



Third Sunday of Advent

December 12, 2021

St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church
Apopka, Florida

The Introductory Rites

Entrance Antiphon

Gaudete in Domino semper

Antiphon

Cantor, then all

Re - joice in the Lord al - ways; a - gain I say, re - joice.____

Choir

In - deed, the Lord is near,____ the Lord is near.____

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Verses (cantor)

1. I will hear what the LORD God speaks;
he speaks of peace for his people and his faithful.
His salvation is near for those who fear him,
and his glory will dwell in our land.
2. Give praise to the Father Almighty,
to his Son, Jesus Christ, the Lord,
to the Spirit who dwells in our hearts,
both now and for ever. Amen.

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Greeting

Penitential Act

I confess to almighty God
and to you my brothers and sisters
that I have greatly sinned,
in my thoughts and in my words,
in what I have done, and in what I have failed to do;
through my fault, through my fault,
through my most grievous fault;
therefore I ask blessed Mary, ever Virgin,
all the Angels and Saints,
and you my brothers and sisters
to pray for me to the Lord our God.

May almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us our sins,
and bring us to everlasting life.

℟. Amen.

Kyrie

Cantor, then all: Ky-ri - e, e - le - i - son. *Cantor, then all:* Chri - ste, e - le - i - son. *Cantor, then all:* Ky-ri - e, e - le - i - son.

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The Liturgy of the Word

First Reading: Zep 3:14-18a

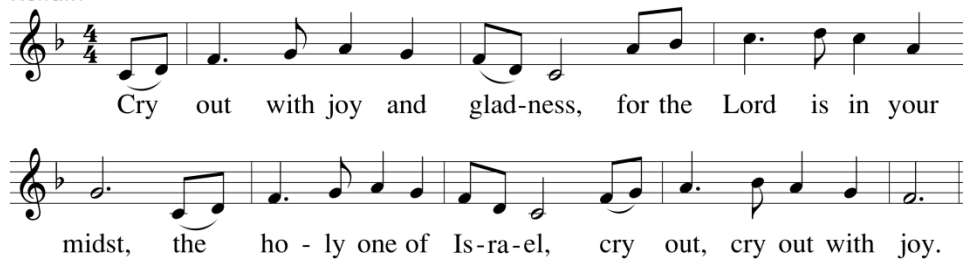
Shout for joy, O daughter Zion!
Sing joyfully, O Israel!
Be glad and exult with all your heart,
O daughter Jerusalem!
The LORD has removed the judgment against you
he has turned away your enemies;
the King of Israel, the LORD, is in your midst,
you have no further misfortune to fear.
On that day, it shall be said to Jerusalem:
Fear not, O Zion, be not discouraged!
The LORD, your God, is in your midst,
a mighty savior;
he will rejoice over you with gladness,
and renew you in his love,
he will sing joyfully because of you,
as one sings at festivals.

The word of the Lord.

℟. Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm: *Exulta et lauda* – Is 12:2-3, 4, 6

Refrain



Cry out with joy and glad-ness, for the Lord is in your
midst, the ho - ly one of Is-ra-el, cry out, cry out with joy.

Verses

1. God indeed is my Savior, I will never be afraid,
my strength and courage is the Lord, my Savior and my song.
2. Give thanks and praise the name of God, sing out to all the earth
the wondrous deeds that God has done, our Savior and our song.
3. Shout with joy, O Zion, for dwelling in your midst
is the Holy One of Israel, your Savior and your song.

Text: Isaiah 12:2-3, 4, 6; Marty Haugen
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Second Reading: Phil 4:4-7

Brothers and sisters:
Rejoice in the Lord always.
I shall say it again: rejoice!
Your kindness should be known to all.
The Lord is near.
Have no anxiety at all, but in everything,
by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving,
make your requests known to God.
Then the peace of God that surpasses all understanding
will guard your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus.

The word of the Lord.
℟. Thanks be to God.

Alleluia: *Spiritus Domini* – Is 61:1 (cited in Lk 4:18)



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∇. The Spirit of the Lord is upon me,
because he has anointed me to bring glad tidings to the poor.
✠. **Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**

Gospel: Lk 3:10-18

The crowds asked John the Baptist,
“What should we do?”
He said to them in reply,
“Whoever has two cloaks
should share with the person who has none.
And whoever has food should do likewise.”
Even tax collectors came to be baptized and they said to him,
“Teacher, what should we do?”
He answered them,
“Stop collecting more than what is prescribed.”
Soldiers also asked him,
“And what is it that we should do?”
He told them,
“Do not practice extortion,
do not falsely accuse anyone,
and be satisfied with your wages.”

