

The Nativity of the Lord Old Saint Mary's Church December 24-25, 2021 Welcome to Old St. Mary's Church! In accordance with the guidelines set forth by the Archdiocese of Chicago, we are once again allowed to engage in congregational singing, and pre-Mass registration is no longer required.

The City of Chicago requires that face coverings be worn in all indoor public spaces for all individuals over the age of 2 regardless of vaccination status. The Archdiocese of Chicago is aligning its guidelines with the current guidance of our public health authorities.

Therefore, when you enter the Old St. Mary's facilities (Church, School, Parish Center) for Mass or any other activities, you will need to wear a mask. The Greeting of Peace during Mass should be contactless outside immediate family or household members.

We will continue to monitor the situation and will reevaluate our policy if conditions and public health guidance warrants it. It is our hope and our prayer that measures taken now and scrupulously applied will enable us to adopt a mask-optional policy for vaccinated persons in the future.

For those unable to attend Mass at this time, we provide the Spiritual Communion Prayer.

My Jesus,

I believe that you are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.

I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You in my soul.

Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally,

come spiritually into my heart.

I embrace You and unite myself wholly to You.

Never permit me to be separated from You.

Amen

Gathering

O Come, All Ye Faithful



come 0 come to Beth le - hem: ye Lo! He comes forth from the Vir gin's womb. zo triun - fan lle - nos de a -mor; tes. Yaly. ver - da - de romun - do cre - 6, que_al Alte. ve - ní te in Béth le - hem. Ge - stant pu - él lae ví sce - ra.

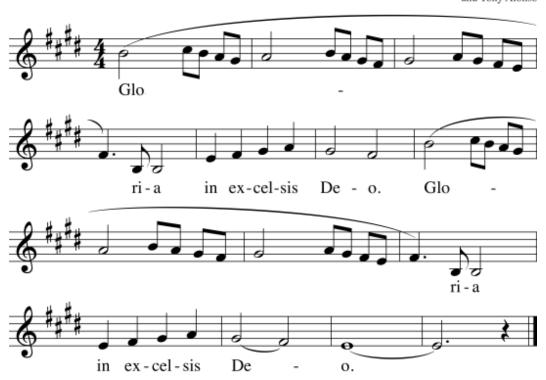




Gloria

A Joyful Christmas Gloria

Based on GLORIA French traditional Arr. Jeanne Cotter and Tony Alonso



Setting published in 2015 by GIA Publications, Inc. • All rights reserved

Reading 1 (4 PM)

Isaiah 62:1-5

For Zion's sake I will not be silent, for Jerusalem's sake I will not be quiet, until her vindication shines forth like the dawn and her victory like a burning torch.

Nations shall behold your vindication, and all the kings your glory; you shall be called by a new name pronounced by the mouth of the LORD. You shall be a glorious crown in the hand of the LORD, a royal diadem held by your God. No more shall people call you "Forsaken," or your land "Desolate," but you shall be called "My Delight," and your land "Espoused." For the LORD delights in you and makes your land his spouse. As a young man marries a virgin, your Builder shall marry you; and as a bridegroom rejoices in his bride so shall your God rejoice in you.

Reading 1 (7:30 PM, 11 AM)

Isaiah 9:1-6

The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; upon those who dwelt in the land of gloom a light has shone. You have brought them abundant joy and great rejoicing, as they rejoice before you as the harvest, as people make merry when dividing spoils.

For the yoke that burdened them, the pole on their shoulder, and the rod of their taskmaster you have smashed, as on the day of Midian.

For every boot that tramped in battle, every cloak rolled in blood, will be burned as fuel for flames.

For a child is born to us, a son is given us; upon his shoulder dominion rests. They name him Wonder-Counselor, God-Hero, Father Forever, Prince of Peace.

His dominion is vast and forever peaceful, from David's throne and over his kingdom, which he confirms and sustains by judgement and justice, both now and forever.

The zeal of the LORD of hosts will do this!

