foe that would that would lure us to wrong  
Succour our souls in the hour of temptation,  
Mary Immaculate, tender and strong.
5. See how the wiles of the serpent assail us,  
See how we waver and flinch in the fight:  
Let thine immaculate merit avail us,  
Make of our weakness a proof of thy might.
6. Bend from thy throne at the voice of our crying,  
Bend to this earth which thy footsteps have trod:  
Stretch out thine arms to us living and dying,  
Mary Immaculate, Mother of God.

## Solemn Preface of the Blessed Virgin Mary



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



spirit. *℣* Lift up your hearts. *℞* We lift them up unto the Lord. *℣* Let us give thanks unto our



Lord God. *℞* It is meet and right so to do.

**I**T 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: And that on the immaculate Conception of blessed Mary ever Virgin, we should praise, bless and magnify thee. Because by the overshadowing of the Holy Ghost she conceived thine only begotten Son: and the glory of her maidenhood yet abiding, shed forth upon the world the light eternal, Jesus Christ our Lord. Through whom the Angels praise, the Dominations adore, the Powers fear thy majesty. The Heavens and the heavenly Virtues and the blessed Seraphim together sing thy praise with exultation. With whom, we beseech thee, bid that our voices also be admitted, evermore praising thee, and saying:

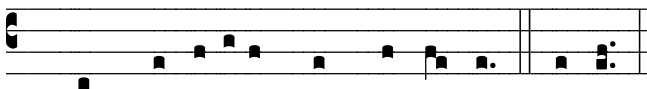
### Sanctus & Benedictus

**S**ANCTUS, Sanctus, Sanctus, Dóminus Deus Sábaoth. Pleni sunt cæli et terra glória tua. Hosánna in excélsis. *✠* Benedictus qui venit in nómine Dómini. Hosánna in excélsis.

**H**OLY, holy, holy, Lord God of hosts, heaven and earth are full of thy glory. Hosanna in the highest. *✠* Blessed is he that cometh in the Name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

### Canon of the Mass

*Please kneel for the Canon.*



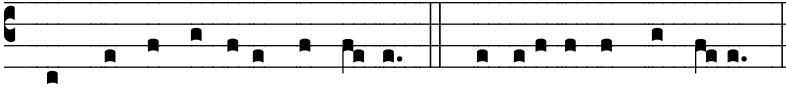
Throughout all ages, world without end. *℞* Amen.



## Our Father

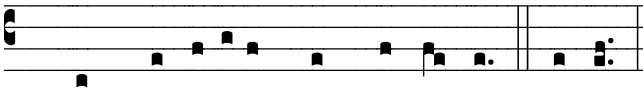
Let us pray: Commanded by saving precepts, and taught by divine institution, we are bold to say:

**O**UR Father, 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:

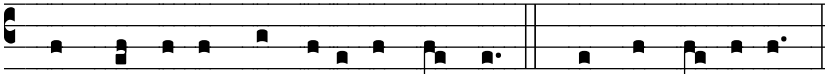


And lead us not into temptation. *℟* But deliver us from e-vil.

## The Pax



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



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

## Agnus Dei

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccáta mundi:  
miserére nobis.

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccáta mundi:  
miserére nobis.

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccáta mundi:  
dona nobis pacem.

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.

## Communion of the Faithful

*℣* Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who taketh away the sins of the world. *℟* Lord, I am not worthy, that thou shouldest come under my roof: but speak the word only, and my soul shall be healed. *[Repeated thrice]*

*Baptized Christians are welcome to receive Holy Communion. Please make your way via the center aisle to the rails, the Ushers will direct and assist you.*

*Communio.* Gloriósa dicta sunt de te, María:  
quia fecit tibi magna qui potens est.

*Communion.* Glorious things are spoken of thee,  
O Mary: for he that is mighty hath done great  
things to thee.