Now the people were filled with expectation,
and all were asking in their hearts
whether John might be the Christ.
John answered them all, saying,
“I am baptizing you with water,
but one mightier than I is coming.
I am not worthy to loosen the thongs of his sandals.
He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire.
His winnowing fan is in his hand to clear his threshing floor

and to gather the wheat into his barn,
but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire.”
Exhorting them in many other ways,
he preached good news to the people.

The Gospel of the Lord.

℟. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Homily

The Nicene Creed

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. *[Rise]*
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.

Universal Prayer (Prayers of the Faithful)

The Liturgy of the Eucharist

Offertory Hymn

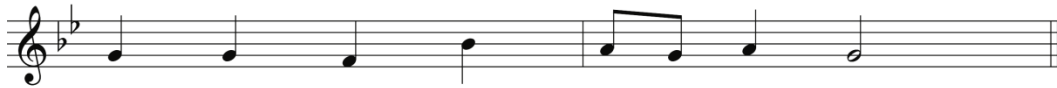
Savior of the Nations, Come



1. Sav - ior of the na - tions, come; Vir - gin's Son, make
2. Not by hu - man flesh and blood, But the Spir - it
3. Won - drous birth! O won - drous child Of the Vir - gin
4. From God's heart the Sav - ior speeds, Back to God his
5. Bright - ly does Christ's man - ger shine, Glo - rious is its



here your home. Mar - vel now, O heav'n and earth,
of our God, Was the Word of God made flesh,
un - de - filed! Ver - y God, and Mar - y's son,
path - way leads; Out to van - quish death's com - mand,
light di - vine. Night can - not this light sub - due;



That the Lord chose such a birth.
Wom - an's off - spring, pure and fresh.
Ea - ger now his race to run!
Back to reign at God's right hand.
Let our faith shine ev - er new.

Text: *Veni, Redemptor gentium*; ascr. to St. Ambrose, 340–397; German tr. by Martin Luther, 1483–1546; English tr. sts. 1–3, 5 by William M. Reynolds, 1812–1876; st. 4 by Martin L. Seltz, 1909–1967, alt., © 2006, Augsburg Fortress
Tune: NUN KOMM DER HEIDEN HEILAND, 77 77; *Geystliche gesangk Buchleyn*, Wittenberg, 1524

Orate Fratres

Pray, brothers and sisters, that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.

℟. May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands for the praise and glory of his name, for our good and the good of all his holy Church.

Prayer over the Offerings

Eucharistic Prayer

Preface

℣. The Lord be with you.

℟. And with your spirit.


℣. Lift up your hearts.

℟. We lift them up to the Lord.

℣. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

℟. It is right and just.

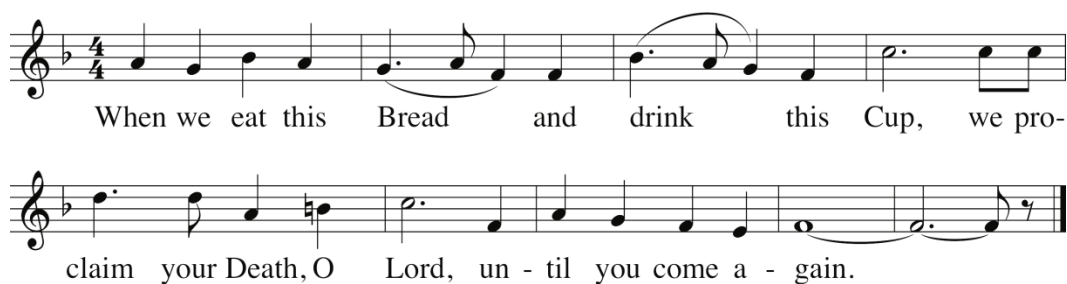
Sanctus



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

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Mystery of Faith: *Quotiescumque*



When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup, we pro -
claim your Death, O Lord, un - til you come a - gain.

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Amen



A - men, a - men, a - men.