Reading 1 (8:30 AM)

Isaiah 52:7-10

How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of him who brings glad tidings, announcing peace, bearing good news, announcing salvation, and saying to Zion, "Your God is King!"

Hark! Your sentinels raise a cry,
together they shout for joy,
for they see directly, before their eyes,
the Lord restoring Zion.
Break out together in song,
O ruins of Jerusalem!
For the Lord comforts his people,
he redeems Jerusalem.
The Lord has bared his holy arm
in the sight of all the nations;
all the ends of the earth will behold
the salvation of our God.

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.



Text: The Revised Grail Psalms, © 2010, Conception Abbey and The Grait, admin. by GIA Publications, Inc.; refrain, Lectionary for Mass, © 1969, 1981, 1997, ICEL
Music: Richard Prouls, © 1975, GIA Publications, Inc.

Reading 2 (4 PM)

Acts 13:16-17, 22-25

When Paul reached Antioch in Pisidia and entered the synagogue, he stood up, motioned with his hand, and said,

"Fellow Israelites and you others who are God-fearing, listen.

The God of this people Israel chose our ancestors and exalted the people during their sojourn in the land of Egypt.

With uplifted arm he led them out of it.

Then he removed Saul and raised up David as king; of him he testified,

'I have found David, son of Jesse, a man after my own heart; he will carry out my every wish.'

From this man's descendants God, according to his promise, has brought to Israel a savior, Jesus.

John heralded his coming by proclaiming a baptism of repentance to all the people of Israel;

and as John was completing his course, he would say,

'What do you suppose that I am? I am not he.

Behold, one is coming after me;

I am not worthy to unfasten the sandals of his feet.""

Reading 2 (8:30 AM)

Hebrews 1:1-6

Brothers and sisters:

In times past, God spoke in partial and various ways to our ancestors through the prophets; in these last days, he has spoken to us through the Son, whom he made heir of all things and through whom he created the universe, who is the refulgence of his glory, the very imprint of his being, and who sustains all things by his mighty word. When he had accomplished purification from sins, he took his seat at the right hand of the Majesty on high, as far superior to the angels

as the name he has inherited is more excellent than theirs.

For to which of the angels did God ever say:

"You are my son; this day I have begotten you"?
Or again:

"I will be a father to him, and he shall be a son to me"?

And again, when he leads the firstborn into the world, he says:

"Let all the angels of God worship him."

Reading 2 (7:30 PM, 11 AM)

Titus 2:11-14

Beloved:

The grace of God has appeared, saving all and training us to reject godless ways and worldly desires and to live temperately, justly, and devoutly in this age,

as we await the blessed hope, the appearance of the glory of our great God and savior Jesus Christ,

who gave himself for us to deliver us from all lawlessness and to cleanse for himself a people as his own, eager to do what is good.

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation



Text; Fintan O'Carroll and Christopher Walker Music: Fintan O'Carroll and Christopher Walker D 1985, Fintan O'Carroll and Christopher Walker, Published by OCP

Gospel (4 PM)

Matthew 1:18-25

This is how the birth of Jesus Christ came about. When his mother Mary was betrothed to Joseph, but before they lived together, she was found with child through the Holy Spirit. Joseph her husband, since he was a righteous man, yet unwilling to expose her to shame, decided to divorce her quietly. Such was his intention when, behold, the angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream and said, "Joseph, son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary your wife into your home. For it is through the Holy Spirit that this child has been conceived in her. She will bear a son and you are to name him Jesus, because he will save his people from their sins." All this took place to fulfill what the Lord had said through the prophet:

Behold, the virgin shall conceive and bear a son, and they shall name him Emmanuel, which means "God is with us."

When Joseph awoke, he did as the angel of the Lord had commanded him and took his wife into his home.

He had no relations with her until she bore a son, and he named him Jesus.

The Gospel of the Lord. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Gospel (11 AM)

John 1:1-5, 9-14

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.

He was in the beginning with God.

