

31 December 2021

Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God

Gathering Hymn: "It Came upon a Midnight Clear"

Text: Edmund H. Sears, 1810-1876

Tune: CAROL

1. 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 all from heaven's all gracious King";
The world in solemn stillness lay, to hear the angels sing.

2. Still through the cloven skies they come, with peaceful wings unfurled,
And still their heav'nly music floats o'er all the weary world:
Above its sad and lowly plains they bend on hov'ring wing,
And ever o'er its Babel sounds, the blessed angels sing.

3. Yet with the woes of sin and strife, the world has suffered long;
Beneath the heav'nly hymn have rolled two thousand years of wrong;
And warring humankind hears not the tidings which they bring;
O hush the noise and cease your strife and hear the angels sing.

4. For, lo, the days are hastening on, by prophets seen of old,
When with the ever-circling years shall come the time foretold,
When peace shall over all the earth its ancient splendors fling,
And all the world give back the song which now the angels sing.

Hymn of Praise: "Christmas Gloria" by Daniel W. Laginya

Refrain:

The musical notation for the refrain is presented in four staves. The first staff begins with a treble clef, a key signature of one flat (B-flat), and a 2/2 time signature. The melody starts with a half note G4, followed by quarter notes A4, B4, and C5, then a half note B4, and continues with quarter notes A4, G4, F4, and E4. The lyrics 'Glo' are written below the first staff. The second staff continues the melody with quarter notes D4, C4, B3, and A3, followed by a quarter rest. The lyrics 'ri - a in ex - cel - sis De - o,' are written below. The third staff repeats the first staff's melody. The lyrics 'glo' are written below. The fourth staff repeats the second staff's melody. The lyrics 'ri - a in ex - cel - sis De - o' are written below. The piece concludes with a double bar line.

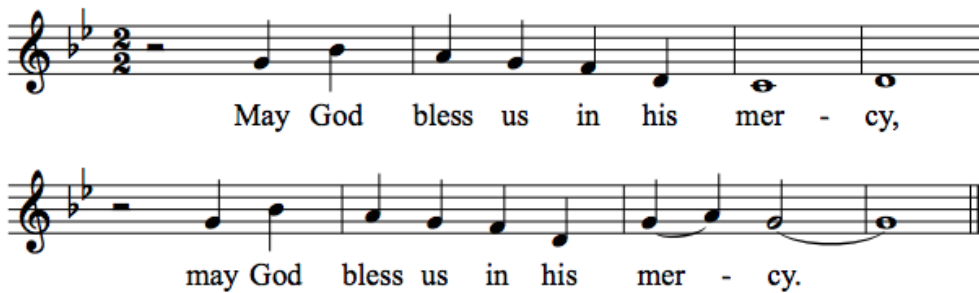
Liturgy of the Word

A reading from the Book of Numbers (6:22-27)

Responsorial Psalm: “Psalm 67—May God Bless Us in His Mercy”

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REFRAIN:



May God bless us in his mer - cy,
may God bless us in his mer - cy.

May God have pity on us and bless us; the nations on the earth you guide. *℟.*
may he let his face shine upon us.
So may your way be known upon earth; May the peoples praise you, O God;
among all nations, your salvation. *℟.* may all the peoples praise you!
May the nations be glad and exult May God bless us,
because you rule the peoples in and may all the ends of the earth fear
equity; him! *℟.*

Text: Refrain trans., *Lectionary for Mass*, © 1969, 1981, 1997, ICEL; verses, *New American Bible*, © 1970, Confraternity of Christian Doctrine
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A reading from Paul's letter to the Galatians (4:4-7)

“Christmas Gospel Acclamation” on GESU BAMBINO

Arranged by Paul Hillebrand

Refrain:



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

A reading from the Gospel according to Luke (2:16-21)

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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,

[bow] 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.

GENERAL INTERCESSIONS

Liturgy of the Eucharist

Preparation of the Gifts: “Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming”

Text: Isaiah 11:1; Theodore Baker, 1851-1934

Tune: ES IST EIN' ROS' ENSTSPRUNGEN



1. Lo, how a Rose e'er bloom-ing From ten - der stem hath sprung!
2. I - sai - ah 'twas fore - told it, This Rose I have in mind,
3. O Flow'r, whose fra-grance ten - der With sweet-ness fills the air,



1. Of Jes-se's lin - eage com - ing, As those of old have sung.
2. With Ma - ry we be - hold it, The Vir - gin Moth - er kind.
3. Dis - pel in glo - rious splen - dor The dark-ness ev - 'ry - where;



1. It came, a flow - er bright, A - mid the
2. To show God's love a - right, She bore to
3. True man, yet ver - y God, From sin and



1. cold of win - ter, When half spent was the night.
2. us a Sav - ior, When half spent was the night.
3. death now save us, And share our ev - 'ry load.

Text: 76 76 6 76; based on Isaiah 11:1; Trad. German Carol, 15th cent.; tr. by Theodore Baker, 1851-1934, alt.
Music: *Alte Catholische Geistliche Kirchengesänge*, Cologne, 1599.