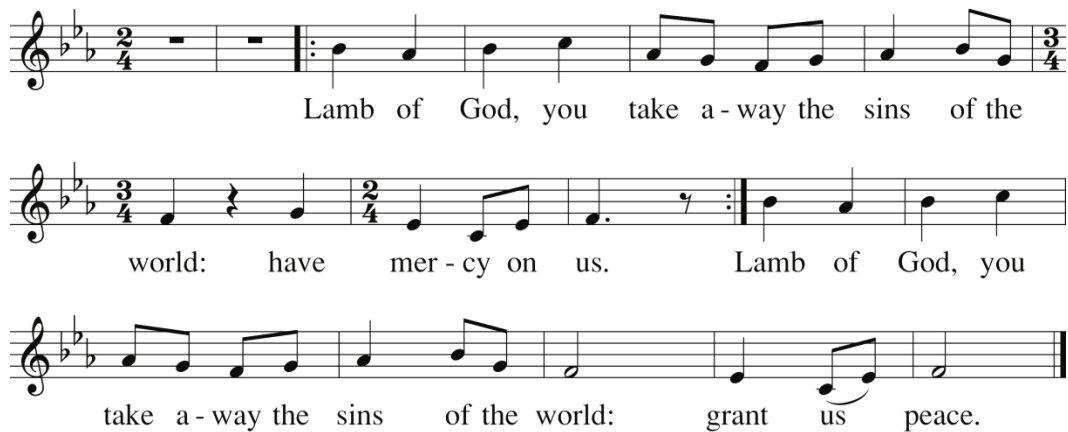
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Communion Rite

The Lord's Prayer

Sign of Peace

Agnus Dei



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sins of the
world: have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you
take a-way the sins of the world: grant us peace.

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Communion

Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who takes away the sins of the world. Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.

℟. Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.

Communion Hymn

Creator of the Stars of Night



1. Cre - a - tor of the stars of night, Your
 2. In sor - row that the an - cient curse Should
 3. When this old world drew on toward night, You
 4. At your great Name, O Je - sus, now All
 5. Come in your ho - ly might, we pray, Re -
 6. To God the Fa - ther, God the Son, And



peo - ple's ev - er - last - ing light, O
 doom to death a u - ni - verse, You
 came; but not in splen - dor bright, Not
 knees must bend, all hearts must bow: All
 deem us for e - ter - nal day; De -
 God the Spir - it, Three in One, Praise,



Christ, Re - deem - er of us all, We
 came, O Sav - ior, to set free Your
 as a mon - arch, but the child Of
 things on earth with one ac - cord, Like
 fend us while we dwell be - low From
 hon - or, might, and glo - ry be From



pray you hear us when we call.
 own in glo - rious lib - er - ty.
 Mar - y, blame - less moth - er mild.
 those in heav'n, shall call you Lord.
 all as - saults of our dread foe.
 age to age e - ter - nal - ly.

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Communion Antiphon

Dicite: Pusillanimes – Is 35:4, 1-2

Refrain

Pre - pare the way of the Lord. Pre - pare the way of the Lord, and

all peo - ple will see the sal - va - tion of our God._____

Verses (cantor)

Ant. Say: Take courage, you who are fainthearted, and do not fear; behold, our God will come and he will save us. *R.*

Vs. The desert and the parched land will exult; the steppe will rejoice and bloom. They will bloom with abundant flowers, and rejoice with joyful song. *R.*

Dox. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. *R.*

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Prayer after Communion

Concluding Rite

Greeting & Blessing

The Lord be with you.

R. And with your spirit.

May almighty God bless you, the Father, and the Son, ✠ and
the Holy Spirit.

R. Amen.

Go in peace.

R. Thanks be to God.

Closing Hymn

People Look East



1. Peo - ple, look East. The time is near Of the
2. Fur - rows, be glad. Though earth is bare, One more
3. An - gels an - nounce with shouts of mirth Him who



crown - ing of the year. Make your house fair as you are
seed is plant - ed there. Give up your strength the seed to
brings new life to earth. Set ev - 'ry peak and val - ley



a - ble, Trim the hearth and set the ta - ble. Peo - ple, look
nour - ish, That in course the flow'r may flour - ish. Peo - ple, look
hum - ming With the word, the Lord is com - ing. Peo - ple, look



East and sing to - day— Love, the Guest, is on the way.
East and sing to - day— Love, the Rose, is on the way.
East and sing to - day— Love, the Lord, is on the way.

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