All things came to be through him, and without him nothing came to be.

What came to be through him was life, and this life was the light of the human race;

the light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it.

The true light, which enlightens everyone, was coming into the world.

He was in the world, and the world came to be through him, but the world did not know him.

He came to what was his own, but his own people did not accept him.

But to those who did accept him
he gave power to become children of God,
to those who believe in his name,
who were born not by natural generation
nor by human choice nor by a man's decision
but of God.

And the Word became flesh
and made his dwelling among us,
and we saw his glory,
the glory as of the Father's only Son,
full of grace and truth.

The Gospel of the Lord. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Gospel (7:30PM, 8:30 AM)

Luke 2:1-14

In those days a decree went out from Caesar Augustus that the whole world should be enrolled.

This was the first enrollment, when Quirinius was governor of Syria.

So all went to be enrolled, each to his own town.

And Joseph too went up from Galilee from the town of Nazareth to Judea, to the city of David that is called Bethlehem, because he was of the house and family of David, to be enrolled with Mary, his betrothed, who was with child. While they were there, the time came for her to have her child, and she gave birth to her firstborn son.

She wrapped him in swaddling clothes and laid him in a manger, because there was no room for them in the inn.

Now there were shepherds in that region living in the fields and keeping the night watch over their flock. The angel of the Lord appeared to them and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were struck with great fear. The angel said to them, "Do not be afraid; for behold, I proclaim to you good news of great joy that will be for all the people. For today in the city of David a savior has been born for you who is Christ and Lord. And this will be a sign for you: you will find an infant wrapped in swaddling clothes and lying in a manger." And suddenly there was a multitude of the heavenly host with the angel, praising God and saying: "Glory to God in the highest and on earth peace to those on whom his favor rests."

The Gospel of the Lord. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

TEXT-to-GIVE: 1.833.245.6595 and text giveosm (not case sensitive)

Follow the link to our Pushpay digital giving platform: https://pushpay.com/g/oldstmarys

QuickPay with Zelle: give@oldstmarys.com

If you'd like to stay connected to our parish and find easy access to livestreamed liturgies, daily readings, bulletins, worship aids, and more, please download the "OSM Parish" app for your phone or device, just search for "OSM Parish" in your app store. More info can be found here:

https://oldstmarys.com/2021/11/old-st-marys-parish-app

Homily

Preparation of the Altar and of the Gifts

Away in a Manger



- 1. A way in a man-ger, no crib for a bed, The lit tle Lord
- 2. The cat tle are low-ing; the ba by a-wakes, But lit tle Lord
- 3. Be near me, Lord Je sus; 1 ask you to stay Close by me for-



Je-sus laid down his sweet head. The stars in the bright sky looked Je-sus, no cry-ing he makes. I love you, Lord Je-sus! Look ev-er, and love me. I pray. Bless all the dear chil-dren in



down where he lay, The lit-tle Lord Je-sus, a-sleep on the hay, down from the sky And stay by my cra-dle till morn-ing is nigh, your ten-der care, And fit us for heav-en, to live with you there.

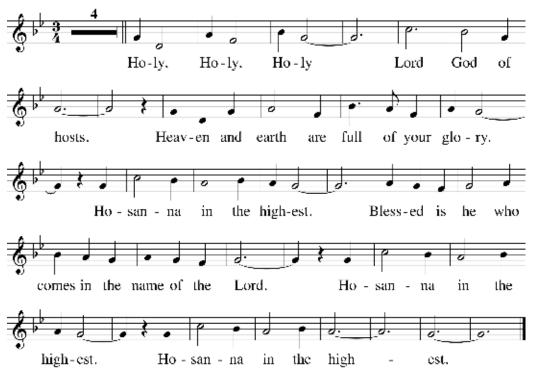
Text: St. 1, 2, anonymeus, st. 3, John T. McFarland, 1851–1913 Tune: MUELLER, 11 11 11 11; James R. Murray, 1841–1905