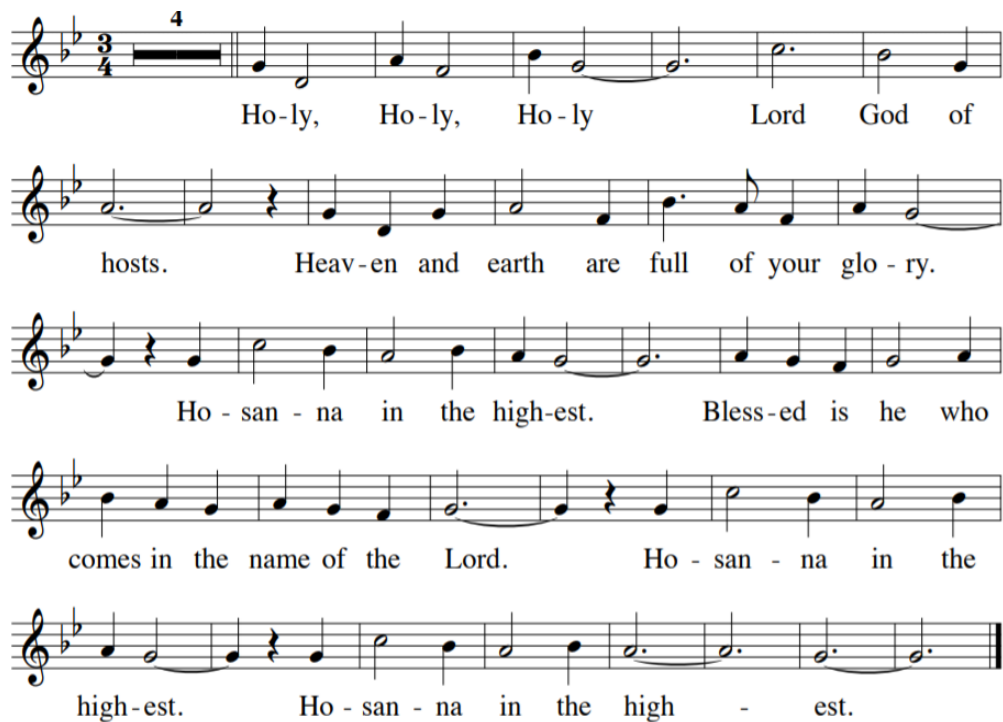
Eucharistic Acclamations and Lamb of God

from Mass of Creation

by Marty Haugen

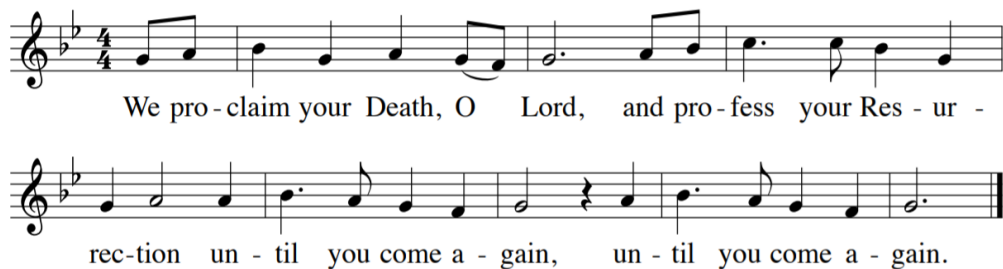
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HOLY:



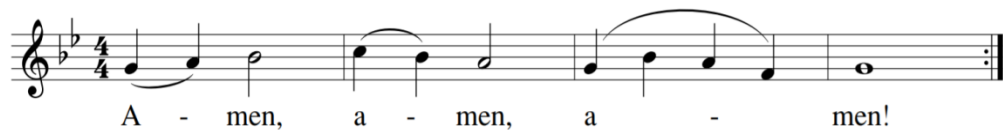
Ho-ly, Ho-ly, Ho-ly Lord God of
hosts. Heav-en and earth are full of your glo-ry.
Ho-san-na in the high-est. Bless-ed is he who
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the
high-est. Ho-san-na in the high-est.

MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION:



We pro-claim your Death, O Lord, and pro-fess your Res-ur-
rec-tion un-til you come a-gain, un-til you come a-gain.

AMEN:



A-men, a-men, a-men!

The Lord's Prayer

Sign of Peace: "Come and Fill"

Ostinato Refrain

Con - fi - te - mi - ni Do - mi - no
Come and fill our hearts with your peace.

quo - ni - am bo - nus. Con - fi - te - mi - ni
You a - lone, O Lord, are ho - ly. Come and fill our hearts

Do - mi - no, Al - le - lu - ia!
with your peace, Al - le - lu - ia!

Lamb of God:

Cantor: Lamb of God, *Assembly:* you take a-way the sins of the

To repeat
world, have mer - cy on us.

Last time
world, grant us peace.

Music for the Communion Procession: “The Table of Emmanuel”

by Tony Alonso

As we taste the bread of heav - en and the
cup of love out - poured, we pro - claim your birth, Em -
man - u - el, Child of Mar - y, Christ the Lord.

The image shows three staves of musical notation in 3/4 time, G major. The lyrics are written below the notes. The first staff contains the first line of lyrics, the second staff the second line, and the third staff the third line. The music is simple and melodic, suitable for a communion procession.

Final Hymn: “Joy to the World”

Text: Psalm 98; Isaac Watts, 1674-1748

Tune: ANTIOCH

1. *Joy to the world! The Lord is come: Let earth receive her King;
Let ev'ry heart prepare him room, and heav'n and nature sing,
And heav'n and nature sing, and heav'n, and heav'n and nature sing.*

2. *Joy to the world! The Savior reigns: let us, our songs employ;
While fields and flocks, rock, hills, and plains repeat the sounding joy,
Repeat the sounding joy, repeat, repeat the sounding joy.*

3. *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.*

*The LORD bless you and keep you!
The LORD let his face shine upon you,
and be gracious to you!
The LORD look upon you kindly and give you peace!
~Numbers 6:24-26*