**Motet—Vidi speciosam**

**V**IDI speciósam sicut colúmbam  
ascendéntem désuper rivos aquárum:  
cujus inæstimábilis odor erat nimis in  
vestiméntis ejus. \* Et sicut dies verni,  
circumdábant eam flores rosárum, et lília  
convállium. ¶ Quæ est ista, quæ ascéndit per  
desértum sicut vírgula fumi, ex aromátibus  
myrrhæ et thuris? Et sicut dies verni.

*Victoria*

**I**SAW her, when fair as a dove, she winged her  
flight above the rivers of waters: the priceless  
savour of her perfumes hung heavy in her  
garments, \* And about her it was as the flower of  
roses, and as lilies of the valley. ¶ Who is this  
that cometh out of the wilderness like pillars of  
smoke, perfumed with myrrh and frankincense?  
And about her.

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

*Please stand for the Postcommunions.*

Let us pray.

**G**RANT, O Lord our God, that this sacrament which we have here received: may heal in us the  
wounds of that sin; from which by a singular grace thou didst preserve the immaculate  
Conception of blessed Mary. Through. ☩ Amen.

Let us pray.

**L**ET us wait, O Lord, for thy loving-kindness in the midst of thy temple: that with due honour we  
may hail the coming feast of our redemption. Through. ☩ Amen.

**Dismissal**

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

1. *(ré-la)*

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.

**I**N 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. *Genuslect:* And the Word was made flesh, *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.

Hymn—Holy light on earth’s horizon

*Blaenwern*



Holy light on earth’s horizon,  
 Star of hope to fallen man,  
 Light amid a world of shadows,  
 Dawn of God’s redemptive plan,  
 Chosen from eternal ages,  
 Thou alone of all our race,  
 By thy Son’s atoning merits  
 Wast conceived in perfect grace.

2. Mother of the world’s Redeemer,  
 Promised from the dawn of time:  
 How could one so highly favoured  
 Share the guilt of Adam’s crime?  
 Sun and moon and stars adorn thee,  
 Sinless Eve, triumphant sign;  
 Thou art she who crushed the serpent,  
 Mary, pledge of life divine.

3. Earth below and highest heaven,  
 Praise the splendour of your state,  
 Thou who now are crowned in glory  
 Wast conceived immaculate.  
 Hail, beloved of the Father,  
 Mother of his only Son,  
 Mystic bride of Love eternal, hail,  
 Hail thou fair and spotless one!

Organ—Ave Maris Stella

*Dupré*

## Parish Notes

We welcome all those who are worshipping with us today.

Vespers is chanted in Latin at 3.00 on Sunday afternoons, please join us.

Offering Envelopes for Christmas Greens are available on the Ushers' Table.

### Anniversaries

- 3 December Arnold Bates Craven, Priest, RIP (1993)  
4 December Edward Maene, Benefactor, RIP (1931)  
Henry Fynes Clinton, Priest, RIP (1959)  
Sister Jane Frances, SHN, RIP (1989)  
Elsie Matilda Williams, Benefactress, RIP (1991)  
7 December Herbert Minor Morris, Benefactor, RIP (1936)  
Belinda Clark, RIP (2011)  
8 December Danica Pedone, Birth

### Kalendar

- 4 December S. Peter Chrysologus, B.C.D.; *Feria*; S. Barbara, V.M.  
5 December *Feria*; S. Sabbas, Ab.  
6 December S. Nicholas, B.C.; *Feria*  
7 December S. Ambrose, B.C.D.; *Feria*; *Vigil*  
8 December IMMACULATE CONCEPTION B.V.M.; *Feria*  
9 December Of the Octave; *Feria*  
10 December Advent II; *Translation of the Holy House of Loreto*; S. Melchiades, P.M.

## Saint Clement's Church

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### Sunday

Low Mass 8.00  
Centering Prayer 9.30  
Rosary 10.00  
Terce 10.30  
Solemn 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 (1<sup>st</sup> Saturdays)  
Vespers & Novena 3.00