> For more Old St. Mary's news, please see our parish bulletin: https://oldstmarys.com/bulletin/

More information about the Hope for the Future campaign can be found here:

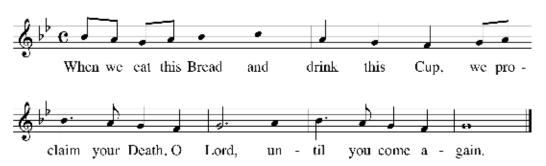
https://oldstmarys.com/2021/05/hope-for-the-future-campaign/

Holy, Holy, Holy



Text. ICBL, © 2010 Music: Mass of Creation, Marry Haugen, © 1984, 1985, 2010, GIA Publications, Inc.

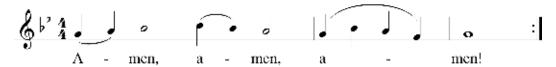
Memorial Acclamation



Text: ICEL, & 2010

Music: Mass of Crestion, Marty Haugen, © 2010, GIA Publications, Inc.

Amen

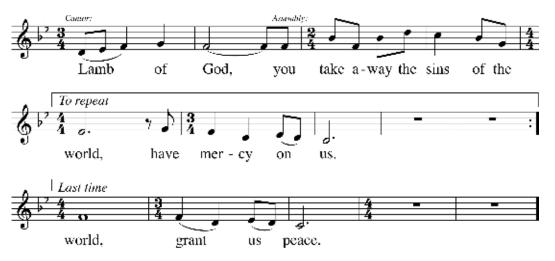


Music: Mass of Creation. Marty Haugen, © 1984, 1985. GIA Publications, Inc.

Our Father

Sign of Peace

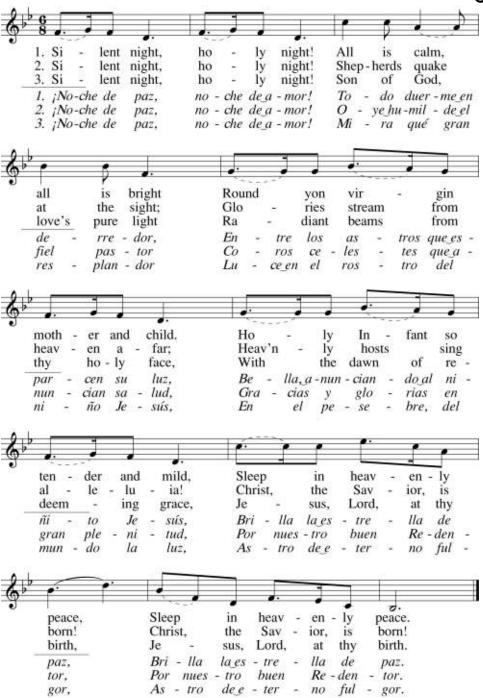
Lamb of God



Music: Marx of Creation, Marty Haugen, & 1984, 1985, GTA Publications. Inc.

Communion

Silent Night

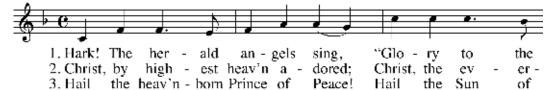


Night of Silence



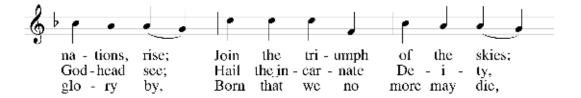
Sending Forth

Hark! The Herald Angels Sing



new - born King! mild. Peace onearth and mer - cy last - ing Lord! Late in time be - hold him come, Right-cous-ness! life Light and all he brings, 10







With the an-gel - ic host pro-claim, "Christ is born in Beth-le-hem!" Pleased as man with us to dwell, Je Em-man-u - el. sus, our to raise us from the earth, sec-ond birth. Born Born togive us



Text: Charles Wesley, 1707–1788, alr. Time: MENDEL SSOUN, 77-77 D with refrain; Felix Mendelsashn, 1809–1847